



FATHER FRANCIS XAVIER PIERZ
AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight.” - Lk 10:30b-31, 33

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m. – St. John Nepomuk Lastrup

WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. – Holy Cross Harding

THURSDAY

7:00 a.m. – St. Michael's Buckman

FRIDAY - (Summer Friday Mass time)

7:00 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

July 13, 2025

15TH 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 Harding & Lastrup weekday Masses, 30 minutes after Pierz & Buckman weekday Masses, and by appointment

*First Weekend of the Month: After 6 p.m. Mass at Holy Cross

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July 13, 2025
 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Luke 10:25-37

I used to be a bad neighbor. I'd get wrapped up in my life and ignore those around me. Then I found sage advice from Benjamin Franklin to this effect: to be a better neighbor, ask someone to do a favor for you. It's counterintuitive, isn't it? Tell strangers that I need their help? Yuck. I'll risk looking needy. Worse, I'll be indebted to them. But I tried it, and it works like a charm. Recently I asked my neighbor Alan for a hacksaw, and Inga for an egg. They kindly obliged, and our friendship is growing.

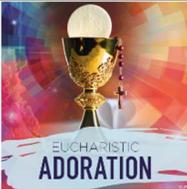
This week we hear a scribe of the law cynically ask Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29). Like him, we prefer to keep the list of our "neighbors" as short as possible. It requires less interruption and inconvenience. But when Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan, he exposes the lonely, cold-heartedness tendency of the scribe's (and our) heart. My "neighbor" is anyone I encounter who manifests a concrete need. There isn't time to require any other credential because human need opens us to the happy reciprocity which is love.

Jesus' words challenge us this week to ask a neighbor for help in some small way. How marvelous that God himself shows us how. He moves into our world and asks us to love Him with small deeds of love. Maybe that's where Ben Franklin got the idea.

— Father John Muir

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 15 – JULY 20	
<p>Tuesday, July 15 7:00 p.m. Lastrup Special intention of GC and +Marvin Gall</p> <p>Wednesday, July 16 8:00 a.m. Harding +Adeline Seitz 7-8p.m. Buckman Eucharistic Adoration</p> <p>Thursday, July 17 7:00 a.m. Buckman +Esther Britz and +Rose Janorschke 10:00 a.m. Villa +Arlene Stangl</p> <p>Friday, July 18 7:00 a.m. Pierz +Rollie Hartmann and +Ray Loidolt 10a.m.-6p.m. Pierz Eucharistic Adoration</p> <p>Saturday, July 19 4:00 p.m. Lastrup +Virgil, Evelyn, Jeff, Bruce and Vickie Ortman 6:00 p.m. Harding For the people of the parishes</p> <p>Sunday, July 20 8:00 a.m. Buckman +Ervin Marshik 10:00 a.m. Pierz +Brant Thyen</p>	<p>NOTE: *Friday Summer Mass in Pierz is at 7 a.m. until school starts. Confessions will be for 30 minutes after Mass.</p> <p>Incense Schedule: Incense will be used at the following Masses: The 1st weekend of the month at 4 p.m. in Lastrup and 8 a.m. in Buckman and the 2nd weekend of the month at 6 p.m. in Harding and 10 a.m. in Pierz, at Adoration, 40 hour Devotion, Solemnities and Feast days.</p> <p>Emergency Contact: If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call the parish office at 320-468-6033 and press 1.</p> <p>Pierz & Buckman Office Hours: Located in Pierz, Mon, Tue, Thurs. 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lastrup & Harding Office Hours: Call 320-360-9720</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 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. St. Michael Buckman – Wednesdays 7-8 p.m. and the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Holy Cross Harding – Adoration chapel always open</p>	
<p>"When you are before the altar where Christ reposes, you ought no longer to think that you are amongst men; but believe that there are troops of angels and archangels standing by you, and trembling with respect before the sovereign Master of Heaven and earth. Therefore, when you are in church, be there in silence, fear, and veneration." ~St. John Chrysostom</p>	

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK

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SATURDAY, JULY 19 at 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Louise Welle

Servers: Zach Gall

Ushers: Allen Welle & Cory Loidolt

E. Minister (Choir): Carol Welle

Rosary: Faye Diederich

Sacristan: Mark Loidolt

Weekday Mass Lector for July: Mark Loidolt

BAR BINGO NEWS: Come to the Fisch House in Lastrup to play bingo every Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. This week's bingo numbers are 50 numbers for \$1,000 and 48 numbers for \$400. 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, July 5th:** Adult env. \$930.00, Adult loose \$151.00, Children env. \$6.00, Children loose \$0.00.

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **July 5th Saturday:** 116

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR LASTRUP & HARDING:

Jaiden Oldakowski, Colleen Hayes, Tom Dukowitz, Sara Hanneken, Paul Hoheisel, Ayden Boser, Olivia Waldorf, Pat (Rod) Boser, Alice Matlock, Rhys Boser, Doris Weiss, Mary Ann Schomer, Ione Hoskins, Gerard Virnig, Donny Schommer.

ACC Faith Study Groups

*Bible Study: Thursdays at 9 a.m. is fellowship, begin at 9:30 a.m. Call Joy at 320-630-9130.

*The Tuesday Adult Faith study group meets on Tuesdays at 3:00, not during the summer, in the parish office. We use videos, a study guide and discussion. Call Hilde Flicker with questions 320-468-2649.

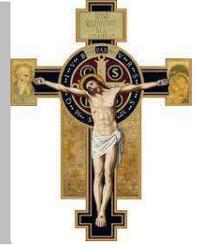
*Man Accountability: Men of all parishes, give us the honors of joining us on Saturdays from 6:45-8AM at the Pierz parish office for Gospel prayer, Acts 2:42, and accountability. Iron sharpens iron! Questions/reminders please text/call Mark Loidolt, 701-388-2323.

*Women's Group meets on Saturday mornings from 8:15-9:30 a.m. We'll meet in St. Joseph's church at 8:15 to pray a rosary followed by discussion in the parish office until 9:30. All women are welcome! Call or text Cari Stumpf with any questions, 320-761-6336.

*The Sunday Night Adult Education Group meets on Sunday night at 7PM in the Pierz parish office meeting room. We watch a short video on a variety of Catholic topics followed by a discussion. For more information, call Al Pekarek 468-0220.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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Pierz, MN 56364
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Website: www.Hardingchurch.org



SATURDAY, JULY 19 at 6:00 p.m.

Lector: Janet Hanneken

Servers: Maverick Weitalla

Ushers: LeRoy Weitalla & Allen Weitalla

E. Minister (Choir): Doug Knopik

Rosary: Ted Boser

CLARENCE BLOCK TURNS 100! Please join us on Tuesday, July 15 from 11:30-2:30 at Frosty's Bar in Pierz to help him celebrate.

CHURCH CLEANER NEEDED: Looking for a person(s) to do light duty cleaning for Holy Cross Church of Harding on a weekly basis. Estimated time is approximately 4 hours a week. Will be paid \$18 per hour. If you are interested, please contact Doug at (612) 309-6091.

BAZAAR TICKETS: The bazaar ticket envelopes are in the main entry of the church and are ready to be picked up. If you are able to deliver any to your neighbors and friends, please remember that the Post Office would appreciate it if you do not place them in mailboxes. Thanks!

HOLY CROSS WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP:

***Sunday, July 6th:** Adult env. \$1,954.00, Adult loose \$222.00, Children env. \$6.75, Children loose \$8.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **July 6th Sunday:** 196

This Week on Formed

Week of July 13, 2025



St. Kateri Tekakwitha | God's Princesses

Follow along with Sister Imelda as she tells of the inspiring journey of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, a young Mohawk girl who comes to know the Gospel with the help of pioneering priests. Choosing to follow Jesus, Kateri is faced with great challenges as she does her best to bring God's love to her own people! A fun and inspiring example of not giving up!



St. Bonaventure | Catholic Saints

A Franciscan cardinal-bishop and contemporary of St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Bonaventure is an excellent example of saintly humility. Known as the "Seraphic Doctor," St. Bonaventure loved God above all else. Join Dr. Chris Mooney and Mary McGeenan as they explore the life of this great saint.

- 1 Go to signup.formed.org.
- 2 Enter 56364 & select Father Francis Xavier Pierz
- 3 Enter your name and email.
- 4 Download the Formed app by searching "Formed Catholic" in the App Store.

Having trouble logging into or getting Formed?

There's help available! Please reach out to Jessica Meyer via text or call at 320.420.3900 for technical assistance or to schedule a time to meet.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JULY 20 at 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Nathan Gruber

E. Ministers: Randi Kranz & Cindy Scholl

Servers: Quinn Gruber & Logan Janson

Ushers for July: Brian Stangl, Gregg Stangl & Roger Janson



II. BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Wedding July 26th

Candace Stangl & Thomas Warren

THANK YOU: Thank you to funeral group 10 for your help for Peggy Hoheisel's funeral. Wonderful job, greatly appreciated!

PARISH COUNCIL OPENINGS: There are 3 openings on the parish council. If anyone is interested, please call Brian Stangl at 320-412-0239 or Roger Janson at 320-630-6191.

PARISH BAZAAR NEWS:

***Grand Raffle Donations:** If you would like to contribute to the grand raffle and have your name or business recognized on the raffle tickets, please send your donation to the parish office at P.O. Box 428, Pierz, MN 56364 or call 320-468-6033. Donations received by July 20th will be included on the raffle ticket. *We appreciate your support!*

LECTORS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED: If interested in becoming a Lector to do the readings on Sundays, or being a Eucharistic Minister, please call the parish office at 320-468-6033. We need some young people as well. Thank you!

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 (July 6th)

Regular Sunday	\$ 4,366.00
High School	\$ 21.00
Grade School	\$ 14.00
Plate	\$ 185.00
	\$ 4,586.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **July 6th Sunday:** 265

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

68 Main St N, P.O. Box 428

Pierz, MN 56364

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E-mail: stjoes@midco.net

Website: www.stjosephs-stmichaels.org



***Weekday Lector: Fri., July 18th at 7 a.m.:** Jan Dahmen

SUNDAY, JULY 20 at 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Keith Marshik

E. Ministers: Rachel & Chris Young & Matt Kessler

Servers: Brady Pohlkamp & Shayne Pohlkamp

Sacristan: Mary Kimman

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



Congratulations to Peter & Emily
(Sadlovsky) Schommer
who were married this weekend!

PARISH FESTIVAL:

***Grand Raffle Tickets:** Note, there is a misprint on the letter, the tickets are \$5.00 each. You may drop off your tickets at the parish office or drop-off box in entry way of the office by **August 1st. We need all tickets, sold and unsold, returned.** You may also bring them to the bazaar. If anyone is in need of ticket books, give the parish office a call (320) 468 6033. Thank you!

Silent Auction: We are now collecting items for the silent auction. Please mark donations "silent auction." Items can be left at the parish office before Monday, July 21st.

***Boutique:** The boutique is in need of donations-Hand made items, plants, new or like new boutique type items etc. Please mark them BOUTIQUE and leave them in the parish office.

***Prizes for Kids Games:** We are now accepting donations of new items or money to go towards the purchase of larger prizes for the Kids Games. Items can be left at the parish office, and donations can go in dropbox or mailed to PO Box 428, Pierz MN 56364. Any questions call the parish office at 468-6033.

***Coffee Cakes:** If someone is interested in chairing or cochairing the coffee cakes, please call the parish office at 320-468-6033. Thank you!

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 (July 6th)

Regular Sunday	\$ 6,318.00
High School	\$ 3.25
Grade School	\$ 6.00
Plate	\$ 528.00
	\$ 6,855.25

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass attendance **July 6th Sunday:** 270

Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak.

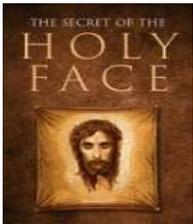
— St. Anthony of Padua

"Ask someone how they are doing. Not in passing. But sit down, take your time, and really listen."

MATTHEW KELLY
The Generosity Habit



GENERAL NEWS



HOLY FACE BOOKS FOR SALE: *The Secret of the Holy Face*, by Fr. Lawrence Carney III, is available to purchase at the parish office in Pierz. We were able to get a great discount on these hardcover books, the cost being only \$17 each. Cash or check to St. Joseph's church is accepted. Thank You!

SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY/CHAPLET: Sunday, July 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. Everyone is welcome. We pray this Rosary to learn to suffer with love, as Mary, the Mother of Jesus, did.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTO: Rosary at the Grotto (corner of Hwy 25 and 27, across from Speedway/Subway) will take place every Wednesday at 8:00 PM until The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (August 15th). Please join us and invite anyone who you feel would like to attend.

SUMMER OCIA SESSIONS: If anyone wants to learn more about their Catholic faith or how to enter into the fullness of communion with the Catholic Church, there will be summer OCIA sessions at the parish office in Pierz every Wednesday from 7-8 p.m. Questions, call Deacon Craig at 320-468-6033.

HOLY FACE DEVOTIONS: Join the monthly devotion at 6 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month, (July 16th), just prior to Adoration at St. Michael's. Prayer booklets provided to attendees. Mark your calendar!

CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA: ARE YOU SEEKING SPIRITUAL DIRECTION in your faith life and are experiencing growing pains along the way? CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and designed for adults, the next weekend is scheduled for September 19-21, 2025, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost is \$70. www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

AREA NEWS:

***Parish Festival, St. Joseph's, Pierz, Sunday, August 3.** Mass at 10:00 a.m. Food and activities from 11-5. Outside Music by Old Tyme Country Boys. Kids Games, Inflatables, Bingo, Church Hill Boutique, Pull Tabs, Silent Auction, Gun Raffle and Quilt Raffle, Beer Garden, Hamburger Stand, "Old Bank" Pizza, Karla's Kookies, Cheese Curds, French Fries, Homemade Pies with Ice Cream, Veggie and Bake Sale, Grand Raffle Drawing at 4 p.m. Need not be present to win.

***Holy Cross Annual Parish Bazaar** will be on Sunday, August 31, 2025. We will be starting with a Polka Mass at 10:00 am, with the Jerry & Joyce Dance Band. Chicken and Ham dinner, pies and Homemade Coffee Cakes. Chicken from Green Lantern. Adults-\$15 and Children 6-12-\$7, Five and under free. Tickets numbered at the door. Air Conditioned and Handicapped Accessible. Pop, Hamburgers and Ice Cream all day and evening. Entertainment for the children, Fancy Work, Bingo, and refreshments. Live music all day, starting at 11:30 am, the Jerry & Joyce Dance Band and at about 3:30 pm the Old Tyme Boys Band. Silent Auction—11:00 am to 4:30 pm, Gun Raffle starting at 2:00 pm. Grand Raffle drawing is at 7:00 pm.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: Thank you so much to those of you who have already supported diocesan ministries in 2025 through the Appeal. As of Monday, June 23, the Appeal has raised gifts and pledges of \$1,045,299 toward our goal of \$1,500,000 (69.69%). This was made possible through the generous donations of 5,447 people throughout the 16 counties of our diocese. Please pray for the success of the Bishop's Annual Appeal and its ongoing support of diocesan ministries. To support these ministries, visit www.stedio.org/annualappeal.



Reconnect with God.
Be supported in your faith.
Have fun as a family.

THIS SUMMER...
plan a different summer getaway. Come experience the beauty and wonder of God alongside fellow Catholics at the historical Holy Family Church and Delta Prairie Park along the Mankato River.

DYNAMIC SPEAKERS!

- Michael J. Kowale (Jubilo)
- Leah Jacobson (Jubilo/Novat)
- Brandon Alvarado (Novat)
- John Martiano (Novat)

ACTIVITIES for all ages!

- Overnight camping
- Book and music readings, youth and family prayer
- Campfires
- Volleyball and board games
- Personal Ministry
- Mass, Adoration, Confession
- Gaga ball and Ultimate Frisbee
- Family Away and Chapel



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For more information contact Cindy Loidolt 320.639.1210 | holoffice@havenofmercy catholic.org

REGISTER NOW!!!



Father Pierz School of Religion



320-468-2640

- *July 22-24 – Nun Run
- *July 24-28 – Steubenville Retreat
- *August 1-3 – TEC Retreat
- * August 15-17 – Holy Family MiniFest Campout

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

***PART / FULL-TIME CUSTODIAL POSITION-** Year round position. Applicant must have or be able to attain Boiler's License. Job duties include, but are not limited to: daily cleaning, maintenance as needed, groundskeeping if necessary. Please send letter of interest and current resume to office@holytrintypierz.org

***SUMMER HOURS / CONSTRUCTION-** With the amount of work going on throughout the school, please remember to contact the office before stopping in. You can reach the office to set up a time to come in by emailing office@holytrintypierz.org

***COFFEE-** Regular (ground or bean) \$13.00, in French, Dark, or Medium Roast. Decaf (ground or bean) \$14.00.

***CAPITAL CAMPAIGN-** A thermometer was put up in front of the school to show our continued progress in funding phase 2. Meanwhile, construction has continued with phase 1! Please continue to share our campaign website:

<https://www.holytrintypierz.org/capitalcampaign>

JUNE RAFFLE CALENDAR WINNERS

06/01/2025 \$75.00 Debra & Roger Grittner	06/11/2025 \$35.00 Gerald Piekarski	06/21/2025 \$35.00 Doug & Nicole Virnig
06/02/2025 \$35.00 Doug Weitalla	06/12/2025 \$35.00 Sheila Henry	06/22/2025 \$75.00 Ryan Leidenfrost
06/03/2025 \$35.00 Jesse Gertgen	06/13/2025 \$35.00 Kari Theis	06/23/2025 \$35.00 Steve Kimman
06/04/2025 \$35.00 Natalie Gruber	06/14/2025 \$35.00 Tom Leidenfrost	06/24/2025 \$35.00 Heather Hoskins
06/05/2025 \$35.00 Bob & Kris Fischer	06/15/2025 \$75.00 Sara Neuville	06/25/2025 \$35.00 Carol & Lon Johnson
06/06/2025 \$35.00 Brian Klein	06/16/2025 \$35.00 Tracie Froelich	06/26/2025 \$35.00 Chad Leikvoll
06/07/2025 \$35.00 Nicole Girtz	06/17/2025 \$35.00 Amanda Segler	06/27/2025 \$35.00 Kent & Stacy Happke
06/08/2025 \$75.00 John Poster	06/18/2025 \$35.00 Jill Scott	06/28/2025 \$35.00 Priscilla Madsen
06/09/2025 \$35.00 Darrell Smude	06/19/2025 \$35.00 Kris Kisor	06/29/2025 \$75.00 Keith Marshik
06/10/2025 \$35.00 Natalie Gruber	06/20/2025 \$35.00 Larry Japp	06/30/2025 \$35.00 Keith Janson

LOOK WHAT'S NEW IN THE ACC!



Above: Hearts of Faith members recently had lunch together after they toured Munsinger Gardens in St Cloud. L-R Front: Kitty Gall, Marilyn Dorn, Joelle Fuhrman, Mary Lou Kasella. L-R back: Pat Poster, Kathy Etzel, Doreen Gerwing



VACATION

BIBLE SCHOOL

Children had so much fun at Vacation Bible School at FPSR last month!

