



FATHER FRANCIS XAVIER PIERZ
AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them in reply,
“What did Moses command you?”
They replied, “Moses permitted a
husband to write a bill of divorce
and dismiss her.” But Jesus told
them, “Because of the hardness
of your hearts he wrote you this
commandment. But from the
beginning of creation, God
made them male and female.”
- Mk 10:3-6

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY

NO WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULED

WEDNESDAY

NO WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULED

THURSDAY

7:00 a.m. – St. Michael’s Buckman

FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. – St. Joseph’s Pierz

SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. – St. John Nepomuk Lastrup

6:00 p.m. – Holy Cross Harding

SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. – St. Michael’s Buckman

10:00 a.m. – St. Joseph’s Pierz

**See inside cover for any changes for the upcoming week

October 6, 2024

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 3:30 p.m. St John Nepomuk Lastrup

SUNDAY: 7:30 a.m. St. Michael’s Buckman

Confession Times: *30 minutes before Pierz, Harding and Lastrup
weekday Masses, 30 minutes after Buckman Mass, and by appt.

*First Weekend of the Month: After 6 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross
Harding and after 10 a.m. Mass at St Joseph’s Pierz

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St. Joseph/St. Michael Office: 320-468-6033, stjoes@midco.net

A MESSAGE FROM DEACON CRAIG KORVER



Dear friends in Christ,

Just a couple of weeks ago I began a new adventure, one that is leading down a path I would not have chosen for myself, yet knew I was supposed to take. I'm sure many of you can relate to that feeling. Fr. Aaron asked me if I would be willing to serve in our ACC in a new position in a part-time basis, to serve our community in the role of "Music Director."

This sounds official, but it is really more of being a liaison, someone to facilitate, communicate, coordinate, and help educate. What this is on a practical level is to assist the musicians we currently have, and help recruit and encourage more people in our community to offer the gifts they have to the Lord and the celebration of the Mass as we are guided by the Church and Sacred Tradition, all for the glory of God, worship due to Him, and for our sanctification.

You may ask, why this emphasis and focus on music? The music of the Mass is intended to offer our worship to God, and direct our hearts, in spirit and truth, into the mystery being revealed and made present to us in the holy sacrifice of the Mass.


The Church solemnly teaches us, then, that the very purpose of sacred music is twofold: the glory of God and the sanctification of the faithful. This understanding would preclude the common notion that we take the Mass and simply "tack on" four songs (the opening hymn, offertory hymn, communion hymn and recessional hymn), along with the sung ordinary of the Mass (Gloria, Sanctus, etc.). We must come to see that, since sacred music is integral to the Mass, the role of sacred music is to help us sing and pray the texts of the Mass itself, not just ornament it.

My invitation to each of you is to ask the Lord where is the Lord asking you to go that you would not choose on your own, or dare to on your own?

If the Lord is calling you, or you have a desire to share your musical gifts; as an organist, pianist, or cantor/choir member, or if you want training and lessons in these areas, please reach out to me at the parish office and I will get back to you.

Dare to go where God leads, you'll never regret the journey!

Peace and Blessings, Deacon Craig Korver

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 8 – OCTOBER 13	
<p><u>Tuesday, October 8</u> 7:00 p.m. Lastrup NO MASS SCHEDULED</p> <p><u>Wednesday, October 9</u> 8:00 a.m. Harding NO MASS SCHEDULED 8a.m.-8p.m. Buckman All Day Eucharistic Adoration</p> <p><u>Thursday, October 10</u> 7:00 a.m. Buckman +Herman & Frances Stangl 10:00 a.m. Villa +Leora Poster</p> <p><u>Friday, October 11</u> – <i>HT School Mass (Mrs. Lanner's 2nd Grade Class)</i> 9:00 a.m. Pierz +Ellen Virnig 3-6:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration</p> <p><u>Saturday, October 12</u> – <i>Fireman's Mass in Lastrup</i> 4:00 p.m. Lastrup Deceased firefighters, & +Raymond & Margaret Boser 6:00 p.m. Harding For the people of the parishes</p> <p><u>Sunday, October 13</u> 8:00 a.m. Buckman +Donald Marshik 10:00 a.m. Pierz +Kenny Funk</p>	<p>NOTE: There will be no weekday Masses Tuesday & Wednesday October 8th & 9th because of the Clergy Retreat.</p> <p>Emergency Contact: If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call pastoral associate Adam at 952-913-4438.</p> <p>*Bulletin Announcement Deadline: The deadline for submissions of bulletin announcements is <u>Mondays at 3 p.m.</u> You can email stjoes@midco.net, mail PO Box 428, Pierz MN 56364, or call 320-468-6033.</p> <p><u>Pierz & Buckman Office Hours:</u> Located in Pierz. Mon, Tue, Thurs. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.</p> <p><u>Lastrup & Harding Office Hours:</u> Call 320-360-9720</p> <p><u>Weekday Masses When There is a Funeral:</u> When there is a funeral, the regular scheduled weekday Mass will still take place.</p> <p>*If you are seeking information on baptism, marriage, or RCIA preparation or would like to sign up as a new member of the parish, please call 320-468-6033 or email stjoes@midco.net</p>
 <p>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION St Joseph Pierz – Fridays 3-6 p.m. St. Michael Buckman – Wednesdays 7-8 p.m. and the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Holy Cross Harding – Blessed Sacrament Chapel always open</p>	

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK

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 Lastrup, MN 56344
 Phone: 320-360-9720
 E-mail: ltthesing@hotmail.com
 Website: www.stjohnlastrup.org



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 at 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Mark Loidolt

Servers: Zach Gall

Ushers: Donny Schommer & Roy Boser

E. Minister (Choir): Dale Beierman

CONDOLENCES: Our sincerest sympathy to the family and friends of Rosemary Wagner who was laid to eternal rest this week. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

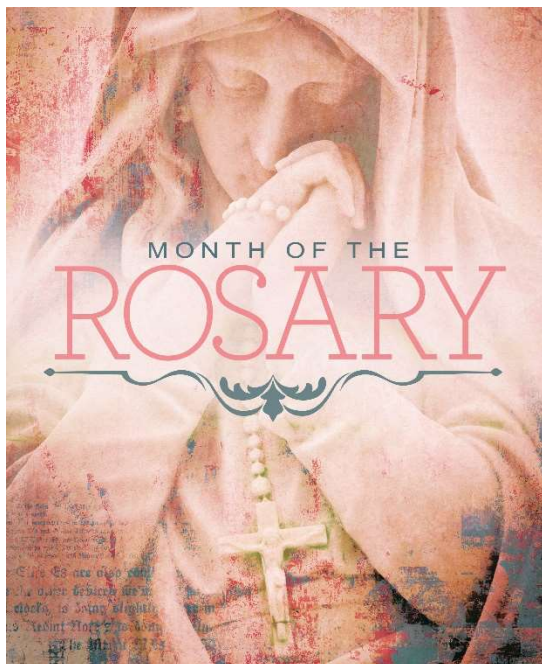
BAR BINGO NEWS: Come to the Fisch House in Lastrup to play bingo every Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. Please come and join us for a fun evening. The jackpot numbers will be posted online and at the Fisch House and also on their Facebook page. St. John's gaming #02115.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

*Saturday, September 28th: Adult env. \$993.00, Adult loose \$90.00, Children loose \$28.00. **Mass attendance:** 130

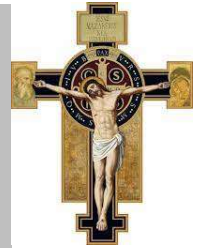
PRAYER REQUESTS FOR LASTRUP & HARDING: Deacon Wayne Lauer, Gary Matlock, Tom Dukowitz, Sara Hanneken, Paul Hoheisel, Ayden Boser, Jeremy Girtz, Mark, Becker, Olivia Waldorf, Pat (Rod) Boser, Alice Matlock, Kurt Lucking, Lois Woitalla, Rhys Boser, Doris Weiss, Mary Ann Schomer, Aaron Boser, Ione Hoskins, Gerard Virnig, Donny Schommer.

Jesus Speaking to St. Faustina: *"I desire to unite Myself with human souls; My great delight is to unite Myself with souls. Know, My daughter, that when I come to a human heart in Holy Communion, My hands are full of all kinds of graces which I want to give to the soul. But souls do not even pay attention to Me; they leave Me to Myself and busy themselves with other things. Oh, how sad I am that souls do not recognize Love! They treat Me as a dead object"* (Diary of Saint Faustina, 1385)



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

29482 243rd Street
 Pierz, MN 56364
 Phone: 320-360-9720
 E-mail: ltthesing@hotmail.com
 Website: www.Hardingchurch.org



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 at 6:00 p.m.

Lector: Tim Schubert

Servers: Elliot Carmona

Ushers: Dave Skwira & Kevin Dembouski

E. Minister (Choir): Gary Matlock

Rosary: Gloria Woitalla

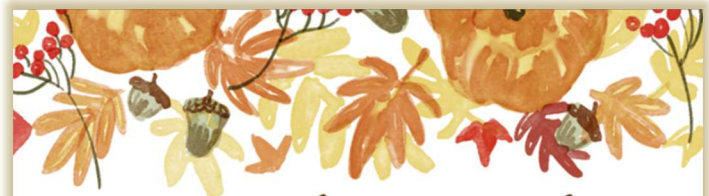
CONDOLENCES: Our sincerest sympathy to the family and friends of Ellen Tretter who was laid to eternal rest this week. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

SURVEYS: Holy Cross Parishioners will be receiving a survey in the mail in the next week or two. Please fill these out and return as soon as possible. You can either mail them back to 29482 243rd St or drop in the collection box. It is very important we get all these back to update our registration lists to find out if you want to be a member of our church. We need to update all our numbers. Please help us out. If you know of someone who did not get one and is a parishioner of ours, please let Teresa know, 320-360-9720. Thank you for your cooperation.

HOLY CROSS WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

*Saturday, September 28th: Adult env. \$1,209.00, Adult loose \$95.00, Children env. \$9.75, Children loose \$8.00.

Mass attendance: 108



Fall, Faith, & Fellowship Pilgrimage

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

Join us for a day filled with fellowship, prayer & tours of beautiful Catholic churches. We will be leaving St. Joseph's Church-Pierz at 7:30 a.m. and returning at approx. 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person, which covers the cost of lunch and the bus. You can send payment to the parish office, PO Box 428, Pierz. Checks may be written to St. Joseph's Church. **Deadline to sign up is October 10.**

First Stop	Second Stop	Lunch Stop
Seven Dolors Church Tour - Albany, MN	Sacred Heart Parish Tour - Freeport, MN	Charlie's Cafe Freeport, MN
Depart Pierz at 7:30 a.m. Arrive at 8:30 a.m.	Arrive at 10:00 a.m. Mass at 11:00 a.m.	Lunch at 11:45 a.m. Depart about 1 p.m.
Fourth Stop	Fifth Stop	Sixth Stop
Nett Family Farm Tour	Assumption Chapel (Grasshopper Chapel) Cold Spring, MN	Sts Peter & Paul Church Tour - Gilman, MN
Arrive at 1:30 p.m. Depart at 2:30 p.m.	Rosary at 3:00 p.m.	Arrive at 4:50 p.m. Confession/Adoration 6:30-7:30 p.m.

For dinner, sandwiches will be provided by St. Michael's Christian Mother's/Women
For more info and questions, call Adam at 320-468-6033 or email ahermanson@midco.net

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

9251 Hwy 25, P.O. Box 428

Pierz, MN 56364

Phone: 320-468-6033

E-mail: stjoes@midco.net

Website: www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 at 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Nathan Gruber

E. Ministers: Nicole Lochner & Janice Janson

Servers: Quinn Gruber & Ashlee Dingmann

Ushers for October: Brian Stangl, Gregg Stangl, Roger Janson



II. BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Wedding October 19th

April Legatt & Dwight Przybilla

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS/WOMEN MEETING: Wednesday October 9th at 6 p.m. at the parish center in Buckman. Groups 9 & 10 to bring bars.

BAZAAR NEWS:

***Grand Raffle Winners List** is available at the entrances of the church, in the parish office entryway, and on the parish website: www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org.

SACRISTAN HELP NEEDED: We are in need of a few volunteers to help set up for weekday and weekend Masses and baptisms. If interested, please contact Adam at 952-913-4438.

ST. MICHAEL'S CEMETERY: To purchase St. Michael's Cemetery plots or columbarium niches please contact the parish office in Pierz (320) 468-6033.

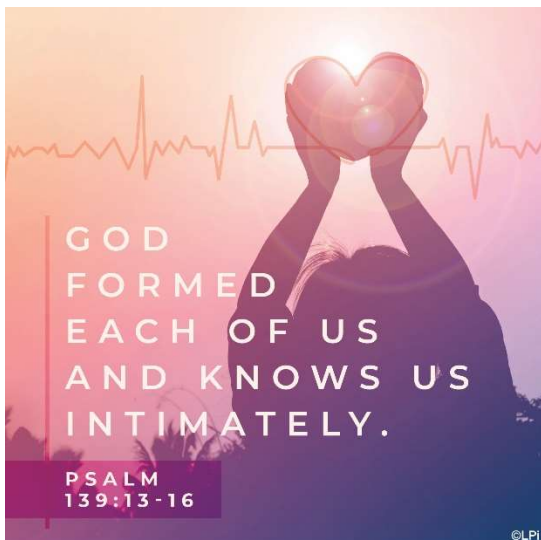
PRAYER LINE: If you are in need of prayers, please call Mary Brenny at 320-393-2781 or Mary Malinowski at 320-223-9783.

ST. MICHAEL WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP (Sept. 29)

Adult	\$ 3,932.00
High School	\$ 9.00
Elementary	\$ 11.00
Plate	\$ 203.00
	\$ 4,155.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **September 29th Sunday:** 298



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

68 Main St N, P.O. Box 428

Pierz, MN 56364

Phone: 320-468-6033

E-mail: stjoes@midco.net

Website: www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 at 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Cari Stumpf

E. Ministers: David Stumpf, Keith Marshik, Wanda Kapsner

Servers: Elizabeth Stumpf & Anna Stumpf

Sacristan: Pat Hartmann

Ushers for October: Jon Stumpf (Lead), Robbie Becker, Gerard Kimman & Jason Sadlovsky



II. BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Wedding October 19th

Katie LeBlanc & Brandon Tomala

REMINDER: St. Joseph's Christian Mothers/Women would be honored to pray a rosary at the wake of any parishioner or their family member. Contact Adam Hermanson at 320-468-6033 to request when making arrangements.

PRAYER LINE: If you have a prayer line request, please either call Karen Gross at 320-468-6818 or email Rachel Young at rjyoung0521@gmail.com.

ST. JOSEPH WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP (Sep. 29)

Adult	\$ 8,289.00
High School	\$ 27.50
Elementary	\$ 14.10
Plate	\$ 261.00
	\$ 8,591.60

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **September 29th Sunday:** 296

HELP save LIVES!

JOIN US FOR PRAYER + FASTING + PEACEFUL WITNESS

SEPTEMBER 25 - NOVEMBER 3

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

MONDAY - FRIDAY 7 AM - 7 PM

at
Planned Parenthood
451 East St Germain St
St. Cloud

You can protect mothers & children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray & fast for an end to abortion!

LEARN MORE + GET INVOLVED + SIGN UP FOR PRAYER

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/st.cloud>

or scan  & register

Saturday, Sep 28
11 AM
St. Augustine Cafeteria

CANYON ADDANTE
Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life

OPENING RALLY - SATURDAY SEP 28

10 AM - Noon (at vigil site then)
St. Augustine
422 2nd Street SE St. Cloud

CLOSING RALLY - SATURDAY NOV 2

10 AM - Noon (at vigil site then)
St. Augustine
422 2nd Street SE St. Cloud

Contact: *Judy* judy4life@metel.net or *Jan* hoelscherhorj@charter.net
320-453-7592 or 320-253-1779

GENERAL NEWS

NOTE: There will be no weekday Masses on Tuesday, October 8th & Wednesday, October 9th because of the Clergy Retreat.

HOLY LAND ITEMS SALE: Representatives from Bethlehem Christian Families will be at all 4 of the ACC parishes October 5 & 6 to ask for your help and blessing for the native people of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. All the proceeds from sales will be sent back to the families of the Holy Land so that they may be able to keep their homes and provide for their families. Please browse their items and have something from the Holy Land.

ROSARY COAST TO COAST: Please join in praying for our nation on Sunday, October 6, at 3:00 pm at St Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. The Rosary will be prayed *simultaneously* with Rosary Rallies across the United States being led by the National Rosary Rally at the nation's capital. The Divine Mercy Chaplet for our nation will follow, as well as time for silent prayer. This is a great time to come together to pray with our brothers and sisters across our country asking for God's mercy.

ALL DAY ADORATION: From 8 a.m.-8 p.m. on Wednesday, October 9th at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. Call Patty at 320-468-2487 with questions or to sign up.

SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY/CHAPLET: **Sunday, October 13th.** Please join the Christian Mothers/Women group the 2nd Sunday of each month after Mass, to pray the Seven Sorrows Rosary/ Chaplet. We will meet in the St. Michael's-Buckman cemetery at the crucifix. If weather does not permit, meet in the church. Everyone is welcome. We pray this Rosary to learn to suffer with love, as Mary, the Mother of Jesus, did.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY: If you know of any shut-ins who would like to be added to our homebound ministry list, please reach out to Adam at 320-468-6033 or ahermanson@midco.net.

CLASS OF 1966 GATHERING: October 8th at Red Rooster Bar starting at 11a.m. You may order lunch from their menu.

First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method:

Little Falls November 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the NFP Office in the Unity Specialty Center of St. Gabriel's Hospital. For more info or to register, contact Mary Bontjes at bontjesmary@yahoo.com Little Falls NFP Office at (320) 631-5660. The class is approx. 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up! For additional teaching sites <https://stcdio.org/natural-family-planning/> or contact Sheila Reineke at sheila.reineke@gw.stcdio.org | (320) 258-7609.

FAITH TALKS WITH "UNCLE FRED"

"The Truth, Goodness, and Beauty of the Catholic Faith."

Sundays Sept. 22 to Nov. 10 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

- *Oct. 6: The Sacrament of Penance: Encountering Christ's Infinite Mercy (**Harding**)
- *Oct. 13: The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: The Sacrament of God's Unfathomable Love (**Pierz**)
- *Oct. 20: Behold Your Mother: The Person of Mary in Catholic Doctrine (**Buckman**)
- *Oct. 27: St. Joseph: Guardian of the Redeemer and Model of Fatherhood (**Lastrup**)
- *Nov. 3: Catholic Teaching on the Holy Angels (**Harding**)
- *Nov. 10: Catholic Teaching on Satan and the Fallen Angels (**Pierz**)



MAGNIFICAT SUBSCRIPTION: We have had inquiries into ordering the yearly subscription to the Magnificat magazine through our ACC parishes again this year. The Magnificat Magazine features the complete readings for each Sunday, weekday & feast day masses, along with daily reflections. It is a wonderful way to begin deepening your faith and your engagement with the mass. The parish can order this book in bulk at a yearly subscription rate of \$35.00 per person (once per month for one year). If there is enough interest, we can order it at this rate. However, we need 50 or more people to subscribe and save with this special discount rate! If we have 49 or fewer subscribers, the cost will \$39.00. The parish would need payment in advance & the book would need to be picked up at the parish office each month. We need to know by November 1st. Subscription would begin early 2025. Please scan the QR code for link to the online sign-up sheet or contact Barb Zajac at 320-310-3265 for further info, questions, or help signing up.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;" Listen with your spouse for God's message of love by exploring Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend. The next weekends are: Oct 12-13, 2024 in ALEXANDRIA, MN and Apr 5-6, 2025 in BRAINERD, MN. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: northmnwwme.org or contact us at applications@northmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.

2024 ROSARY RALLY
PLEASE JOIN US!

Praying the Rosary for America. As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems, we turn to God, through His Holy Mother, asking His urgent help.

Saturday, Oct. 12th
at 12 p.m. (noon)

St. Michael's Church
9251 Hwy 25
Pierz, MN 56364

Announcing the 107th Anniversary of Fatima. We are gathering to pray for many concerns, including our own intentions, for the upcoming election, national leaders, and local families that may be struggling with illnesses or financial difficulties.

Everyone is welcome to come and pray together (all ages)

As St. Louis de Montfort says public prayer is very powerful!

Any questions, call Deb Hall at 320-248-2442

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH - BUCKMAN

9251 Hwy 25 | Pierz, MN 56364 | (320) 468-6033

Father Pierz School of Religion



320-468-2640

***Wed. Oct. 9** – JH/SH
Raking Leaves 5:30pm-
7:30pm (Adoration 5pm
Pierz Church)

***Sat. Oct. 12** – JH/SH
Molitors 5:45pm-10:00pm

***Wed. Oct. 16** – No Youth
Group Football Game

***Thur. Oct. 17** – Bus Tour
of Churches & Shrines
7:30am from Pierz Church

***Oct. 18-20** – TEC Retreat
in LF



80 Edward Street South, Pierz MN 56364, 320-468-6446

***QUILTERS NEEDED-** We are looking for quilters willing to piece together and stitch class quilts. Please contact the office for more information.

***HTCS HIRING- CUSTODIAN -** PT or FT, up to 40 hours/week, year round. Please contact the office for additional information: office@holytrinitypierz.org or (320) 468-6446

***COFFEE-** Regular \$13, in French, Dark, or Medium Roast. Decaf \$14.

***HTCS BOARD OF DIRECTORS-** Holy Trinity is looking for 1 new member for our Board of Directors; this will be a member at large (from any of the four parishes). The three-year term started in August 2024. Expertise in the area of finance preferred. Belief in the mission of Holy Trinity and Catholic education is a must. The volunteer position requires monthly meetings as well as committee assignments/meetings.

***HTCS CAFETERIA-** If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity, please contact the school about volunteering in the cafeteria (St. Joseph Church basement) during our lunch time! Please contact the office for more information. We can use volunteers every day of the week!

Raffle Calendar Winners:

9/1 \$75 Joanie Watercott
9/2 \$35 Clint & Jan Kimman
9/3 \$35 Karl & Sarah Jansen
9/4 \$35 Chris & Rachel Young
9/5 \$35 Chad Leikvoll
9/6 \$35 Estella Virnig
9/7 \$35 Nathan Millner & Tom Millner
9/8 \$75 Maggie Wehseler
9/9 \$35 Jeff Johnson
9/10 \$35 Matt Wenner

9/11 \$35 Scott & Sarah Boser
9/12 \$35 Kelsi Kippley
9/13 \$35 Kyle Bednar
9/14 \$35 Todd Meyer
9/15 \$75 Kelsy & Carter Poster
9/16 \$35 Donna Boeder
9/17 \$35 Darren Stangl
9/18 \$35 Roger Janson
9/19 \$35 Syl Larson
9/20 \$35 Jennifer Funk

9/21 \$35 Virginia Grittner
9/22 \$75 Marcella Kloss
9/23 \$35 Kayla Gruber
9/24 \$35 Cindy Vetsch
9/25 \$35 Beth Ranum
9/26 \$35 Scott Janson
9/27 \$35 Kathy & Gary Hebler
9/28 \$35 Joyce Maus
9/29 \$75 Logan & Shelby Janson
9/30 \$35 Amy Gadacz

LOOK
WHAT'S NEW
IN THE ACC!

Bottom: Students helped serve the dinner meal at the annual Crosier appreciation meal.
Right: Homeless ministry in St. Cloud at the Lincoln Center.



Recently Baptized

Lenora June
daughter of Hank & Hannah Virnig

