

PELICAN VALLEY Area Catholic Community

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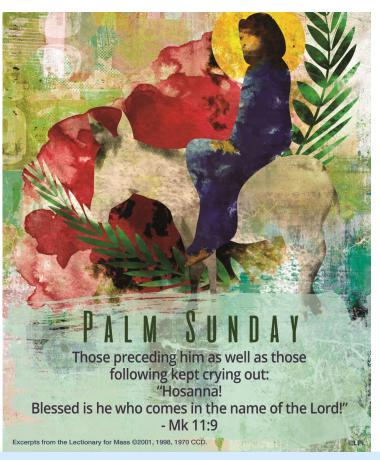
- St. Leonard: Mary Bongers 841-4861
- Office Hours: 2:00–5:00 (Wed) Our Lady of Victory:

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

March 28, 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,

As we enter Holy Week we draw near to the end of our Lenten journey. It's a rather solemn and somber week in which we reflect on the last days of Christ's earthly life before the resurrection. We experience this somber feeling in our liturgies. There is less music, allowing for more time of silence, the Passion is read, we venerate the cross, and we exit the liturgies in reverential silence. During this final week of Lent, I invite you to intentionally strive to minimalize the distractions in your life and let yourself experience the solemn nature of the week. Maybe for this last week of Lent you could leave your T.V. and music off and use your phone as little as possible. Instead, take some extra time to reflect on the last days of Jesus' life which we ponder in our liturgies. It might be uncomfortable and challenging, but it can really be an opportunity to let your mind and interior life settle into the solemn nature of this week. This week we celebrate Christ accomplishing the mission for which He was sent. Through the suffering and death of the cross we come to the joy of the resurrection! God bless.

Fr. Patrick

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

Al entrar en la Semana Santa, nos acercamos al final de nuestro viaje de Cuaresma. Es una semana bastante solemne y sombría en la que reflexionamos sobre los últimos días de la vida terrenal de Cristo antes de la resurrección. Experimentamos este sentimiento sombrío en nuestras liturgias. Hay menos música, permitiendo más tiempo de silencio, leemos la Pasión, veneramos la cruz y salimos de las liturgias en un silencio reverencial. Durante esta última semana de Cuaresma, te invito a esforzarte intencionalmente por minimizar las distracciones en tu vida y permitirte experimentar la naturaleza solemne de la semana. Quizás para esta última semana de cuaresma podrías dejar la televisión y la música apagadas y usar tu teléfono lo menos posible. En cambio, tómese un tiempo adicional para reflexionar sobre los últimos días de la vida de Jesús, que meditamos en nuestras liturgias. Puede ser incómodo y desafiante, pero realmente puede ser una oportunidad para dejar que tu mente y tu vida interior se asienten en la naturaleza solemne de esta semana. Esta semana celebramos a Cristo cumpliendo la misión para la cual fue enviado. ¡A través del sufrimiento y la muerte de la cruz llegamos al gozo de la resurrección!

Dios los bendiga a todos,

P. Patricio

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Saturday, March 27

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Barb and Mike Mashek Sunday, March 28 8:30 a.m. SE Mass People of the Parish 8:30 a.m. OLV Mass People of the Parish 10:30 a.m. SL Mass People of the Parish 10:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Avah and Verna Dirkman 12:30 p.m. SL Spanish Mass Monday, March 29 7:00 to 7:45 a.m. OLV Adoration 9:00 a.m. OLV Word and Communion Tuesday, March 30 12:05 OLV Mass †Russell Vikesland 12:45 to 5:30 p.m. OLV Adoration and Benediction Wednesday, March 31 7:00 to 7:45 a.m. OLV Adoration 9:00 a.m. OLV Mass †Clayton Johnson 5:30 pm SL Mass For Covid Victims

Thursday, April 1 Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. **OLV** Mass †William Gaughan 7:00 p.m. **SL** Mass †Bernita Rian

Friday, April 2 Good Friday

12:00 p.m. **SE** 3:00 p.m. **OLV** 5:30 p.m. **SL** English 7:30 p.m. **SL** Spanish

Holy Saturday, April 3

Saturday, March 20

7:00 p.m. **SE** For Vocations to Service in the Church 7:30 p.m. **OLV** Mass †Marge Weiand

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:30 a.m. **SE** Mass People of the Parish 8:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass People of the Parish 10:30 a.m. **SL** Mass People of the Parish 10:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass Family of Avah Dirkman 12:00 p.m. **SL** Spanish Mass †Aron Martinez



ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

CALL TO FASTING AND PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH AND COUNTRY

On April 30th, St Elizabeth in Elizabeth, MN will be hosting 12 hours of adoration from 9am - 9pm. Come and spend an hour or more, it is up to you.

For those who wish to join us, we are asking you to consider fasting Wednesday and Thursday the 28th and 29th, finishing Friday evening.

Please consider joining us as we seek to follow the Lord's call to Love of God and Neighbor. Spend time with Isaiah 58:1-9a Please stay tuned as we provide more information each week.

St. Elizabeth parish is looking for a <u>new education director</u>. Alli needs a few years off!

Reminder to bring back your Rice Bowls.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following Special Intentions: Dan Lemke, those that suffer from effects of drug & alcohol, Odilia Riestenberg, Kandance Love, Marlys Holubok, Doreen Newman, Kathleen Grise, Walt Paler's sister Barbara, Marge Thorpe, Charlotte Schmitz, Hudson Hendrickx, Kay Henkes, those with cancer, Mike Faulkner, Ruth Lorshbough, Jerry Schauff, Pat Baker, and Kayla Pask.

ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

Manuel Godina, brother of Alejandra Mancilla passed away March 10th in California. Please remember Manuel's family in your thoughts and prayers. Our condolences to Alejandra and her family on the loss of her brother.

St. Leonard Confirmation Class Schedule:

April 7, 14, 21, 28 May 5, 12, 19

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

FEBRUARY FINANCIAL GIVING

* \$54,621 is the monthly budget

*\$24,039.39 over yearly collection budget		
Adult Collections	\$56,908.47	
Children Envelopes	30.50	
Building and Maintenance	557.00	
Food Shelf Donations	231.00	
Emergency Fund Donations	77.00	
Flowers (includes Easter)	42.00	
Sponsor a School Student	372.00	
Faith Formation Donations	192.00	
Church in East/Central Europe	562.00	
Pandemic Special Needs	500.00	

PARISH COUNCIL OPPORTUNITY

The OLV Parish Council is asking for nominations for its upcoming election. There are three openings. Interested parishioners can contact Rosemary at the parish office or Scott Fritz at 218 770-7068.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Faith Formation: Masks must be worn, and social distancing protocols will be observed at all Faith Formation classes.

<u>6th – 10th grade</u> 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm. These Faith Formation evening classes continue every Wednesday except during Holy Week.

<u>Confirmation</u> (11th Grade): Class continues every Wednesday, except during Holy Week.

<u>First Communion</u> $(2^{nd}$ Grade & older): The next class is Saturday, April 10^{th} at 10:00 am.



PELICAN VALLEY

AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

In this final week of our Lenten journey, let us reflect on the great sacrifice Christ made for us. May your prayers and sacrifices during this season lead you to a stronger relationship with our Lord.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 1	Holy Thursday	7:00 p.m. OLV
		7:00 p.m. SL
April 2	Good Friday	12:00 p.m. SE
		3:00 p.m. OLV
		5:30 p.m. SL English
		7:30 p.m. SL Spanish
April 3	Holy Saturday	7:00 p.m. SE
		7:30 p.m. OLV
April 4	Easter Sunday	8:30 a.m. SE
		8:30 a.m. OLV
		10:30 a.m. SL
		10:30 a.m. OLV
		12:00 p.m. SL Spanish
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OLV—Our Lady of Victor SL—St. Leonard SE—St. Elizabeth

READINGS

March 27-28 Mk 11:1-10 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Mk 14:1-15,47 March 29 Is 42:1-7 / Jn 12:1-11 March 30 Is 49:1-6 / Jn 13:21-33,36-38 March 31 Is 50:4-9a / Mt 26:14-25 April 1 Ex 12:1-8,11-14 / 1 Cor 11:23-26 / Jn 13:1-15 April 2 Is 52:13-53:12 / Heb 4:14-16,5:7-9 / Jn 18:19-31 April 3-4 Acts 10:34a,37-43 / Col 3:1-4 / Jn 20:1-9

CATHOLICS AT THE CAPITOL

Catholics at the Capitol, a day of prayer, education, and advocacy is coming up on April 15th. This event, hosted by the Minnesota Catholic Conference is now being offered both virtually and in person at the Cathedral of St. Paul.

The day begins with Mass at the Cathedral of St. Paul, followed by an incredible lineup of speakers, and in the afternoon, Benediction at the Capital and time to pray for our state and our elected leaders. You'll then meet virtually with legislators the next day as an advocate for life and dignity.

Tickets for both the virtual and in-person event are available until <u>March 31st</u>. Go to CatholicsAtTheCapitol.org to register.

DIRECTORY

St. Elizabeth Parish Secretary	Carrie Wedll
St. Elizabeth Religious Ed Coordination	Allison Neuleib
St. Elizabeth Youth Group LeadersMa	Irla Kunz and Amy Kent
St. Leonard Office Manager	Mary Bongers
OLV Financial Director/Faith Formation	Mayme Hofland
OLV Faith Formation Grades 6-12Br	ad & Ashley Aschnewitz
OLV Parish Secretary	Rosemary Griffin
OLV Parish Music Director	Paula Leitch
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For all who have contracted coronavírus, 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.