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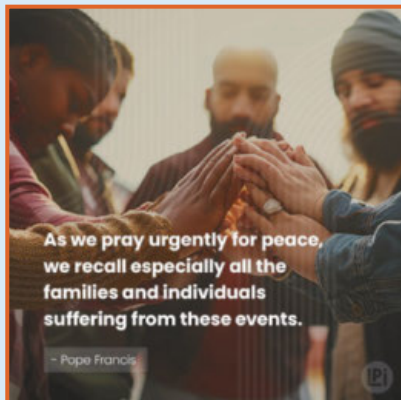
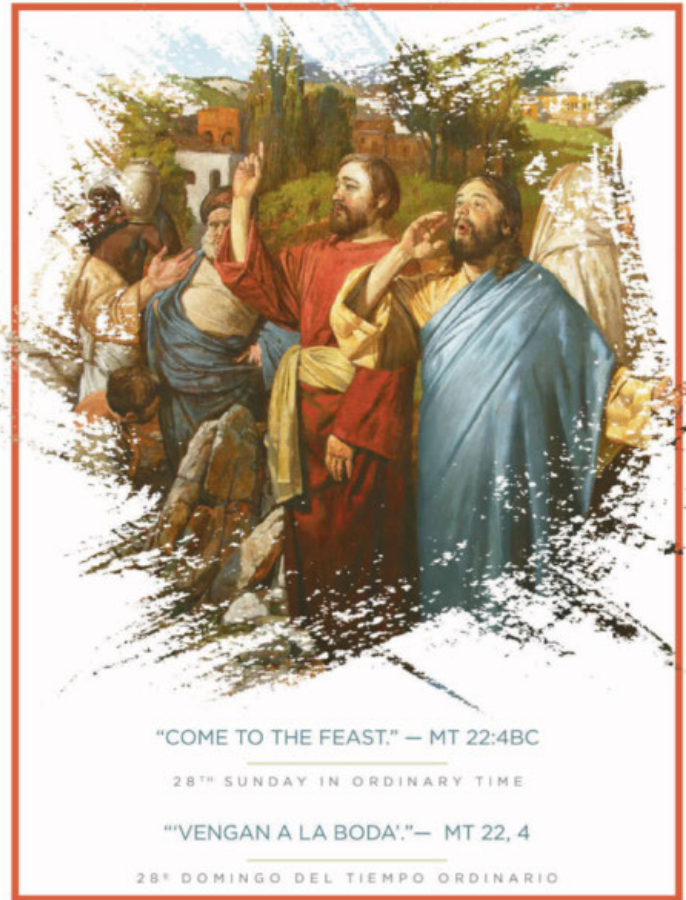
St. Elizabeth: After 6:30 p.m. Mass (Thu)

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



Church & Office Hours:

St. Elizabeth: Carrie Wedell 218 731-5304

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

Office Hours: 9:00 to Noon

and 1:00 to 4:00 (Mon-Thu), 9:00 to noon (Fri)

PASTORAL COLUMN

This week's opening prayer, first reading, and even part of the psalm speak of hospitality. God is the host, and he invites us to be part of his kingdom. Although he invites us, I feel unworthy and think about ways to change so that I can hope to be included.

John the Baptist in Mark 1:3 says, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." This means I can hope, and I am not alone in needing to change. Jesus says, "This is the time of fulfillment. The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel." Mark 1:15

With these quotes, we can see that as we change to be more Jesus oriented, we are making ourselves able to say, "I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life." Psalm 23:6

The opening prayer gives a good guideline when it says, "Make us always determined to carry out good works."

The first reading helps us understand all the good things that await us in heaven. For example, "the Lord of hosts will provide for all people, will destroy death, wipe away all tears." Read Isaiah 25:6, he says it much better that these quotes show and remember. "Repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand." ~Deacon Chuck

La oración de apertura de esta semana, la primera lectura e incluso parte del salmo hablan de hospitalidad. Dios es el anfitrión y nos invita a ser parte de su reino. A pesar de que nos invita, me siento indigno y pienso en formas de cambiar para poder esperar ser incluido.

Juan el Bautista en Marcos 1:3 dice: "Preparad el camino del Señor, enderezad sus sendas". Esto significa que puedo tener esperanza, y no soy el único que necesita cambiar. Jesús dice: "Este es el tiempo de cumplimiento. El Reino de Dios está cerca. Arrepiéntanse y crean en el Evangelio". Marcos 1:15

Con estas citas, podemos ver que a medida que cambiamos para estar más orientados a Jesús, nos estamos haciendo capaces de decir: "Viviré en la casa del Señor todos los días de mi vida". Salmos 23:6

La oración inicial da una buena guía cuando dice: "Haznos siempre decididos a llevar a cabo buenas obras".

La primera lectura nos ayuda a entender todas las cosas buenas que nos esperan en el cielo. Por ejemplo, "el Señor de los ejércitos proveerá para todos los pueblos, destruirá la muerte, enjugará todas las lágrimas". Lee Isaías 25:6, él dice que es mucho mejor que estas citas muestren y recuerden. "Arrepiéntos, porque el Reino de Dios se ha acercado". ~ Diácono Chuck

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 14

2:00 p.m. **OLV Wedding** of Taya Sexton and Samuel Nelson

4:30 p.m. **OLV Mass** †Bob Buth

Sunday, October 15

8:30 a.m. **SE Mass** †Lawrence and Myrt Wedll

9:30 a.m. **OLV Mass** †Mark Rengel

10:30 a.m. **SL Mass** Todd Baumer

12:00 p.m. **SL Misa en Español**

Monday, October 16

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

Tuesday, October 17

12:05 p.m. **OLV Word and Communion**

Wednesday, October 18

10:00 a.m. **Broen Home Word and Communion**

6:30 p.m. **SL Mass** †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, October 19

9:00 a.m. **OLV Mass** †Jack Jonas

Friday, October 20

Time to be determined **OLV Funeral for Janice Neigel**

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 21

4:30 p.m. **OLV Mass** †Marge Weiland

Sunday, October 22

8:30 a.m. **SE Mass** †Pete Wedll

9:30 a.m. **OLV Mass** †Cyril and Myrtel Keller

10:30 a.m. **SL Mass** People of the ACC

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

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MEETING

Very important meeting regarding the Holiday Expo! October 22 after Mass.

HOLIDAY EXPO CRAFTERS NEEDED Saturday, November 18, 9-1 in Brenny Hall. Contact Jan J. for more information 218-770-4174.

PRAYER REQUESTS Becky Wedll, Darrell and Sandy Hanneman, Jennifer Kolstad, 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.

ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

COMING SOON! ROAST BEEF DINNER!

Wednesday, October 25th from 4:30-7pm. FREE WILL DONATION. ALL ARE WELCOME to come and enjoy this wonderful meal. Please see flyers posted. We will have a silent auction. If you have silent auction items to donate please contact Phil S. (701-540-7513). Volunteers still needed. Sign up sheets by main entrance.

SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER we will be taking a count of mass attendance. Thank you to the ushers who will be doing this.

FAITH FORMATION: 1st Communion, Confirmation and K-8th grade - there is still time to register your kids. Classes are Wednesday from 6-7:30 pm. Please call the office for more information.

PRAYER REQUESTS Claudia Cruz, Laura Saavedra, Rosalva Martínez, Ann Peterson, Claudia Camilo, Judy Marko, Ardean Erickson, Ross Olson, Joyce Valley, Rudy Butenas, Jerry Stokka, Tom Johnson, Tony Vigen, Denice Smischny, Jack Geske, Marilyn Jentz, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, Leona Braton, and LeAnn Ishaug.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

To brighten the holiday season, our food shelf will be distributing hams and turkey breasts to our needy families. Your \$20 donation will purchase a ham or turkey breast. You can use the OLV food shelf envelope or mail your donation to the **Fergus Falls Community Food Shelf**, PO Box 136, Fergus Falls, MN 56537. Please indicate ham/turkey on your check memo. We greatly appreciate your generosity.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST OCTOBER 15!

The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Fatima Council 3118 is hosting a pancake breakfast today (Sunday) after Mass in the school gym. Please join us!

OLV FAITH FORMATION ENROLLMENT

We are excited to report that we have 111 students enrolled in our programs! This includes Elementary grades 1-5 with First Reconciliation/First Communion; Middle School; High School; and Confirmation. Please pray that 2023-24 is a school year that brings each child and teen deeper into their love of Jesus and the Church. ~Deb Forstner, Faith Formation Facilitator

ST. ROBERT'S MISSION

Meets the second Monday of the month at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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.**

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT ST. CABRINI #1466

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.

FAMILY ROSARY ACROSS AMERICA

is a live and interactive radio program **aired every night** bringing together Catholics across the nation to pray the rosary. Join 100,000 people each evening as we pray together and for one another. Search RelevantRadio.com, Facebook.com, Twitter.com, or YouTube.com to find the broadcast.

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WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

The weekend of **October 21st/22nd** we will join Catholic parishes all over the world in celebrating World Mission Sunday. This year, Pope Francis asks us to respond to that call saying, "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move." We act in solidarity this day, as we pray and share our gifts to help build-up the church around the world where the witness of Christ and support of the poor is still needed most. All funds collected on World Mission Sunday support the pastoral, catechetical, charitable and evangelizing work of the Church in over 1,111 of the most in-need dioceses in 180 countries through the efforts of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, a Pontifical Mission Society directed by Pope Francis and administered by the local St. Cloud Mission Office. Please plan to give generously. For more information on the mission needs of our world and mission activities of our diocese, visit: www.stcloudmissionoffice.com.

STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

*"My God will fully supply whatever you need..." -
Philippians 4:19*

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month - be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works, and treasure, then see how God provides for your needs.

THE BRIDGE BUILDERS for a Thriving Mission Initiative is partnering with Community of Hope International to provide training for lay people in pastoral care. **All are invited** to an information session to learn more about this training and formation for lay pastoral caregiving. Our ACC will host two information sessions on Saturday, October 21. An English speaking session at OLV from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm and a Spanish speaking session at St Leonard's from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm. Please register for the information session at: www.csbsju.edu/forms/5H6IP8NRC5 For questions and more information contact Sam Rahberg, Associate Director for Bridge Builders for a Thriving Mission, at srahberg001@csbsju.edu.

JOIN ST. LEONARD PARISH FOR THEIR ANNUAL ROAST BEEF DINNER!

Wednesday, October 25 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Free will offering. All are welcome!

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The Bishop's Annual Appeal proudly supports respect-for-life efforts in the diocese. To provide even better support and coordination for these ministries, the diocese has recently named an Associate Director for Respect Life. This change allocates more time and resources to respect-for-life initiatives. Your generosity helps make this possible. To donate, visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal or mail to: Bishop's Annual Appeal, P.O. Box 1538, St. Cloud, MN 56302.

OLV MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: TECHNOLOGY—AUDIO-VISUAL

This ministry coordinates with the Priest, the Music Ministry, and office staff to provide audio and video resources and support for parish Masses and special religious events. On-the-job training is provided. Time commitment is about 1.5 hours for each Mass or event. Contact Mark Case if you'd like to help out: OLVAVministry@gmail.com

BOX OF JOY MINISTRY

This month our parishes will be participating in the **Box of Joy** ministry, a Christmas shoebox gift outreach organized by local Catholic schools, parishes and groups nationwide. Bless children suffering from extreme poverty by filling boxes with toys and other gifts, sharing the joy of Christmas, and planting seeds of hope through the Gospel. For more information, check out the display in the entrance of the church or contact the Project Leader Deb Jennen at 218-205-8903 or check out boxofjoy.org.

PRAAYER CHAIN

Please call: Jo Weatherly 218-736-4938, Louise Wentworth 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
School.....www.ffolvschool.org
St. Leonard . www.stleonardpr.org
Diocesewww.stcdio.org

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