



# PELICAN VALLEY

## *Area Catholic Community*

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St. Elizabeth: Carrie Wedll 731-5304  
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Our Lady of Victory:  
Church Hours: 7:45 to 4:00 (M-Fr)  
Office Hours: 9:00 to Noon  
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  
(if there is a 9:00 Mass)

**September 5, 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,**

Next weekend at all of our parishes and Masses we will take up a second collection to support the people of Haiti in the aftermath of the recent earthquake and Tropical Storm Grace. Collections taken up across our country will support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted Catholic dioceses. Many, many homes and businesses and Catholic churches were destroyed. Please also feel free to send in your donations to the office, marked HAITI RELIEF. Thank you for your compassion and generosity.

*May you all have a safe and relaxing Labor Day weekend as we give thanks for the "gift of work", and for all who labor among us in so many ways serving our families and our communities.*

**WELCOME BACK AND BLESSINGS ON EVERYONE RETURNING TO SCHOOL...AND SOON TO FAITH FORMATION!!** Fr. Alan

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

El próximo fin de semana en todas nuestras parroquias y misas haremos una segunda colecta para apoyar al pueblo de Haití después del reciente terremoto y la tormenta tropical Grace. Las colecciones que se lleven a cabo en todo nuestro país apoyarán los esfuerzos humanitarios de Catholic Charities USA y Catholic Relief Services para brindar apoyo pastoral y de reconstrucción a las diócesis católicas afectadas. Muchas, muchas casas y negocios e iglesias católicas fueron destruidas. También siéntase libre de enviar sus donaciones a la oficina, marcada ALIVIO DE HAITÍ. Gracias por su compasión y generosidad.

Que todos tengan un fin de semana seguro y relajante del Día del Trabajo mientras damos gracias por el "regalo del trabajo" y por todos los que trabajan entre nosotros de tantas maneras al servicio de nuestras familias y comunidades.

**BIENVENIDOS Y BENDICIONES PARA TODOS QUE REGRESEN A LA ESCUELA... ¡¡Y PRONTO A LA FORMACIÓN DE LA FE !!** P. Alan

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Saturday, September 4**

4:30 p.m. **OLV** Mass † Corey Weatherly Krueger

**Sunday, September 5**

8:30 a.m. **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

12:00 p.m. **SL** Spanish Mass

**Monday, September 6**

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

**Tuesday, September 7**

12:05 p.m. **OLV** Mass † Kevin Huelsman

**Wednesday, September 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

10:00 a.m. Pioneer Private Mass † Jerome Gettel

5:30 pm **SL** Mass For Vocations

**Thursday, September 9 Saint Peter Claver**

9:00 a.m. **OLV** Mass † Jim McDonald

6:30 p.m. **SE** Mass † Kurt Schomer

Adoration after Mass until 8:00

**Friday, September 10**

9:00 a.m. **OLV** Mass † Loretta Giesen

9:00 a.m. **SL** Mass For a Safe Harvest

**\*\*OLV Adoration 7:00-7:45 a.m. M,T,W,F 7:00-8:45 Th**

**\*\* Rosary 8:30 a.m. M-F**

### **The Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, September 11**

4:30 p.m. **OLV** Mass † Scott Beach

**Sunday, September 12**

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 † Chris Jennen

12:00 p.m. **SL** Spanish Mass

### **MASS READINGS**

September 4&5 Is 35:4-7a/ Jas 2:1-5/ Mk 7:31-37

September 6 Col. 1:24-2:3/Lk 6:6-11

September 7 Col. 2:6-15/Lk 6:12-19

September 8 Mi.5:1-4a/Mt. 1:1-16, 18-23

September 9 Col. 3:12-17/Lk. 6:27-38

September 10 1 Tim. 1:1-2,12-14/Lk 6:39-42

September 11 1Tim. 1:15-17/Lk.6:43-49

# ST. ELIZABETH

## OF HUNGARY

### 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, Mary Marquardt, Kay Henkes, those with cancer, Mike Faulkner, Ruth Lorshbough, Jerry Schauff, Pat Baker, Kayla Pask, Joan Brusven, Jim Wedll and Pat Ouren.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

For Kindergarten-6th grade will be on Sunday, **September 12** following Mass.

### CHRISTIAN WOMENS MEETING

On Sunday **September 12** following Mass. Discussion will be planning for the rest of 2021. Please Attend!

# ST. LEONARD

## OF PORT MAURITIUS

### FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

**Your help is needed.** St. Leonard's is expanding it's Youth Faith Formation Program and needs teachers, discussion leaders and helpers to begin the 2021-2022 school year. An Information and discussion meeting regarding the new program, will be held this **Wednesday September 8th at 6:30pm** at St Leonard's. Please join us. Coming to the meeting is not intent to serve, but willingness to understand the need. Our children are our future. We need individuals in love with the Lord who are willing to serve, to learn and to help our youth catch Christ's fire. Blessings, Deacon Pete

### PRAYER REQUESTS

For Adam Stewart, 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

### FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED

Jesus said, **"Let the children come to me."** Here is a ministry opportunity for teaching children the love of our Lord. Be a teacher of grade school children from 3:30-5 on Wednesdays, with intermittent breaks according to the school calendar. A well laid out curriculum is followed, and support given. Training session Wed September 22nd at 3:30, and first class September 29th. Please contact Deb Forstner at [deb@ffolychurch.org](mailto:deb@ffolychurch.org), or leave a message at the parish office. Will be praying that you do!

### BIBLE STUDY SIGN UP

It's that time of year again to think about Bible Study! This series is on the Gospel of St. John and will last 8 weeks starting September 20th. Two sessions again, 1-3p.m. and 7-9p.m. on Mondays in the Fellowship Hall. It's fun and not hard! Sign up for a session in the office, cost is \$10. Deacon Chuck

### FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION AND START DATES

Registration for 3-year-old through 11th grade, including Sacrament Preparation classes will take place on Monday, **September 13 from 3:00-6:00** in the Gathering Space of the Church. Wednesday classes for Kindergarten—10th grade will begin on Wednesday, **September 29th**, *Children's Liturgy of the Word* begins on Sunday, **October 3rd** during the 10:30am Mass, and Confirmation (grade 11) classes begin on Wednesday, **October 6th**.

### FALL FESTIVAL

Could you use an extra \$100? Turn in your sold raffle tickets prior to **September 5** to have a chance to win The Early Bird Drawing prize of \$100. Tickets will be collected and sold after all the weekend Masses and anytime at the office. Donations for the **Silent Auction** and the **Children's Raffle** can be dropped off in the parish office. **It is requested that the items be NEW.** Please enter your name and item description on the form in the office when you bring in donations.

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## AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

### RCIA

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith through the **RCIA program**, please contact Mammias at 736-2429 extension 13.

### STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Stewardship as a Way of Life: *"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" James 2:5* What is more important—being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions, we truly realize it is better to give than to receive.

### MOTHER'S GROUP BEGINNING 2ND SEASON AT OLV

Interested in joining us this year? We'll be using an Endow study again, which requires absolutely no homework and is packed with solid Catholic church teaching and affirming for women of every age, stage of life, and vocation.

Study: Endow--Discovering the Doctors of the Church

Where: OLV St. Joseph Room

When: Thursdays while school is in session, 1:30-3:00 pm, beginning Sept. 16th. For more information, contact Heather by email: [olvmothersgroup@gmail.com](mailto:olvmothersgroup@gmail.com)

**All are welcome!**

### FALL BAZAAR AT ST. THOMAS

St. Thomas Catholic Church in Kent invites you to their delicious turkey and ham dinner with all the trimmings on **September 12** 11:00-1:30pm. Adults-\$10, Children(5-10)-\$5, Pre-School-free. BINGO, children's games, raffle, cake walk, crafts, theme baskets - Join in the fun!

### DAY RETREAT AT ST. JOHN'S

*"An Introduction to Celtic Way of Prayer"* presented by David Keller & Emily Wilmer on **September 29 9:00-4:00pm**. Cost is \$50 including lunch. To learn more call 320-363-3929 or <http://www.abbeyguesthouse.org>

## DIRECTORY

St. Elizabeth Parish Secretary .....Carrie Wedell  
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 Formation .....Mayme Hofland  
OLV Parish Secretary .....Rosemary Griffin  
OLV Parish Music Director.....Paula Leitch  
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## Upcoming Important Dates

### Regional Ministry Gatherings

Regional Ministry Gatherings are being held under the theme "One Body: Gathered, Nourished, Sent." All-Diocese Gatherings are for anyone interested in learning more about their faith. Leadership Gatherings — open to all but geared toward parish ministry staff and volunteers — focus on relevant issues facing our Church and Area Catholic Communities. For more information or to register, go to [www.stcdio.org/RMG2021](http://www.stcdio.org/RMG2021).

### September 19 OLV Fall Festival

Turkey dinner with all the trimmings, along with pie or cake, will be served from 11:00 to 1:00. **Cost of the dinner is \$12 and \$6 for 1/2 portion meal.** There will also be the opportunity for drive-through dinner pick up. There will also be a country store and pantry, silent auction, children's raffle, cake walk, bingo and a bouncy house and games. The main raffle drawing will be at 2:00 with a chance to win the grand prize drawing of \$10,000 or many other prizes.

### October 23 Diocesan Ministry Day

We've got Spirit! Yes, we do! We've got Spirit. How about you? This year, Diocesan Ministry Day on October 23rd will be a rousing celebration of all that we are as a diocese. This rally-themed day, to be held at St. John's Abbey and University, will honor the gifts of each of our parishes and ACCs. Save the date to come and cheer on the whole diocese and be filled with the love of community and the spiritual gifts of our faith. All are welcome to attend this event. For more information or to register, visit <https://stcdio.org/2021-diocesan-ministry-day>.