



PELICAN VALLEY

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and 1:00 to 4:00 (M-Th)

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St. Elizabeth: After 6:30 p.m. Mass (Th)
St. Leonard: After 5:30 p.m. Mass (Wed)
Our Lady of Victory: 8:30 a.m. Thursday
3:30 p.m. Saturday

September 6, 2020



23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

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Web Sites:

OLV.....www.ffolvchurch.org
School.....www.ffolvschool.org
St. Leonard.....www.stleonardpr.org
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Facebook Pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/StLeonardPR>
<https://www.facebook.com/stelizabethparish>
<https://www.facebook.com/Our Lady of Victory Fergus Falls MN>

PASTORAL COLUMN

Dear parishioners of St. Elizabeth, St. Leonard, and Our Lady of Victory,

OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS are with all school communities as we pray for everyone's safety and a good educational experience. Welcome students and families, faculty and staff of our parish **OLV School** which will be full time in-person, with just a few choosing distance learning. We will take a little time yet to make decisions about Faith Formation and Bible Studies. **RCIA will begin soon....**spread the word to anyone you know who may be interested in joining or learning more about our Catholic Church. **This prayer of Pope Francis suggests many important truths for us all to learn and re-learn!**

A Prayer for Our Earth

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,

help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Touch the hearts

of those who look only for gain

at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,

to be filled with awe and contemplation,

to recognize that we are profoundly united

with every creature

as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle

for justice, love and peace.

-Pope Francis, *Laudato Si: On Care for our Common Home*

Queridos feligreses de Santa Isabel, San Leonard y Nuestra Señora de la Victoria,

NUESTROS PENSAMIENTOS Y ORACIONES están con todas las comunidades escolares mientras oramos por la seguridad de todos y una buena experiencia educativa. Bienvenidos estudiantes y familias, profesores y personal de nuestra parroquia **OLV School**, que será a tiempo completo en persona, y solo unos pocos eligen el aprendizaje a distancia. Nos tomaremos un poco de tiempo todavía para tomar decisiones sobre la formación de la fe y los estudios bíblicos. **RICIA** comenzará pronto ...corra la voz a cualquier persona que conozca que pueda estar interesada en unirse o aprender más sobre nuestra Iglesia Católica. ¡Esta oración del Papa Francisco sugiere muchas verdades importantes para que todos aprendamos y re-aprendamos!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, September 5

4:30 p.m. Mass **OLV** †Patricia Goldade

Sunday, September 6

8:30 a.m. **Outdoor Mass SE** weather permitting
†Terry Brusven

8:30 a.m. Mass **OLV** †Myrtle Keller

10:30 a.m. Mass **SL** †Joseph Zach

10:30 a.m. Mass **OLV** People of the Parish

12:30 p.m. Spanish Mass **SL** †Fr. Dick McGuire

Monday, September 7

9:00 a.m. **OLV** Word and Communion

Tuesday, September 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05 Mass **OLV** †Mike Leonard

Followed by Adoration. Benediction at **6:30 p.m.**

Wednesday, September 9 St. Peter Claver, Priest

9:00 a.m. Mass **OLV** †John Stumpf

5:30 p.m. Mass **SL** †Fr. Ken Brenny

Thursday, September 10

Adoration **OLV** 7:00 a.m.— 8:45 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Mass **OLV** †Ron Raasch

6:30 p.m. Mass **SE** †Tony and Bev Wedll

Followed by Confessions and Adoration

Friday, September 11

9:00 a.m. Mass **SL** †Phyllis Hewitt

9:00 a.m. School Mass **OLV** †Fr. Ken Brenny

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, September 12

4:30 p.m. Mass **OLV** †Evelyn Millard

Sunday, September 13

8:30 a.m. Mass **SE** †Don Krause

8:30 a.m. Mass **OLV** †People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Mass **SL** †Fr. Dick McGuire

10:30 a.m. Mass **OLV** †John and Joan Pawlowski

12:30 p.m. Spanish Mass **SL** †Fr. Richard Walz

Una oración por nuestra tierra

Dios todopoderoso, estás presente en todo el universo

y en la más pequeña de tus criaturas.

Abrazas con tu ternura todo lo que existe.

Derrama sobre nosotros el poder de tu amor,

para que podamos proteger la vida y la belleza.

Liéanos de paz para que vivamos

como hermanos y hermanas, sin dañar a nadie.

Oh Dios de los pobres,

ayúdanos a rescatar a los abandonados y olvidados de esta tierra,
tan preciosa a tus ojos.

Toca los corazones

de los que solo buscan lucro

a expensas de los pobres y de la tierra.

Enséñanos a descubrir el valor de cada cosa,

llenarse de asombro y contemplación,

reconocer que estamos profundamente unidos

con cada criatura

mientras viajamos hacia tu luz infinita.

Te damos las gracias por estar con nosotros todos los días.

Anímanos, oramos, en nuestra lucha

por la justicia, el amor y la paz.

-Papa Francisco, *Laudato Si: Sobre el cuidado de nuestra casa común*

ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

FALL RUMMAGE SALE

Christian Women is sponsoring a Fall Rummage and Bake Sale on September 26th from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Safety precautions will be in place.

We will be needing help setting up the week of, and packing up the day of at 12:00.

Father Henry Omeike's birthday is September 11.

He would love to hear from everyone. His address is: 2380 Belmont Ave., Bronx, NY 10458.

ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

MEALS BY WHEELS

A huge thank you to the following who helped deliver Meals on Wheels during the month of August. The Bruggemans so appreciate EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU for so graciously jumping in to help when asked.

Pam Haggenmiller

Natalie and Nancy Hilbur

Julie Holt

Cindy and Phil Stotesberry

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep the family of Marietta Vohnoutka in your prayers. Marietta passed away on June 25th. She was a long-time member of St. Leonard parish and active in parish activities.

Prayers are also requested for Alejandra Mancilla, Phyllis Vigen, Julie Severson, Valerie Smischny, Allyssa Klinger (Niece of Steve Petersen), Cindy Becker, Tony Vigen, (Brother of Rosemary Wiese), Denice Smischny, Kay H., Marge Thorpe, Marilyn Jentz, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, and Leona Braton. Thank you!

Please keep the family of José Martinez in your prayers. José passed away on August 12, 2020. He had lived here for about 6 years and was laid to rest in St. Leonard's cemetery.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

OLV QUILTERS ARE HOLDING RAFFLE

The OLV St. Anne Quilters will be selling raffle tickets for their quilt on September 5th and 6th and 12th and 13th after Masses. Tickets may also be purchased from Georgie Waasdorp 736-4943, Marietta Bullis 998-3790, or Paulette Hoebelheinrich 736-3272.

SILENT AUCTION CANCELLED

After much discussion and thought, the committee organizing the silent auction decided it wasn't safe to continue with the silent auction due to COVID 19. Not knowing where everything that would be brought in to sell had been and if parishioners would feel safe purchasing these items, it was decided to cancel. It was suggested that an appeal be made to parishioners to donate the amount they would normally spend at the fall festival for the dinner, the country store and silent bids.

RAFFLE TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE

The raffle tickets for the OLV Fall Festival Raffle are available at the church office. The grand prize this year is a 2020 Toyota Camry LE from Quality Toyota. Other prizes are \$1000 Cash, a Lakeside weekend at East Silent Lake Resort, a Pontoon Day Rental, or 40 other cash prizes. Tickets are \$25 each. Sold tickets can be mailed to OLV or dropped off at the parish office. The drawing will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 20th.

FAITH FORMATION UPDATE



Due to COVID-19 and the inability to begin classes as we have done each fall, please know we are hoping and planning to begin all Faith Formation Classes later this fall. We want to give families some extra time as they begin a unique school experience this fall; in addition, we continue to look at different options for our Faith Formation classes. Our primary focus is forming the Catholic Faith of our children/youth, while keeping everyone healthy and safe. We will use Remind Texting to get current information to families as we continue to plan this fall: use [link rmd.at/ffci2020](https://link.rmd.at/ffci2020) (smartphone) or text @ffci2020 to the number 81010 (non-smartphone) to receive current updates.

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AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

RCIA

For those who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith, please call Mamas, Father Alan or Father Patrick at the parish office, 736-2429.

SAVE A MARRIAGE

Are you or some you know, living in the pain of a marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille can help. The next program starts Sept. 18, 2020 @ Country Inn & Suites in St. Cloud, MN. Call 320-255-5314 or check the website www.helpourmarriage.org for more information. Preregistration is required. Space is limited.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

As you know, discipleship is not an easy path. Sometimes we are called to have difficult conversations with one another. In the passage from Ezekiel, we find God instructing the prophet to speak out against his brother's wicked behavior. We see a similar message in today's reading from Matthew. We are to settle disputes and help usher the Kingdom into our world, yet our culture tells us to mind our own business...to focus on the plank in our own eye. What are we to do? Paul points us in the right direction when he says, "Love does no evil...love is the fulfillment of the law." We are to admonish one another in love, and we are to receive one another in love. Indifference is not loving. Condemnation is not loving. Defensiveness is not loving. If we truly love our neighbor as we love ourselves, we will make sacrifices to save them from death, and we would want them to do the same in return. Pray for courage, grace, and humility, lest your hearts become hardened.

READINGS

Sept 5-6 Ez 33:7-9 / Rom 13:8-10 /
Mt 18:15-20

Sept 7 1 Cor 5:1-8 / Lk 6:6-11

Sept 8 Mi 5:1-4a / Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Sept 9 1 Cor 7:25-31 / Lk 6:20-26

Sept 10 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 / Lk 6:27-38

Sept 11 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27 / Lk 6:39-42

Sept 12-13 Sir 27:30-28:7 / Rom 14:7-9 /
Mt 18:21-35

DIRECTORY

St. Elizabeth Parish SecretaryCarrie Wedll
St. Elizabeth Religious Ed Coordination.....Allison Neuleib
St. Elizabeth Youth Group Leaders.....Marla Kunz and Amy Kent
St. Leonard Office Manager.....Mary Bongers
OLV Financial Director/ Faith FormationMayme Hofland
OLV Faith Formation Grades 6-12.....Brad & Ashley Aschnewitz
OLV Parish SecretaryRosemary Griffin
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Prayer to Receive a New Bishop

Praise to you, Lord our God,
our eternal shepherd and guide.
In your faithfulness,
grant to the Diocese of Saint Cloud
a shepherd whose watchful care and kindly zeal
will continue the good work of his predecessors.
In your love for us,
give us a shepherd who will lead us
in being Christ's heart of mercy,
voice of hope, and hands of justice.
Help him to fill our minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel,
the power of the sacraments,
and the desire to build up your holy Church.
We ask this through Jesus Christ,
your Son and our Lord,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Oración para recibir un nuevo obispo

¡Bendito seas, Señor! Tú eres nuestro supremo pastor.
En tu misericordia, te pedimos que le des a la Diócesis de St Cloud, un pastor que continúe, con gran celo y amor pastoral, la obra de su predecesores. Por el eterno amor que nos tienes, te pedimos un pastor que nos anime a ser misericordiosos como Jesús, y a ser portadores de esperanza y forjadores de justicia.
Te pedimos un obispo que nos proclame la verdad del Evangelio, el poder de los sacramentos y nos guíe en la edificación de tu Santa Iglesia.
Esto te lo pedimos en el nombre de tu Hijo, Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que en la unidad del Espíritu Santo es Dios que vive y reina por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.