



PELICAN VALLEY

Area Catholic Community

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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

December 20, 2020



Web Sites:

OLV.....www.ffolvchurch.org
 School.....www.ffolvschool.org
 St. Leonard.....www.stleonardpr.org
 Diocesewww.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,

St. Leonard and Our Lady of Victory and perhaps some at St. Elizabeth have a special relationship with **Fr. Lucho Palomino**. He is pastor at **Holy Family Parish** in Chimbote, Peru. Fr. Lucho is a friend of mine who comes and visits each year as he goes for his medical checkup at the Mayo Clinic where they have helped him put his leukemia nearly in "remission".

I asked Fr. Lucho about his "*Christmas wish list*". In light of the suffering of so many with the pandemic, he said his parish runs an "**Emmanuel Soup Kitchen**". It serves food to 90 poor families each day. In January they have been licensed to also provide affordable, approved medicines. Support for these two projects is his "wish list".

You can support these two projects by dropping an envelope in the collection, or send it in marked "Peru" or "Fr. Lucho" and we will forward this Christmas gift for you.

Check the Christmas Mass and confession schedules closely! **Ready the way! – Fr. Alan**

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

St. Leonard y Our Lady of Victory y quizás algunos en St. Elizabeth tienen una relación especial con el P. Lucho Palomino. Es párroco de la parroquia Holy Family en Chimbote, Perú. P. Lucho es un amigo mío que viene y me visita todos los años cuando va para su chequeo médico en la Clínica Mayo donde lo han ayudado a poner su leucemia casi en "remisión".

Le pregunté al P. Lucho sobre su "Lista de deseos navideños". A la luz del sufrimiento de tantos con la pandemia, dijo que su parroquia tiene un "comedor social Emmanuel". Sirve comida a 90 familias pobres todos los días. En enero, obtuvieron la licencia para proporcionar también medicamentos aprobados y asequibles. El apoyo a estos dos proyectos es su "lista de deseos".

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 19

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Amanda Dewey

Sunday, December 20

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

8:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Todd Koltes

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, December 21

8:30 a.m. OLV Rosary

9:00 a.m. OLV Word and Communion

Tuesday, December 22

12:05 p.m. OLV Mass †Valeer Deprez

†Bev Rieder

Wednesday, December 23

8:30 a.m. OLV Rosary

5:30 p.m. SL Mass †Marietta Vohnoutka

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Thursday, December 24

4:00 p.m. SE Mass †Remo and Mary Mariotti

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Michael Ringwelski

6:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Kris Dahl

7:00 p.m. SL Mass †Fr. Michael Patnode

Friday, December 25

8:30 a.m. SL Mass †Fr. Nick Zimmer

8:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Nathan Schneider

10:00 a.m. SE Mass †Jerry Brusven

10:30 a.m. OLV Mass Jadie Dahlen



Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Saturday, December 26

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Mike Leonard

Sunday, December 27

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

8:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Rodney and Paige Bullis

†Paul Edwards

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

Puede apoyar estos dos proyectos colocando un sobre en la colección o enviándolo marcado "Perú" o "P. Lucho" y te enviaremos este regalo de Navidad.

¡Consulta de cerca los horarios de la misa de Navidad y las confesiones! ¡Prepara el camino! - P. Alan

ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

TV and wall hanging unit for the entrance of the church.

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, Bernita Rian, Kandance Love, Marlys Holobuk, 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.

THANK YOU!

The new windows in the entry of the church are in memory of Don Krause. Linda has done a lot of finish work. Also, thank you to Steve Ouren and crew for installing and Nick Soland for taping and texturing. What a beautiful much-needed improvement!

ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

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, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, and Leona Braton.



OUR LADY OF VICTORY



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.*

PRAYER CHAIN

Please call:

Jo Weatherly 736-4938,

Louise Wentworth 736-6701 or 770-0473

Alice Neuleib 739-2711 or 205-9007

to become involved with or to add your intentions to the prayer chain.

WEEKLY ADVENT REFLECTIONS

Father Alan and Father Patrick have posted weekly advent reflections that are available on the church website, www.ffolychurch.org and our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Our-Lady-of-Victory-Fergus-Falls-MN>

RCIA

In response to the governor's new restrictions on social gatherings due to the current COVID situation, the Bishop has also requested increased restrictions on parish gatherings and activities. All RCIA classes and other NEO-related events are temporarily suspended until further notice.

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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you." Luke 1:28

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Blessings to you and those you love on this Fourth Sunday of Advent. As we celebrate the birth of our Savior, let us remember that even in difficult times there is much to be grateful for, and know that you are being lifted up in prayer. We are the Church together!

ADVENT READING

Our parishes will be offering a book from Dynamic Catholic called, *I Heard God Laugh*, written by Matthew Kelly. It is available in the churches. If you are unable to pick up a book or you know someone who is unable to come to church to pick one up, please contact the church office and we'll do our best to get one out to you.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, December 24

4:00 p.m. St. Elizabeth
4:30 p.m. Our Lady of Victory
6:30 p.m. Our Lady of Victory
7:00 p.m. St. Leonard

Friday, December 25

8:30 a.m. St. Leonard
8:30 a.m. Our Lady of Victory
10:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth
10:30 a.m. Our Lady of Victory



READINGS

Dec 19-20 2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16 / Rom 16:25-27 / Lk 1:26-38
Dec 21 Sg 2:8-14 / Lk 1:39-45
Dec 22 1 Sm 1:24-28 / Lk 1:46-56
Dec 23 Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 / Lk 1:57-66
Dec 24 2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16 / Lk 1:67-79
Dec 25 Is 52:7-10 / Heb 1:1-6 / Jn 1:1-18
Dec 26-27 Sir 3:2-6,12-13 / Col 3:12-21 / Lk 2:22-40

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
OLV Parish Property Manager.....Bob Budke
OLV Custodial Assistant.....Marc Stratton

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CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

Saturday, December 19 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. at
St. Elizabeth

Sunday, December 20 from 2:00 to 4:00 at Our
Lady of Victory

Tuesday, December 22 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at
Our Lady of Victory

Wednesday, December 23 from 4:00 until the
5:30 p.m. Mass at **St. Leonard**

CONFESIONES DE NAVIDAD

Sábado 19 de diciembre de 13:30 a 15:00 h. en Santa Isabel

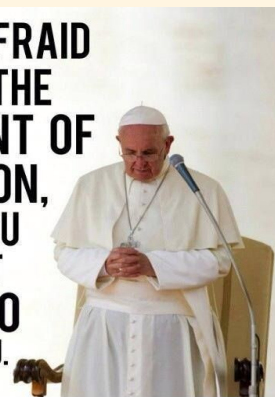
Domingo 20 de diciembre de 2:00 a 4:00 en Our Lady of Victory

Martes 22 de diciembre de 16:00 a 18:00 h. en Nuestra Señora de la Victoria

Miércoles 23 de diciembre de 16:00 a 17:30 h. Misa en St. Leonard

**DON'T BE AFRAID
TO GO TO THE
SACRAMENT OF
CONFESSION,
WHERE YOU
WILL MEET
JESUS WHO
FORGIVES YOU.**

Pope Francis



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