

PELICAN VALLEY Area Catholic Community

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FEBRUARY 26, 2023



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." - Mt 4:3

1ER DOMINGO DE LA CUARESMA

Se le acercó el tentador y le dijo: "Si tú eres el Hijo de Dios, manda que estas piedras se conviertan en panes".

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: Craig Hebert / Marlene Gease 218-736-2429 Church Hours: 7:45 to 4:00 (Mon-Fri) Office Hours: 9:00 to Noon and 1:00 to 4:00 (Mon-Thu) and 9:00 to NOON (Fri)

PASTORAL COLUMN

Dear Pelican Valley ACC Members,

This weekend we welcome Sister Christine Marie and Sister Damiana, members of the charismatic religious community of nuns known as Disciples of Our Lord Jesus Christ, from Texas. They will lead three "ACC Lenten Mission" sessions, one at each parish, beginning this Sunday, February 26 at 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Victory. It will be a time of prayer, praise, and evangelization with a special focus on the Eucharist as a source of healing. The sisters will minister in both English and Spanish. The afternoon prayer and praise time will be followed by a Texas barbecue in the fellowship hall and then a time of one-on-one prayer ministry with the sisters for those who might wish to participate. On Monday evening we will begin with a 5:30 supper at St. Leonard (mission session at 6:15) and the same schedule on Tuesday at St. Elizabeth. On Wednesday they will spend time at OLV School and with our ACC youth. Thanks to members of our Stewardship and Discipleship Committee, and all those from our three parishes who have worked together in planning this special Lenten renewal. Please notice the special MASS SCHEDULE this week and Father Lucho and I will be available for confessions throughout these days.

May the Holy Spirit heal and renew our hearts!

Fr. Alan

Estimados miembros de Pelican Valley ACC,

Este fin de semana damos la bienvenida a la Hermana Christine Marie y la Hermana Damiana, miembros de la carismática comunidad religiosa de monjas conocidas como Discípulas de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, de Texas. Dirigirán tres sesiones de "Misión de Cuaresma de ACC", una en cada parroquia, a partir de este domingo 26 de febrero a las 3:00 p.m. en Nuestra Señora de la Victoria. Será un tiempo de oración, alabanza y evangelización con un enfoque especial en la Eucaristía como fuente de sanación. Las hermanas ministrarán tanto en inglés como en español. La oración de la tarde y el tiempo de alabanza serán seguidos por una barbacoa de Texas en el salón de compañerismo y luego un tiempo de ministerio de oración uno a uno con las hermanas para aquellos que deseen participar. El lunes por la noche comenzaremos con una cena a las 5:30 en St. Leonard (sesión de misión a las 6:15) y el mismo horario el martes en St. Elizabeth. El miércoles pasarán tiempo en la Escuela OLV y con nuestra juventud ACC. Gracias a los miembros de nuestro Comité de Mayordomía y Discipulado ya todos aquellos de nuestras tres parroquias que han trabajado juntos en la planificación

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

First Sunday of Lent

Saturday, February 25

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Dean Long

Sunday, February 26

8:30 a.m. SE Mass †Jack and Odilia Riestenberg
9:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Jim McDonald
10:30 a.m. SL Mass †Kenny Vohnoutka
12:00 p.m. SL Misa en Español
3:00 p.m. OLV Pelican Valley ACC Lenten Mission Meal follows at 5:00 p.m.

Monday, February 27

9:00 a.m. OLV Mass †Cyril and Myrtle Keller 5:30 p.m. SL Pelican Valley ACC Lenten Mission Meal 5:30; Mission 6:30

Tuesday, February 28

12:05 p.m. OLV Mass †Dean Long

5:30 p.m. SE Pelican Valley ACC Lenten Mission Meal 5:30; Mission 6:30

Wednesday, March 1

10:30 a.m. Veterans Home Mass †Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:05 a.m. OLV Mass †Cyril and Myrtle Keller 6:30 p.m. SL Word and Communion

Thursday, March 2

9:00 a.m. OLV Mass †Cheryl Bastyr

Friday, March 3

9:00 a.m. OLV Mass †Dean Long 12:05 p.m. OLV Stations of the Cross

Second Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 4

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Orin Koziol

Sunday, March 5

8:30 a.m. SE Mass †Jack and Odilia Riestenberg 9:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Marge Weiand 10:30 a.m. SL Mass †Duane Valley 12:00 p.m. SL Misa en Español



de esta renovación especial de Cuaresma. Tenga en cuenta el HORARIO DE MISA especial esta semana y el Padre Lucho y yo estaremos disponibles para confesiones durante estos días.

¡Que el Espíritu Santo sane y renueve nuestros corazones!

Padre Alan

ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

PARISHIONERS OF ST. ELIZABETH

Please check your boxes in the back of church.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Are in the back of church.

HAM BINGO!

Saturday, March 18. Supper at 5 p.m. Free will offering. BINGO to follow!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Dan Lemke, Kandance Love, Marlys Holubok, Kathleen Grise, Walt Paler's sister Barbara, Hudson Hendrickx, Kay Henkes, Jerry Schauff, Pat Baker, Kayla Pask and Joan Brusven, Jim Wedll, Tyler Kurtz, Jean Lehn, and Deacon Pete and his family, those that suffer from effects of drugs and alcohol, and those with cancer.

ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED 3/1/2023

The office will be **closed on Monday, March 1**, but will be **open on Thursday, March 2** from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Plain envelopes for Sunday donations can be found in the back of church on both sides. Please write your name on it f you would like your contribution to be taxdeductible. Thank you for your patience as we wait for our envelopes to arrive.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS!

The Knights of Columbus/St. Leonard's Church is offering (2) \$500.00 scholarships to any 2023 graduate of Pelican Rapids High School. Qualifications – you must be a member of St. Leonard Church, attend a post-secondary institution in the fall, and complete an application. Applications can be found in the back of church or in the high school office. Applications are due February 22, 2023

PRAYER REQUESTS

Ross Olson, Joyce Valley, Rudy Butenas, Jerry Stokka, Tom Johnson, Adam Stewart, Julie Severson, Valerie Smischny, Cindy Becker, Tony Vigen, Denice Smischny, Jack Geske, Marilyn Jentz, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, Leona Braton, and LeAnn Ishaug.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

JOIN US FOR OUR PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast in the OLV gymnasium on February 26 from 10 a.m.— 1 p.m. Free will offering will be accepted. Pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee, milk, and juice will be served.

FRIDAY FISH FRIES ARE BACK AT OLV!

Our Lenten Fish Fries will be back in the gym this year, and we will continue to have the drive-thru option. This means we are going to need all hands on deck! It's going to take participation from our entire parish family to successfully pull this off. Sign-up sheets will be available in the gathering area and online. Your time and talent are greatly appreciated! Fish Fries are every Friday in March including the 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, and 31st.

OLV SCHOOL SPRING GALA IS APRIL 15TH

Join us for our school's annual fundraiser on Saturday, April 15 beginning at 5:30 p.m. This year's meal choices include crab-stuffed lobster tail, herb-crusted chicken cordon bleu, or lasagna served with a salad, baconwrapped asparagus, baked potato, and triple-layer chocolate cake and chocolate-dipped strawberries. Come out for a night of fun and support for OLV School!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Meet the 2nd Thursday at 5:30 pm in the OLV Fellowship Hall. All Catholic women 18 and older are welcome to join. Contact Sharon Stevens 218-739-2381 or Bonnie Hein 218-739-3718.



JANUARY FINANCIAL GIVING

Adult Collections	\$45,017.16
Children Envelopes	\$4.00
Building and Maintenand	ce \$466.00
Food Shelf Donations	\$275.00
Emergency Fund Donation	ons \$67.00
Flowers	\$5.00
Sponsor a Student	\$322.00
Faith Formation Donatio	ns \$26.00

*\$60,303 is the monthly budget *\$2,202.30 under yearly budget

PELICAN VALLEY

AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

This is Announcement Weekend for the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Please take this opportunity to consider your gift and the many ministries that are only available through your generosity. Next week, you can make a gift with envelopes that will be provided at Mass or bring the envelope many of you will receive in the mail this week. Each dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose.

ADULT LENTEN BIBLE STUDY AT OLV

This Lent OLV be offering a 5-week study from Ascension Press titled *No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion.* Sessions will begin Monday, March 6 in the OLV Fellowship Hall with two times available - 1:00 pm or 7:00 pm. Please stop in or call the parish office to sign up. The cost is \$10 for materials.

BILINGUAL LENTEN MISSION 2/26-3/1

The sisters from Disciples of Our Lord Jesus Christ will be leading us in **Prayer**, **Praise**, and **Evangelization**, with a special focus on our encounter with the **Eucharist**.

- * Sunday 2/26- 3:00 Our Lady of Victory
- * Monday 2/27- 5:30 St. Leonard
- * Tuesday 2/28- 5:30 St. Elizabeth
- Wednesday 3/1 Children and youth faith formation visits

Each afternoon or evening will have a different theme focusing on the Eucharist, so please join us each day. Transportation and childcare will be available if needed. See flyer and posters for registration information or sign up in the back of your parish. Registration is not required, but appreciated for meal counts and childcare. Register online at:

https://bit.ly/PVACCmissionregistration Or email pelicanvalleyacc@gmail.com Or use the sign-up sheets in the back of church Or scan this QR code with your phone or tablet



JOIN US FOR THE LENTEN MISSION! Just scan this QR code with your phone or tablet

FROM OLV SCHOOL PRINCIPAL MR. RATHS

With the Lenten season starting this week, it starts a busy season at OLV School. The students at OLV celebrated Ash Wednesday with their weekly school Mass. Students will participate in Stations of the Cross on March 10, 17, and 31. These will be led by a different class each week. Students have the opportunity to listen to the Stations of the Cross from a children's perspective. Each Station corresponds to the life of a child: listening to your parents, being kind to your siblings, and saying kind words to others. Stations of the Cross are held at 2:00 and are open to the public.

Students in second through sixth grade will partake in reconciliation on March 16. This is a great opportunity for our students to be forgiven of their sins leading up to Easter.

During Holy Week, we will close our Lenten season with our school's annual Easter Retreat Day. This day starts with a Holy Thursday prayer service where each classroom teacher washed the feet of their students. This reflects Jesus washing the feet of his disciples. Students then partake in the Seder Meal where we tell the story of the Passover. Unleavened bread, grape juice, and celery are served to represent the bread, wine, and bitter herbs that were eaten at the time of the Exodus. Next, we have the Good Friday prayer service where students venerate the crucifix. We end the day with Living Stations. This is a live reenactment of the Stations of the Cross, performed by the sixthgrade class.

<u>**GRIEF GROUP</u>** Meets the second Tuesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 at Bethel Church, 702 W Alcott Ave, Fergus Falls.</u>

PRAYER CHAIN

Please call: Jo Weatherly 218-736-4938, Louise Wentworth 218-736-6701 or 218-770-0473, Alice Neuleib 218-739-2711 or 218-205-9007 to become involved with or to add your intentions to the prayer chain.

Web Sites:

OLV.....www.ffolvchurch.org Schoolwww.ffolvschool.org St. Leonardwww.stleonardpr.org Diocesewww.stcdio.org Facebook Pages:

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