

PELICAN VALLEY

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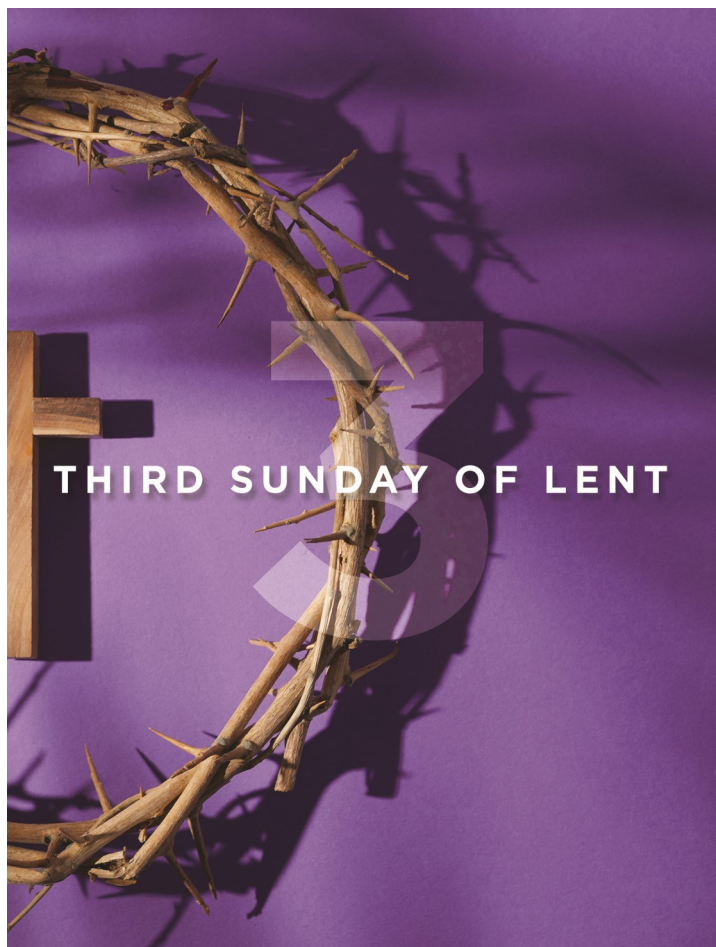
Deb Forstner 218 736-2429 ext. 47

OLV Middle/High School Faith Formation

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Elizabeth: After 6:30 p.m. Mass (Th)
St. Leonard: After 6:30 p.m. Mass (Wed)
Our Lady of Victory: 8:30 a.m. Thurs. if
there is a 9:00 a.m. Mass, and
3:30 p.m. Saturday



Church & Office Hours :

St. Elizabeth: Carrie Wedll 218 731-5304

St. Leonard: Mary Bongers 218 841-4861

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

and 1:00 to 4:00 (M-Th)

9:00 to Noon Fri.

PASTORAL COLUMN

Dear Parishioners of St. Leonard, St. Elizabeth, and Our Lady of Victory,

We continue the Lenten journey this weekend with Scriptures calling us into deeper conversion and contemplation of our calling. The striking image of Moses and the burning bush suggests that we look for “burning bushes” in our lives, places where God is speaking to us, calling us to pay attention to His presence, perhaps calling us to some change or some action. We all have those places in family life, in the personal space of our consciences, as well as in world events. These places are indeed “holy ground” especially as we ponder their meaning and then respond in faith to what we hear and see.

A **LENTE RECONCILIATION SERVICE FOR OUR ACC** will be celebrated on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, **April 3 at 5:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Victory**. This will include individual confessions with many priests available as confessors. We will also announce other opportunities for confessions as Holy Week draws near.

We are planning a **Pelican Valley ACC EASTER VIGIL** for our three parishes, and this will be held at Our Lady of Victory. We pray for extra joy as we come together for this culmination of the liturgical year. All three parishes will be involved in the liturgical ministries.

God bless you all,

Fr. Alan

Estimados feligreses de St. Leonard, St. Elizabeth y Our Lady of Victory,

Continuamos el viaje de Cuaresma este fin de semana con las Escrituras llamándonos a una conversión y contemplación más profundas de nuestro llamado. La llamativa imagen de Moisés y la zarza ardiente sugiere que busquemos “zarzas ardientes” en nuestras vidas, lugares donde Dios nos está hablando, llamándonos a prestar atención a Su presencia, quizás llamándonos a algún cambio o alguna acción. Todos tenemos esos lugares en la vida familiar, en el espacio personal de nuestra conciencia, así como en los acontecimientos mundiales. Estos lugares son de hecho “tierra santa”, especialmente cuando reflexionamos sobre su significado y luego respondemos con fe a lo que escuchamos y vemos.

UN SERVICIO DE RECONCILIACIÓN CUARESMA PARA NUESTRA ACC se celebrará el Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma, **3 de abril a las 5:00 p.m. en Nuestra Señora de la Victoria**. Esto incluirá confesiones individuales con muchos sacerdotes disponibles como confesores. También anunciaremos otras oportunidades para confesiones a medida que se acerca la Semana Santa.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 19

4:30 p.m. **OLV** Mass †Marge Weiland

Sunday, March 20

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

8:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass †David Thompson

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** Mass Spanish Mass

Monday, March 21

No 7:00 a.m. Adoration

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

Tuesday, March 22

12:05 p.m. **OLV** Mass †Jean Ringwelski

Adoration following Mass until 5 p.m.

Wednesday, March 23

10:00 a.m. **Park Gardens** Mass †Genevieve McGraw

6:30 p.m. **SL** Word and Communion

7:30 p.m. **OLV** Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 24

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

6:30 p.m. **SE** Mass Steve and Ruth Lorscheigh

Friday, March 25

9:00 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Clayton Johnson

7:00 p.m. **SL** Stations of the Cross

OLV Adoration (*unless otherwise noted in weekly schedule)

7:00–8:00 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Tuesday after 12:05 Mass until 5:00 p.m.

7:00–8:45 a.m. Thursday, Friday

Rosary

8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 26

4:30 p.m. **OLV** Mass †Clement Klimek

Sunday, March 27

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

8:30 a.m. **OLV** Mass †Christopher Jennen

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** Mass Spanish Mass

Estamos planeando una **VIGILIA DE PASCUA de Pelican Valley ACC** para nuestras tres parroquias, y se llevará a cabo en Our Lady of Victory. Oramos por un gozo extra al unirnos para esta culminación del año litúrgico. Las tres parroquias estarán involucradas en los ministerios litúrgicos.

Dios los bendiga a todos,

P. Alan



ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following special intentions: Dan Lemke, Odilia Riestenberg, Kandance Love, Marlys Holubok, Kathleen Grise, Walt Paler's sister Barbara, Charlotte Schmitz, Hudson Hendrickx, Mary Marquardt, Kay Henkes, Ruth Lorshbough, Jerry Schauff, Pat Baker, Kayla Pask and Joan Brusven, Jim Wedll, Pat Ouren, Tyler Kurtz, and Deacon Pete and his family. Jean Lehn, those that suffer from effects of drugs and alcohol, and those with cancer.

MEN'S CLUB 66TH PANCAKE, SAUSAGE, AND HAM BREAKFAST!

Sunday April 3rd, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Brenny Hall.

LAY MINISTRIES FOR HOLY WEEK

Sign-up sheet is in the entrance of the church.

HAM BINGO!

April 9th in Brenny Hall. Supper at 5:30 (free will offering) with Bingo to follow.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MEETING

April 10th after Mass in Brenny Hall.

SAVE THE DATE! PORK OUT AUG. 2ND

First meeting after Easter.

ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ viernes a las 19 hs.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays at 7 p.m.

PRAYER REQUESTS

For Adam Stewart, Julie Severson, Valerie Smischny, Allyssa Klinger (niece of Steve Petersen), Cindy Becker, Tony Vigen, Denice Smischny, Jack Geske, Marilyn Jentz, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, Leona Braton, James Smith (brother of Karla Schermerhorn) and Nicole Kent (cousin of Karla Schermerhorn) and LeAnn Ishaug.



OUR LADY OF VICTORY

FEBRUARY FINANCIAL GIVING

*\$57,352 is the monthly budget

*\$10,570.09 under the yearly collection budget

Adult Collections	\$41,409.95
Children envelopes	11.00
Building and Maintenance	918.00
Food Shelf Donations	885.00
Emergency Fund Donations	75.00
Flowers	40.00
Sponsor a School Student	373.00
Faith Formation Donations	25.00
Fr. Lucho Parish	950.00
Ways and Means	50.00
St. Otto's Cemetery	110.00
Church in Central and Eastern Europe	50.00

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us this Wednesday, March 23rd at 7:30 p.m.

HOME COMMUNION VISITS

If you are unable to attend Mass and would like Holy Communion brought to your home, please contact Jennifer Dummer at 218-736-2429 ext. 15 or jennifer@ffolvchurch.org.

BLESSED IS SHE "RISE" LENTEN RETREAT FOR WOMEN @ OLV-APRIL 2ND!!

Open to all women 18 and over from our ACC parishes. Free childcare will be available. Lap babies welcome! 8:30'ish am-3:30'ish pm, with registration/check-in from 8-8:30 am. Emphasis on prayer and our journey with the Lord as women as we begin with Adoration, Rosary, and Benediction. Virtual talks from the recent, live retreat in Phoenix along with time for discussion, fellowship, and worship with one another. Pre-register by Mar. 25th. Contact Heather at olvmothersgroup@gmail.com to pre-register and with any questions.

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TEC RETREAT is a great way to begin your "New Normal"

Who is ready for a fresh start after two years of Covid pandemic? How many of us have struggled and felt disconnected over the last several months? Perhaps it's time for a three-day retreat Together Encountering Christ (TEC) retreat. Laughter, tears, support, encouragement, and a whole lot of love is what you can anticipate on a TEC retreat. Sign up today at cmtec.org.

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AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

"Believe, Celebrate, Live." The Appeal supports ministries that benefit you, your family, and your greater parish community. Please make a gift today. **Each dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purposes.**

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship as a Way of Life: "He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none'" (Luke 13:7)

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts, and return them with increase. We are called to be generous with all of our gifts; especially the ones that mean the most to us.

MANY THANKS to all who contributed to the special collection for victims of war in Ukraine.

OLV DRIVE-THRU FISH FRIES

Batter-fried walleye, baked potato, coleslaw, and roll: \$13, extra fish \$5. Order at main door. To-go only. 5-7 p.m. March 25, April 1, 8.

POSITION OPENING: SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School in Fergus Falls, Minnesota, seeks a visionary principal to build faith formation and educational excellence for our school. The principal oversees administration of all aspects of the elementary school ministry in grades PreK through six, provides faith and educational leadership in the Roman Catholic tradition to the school community, and supervises school staff. Experience in elementary education and a master's degree (or progress towards master's) in Education or School Administration preferred. Candidate needs to be a practicing Catholic whose lifestyle models Catholic values. Submit resume, including education and background, past employment, and references to:

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DIRECTORY

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OLV Parish Property Manager.....Bob Budke
OLV Custodial Assistant..... Marc Stratton
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OLV Church..... contact@ffolvchurch.org
OLV School.....contact@ffolvschool.org
OLV Faith Formation/Financial.....mayme@ffolvchurch.org

CALLING ALL SYNOD LISTENERS

Listeners who have been trained for the synod process are asked to contact Vince Thoma at 218-736-6372 or by email at xaire100@gmail.com. Vince will collaborate with leaders to create opportunities for listening to members of our ACC in either one-on-one or group sessions.



ST. EUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

Join other Pelican Valley ACC youth July 29 thru 31 at the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN. Open to current grades 8 thru 12. To reserve your spot, contact ACC Youth Minister Emily Hebert at emily@ffolvchurch.org or 218-736-2429 ext. 24. Space is limited, so sign up now! Additional details can be found online at: bit.ly/fearless_2022

GRIEF GROUP meets the second Tuesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 at Bethel Church: 702 W Alcott Avenue, Fergus Falls.

PRAYER CHAIN

Please call: Jo Weatherly 736-4938, Louise Wentworth 736-6701 or 770-0473, Amanda Gilles 736-6547 or 205-4329 to become involved with or to add your intentions to the prayer chain.

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>