



# PELICAN VALLEY

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### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Leonard: Wed. After 6:30 p.m. Mass  
Our Lady of Victory: 8:30 a.m. *Thursday*  
*if there is a 9:00 a.m. Mass 3:30 p.m. Sat.*



## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." - Lk 1:41-42

En cuanto [Isabel] oyó el saludo de María, la creatura saltó en su seno. Entonces Isabel quedó llena del Espíritu Santo, y levantando la voz, exclamó: "¡Bendita tú entre las mujeres y bendito el fruto de tu vientre!" - Lc 1, 41-42

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### Church & Office Hours:

**St. Elizabeth:** Carrie Wedll 218-731-5304  
carriewedll@yahoo.com

**St. Leonard:** Alejandra Mancilla 218-731-2962  
stleonard@loretel.net  
Horario de oficina: 3:00—6:00 (miércoles)  
Office Hours: 3:00—6:00 (Wed)

**Our Lady of Victory:** Peter Steinbach 218-736-2429, ext. 10.  
peter@ffolvchurch.org  
Church Hours: 7:45 to 4:00 (Mon-Fri)  
Office Hours: 8:00 to Noon and 1:00 to 4:00 (Mon-Thu),  
8:00 to 12:00 (Fri)

# PASTORAL COLUMN

En el cuarto domingo encenderemos la última vela morada de la corona de Adviento en los 3 templos de nuestro valle de Pelicano. Ya estamos listo para celebrar la primera venida de nuestro Señor en Belén. Sigamos el boletín para los horarios de misas y programas de navidad en nuestra ACC. Reciban los saludos navideños de sus párrocos: nuestro amigo el Padre Alan y yo. Que el Niño Jesús nazca en sus corazones y familias; permanezcamos unidos en la oración y en el amor de Dios hecho Niño.

¡Maranata! ¡Feliz Navidad!

*Padre Lucho*



On the fourth Sunday we will light the last purple candle of the Advent wreath in the 3 temples of our Pelican valley. We are ready to celebrate the first coming of our Lord in Bethlehem. Let's follow the bulletin for the schedules of masses and Christmas programs in our ACC. Receive the Christmas greetings from your parish priests: our friend Father Alan and I. May the Child Jesus be born in all our hearts and families; let us remain united in prayer and in the love of God made Child.

Maranatha! Merry Christmas!

*Father Lucho*



## OLV PRAYER CHAIN

Please call Jo Weatherly 218-205-0390, Louise Wentworth 218-770-0473 or Alice Neuleib 218-205-9007 to become involved with or to add your intentions to the prayer chain.

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

### Sunday, December 22

- 8:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Jadie Dahlen
- 8:30 a.m. SE Mass †Deanna Walz
- 10:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Damien Jackhitch
- 10:30 a.m. SL Mass †Alfonso Chavez
- 12:00 p.m. SL Misa en Español †Leonel Franco

### Monday, December 23

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

## **CHRISTMAS EVE—VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY**

### Tuesday, December 24

- 3:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Michael Ringwelski
- 5:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Donald Walz
- 4:00 p.m. SE Mass †Larry & Eva Carroll, Oscar & Lois Dumas
- 5:30 p.m. SL Mass †Enrique Romero

## **CHRISTMAS DAY—NATIVITY OF OUR LORD**

### Wednesday, December 25

- 9:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Nathan Schneider

### Thursday, December 26

- 9:00 a.m. OLV Mass †Myrtle Keller

### Friday, December 27

- 9:00 a.m. OLV Mass †Ramona McReynolds

### Saturday, December 28

- 4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Ray Hoelbel Heinrich

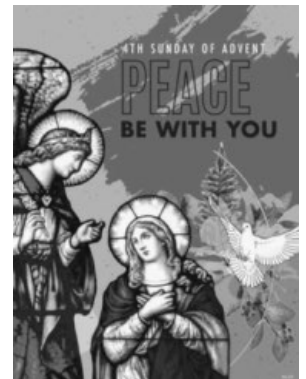
## **FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

### Sunday, December 29

- 8:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Rodney Bullis
- 8:30 a.m. SE Mass †Laverne Shea
- 10:30 a.m. OLV Mass †Kris Dahl
- 10:30 a.m. SL Mass †Gildo Franco
- 12:00 p.m. SL Misa en Español †Remedios Gusmas

## ADORATION SCHEDULE

- 7:00—7:45 a.m. Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri
- 12:30—5:00 p.m. Tuesday
- 7:00—8:45 a.m. Thursday



# ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

# OUR LADY OF VICTORY

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Pat Wallrich, Jack Quackenbush (grandson of Darrell and Sandy Hanneman), Jennifer Kolstad, Charlotte Schmitz (granddaughter of Mary Marquardt), Marlys Holubok, Hudson Hendrickx, Kay Henkes, Jerry Schauff, Pat Baker, Kayla Pask, Barbara Hall (Kris Nordick mom) and Joan Tyler Kurtz, Jean Lehn, and Deacon Pete and his family, those that suffer from effects of drugs and alcohol, and those with cancer.

## COAT DRIVE SUCCESS

Thank you to everyone who donated gently used coats and winter wear for our collection this fall. We were able to give over 60 items to the Salvation Army! Also, thanks to our church's generosity to the Angel Tree gift drive for families in need in our community. Your kindness is much appreciated. Any remaining contributions of coats or gifts can be taken directly to the Salvation Army. Thank you!

# ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Austin Lee, Claudia Cruz, Laura Saavedra, Rosalva Martínez, 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, LeAnn Ishaug, Grave Leon Family, Jim Marty, David Fix and Esperanza Abarca.

## LOOKING FOR A SIMPLE WAY TO SUPPORT OUR LADY OF VICTORY SCHOOL?

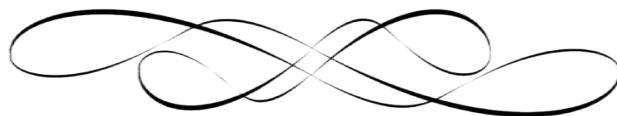
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## MUSICIANS NEEDED FOR CHURCH

All musicians! Yes you. If you play an instrument or enjoy singing, please call or text Jeff Jennen at 218-770-4345. No long term commitment required. Play only when you like; we need you! Please help fill our church with beautiful music.

## PURCHASE COFFEE GIFTS, SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL AND CHURCH

Looking for a good Christmas gift? Consider purchasing coffee from the Antigua Highlands of Guatemala! Coffee bags are \$13 for regular and \$14 for decaffeinated. They can be purchased at the Our Lady of Victory church office and in the back of St. Leonard church. All coffee sales for OLV and St. Leonard will be used to support the school and church, respectively.



4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT



CHRISTMAS



# PELICAN VALLEY

AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

## **BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

Blessings to you in this fourth week of Advent as we contemplate the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

Please take a moment to pray for the people of our diocese and all who serve to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota.

## **STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCE**

High Schoolers: Mark your calendars for the Steubenville St. Paul Conference happening July 25-27, 2025! We want you to join us for this awesome event where you can experience a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ! Ignite your prayer life, strengthen your faith, and be empowered to live for HIM! For more information or to register, contact Andrew Jennen: 701-371-1821.

### **Our Lady of Victory**

Needed monthly.....	\$56,667.00
Needed to date .....	\$283,335.00
Collected in November 2024 .....	\$66,099.88
Received to date .....	\$299,701.84
Surplus/Deficit.....	\$16,366.84

### **St. Leonard**

YTD actual revenues in October 2024 ..	\$56,792.02
YTD budgeted revenues .....	\$47,741.60
Difference.....	\$9,050.42
YTD actual expenses .....	\$63,577.19
YTD budgeted expenses.....	\$73,356.48
Difference.....	\$9,779.29
YTD actual gain/loss.....	\$(6,785.17)
YTD budgeted gain/loss .....	\$(25,614.88)
Difference.....	\$18,829.71

### **St. Elizabeth**

Needed monthly.....	\$5,416.67
Needed to date .....	\$27,083.33
Collected in November 2024.....	\$6,205.56
Received to date.....	\$27,644.58
Surplus/Deficit.....	\$561.25

**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/parishofstelizabeth>  
<https://www.facebook.com/Our Lady of Victory>

**Stewardship as a Way of Life:**

*“For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy.” (Luke 1:44)*

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you “leap for joy?” If not, don’t blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

**Fr. Alan’s address while on leave:**

Fr. Alan Wielinski  
c/o Guest House  
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