

PELICAN VALLEY

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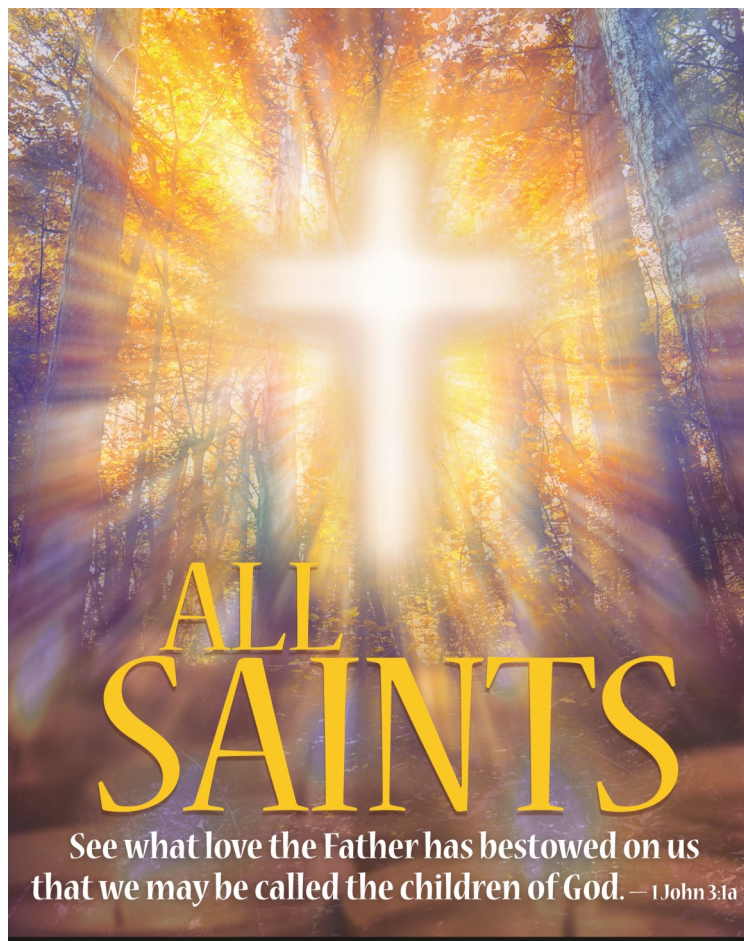
Church & Office Hours :

St. Elizabeth: Carrie Wedll 731-5304
St. Leonard: Mary Bongers 841-4861
Office Hours: 2:00—5:00 (Wed)
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

November 1, 2020



Web Sites:

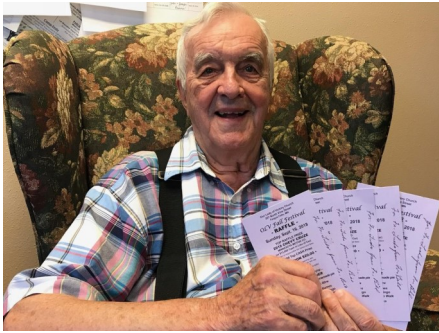
OLV.....www.ffolvchurch.org
School.....www.ffolvschool.org
St. Leonard.....www.stleonardpr.org
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Facebook Pages:

<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,



Father Bill Gamber

Happy Feast of All Saints! It's a special Sunday. We honor ALL the saints, including all those canonized and "officially recognized" by the Church.....as well as all those holy ones that we have known in our lives, our loved ones: parents and grandparents, aunts and uncles, friends who have gone before us and are now awaiting our arrival in heaven.

This weekend I can't help imagining Fr. Bill Gamber's recent homecoming in heaven. As we were keeping vigil while he was nearing death, we heard him speak such loving words to his mother, and then at one point he told us there were others in the room with us, particularly he mentioned his brother, "Bugs". So clearly, he was anticipating a wonderful reunion with his loved ones. And then we also know he had so many favorite saints whose lives and words he read and reflected upon so frequently...imagine Fr. Bill now meeting them for the first time in their glorified existence! He will be joyful and very busy visiting.

Yes, we will terribly miss Fr. Bill, as we do all those we have loved and who are no longer physically with us. But let us use this month of November to also "be near" to them, in our thoughts and prayers. Fr. Bill will now be at ALL of our Masses, praying **with** us and **for** us as he so often did. Let's continue to draw inspiration from his example of faith, prayer and love...and look forward to the day when we too "*will be in that number, when the saints go marching in.*"

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

¡Feliz Fiesta de Todos los Santos! Es un domingo especial. Honramos a TODOS los santos, incluidos todos aquellos canonizados y "reconocidos oficialmente" por la Iglesia... así como todos aquellos santos que hemos conocido en nuestra vida, nuestros seres queridos: padres y abuelos, tías y tíos, amigos que han ido antes que nosotros y ahora están esperando nuestra llegada al cielo.

Este fin de semana no puedo evitar imaginarme al P. El reciente regreso a casa de Bill Gamber en el cielo. Mientras manteníamos la vigilia mientras él se acercaba a la muerte, lo escuchamos decirle

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

THIRTIETH-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, October 31

4:30 p.m. Mass **OLV** People of the Parish

Sunday, November 1 All Saints' Day

Daylight Savings Time Ends

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

8:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Myrtle Keller

10:30 a.m. **SL** Mass †Joseph Zach

10:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Fred and Dorothy Wiegel

12:30 p.m. **SL** Spanish Mass

Monday, November 2 All Souls' Day

8:30 a.m. **OLV** Rosary

9:00 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Gail Mehl

5:30 p.m. **SL** Word and Communion

Tuesday, November 3 St. Martin de Porres

8:30 a.m. **OLV** Rosary

12:05 **OLV** Mass †Jim Coens

Followed by Adoration. Benediction at 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, November 4 St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:30 a.m. **OLV** Rosary

9:00 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Judy and Emily Wilhelmy

5:30 p.m. **SL** Mass †George Vohnoutka

Thursday, November 5

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

9:00 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Gail Mehl

6:30 p.m. **SE** Mass Vocations to the priesthood

Friday, November 6

8:20 a.m. **OLV** Rosary

9:00 a.m. **SL** Mass †Ken Vohnoutka

9:00 a.m. **OLV** School Mass †Wilma Worthington

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, November 7

4:30 p.m. **OLV** Mass †Marge Weiland

Sunday, November 8

8:30 a.m. **SE** Mass †Stan and Elaine Kidder

8:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass †John and Joan Pawlowski

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

palabras tan amorosas a su madre, y luego en un momento nos dijo que había otros en la habitación con nosotros, particularmente mencionó a su hermano, "Bugs". Claramente, estaba anticipando una maravillosa reunión con sus seres queridos. Y luego también sabemos que tenía tantos santos favoritos cuyas vidas y palabras leía y sobre las que reflexionaba con tanta frecuencia ... imagínese al P. ¡Bill ahora los encuentra por primera vez en su existencia glorificada! Estará alegre y muy ocupado visitando.

Sí, extrañaremos terriblemente al P. Bill, como lo hacemos con todos aquellos a quienes amamos y que ya no están físicamente con nosotros. Pero aprovechemos este mes de noviembre para también "estar cerca" de ellos, en nuestros pensamientos y oraciones. P. Bill estará ahora en TODAS nuestras misas, orando con nosotros y por nosotros como lo hacía tan a menudo. Sigamos inspirándonos en su ejemplo de fe, oración y amor ... y esperamos con ansias el día en que nosotros también "estaremos en ese número, cuando los santos vayan marchando".

ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

HOLIDAY EXPO AT BRENNY HALL

The St. Elizabeth Christian Mothers will host a Holiday Expo from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on **November 21** at Brenny Hall, St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Elizabeth.

There will be free admission, a bake sale, a silent auction, Yummy, Freshly Made Lefsa and Sally Ann Cookies for Sale. Vendors will include:

Jan Jennen with miscellaneous items, Pampered Chef/Farmasi, Tastefully Simple, Country Creations, Thirty-One Bags, Colorstreet Nails, Vonnie's Handicrafts, Voxx Socks and insoles, Tupperware, Avon, Limelife/Veribella, Scentsy, Massages by Dr. Zach Stach, Clean Air, Homemade Fleece Clothing, Lemongrass Spas, and Norwex.

Bring a friend and check it out!

All MN Dept. of Health guidelines for masks and social distancing will be adhered to.

ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

NOTICE: Due to COVID 19, St. Leonard will not be renting out tables/chairs until further notice. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

COAT DRIVE GOING ON NOW

Now through November 12th the Social Concerns Committee is sponsoring a winter coat and outerwear drive. Donated items (gently used or new coats for all sizes, hats, mittens, gloves and scarves) will go to children, teens, and adults in need in the Fergus Falls area. A box accepting these donations is located in the church lobby. Thanks for your consideration and generosity.

FAITH FORMATION

Confirmation (11th Grade) students and their parents will have a meeting on Wednesday, November 4th @ 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall; please bring your teen's Baptism & First Communion Certificate to the meeting.

First Communion (2nd Grade) classes will start in January. More information coming soon!

If you haven't signed up for the Remind Texting that is related to COVID-19 and all Faith Formation programs, please do so: use [link rmd.at/ffci2020](https://link.rmd.at/ffci2020) (smartphone) or text @ffci2020 to the number 81010 (non-smartphone).

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Sainthood would seem to be a very exclusive club, like the Hall of Fame or a group of Lifetime Achievement winners, but the communion of saints is actually much larger than just the saints formally recognized by the Catholic Church. John's vision in Revelation of an uncountable multitude gives a good picture of those in the presence of the Lord for eternity. Each and every one of us can aspire to this outcome; it is not restricted to those who live unimaginably exceptional lives. For all we know, there may be thousands of saints for every saint who has actually been canonized. We are all called to be saints, so let us strive to be holy in our nevertheless ordinary lives.



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AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you (falsely) because of me." Matthew 5:11

We are all at different points on the path to holiness, on getting to Heaven and becoming a saint. Part of the journey is being mocked and ridiculed by others. When this happens, how do you respond? Do you become silent? Do you react in anger or do you react with love? Fortunately, as one Body of Christ, we are united with the saints already in Heaven. Ask your favorite saint for guidance in defending the faith.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

"Transformed by faith and sent in service to all." The Appeal supports ministries that affect you, your family, and your greater parish community. Please make a gift today. **Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose.**

RCIA

Classes have started. There are 7 candidates. We ask for your prayers as they begin this journey of faith. 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.

READINGS

Oct 31- Nov 1 Rv 7:2-4, 9-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-3 / Mt 5:1-12a
Nov 2 Wis 3:1-9 / Rom 5:5-11 / Jn 6:37-40
Nov 3 Phil 2:5-11 / Lk 14:15-24
Nov 4 Phil 2:12-18 / Lk 14:25-33
Nov 5 Phil 3:3-8a / Lk 15:1-10
Nov 6 Phil 3:17-4:1 / Lk 16:1-8
Nov 7-8 Wis 6:12-16 / 1 Thes 4:13-18 / Mt 25:1-13

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
OLV Parish Music Director.....Paula Leitch
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OLV Custodial Assistant..... Marc Stratton

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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.