

FATHER FRANCIS XAVIER PIERZ

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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God."

- Mk 12:32, 34ab

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m. – St. John Nepomuk Lastrup

WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. – Holy Cross Harding

7:00 p.m. – KC Memorial Mass in Lastrup

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

November 3, 2024 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

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

<u>Confession Times:</u> *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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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR, FATHER AARON NETT

Dear Friends,

Greetings to you from Rome, Italy! I am currently staying at the North American College Seminary, which is property of the United States but nearby to Vatican City where St. Peter's Basilica is located. I am very grateful to make a trip return visit for the first time in eight years to the place that I spent four years in seminary. It was a good flight and has been a wonderful trip so far!

I am currently traveling with Father Spencer Howe and Father Will Slattery who are both friends from my seminary days. We have been able to have Mass at different churches in the city, including St. Peter's and St. Maria Majore, at the altar where relics of the manger crib of Bethlehem reside.



I have enjoyed reconnecting with friends and making visits. I was able to visit with my former spiritual director, Father Brendan Hurley who has been at the college for sixteen years now. Also, one of the St. Cloud seminarians is studying here, Neal Anderson, from Albany. Neal and I even got out on the basketball court at the college and played a pickup game with some other seminarians for a while yesterday afternoon. I thought I was going to need an anointing after that but I think I'll be okay...

One of the amazing blessings of being in Rome (referred to as the "Eternal City") is visiting the tombs of the Saints and learning about their impact upon history. I have prayed at the tombs of St. John Paul II, St. John XXIII, St. Simon and Jude, St. Monica, St. Philip Neri, St. Euchstachio, and St. Catherine of Siena as well as others. I have kept you all in prayer at these shrines and have offered Mass for you and your intentions at the altar of the relics of the manger of Bethlehem this morning. Tomorrow we will depart for southern Italy to visit the tomb of St. Padre Pio, and then Naples and Sicily.

I thank you all for your prayers and support! I am very grateful to God for you. I am sending along a few pictures to share and I hope to share more of my trip with you when I return. May God bless you. "Arrivederci!"

In Christ, Father Aaron

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 5 - NOVEMBER 10

Tuesday, November 5

8a.m-8p.m. Buckman All Day Eucharistic Adoration (Election Day)

7:00 p.m. Lastrup The recipients of prayer blankets

Wednesday, November 6

8:00 a.m. Harding Holy Name Society

7:00 p.m. Lastrup +Deceased K of C members (KC Memorial Mass)

Thursday, November 7

7:00 a.m. Buckman +Frances Stangl 10:00 a.m. Villa +John & Karen Hellie

Friday, November 8 – HT School Mass: Mrs. Radunz's 1st Grade Class

9:00 a.m. Pierz +John Pohlkamp 3-6:00 p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, November 9

4:00 p.m. Lastrup Deceased members of Leon Weiss family

6:00 p.m. Harding +Lois Roscoe

Sunday, November 10

8:00 a.m. Buckman +Alvin & Rose Janorschke 10:00 a.m. Pierz For the people of the parishes



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Joseph Pierz – Fridays 3-6 p.m.

St. Michael Buckman – Wednesdays 7-8 p.m. and the 2^{nd} Wednesday of each month from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Holy Cross Harding - Blessed Sacrament Chapel always open

Emergency Contact: If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call pastoral associate Adam at 952-913-4438.

*Bulletin Announcement Deadline: The deadline for submissions of bulletin announcements is Mondays at 3 p.m.
You can email stjoes@midco.net, mail PO Box 428, Pierz MN 56364, or call 320-468-6033.

Pierz & Buckman Office Hours:

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. Lastrup & Harding Office Hours:
Call 320-360-9720

Weekday Masses When There is a

<u>Funeral:</u> When there is a funeral, the regular scheduled weekday Mass will still take place.

*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

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9 at 4:00 p.m.

<u>Lector:</u> Louise Welle <u>Servers:</u> Ellie Thomsen

<u>Ushers:</u> Jonathan Welle & Cory Loidolt <u>E. Minister (Choir):</u> Barb Specker

GAMBLING COMMITTEE MEETING: Tuesday, November

12th after the 7 p.m. Mass.

POSITION OPEN: St. John's Lastrup has an opening for a church and parish center cleaner. For more info, please contact Colin Boser at 320-630-3285 or Julie Laney at 320-223-3424.

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, October 26th: Adult env. \$910.00, Adult loose \$85.00, Children env. \$0, Children loose \$27.00.

Mass attendance: 124

COME AND SEEDEACON RALPH POYO



Ocn. Ralph Poyo is the founder of New Evangelization Ministries, an apostolate committed to assisting dioceses, churches and individuals with services, resources and training in effective evangelization. Prior to launching NEM, Ocn. Ralph served in three different parishes as a Youth Minister and Director of Feith Formation for twenty-three years. He is passionate about sharing the truth of the Gospel in a way that captivates audiences of all ages. He is married to his high school sweetheart, Susan, and they have five grown daughters and five grandchildren.

JOIN US FOR A PARISH MISSION

December 8 - 11, 2024

St. John Nepomuk – Lastrup Holy Cross – Harding St. Michael – Buckman St. Joseph – Pierz

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

Lastrup 6:00 pm holy hour & confession 7:00 pm talk

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

Harding 5:00 pm adoration & confession 6:00 pm Mass 7:00 pm talk

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

Buckman 5:00 pm adoration & confession 6:00 pm Mass 7:00 pm talk

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

Pierz 6:00 pm adoration & confession 7:00 nm talk



HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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Website: www.Hardingchurch.org



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9 at 6:00 p.m.

Lector: Sheila Rudolph Servers: Elliott Carmona

<u>Ushers:</u> Willie Rudolph & Gary Matlock <u>E. Minister (Choir):</u> Doug Knopik

Rosary: Gloria Woitalla

SURVEYS: I am asking one last time, please everyone turn these in. We are just updating our records with new address and phones and trying to get a more accurate account of our parishioners. Thank you to all of you who have replied to let us know if you are still parishioners here and also giving us cell phone numbers and emails. We will try to update our cleaning lists etc., unfortunately we did not get enough responses back to help with this very much! Questions or concerns, please call me. This could save us money to get an updated true list. Thank You!!

ROSARY SODALITY: The Holy Cross Rosary Sodality will be having a meeting on Wednesday, November 6th at 7 p.m. in the church basement. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

<u>CHURCH CLEANERS:</u> Pennie Loidolt, Amanda Pulak, Cindy Pulak, Janelle Thesing, Mindy Rudolph, Brooke Rudolph, Stacy Foust, Ashley Foust.

LOOKING AHEAD: Mass on Saturday, December 7 will be moved back to 6:30 p.m. due to the horse parade, so you can join us for Mass after the parade.

HOLY CROSS WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

*Saturday, October 26th: Adult env. \$879.00, Adult loose \$130.00, Children env. \$3.25, Children loose \$13.00.

Mass attendance: 113

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, Rhys Boser, Doris Weiss, Mary Ann Schomer, Aaron Boser, Ione Hoskins, Gerard Virnig, Donny Schommer.



ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10 at 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Jane Funk

E. Ministers: Nicole Lochner & Janice Janson Servers: Cole Solinger & Ashlee Dingmann

<u>Ushers for November:</u> Mick Gruber, Frank Hoheisel & Steve

Kahl

New Lives in Christ



Blair Theresa, daughter of Scott & Stephanie Gall, was baptized on Sunday, October 27th. Emily Sue, daughter of Kevin & Maria Hochstatter, was baptized on Sunday, October 27th. Conner Reed, son of Matthew & Jennifer Janson, was baptized on Sunday, October 27th. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

CHOIR NEWS: Choir practice on Thursday, Nov. 7th at 9 a.m.

CALENDARS: The 2025 calendars are at the church entrances.

<u>DISH TOWELS:</u> Dish Towels are stamped and ready for pick up/sign-out in the break of pews on the south side of church. Anyone who enjoys embroidering is welcome to pick up a set to work on for next year's Bazaar for St. Michael's.

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 (Oct. 27)

Adult	\$ 4	,326.00
High School	\$	4.00
Elementary	\$	23.00
Plate	\$	241.00
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Thank you for your generosity! Mass attendance October 27th Sunday: 433

Deer Hunter's Prayer

Grant me and all hunters wisdom, protection and respect in the pursuit and keep me humble in the harvest. Please bless this gift of meat for my family and friends. Please keep this memory with me forever and help me to be grateful for all the gifts you give.

Amen



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10 at 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Karen Gross

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

<u>Servers:</u> Kessler children Sacristan: Pat Hartmann

<u>Ushers for November:</u> Jim Gerwing (Lead), Caleb Koch, Mike

Stangl & Steve Maus

New Lives in Christ



Quinn Amanda & Lola Joss, daughters of Garth & Amanda McFadden, were baptized on Saturday, October 26th. Corbin Ryan, son of Ryan & Kelsey Diers, was baptized on Saturday, October 26th. Congratulations and welcome to our community of faith!

<u>TABLES:</u> Whomever has the 3 tables from the church basement, please return them. Thank you!

ST. JOSEPH'S CHRISTIAN MOTHER'S/WOMEN: We are looking for someone to step up into the President, Vice President (or co-President), and Secretary role for our Christian M/W group. Please prayerfully consider taking an officer position. If you want more information about what it entails or are willing to take one of the positions, please contact Nita Hayes at 320-630-0388 or Rachel Young at 320-630-3630.

<u>ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS' DAY CANDLES:</u> Candles in memory of those who have passed away in the last year will be on display on the Sacred Heart altar for All Saints & All Souls' Day. The deceased will be remembered by name at the Sunday, November 3rd Mass. Please do not take the candles until after Sunday's service.

ST JOSEPHS QUILT CIRCLE: As we are getting ready to start our quilting season, we have kits prepared in the parish office basement ready to be checked out. We have not set a date to start the tying and stitching but hope to soon. Again, this year we will be looking at Monday afternoons at 1 and Thursday mornings at 9.

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 (Oct. 27)

Adult	\$ 5	,255.10
High School	\$	25.75
Elementary	\$	13.25
Plate	\$	244.00
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Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance October 27th Sunday: 313

GENERAL NEWS

ALL DAY ADORATION ON ELECTION DAY: There will be all day adoration on November 5th at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. Call Patty at 320-468-2487 questions or to sign up.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS: This year's Mass will be at St. John Nepomuk Church in Lastrup on Wednesday, November 6 at 7 p.m. We will be honoring the following Knights who gone to their eternal rest this past year: Ken Dahmen, Joe Woitalla, Larry Schmidtbauer, Arvin Litke, Ernie Marshik & John Pohlkamp. Everyone is welcome!

Box of Joy returns! Tis the season to welcome back this wonderful giving ministry- sending Christmas gifts to children in poverty around the world. A great charity project for the whole family! Please join us by picking up boxes to fill at the entry ways of church or the St. Joseph's parish office. Drop off times: Wed. Nov 6th, 5:30-7:00pm, Fri. Nov 8th, 9am-1pm, Sat Nov 9th, 1-5pm, Sun Nov 10th 7:30-9:30am. Any questions please call Sara @ 320-493-7062.

SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY/CHAPLET: Sunday,

November 10th. 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.



Parish Center in Buckman. \$12 for adults and \$6 for children ages 5-12. Catholic United Financial matching grant fundraiser.

40 HOUR DEVOTION: Starts at 4 p.m. Friday, December 6, 2024 and ends with 8 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 8 at St. Michael's Church in Buckman. We will have adoration for 40 hours. Please sign up for an hour. You may come as much as you want. Please use the east parish center entrance.

Pierz Community Education will offer the 55+ Driver Discount 4-hour course for 10% off your insurance. The 8-hour class has been eliminated and everyone now takes just the 4hour class every 3 years. Call Sarah Funk, 320-468-6458 ext. 7 to pre-register. The fee is \$24 per person. The next class will be Wednesday, November 13 from 5:30-9:30pm in Pierz.

ROSARY AT HARMONY HOUSE: Everyone is welcome to join us pray the rosary every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at Harmony House in Pierz (weather permitting). Sponsored by St. Michael's Christian Mothers/Women. Questions, 320-468-2487.

HUNTERS MASS: The Haven of Mercy ACC will be offering a Hunters Mass on Sunday November 10, 2024 at 8 p.m. at Holy Family Parish 18777 Riverwood Dr., Little Falls, MN.

First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method:

Little Falls Tuesday, November 5 & December 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the NFP Office in the Unity Specialty Center of St. Gabriel's Hospital. For more info, contact Mary Bontjes at bontjesmary@yahoo.com Little Falls NFP Office at (320) 631-

5660. For additional teaching sites

https://stcdio.org/natural-family-planning/ or contact Sheila Reineke at sheila.reineke@gw.stcdio.org | (320) 258-7609.

WINTER CLOTHING DONATIONS: So many of those living in the North Caroline area were hit with devastating damage from Hurricane Helene. Winter clothing of all sizes including coats, boots, mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, hand warmers, etc. are greatly needed. Some of these folks will not have shelter over the next few months and may have to brave the elements outdoors. No donation is too small. Thank you for anything you can do to help. You may ship your donations to: Mt Sheba Thrift Store, 20 Flat Creek School Rd, Weaverville NC 28787.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Hi! My name is Amy, and I am writing this on behalf of Horizon Health Homecare and Hospice. We are looking for some Hospice volunteers that would love to come and sit with our Hospice clients. We like to help them out as much as we can and give them the last best months of their lives with us and with you. We can volunteer to take them on walks, read, eat and simply just to be with them. If you are interested, please call Amy at (320) 468-2788 ext.314. Thank you all so much for reading this, and please consider donating your time.

Plenary Indulgences for All Souls Week and the Month of November

Visiting a Cemetery: Visiting a Cemetery: An indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. Typically the indulgence is plenary each day from November 1-8; on other days of the year, it is only a partial indulgence.

Visiting a Church on November 2: A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who on the day dedicated to the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed [November 2 (as well as on the Sunday preceding or following, and on All Saints' Day}] piously visit a church. In visiting the church, it is required that one Our Father and the Creed be recited.

Indulgence Requirements: To acquire a plenary indulgence it is necessary also to fulfill the following three conditions: sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intention of the Holy Father while being detached from sin. It is appropriate that the sacramental Confession and especially Holy Communion and the prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the same day that the indulgenced work is performed; but it is sufficient that these sacred rites and prayers be carried out within several days (about 20) before or after the indulgenced act. One sacramental Confession suffices for several plenary indulgences, but a separate Holy Communion and a separate prayer for the Holy Father's intentions are required for each plenary indulgence. The condition of praying for the intention of the Holy Father is fully satisfied by reciting one Our Father and one Hail Mary. A plenary

FAITH TALKS WITH "UNCLE FRED"

indulgence can be acquired only once in the course of the day.

"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. *Nov. 3: Catholic Teaching on the Holy Angels (Harding) *Nov. 10: Catholic Teaching on Satan and the Fallen Angels (Pierz)



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*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.

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

*2025 RAFFLE CALENDAR- The 2025 Raffle Calendar will go on sale starting 11/11/2024. You may also purchase from an HTCS family. This year's calendar is a 5" x 7" refrigerator magnet. There will still be a winner each day.

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10/2 \$35 Sue Gall

10/3 \$35 Sondra Rothstein

10/4 \$35 Judy Hinkley

10/5 \$35 Ryan & Stef Kirschbaum

10/6 \$75 Lucas Holtz

10/7 \$35 Trudee Preimesberger

10/8 \$35 Dennis & Judy Havel

10/9 \$35 Christopher Plafan

10/10 \$35 Kent & Stacy Happke

October Raffle Calendar Winners

10/11 \$35 Dcn Leo & Maggie Wehseler

10/12 \$35 Maureen Howell

10/13 \$75 Penny Jacobson

10/14 \$35 Brian Woitalla

10/15 \$35 Amie & Shawn Olesch

10/16 \$35 Kathy Wohl

10/17 \$35 Chuck & Jean Loehr

10/18 \$35 Kelsi Kippley

10/19 \$35 Marilyn Welcome

10/20 \$75 Betty Fyten

10/21 \$35 Dennis Hoffman

10/22 \$35 Dave Mitchell

10/23 \$35 Brian Klein

10/24 \$35 George Chalich

10/25 \$35 Linda Welle & Scarlett Welle

10/26 \$35 Clint Poster

10/27 \$75 Wally Brown

10/28 \$35 Robyn Eischens

10/29 \$35 Mark & Janaye Eno

10/30 \$35 Ginger Lardy

10/31 \$35 Wally Brown

Father Pierz School of Religion



320-468-2640
*Wed, Nov. 6 – SH
Bowling (LF bowling
alley) 5:30-7:30pm
*Wed, Nov. 13 – JH
Bowling (LF bowling
alley) 5:30pm-7:30pm







Photos from Father Aaron's trip to Italy





