

PELICAN VALLEY

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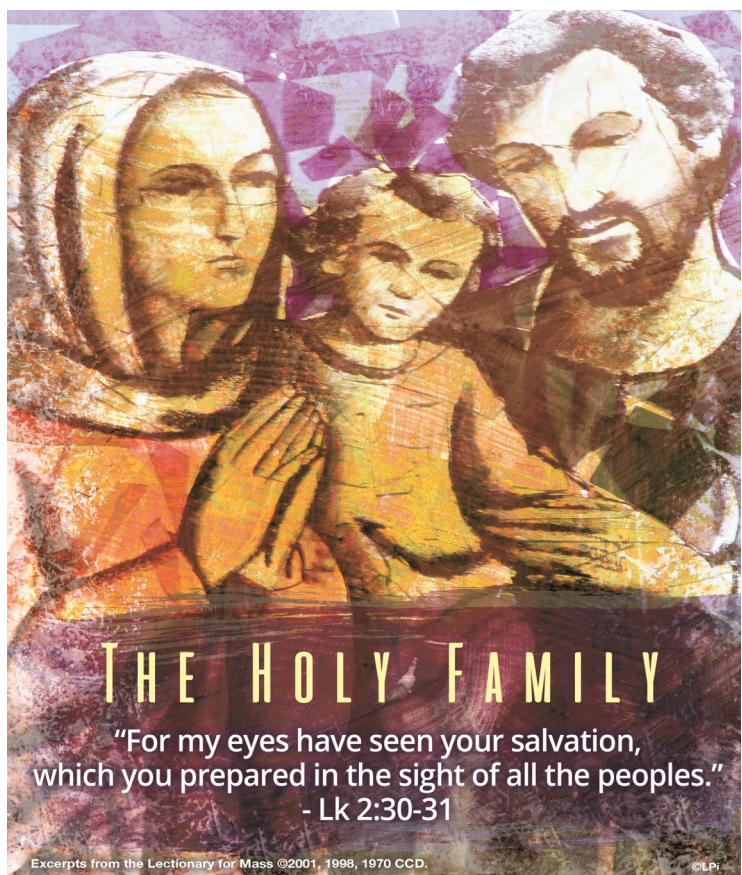
Church & Office Hours :

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

December 27, 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,

More Christmas blessings as we continue our celebration of the Nativity now on the **Feast of the Holy Family!** We pray that in one way or another all of our families are able to connect this Christmas season and be bound together in love. Sometimes the holidays can really bring to the fore various family tensions... we pray for deeper understanding and love! Pray through the intercession of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

Thank you for all the kindness and generosity shared with your "parish family" this Christmas: cards, memorials, flowers, liturgical ministries, donations and gifts, prayers. May you all be richly blessed.

A reminder that if you would like to give a special gift to Father Lucho's parish in Peru – today is their patronal feast as they are the Holy Family Parish.....they will be so happy to have your support of their meals program and a new pharmacy project to help those who are very poor.

Fr. Alan and Fr. Patrick

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

¡Más bendiciones navideñas mientras continuamos nuestra celebración de la Natividad ahora en la Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia! Oramos para que de una manera u otra todas nuestras familias puedan conectarse en esta temporada navideña y estar unidas en amor. A veces, las festividades realmente pueden poner de relieve varias tensiones familiares ... ¡oramos por una comprensión y un amor más profundos! Ore por la intercesión de la Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José.

Gracias por toda la amabilidad y generosidad compartida con su "familia parroquial" esta Navidad: tarjetas, memoriales, flores, ministerios litúrgicos, donaciones y obsequios, oraciones. Que todos sean ricamente bendecidos.

Un recordatorio de que si desea hacer un regalo especial a la parroquia del Padre Lucho en Perú, hoy es su fiesta patronal, ya que son la Parroquia de la Sagrada Familia ... estarán muy felices de contar con su apoyo para su programa de comidas y una nueva farmacia. proyecto para ayudar a los más pobres.

P. Alan y el P. Patricio

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

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

Monday, December 28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

8:30 a.m. OLV Rosary

9:00 a.m. OLV Word and Communion

Tuesday, December 29 St. Thomas Beckett. Bishop / Martyr

12:05 p.m. OLV Mass †Marge Weiland

Wednesday, December 30

8:30 a.m. OLV Rosary

9:00 a.m. OLV †Felice DeMesa

5:30 p.m. SL Mass Prayer for Vocations

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Thursday, December 31

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Tom and Larry Waasdorp

5:30 p.m. SE Mass †Wencil and Margaret Wedll

Friday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Roy and Marjorie Scheidecker

9:30 a.m. SL Mass †Fr. Bill Gamber

Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 2

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Roger Ballweber

Sunday, January 3

8:30 a.m. SE Mass †Remo and Mary Mariotti

8:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Myrtle Keller

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

10:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Rita McGovern

12:30 p.m. SL Spanish Mass



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, 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!

Condolences to the family of **Paul Schauff** who died December 17th. His service was held on Monday, December 21st at St. Elizabeth Church.

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), Denise 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.

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.

PELICAN VALLEY

AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

At the center of today's readings is the family. St. John Paul II said, "As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live." It is no wonder Satan works so hard to destroy our understanding of family! While we tend to look at stewardship in regards to time, talent, and treasure, it is vital that we understand that stewardship also relates to how we receive and care for other people, in particular, our family members. In today's first and second readings, we see words such as subordinate, honor, and considerate. Sadly, these traits are becoming difficult to find anywhere, let alone in families that are so wounded by sin. Our stewardship must extend to those around us, and we must be willing to make sacrifices for those people. As we approach the new year, make it a goal to pray as a family, surround your family with God's protection, and consecrate yourselves to the members of the Holy Family.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Christ is born! Our mission is to be His heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice. The ministries supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal are at the heart of this mission. They provide assistance, education and pastoral care to people throughout our diocese. Please consider a gift at www.stcdio.org/appeal.

READINGS

Dec 26-27 Sir 3:2-6,12-14 / Col 3:12-21 / Lk 2:22-40

Dec 28 1 Jn 1:5-2:2 / Mt 2:13-18

Dec 29 1 Jn 2:3-11 / Lk 2:22-35

Dec 30 1 Jn 2:12-17 / Lk 2:36-40

Dec 31 1 Jn 2:18-21 / Jn 1:1-18

Jan 1 Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Lk 2:16-21

Jan 2-3 Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a,5-6 / Mt 2:1-12

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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A RESOLVE
For Every Morning of the New Year
I will this day try to live
a simple & sincere and
serene life & repelling
promptly every thought of
discontent, anxiety, discouragement,
impurity and self-seeking & cultivating cheerfulness &
magnanimity, charity, and the
habit of holy silence & exercising
economy in expenditure,
carefulness in conversation
diligence in appointed
service, fidelity to every trust
and a child-like trust in God

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