

# PELICAN VALLEY

## Area Catholic Community

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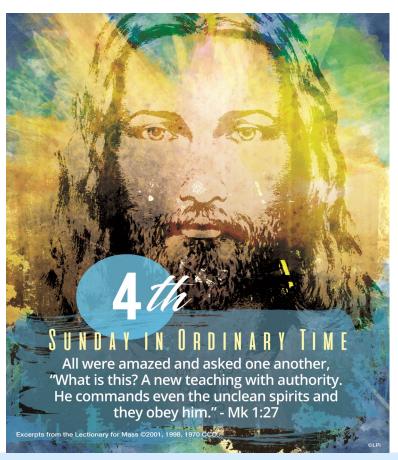
Our Lady of Victory:

Church Hours: 7:45 to 4:00 (M-Fr)
Office Hours: 9:00 to Noon (M-Fr)
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

### January 31, 2021



### Web Sites:

OLV	www.ffolvchurch.org
School	www.ffolvschool.org
St. Leonard	www.stleonardpr.org
Diocese	www.stcdio.org

### 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,

**God is good!** We are once again allowed in-person gatherings and limited social activities in our church facilities.

However, there is strict protocol in place to safeguard everyone's health. For instance, six feet or more distance among participants, face coverings (masks) are mandatory ages 6 and up, cleaning and disinfecting before and after events....as well as personal hand sanitizing. The diocese is encouraging that as much as possible we limit facility use to parish activities. I will ask our councils for their input as we receive any other requests.

It seems that for now "coffee and rolls" under these conditions would be very difficult. Again, I will ask the councils for any creative input! Meals are not allowed.....except for the drive-thru or take-out Lenten fish fries. I know that we are all TIRED of all of the restricted social behavior that is asked of us. We do it however...out of love for others, sacrificing for one another. Thank you for your understanding!

P.S. February 3 is the Feast of St. Blaise. We pray through his intercession for everyone's health, and especially protection from all throat ailments! (We are asked not to give individual blessings this year.)

Fr. Alan

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

¡Dios es bueno! Una vez más, se nos permiten reuniones en persona y actividades sociales limitadas en las instalaciones de nuestra iglesia.

Sin embargo, existe un protocolo estricto para salvaguardar la salud de todos. Por ejemplo, a una distancia de seis pies o más entre los participantes, las cubiertas faciales (máscaras) son obligatorias a partir de los 6 años, la limpieza y desinfección antes y después de los eventos ... así como la desinfección personal de manos. La diócesis anima a que, en la medida de lo posible, limitemos el uso de las instalaciones a las actividades parroquiales. Pediré a nuestro consejo su opinión cuando recibamos cualquier otra solicitud.

Parece que por ahora "café y panecillos" en estas

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 30

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Marge Weiand

Sunday, January 31

8:30 a.m. **SE** Mass People of the Parish 8:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass †David Piekarski 10:30 a.m. **SL** Mass People of the Parish 10:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass People of the Parish

12:30 p.m. SL Spanish Mass

Monday, February 1

8:30 a.m. OLV Rosary

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

Tuesday, February 2 The Presentation of the Lord 12:05 p.m. OLV Mass †Theona Jennen

Wednesday, February 3 St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

8:30 a.m. OLV Rosary

9:00 a.m. OLV Jay Jennen

5:30 p.m. SL Mass †Alfonso Chávez

Thursday, February 4

7:00 a.m. OLV Adoration

9:00 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Fr. Bill Gamber

6:30 p.m. SE Mass †Onilee Brachvogel

Friday, February 5 St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

8:20 a.m. OLV Rosary

9:00 a.m. OLV Mass †Ramona Kruize

9:00 a.m. SL Mass †Eron Martinez

#### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 6

10:30 a.m. Funeral for Christopher Jennen 4:30 p.m. **OLV** Mass †Ronald Doboszenski

Sunday, February 7

8:30 a.m.  $\mathbf{SE}$  Mass People of the Parish

8:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Myrtle Keller

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

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

12:30 p.m. SL Spanish Mass

condiciones sería muy difícil. Una vez más, pediré a los consejos cualquier aportación creativa. No se permiten comidas... ..excepto para el drive-thru o as papas fritas de pescado cuaresmal para llevar. Sé que todos estamos CANSADOS de todo el comportamiento social restringido que se nos pide. Sin embargo, lo hacemos ... por amor a los demás, sacrificándonos unos a otros. ¡Gracias por su comprensión!

PD El 3 de febrero es la fiesta de San Blas. ¡Oramos por su intercesión por la salud de todos, y especialmente por la protección de todas las dolencias de garganta! (Se nos pide que no demos bendiciones individuales este año).

Padre Alan

### ST. ELIZABETH

### **OF HUNGARY**

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following Special Intentions: Dan Lemke, Mary Benson, those that suffer from effects of drug & alcohol, Jean Paler's mom Lucille, Odilia Riestenberg, Kandance Love, Marlys and Don Holubok, Doreen Newman, Kathleen Grise, Walt Paler's sister Barbara, Marge Thorpe, Charlotte Schmitz, Hudson Hendrickx, Kay Henkes, those with cancer, Mike Faulkner, 6-month baby, Ruth Lorshbough, Lily, and Jerry Schauff.

<u>Year end statements</u> have been mailed. If you have not received yours, please contact Carrie.

<u>Stewardship Envelopes</u> are in the entrance of the St. Elizabeth church. Please pick them up. The 2021 calendars are there, too.

### ST. LEONARD

### **OF PORT MAURITIUS**

<u>Stewardship letters</u> have been mailed. If you don't receive yours, please let Mary know.

### **ENVELOPES**

The collection envelopes are in the back of church at St. Leonard. Please pick yours up soon. If you want to pick them up at the office, please call Mary at 841-4861 to arrange a time—leave a message.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers are requested for Julie Severson, Valerie Smischny, Allyssa Klinger (Niece of Steve Petersen), Cindy Becker, Tony Vigen, (Brother of Rosemary Wiese), Denice Smischny, Jack Geske, Marge Thorpe, Marilyn Jentz, David Jacobs, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, and Leona Braton.

### **OUR LADY OF VICTORY**

### **SACRAMENT CLASSES**

**Faith Formation:** Masks must be worn, and social distancing protocols will be observed at all Faith Formation classes. Please be sure to sign up for the Remind Texting for up-to-date information.

<u>Kindergarten - 5th grade</u> use link:  $\underline{rmd.at/ffci2020}$  (smartphone) or  $\underline{text \ @ffci2020}$  to the number  $\underline{81010}$  (non-smartphone). There will be a class on Saturday, February  $\underline{20th}$  from  $\underline{10:00}$  am - noon. Using a variety of activities, children will spend time learning about Lent. More information coming soon.

**Confirmation** (11<sup>th</sup> Grade) use link:  $\underline{rmd.at/ffolvcon21}$  (smartphone) or  $\underline{text \ @ffolvfc21}$  to the number  $\underline{81010}$  (non-smartphone). Class continues this Wednesday, February  $3^{rd}$  at 7:00 pm at the Church; bring your Sponsor.

First Communion ( $2^{nd}$  Grade & older) use link:  $\underline{rmd.at/ffolvfc21}$  (smartphone) or  $\underline{text}$  @ffolvfc21 to the number 81010 (nonsmartphone). Class begins on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the Church; a parent needs to attend also.

<u>Catholic Schools Week</u> is a time each year when we celebrate our Catholic school. This year, Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated February 1-5. Dress-up days and fun activities are planned for the students each day. We are grateful each year to be able to celebrate our wonderful school.

### Monday, Feb 1: Celebrating Community Day

**Book/Movie Character Day** 

Students will be making cards for residences of area living facilities. They will also be treated to a special treat from a local business.

#### Tuesday, Feb 2: Celebrating Students Day

Jersey/Hat Day

Students will be going on a scavenger hunt around the block to find clues to solve a riddle. They will also receive a special SURPRISE from a loved one.

#### Wednesday, Feb 3: Celebrating our Nation

USA - Red, White, and Blue Day

Students will be participating in a living rosary with prayer intentions for our country and the world.

### Thursday, Feb 4: Celebrating Vocations

PJ and Crazy Hair Day

We will be having a BINGO party with a special guest number caller. Students will win prizes that will be used in a CSW countdown celebration.

### Friday, Feb 5: Celebrating OLV Faculty and Families

School Spirit Day/Twin Day

Students and staff will be creating an OLV Family Tree with pictures of their families. This tree will be in the gym for all to see and enjoy!

### PELICAN VALLEY

AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

### BIBLE STUDY RESUMES

Bible Study will restart on Monday, February 8. It has been on hold since last Fall because of COVID.

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

This weekend, Psalm 95 reminds us, "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." To make your FIAT, your joyful response to the will of God, you must first hear the voice of God. The voice of God comes with peace and consolation, not violence or anxiety. Paul speaks to such anxieties in today's second reading, pointing out that much of our pain comes from our worldly attachments. God's voice will not create anxiousness. It is a voice that reminds you who you are as a beloved son or daughter of God. It is also a voice which also demands a response. Your ability to respond corresponds to the hardness of your heart. Do you have past hurts, fears, or anxieties you need to let go of? If your heart is hardened, impeding your ability to make a joyful response to the Lord, ask God to intervene. He desires your holiness more than anything and He will soften your heart.

### **BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

Next week is Announcement Weekend. We ask you to please take a moment to consider how diocesan ministries such as the TV Mass and ministries related to Catholic education, family life and evangelization impact your faith journey. Please reflect on our mission to be HIS heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice.

### READINGS

Jan 30-31 Dt 18:15-20 / 1 Cor 7:32-35 / Mk 1:21-28

Feb 1 Heb 11:32-40 / Mk 5:1-20

Feb 2 Mal 3:1-4 / Heb 2:14-18 / Lk 2:22-40

Feb 3 Heb 12:4-7, 11-15 / Mk 6:1-6

Feb 4 Heb 12:18-19, 21-24 / Mk 6:7-13

Feb 5 Heb 13:1-8 / Mk 6:14-29

Feb 6-7 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 / 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 / Mk 1:29-39

### **DIRECTORY**

St. Elizabeth Parish Secretary	Carrie Wedll
St. Elizabeth Religious Ed Coordination	onAllison Neuleib
St. Elizabeth Youth Group Leaders	Marla Kunz and Amy Kent
St. Leonard Office Manager	Mary Bongers
OLV Financial Director/Faith Formati	onMayme Hofland
OLV Faith Formation Grades 6-12	Brad & Ashley Aschnewitz
OLV Parish Secretary	Rosemary Griffin
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For all who have contracted coronavirus, we pray for care and healing.

For those who are particularly vulnerable, we pray for safety and protection.

For all who experience fear or anxiety, we pray for peace of mind and spirit.

For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety, we pray for policies that recognize their plight.

For public officials and decisionmakers, we pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all. Grant peace. Grant comfort. Grant healing. Be with us, Lord. Amen.

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