



# PELICAN VALLEY

## Area Catholic Community

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JULY 23, 2023

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### Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Elizabeth: After 6:30 p.m. Mass (Thu)

St. Leonard: After 6:30 p.m. Mass (Wed)

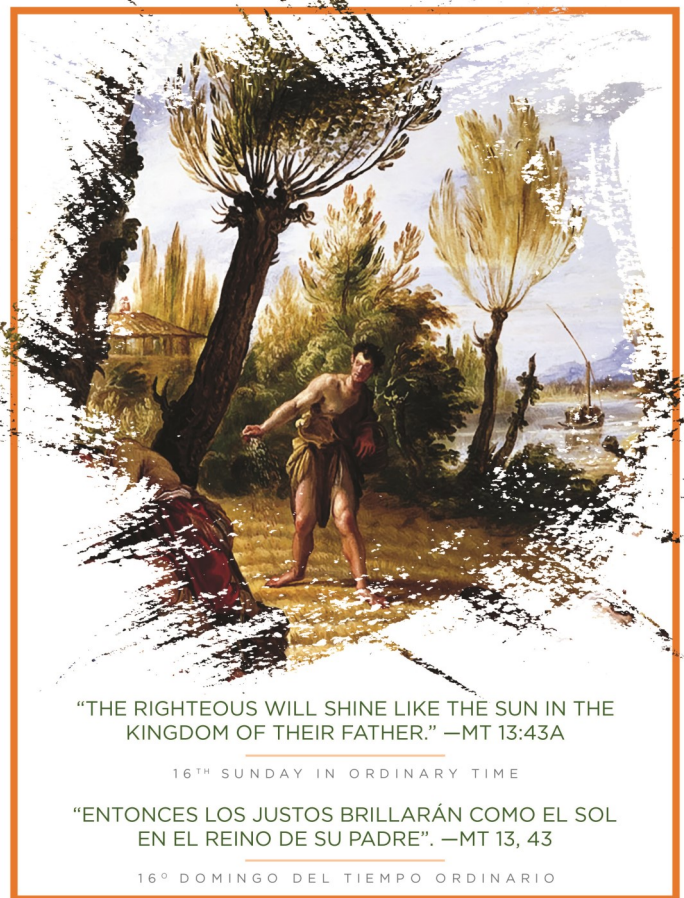
Our Lady of Victory: 8:30 a.m. *Thursday*

*if there is a 9:00 a.m. Mass*

3:30 p.m. Saturday



Pelican Valley ACC SUNDAY FUNday  
August 6 @ 10:30 a.m.  
Roosevelt Park, Fergus Falls



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### Church & Office Hours :

St. Elizabeth: Carrie Wedll 218 731-5304

St. Leonard: Mary Bongers / Alejandra Mancilla  
218 841-4861

Office Hours: 2:00–5:00 (Wed)

Our Lady of Victory: Craig Hebert / Marlene Gease  
218-736-2429, ext. 10

Church Hours: 7:45 to 4:00 (Mon-Fri)

Office Hours: 9:00 to Noon

and 1:00 to 4:00 (Mon-Thu)

Closed on Fridays Memorial Day to Labor Day

## PASTORAL COLUMN

Dear Pelican Valley ACC Members,

The "Steubenville experience" at St. Thomas University is right around the corner (next weekend) for **Emily Hebert** our youth minister, and a group of our ACC youth (all girls this year I believe!) and adults as they join others from across the midwest in a weekend of praise and growing closer to Christ. Let's keep them all in our prayers this coming week. And this week is also our **SUMMER SAINTS PROGRAM**, Tuesday through Thursday evenings for ACC children from first grade through fifth. Thanks to **Deb Forstner** and her large group of helpers who will help our children grow close to God with the saints! If your children have not yet registered, please contact Deb at the parish office.

The **Fun Day- Sunday** event will be held on **Sunday, August 6 at Roosevelt Park in Fergus Falls with a 10:30 outdoor Mass** followed by food, fun for everyone, entertainment, and games for the children. **ALL ARE INVITED! There will be NO 9:30 Mass at OLV on that Sunday, August 6.** In case of bad weather (like last time) the 10:30 Mass will be in church. Watch Facebook, the parish website, etc. closely if the weather is ifffffy!

*God bless you all! Fr. Alan*

**Esitmadados miembros de Pelican Valley ACC,**

La "experiencia de Steubenville" en la Universidad de St. Thomas está a la vuelta de la esquina (el próximo fin de semana) para **Emily Hebert**, nuestra ministra de jóvenes, y un grupo de nuestros jóvenes de ACC (¡creo que todas las niñas este año!) y adultos mientras se unen a otros de todo el medio oeste en un fin de semana de alabanza y acercamiento a Cristo. Mantengamos a todos en nuestras oraciones la próxima semana. Y esta semana también es nuestro **PROGRAMA DE SANTOS DE VERANO**, de martes a jueves por la noche para niños de ACC desde primer grado hasta quinto. ¡Gracias a **Deb Forstner** y su gran grupo de ayudantes que ayudarán a nuestros hijos a crecer cerca de Dios con los santos! Si sus hijos aún no se han registrado, comuníquese con Deb en la oficina parroquial.

El evento **Fun Day-Sunday** se llevará a cabo el **domingo 6 de agosto en Roosevelt Park en Fergus Falls con una misa al aire libre a las 10:30 seguida de comida, diversión para todos, entretenimiento y juegos para los niños.** ¡**TODOS ESTÁN INVITADOS! No habrá Misa 9:30 en OLV ese domingo, 6 de agosto.** En caso de mal tiempo (como la última vez) la misa de las 10:30 será en la iglesia. Mira Facebook, el sitio web de la parroquia, etc. ¡De cerca si el clima es dudoso!

*¡Dios los bendiga a todos! P. Alan*

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, July 22**

4:30 p.m. **OLV Mass** †Loretta Schmaltz

**Sunday, July 23**

8:30 a.m. **SE Mass** †Jack and Odilia Riestenberg

9:30 a.m. **OLV Mass** †Nicolle Braaten-Toso

10:30 a.m. **SL Mass** †Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:00 p.m. **SL Misa en Español**

**Monday, July 24**

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

**Tuesday, July 25**

12:05 p.m. **OLV Mass** †Archie and Virginia Miller

**Wednesday, July 26**

10:00 a.m. **Mill Street Mass** †Holy Souls in Purgatory

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

**Thursday, July 27**

9:00 a.m. **OLV Mass** †James Biss

**Friday, July 28**

9:00 a.m. **OLV Mass** †Art Kempenich

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, July 29**

2:00 p.m. **SE Wedding** Macie Kezar and Dylan Brusven

4:30 p.m. **OLV Mass** †Briggs Otis Anderson

**Sunday, July 30**

8:30 a.m. **SE Mass** †Odilia Riestenberg

9:30 a.m. **OLV Mass** †Theresa Schiltz

10:30 a.m. **SL Mass** †Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:00 p.m. **SL Misa en Español**

**OLV Adoration** (\*unless otherwise noted above)

7:00–7:45 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

12:30–5:00 p.m. Tuesday after Mass

7:00–8:45 a.m. Thursday

**OLV Rosary** (\*unless otherwise noted above)

8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday



# ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

**PORK OUT NEWS:** Signs will be on classroom doors for Pork Out items. Please turn in sold raffle tickets and raffle prizes as soon as you can. Not many raffle tickets left, so if you're having trouble selling them, let Carrie know. Also, we will be setting up for Pork Out on August 16th!!

## **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MEETING**

September 10th after Mass.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** John Schauff, Charlotte Schmitz (granddaughter of Mary Marquardt), Kandace 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.

*More St. Elizabeth announcements on the ACC page!*

# ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

**PORK IN THE PARK SIGN-UP SHEETS!** are in the back (north) side of church. Please pick your time/task. Envelopes have been placed in the pews for cash donations. Your participation in helping and/or donating is greatly appreciated. **Pork in the Park is on Saturday July 22<sup>nd</sup>.** Mark your calendars!!!

**WELCOME TO JOSE ESCOBAR** as a new member representing St Leonard on the ACC Council. Maria Stokka will now serve the parish as trustee. If you are interested in serving on a parish life committee, concerned about all the activities and ministries at St Leonard, please contact Mary Bongers, Deacon Mario, or Father Alan.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** Judy Marko, Ardean Erickson, Ross Olson, Joyce Valley, Rudy Butenas, Jerry Stokka, Tom Johnson, Julie Severson, Valerie Smischny, Tony Vigen, Denice Smischny, Jack Geske, Marilyn Jentz, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, Leona Braton, and LeAnn Ishaug.

*More St. Leonard announcements on the ACC page!*

# OUR LADY OF VICTORY

**DID YOU KNOW THAT STEPHEN MINISTERS** care for people who have lost a baby through miscarriage or stillbirth or are facing the cross of infertility? Did you know that Stephen Ministers care for people who have relocated to our community? Accept care from a Stephen Minister during your time of need. God doesn't expect you to bear your burdens alone. If you or someone you know could benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister, please contact an OLV Stephen Leader for more information: Peggy Rezac 218-731-5528, Gail Welle 218-205-2565, Jennifer Dummer 218-736-2429 Ext 15.

## **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE WILL BE UPDATED**

soon for the months of August - October 2023. **Please update your availability** for those months in MSP. In addition, short ministry meetings are scheduled for the following dates. A short update on how things are going; the new kiosk ministry sign in and **group pictures will be taken for our parish directory.**

- \* July 24th at 6:30 for all Altar Servers and Lectors.
- \* July 24th at 7:30 for Coffee and Rolls servers

If you have any questions regarding the schedule or the directory, please contact Diane at 218-205-9002 or [ministrypro@ffolvchurch.org](mailto:ministrypro@ffolvchurch.org)

**ACC COUNCIL OPENING** There is a potential opening on the ACC Council for a new member from OLV. This council meets six times a year, rotating at the three parishes, advising the pastor on all matters concerning the ACC. We are also looking for members to join an OLV Parish Life committee. If you are interested in learning about that please contact Diane Aschnewitz or Fr. Alan. This committee will also meet approximately six times a year, alternating with the months the ACC Council meets.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS** meet the 2nd Thursday at 5:30 pm in the OLV Fellowship Hall from September through December and February through June. All Catholic women 18 and older are welcome to join. Contact Sharon Stevens 218-739-2381 or Bonnie Hein 218-739-3718.

**ST. ROBERT'S MISSION** Meets the second Monday of the month at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**ST. THERESA'S CIRCLE** St. Theresa's Circle Meets **2nd Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.** in OLV St. Joseph Room. Craft work done at home. **Volunteers needed.** To learn more, call Theresa Rudnick (218) 736-4924.



# PELICAN VALLEY

AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

## OUR DIRECTORY IS COMING ALONG

**NICELY!** Thank you to all who have taken or scheduled your photo sessions. To date, we have just under 400 slots filled! It will be so helpful to have updated photos to help us get to know our neighbors and church family! Sessions are available, especially at the end of July and the first week in August. Sign up online at [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com); Church Code: **mn384**; Password: **photos**. If you need help, ask at the office or contact Diane at **218-205-9002** or [ministrypro@ffolvchurch.org](mailto:ministrypro@ffolvchurch.org).

**Ministry photos and parish happenings** can be submitted to Diane through September 1st. If you are part of a ministry, please take a group photo (digital are best) and send to: [dschney@gmail.com](mailto:dschney@gmail.com). Make sure to indicate ministry name and a contact person.

**We still need volunteers to greet** as members arrive for photos. Sign-up in the gathering space.

**FAITH BUILD UPDATE:** Knights of Columbus Council 3118 aided by Catholic Daughters Court 1466 will be working on the latest **Habitat for Humanity** home construction project on Lenore Way in Fergus Falls on Tuesday, August 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This day's efforts will be spearheaded by Tom Hintgen with Grand Knight Jeff Jennen leading the Knights of Columbus volunteers and additional support from Regent Sharon Stevens and the Catholic Daughters. For more information, got to [ffhabitat.org](http://ffhabitat.org).

## STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

*"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom." Matthew 13:24, 37-38*

As children of God, we are all "good seeds". We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow "good seeds" on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

## ST ELIZABETH PARISH CONTINUED

**RELIGIOUS ED. COORDINATOR** Thanks to Jan Dumas who has been our part time religious ed coordinator the past two years. **We are now looking for someone to coordinate our program this coming year.** This is for the elementary grades and it has met on Sunday mornings. If you are interested please contact Carrie Wedll or Fr. Alan for more information.

**ACC COUNCIL** Welcome to Alison Neuleib who is joining the council this year....thanks to Joan Brusven who has served on the parish council, the finance committee, and now the ACC council for many years! There is **one more potential opening on the council for St Elizabeth.** Please contact Mike Rengel or Fr. Alan for more information!

## ST. LEONARD PARISH CONTINUED

**WE WISH TO THANK EVERYONE** for their generous donations towards our parish's heating/air conditioning project; we have received donations of over \$16,000 going towards the project's approximate estimated expense of \$40,000. Thank you again for all the generous donations!

**FAMILIES IN NEED OF HELP** We have a couple of Nicaraguan families in need of a dining set, pots and pans, bed and some other items. If anyone is willing to help please contact Alejandra Mancilla.

**BURIAL AND RECEPTION:** Clark Mullen, former OLV student and parish member died on September 14, 2022 in Japan. Parents are †Vincent and Rosalyn Mullen. Burial will take place on July 29 at St. James Church, Maine (Pickerel Lake) at 11 a.m. Reception to follow just around the corner at Craig Mullen's, 31905 Cty Rd 115, Underwood, MN. **All are welcome.**

## PRAYER CHAIN

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

## Web Sites:

OLV.....[www.ffolvchurch.org](http://www.ffolvchurch.org)  
School.....[www.ffolvschool.org](http://www.ffolvschool.org)  
St. Leonard.....[www.stleonardpr.org](http://www.stleonardpr.org)  
Diocese.....[www.stcdio.org](http://www.stcdio.org)

## Facebook Pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/StLeonardPR>  
<https://www.facebook.com/stelizabethparish>  
<https://www.facebook.com/Our Lady of Victory>