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MARCH 30, 2025



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"This son of mine was dead, and has come to life again." - Lk 15:24a

4° DOMINGO DE LA CUARESMA

"Este hijo mío estaba muerto y ha vuelto a la vida". - Lc 15, 24

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8:00—12:00 (Fri)



PASTORAL COLUMN

Dear brothers and sisters,

On this Fourth Sunday of Lent, we offer a 5:00 p.m. Lenten Penance Service at St Elizabeth. We repent so that we can fully share in the Easter joy! Five or six priests will help to hear confessions.

We look forward to the first Saturday, April 5, at 4:30 p.m. where Mass will be at OLV in the gym. On Sunday, April 6, 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., Masses will be at St. Elizabeth along with the famous St. Elizabeth Men's Group breakfast! OLV will have a special First Communion Mass that day.

Palm Sunday Weekend on April 12 and 13 will begin our annual Holy Week celebration and we will return to what was the "normal ACC weekend Mass schedule" with all Masses of OLV in the gym. These subtle ACC changes towards "normalcy" even with the challenges still presented can deepen our trust in the Lord. Often, He shows us signs of His loving care amid uncertainty. Think of this year's two OLV-Dairyland fish fries! We know that with the "All Things New" planning that has begun, we will need to continue to embrace change with trust. Thanks to all who participated in last weekend's "All Things New" meeting. Let us continue our journey of faith, trust and love.

Lenten blessings,

Fr Alan

Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

En este Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma, ofrecemos un Servicio de Penitencia de Cuaresma a las 5:00 pm en Santa Isabel. ¡Nos arrepentimos para poder compartir plenamente la alegría de la Pascua! Cinco o seis sacerdotes ayudarán a escuchar las confesiones.

Esperamos con ansias el primer sábado, 5 de abril, a las 4:30 pm, la misa será en OLV en el gimnasio. El domingo 6 de abril, a las 8:30 y 10:30 am, habrá misas en St. Elizabeth junto con el famoso desayuno grupal de hombres de St. Elizabeth. OLV tendrá una Misa especial de Primera Comunión ese día.

El fin de semana del Domingo de Ramos, el 12 y 13 de abril, comenzará nuestra celebración anual de Semana Santa y volveremos a lo que era el "horario normal de misas de fin de semana de ACC" con todas las misas de OLV en el gimnasio. Estos cambios sutiles del CCA hacia la "normalidad", incluso con los desafíos aún presentados, pueden profundizar nuestra confianza en el Señor. A menudo, Él nos muestra signos de Su cuidado amoroso en medio de la incertidumbre. ¡Piense en las dos papas fritas de pescado OLV-Dairyland de este año! Sabemos que con la planificación de "Todas las cosas nuevas" que ha comenzado, tendremos que seguir abrazando el cambio con confianza. Gracias a todos los que participaron en la reunión "Todas las cosas nuevas" del fin de semana pasado. Continuemos nuestro camino de fe, confianza y amor.

Bendiciones cuaresmales,

P. Alan

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Saturday, March 29

4:30 p.m. SE Mass †Fr. Stan Wieser

Sunday, March 30

8:30 a.m. SE Mass †George Schauff

10:30 a.m. SE Mass †Fr. Stan Wieser

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

12:00 p.m. SL Misa en Español Protección de toda la vida

5:00 p.m. SE Penitential Service

Monday, March 31

No Mass or Communion Services

Tuesday, April 1

12:05 p.m. SE Mass †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, April 2

10:30 a.m. Vet's Home Mass Veterans and Service Men and Women

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

Thursday, April 3

9:00 a.m. SE Mass †Mike Pettengill

Friday, April 4

9:00 a.m. SE Mass †Don Linn

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Saturday, April 5

8:00 a.m. SE Mass †Fr. Stan Wieser

4:30 p.m. OLV Mass †Marge Weiland

Sunday, April 6

8:30 a.m. SE Mass †Genevive McGraw

10:30 a.m. SE Mass Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

10:30 a.m. OLV Private Mass 1st Communion

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

12:00 p.m. SL Misa en Español †Fr. Stan Wieser

ADORATION TIMES

7:00–7:45 a.m. Monday through Friday at St. Elizabeth.

ROSARY TIMES

30 minutes before every mass at St. Elizabeth and OLV.

DAILY READINGS

	Readings	Gospel
Saturday	Hos 6:1-6	Luke 18:9-14
Sunday	Josh 5:9-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
Monday	Isa 65:17-21	John 4:43-54
Tuesday	Ezek 47:1-9, 12	John 5:1-3, 5-16
Wednesday	Isa 49:8-15	John 5:17-30
Thursday	Exod 32:7-14	John 5:31-47
Friday	Wis 2:1, 12-22	John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday	Jeremiah 11:18-20	John 7:40-53
Sunday	Isa 43:16-21 Phil 3:8-14	John 8:1-11

ST. ELIZABETH

OF HUNGARY

PRAYER REQUESTS

Shirley Wielinski, Alyssa and baby Max, Fr. Jeff, 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, Tony Schauff, those that suffer from effects of drugs and alcohol, and those with cancer.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers, readers, and ushers for Mass. Is it your calling? Please help as you are able by contacting Carrie Wedell at 218-731-5304 or carriedwedell@yahoo.com. Thank you!

69TH ANNUAL ST. ELIZABETH MEN'S CLUB

We will have a pancake, sausage, and ham breakfast on Sunday, April 6, at 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Brenny Hall. Free will offering. All are welcome!

REVIVE NIGHT

Ladies, enjoy a night to revive and renew yourself in friendship and faith. Meet other women, enjoy refreshments, sing worship songs, listen to dynamic speakers, engage in prayer hour. Join us on April 3, starting at 6:30 p.m. at Brenny Hall.



ST. LEONARD

OF PORT MAURITIUS

PRAYER REQUESTS

Julian Urbano, Austin Lee, Claudia Cruz, Laura Saavedra, Rosalva Martínez, Judy Marko, Joyce Valley, Rudy Butenas, Jerry Stokka, Tom Johnson, Tony Vigen, Denice Smischny, Jack Geske, Marilyn Jentz, Marilyn Gilbertson, Marilyn Schwartz, LeAnn Ishaug, Jim Marty, David Fix, Fr Jeff Ethan.

BILINGUAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will be praying every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m. using St. Leonard's version of the Stations of the Cross. Join your fellow parishioners in this communal prayer.

EASTER FLOWERS

If you wish to donate for Easter flowers, please use the envelope provided in your envelope box. Suggested donation: \$20 Thank you for helping beautify our church this Easter.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pope Francis, Shirley Wielinski, Fr. Jeff, Fr. Joe, Bob Forstner, those who died in Christ.

NEW TEMPORARY OFFICE

Our Lady of Victory office will be located at the Lincoln Center until the church is fully cleaned and the office is reconstructed. Please visit us at:
125 W Lincoln Ave, Suite 3, Fergus Falls, MN, 56537

OLV SPRING GALA – MAY 3

Mark your calendars for Our Lady of Victory's annual Spring Gala on Saturday, May 3! Join us for an evening of great food, fellowship, and fundraising in support of our school. The gala will feature exciting live and silent auctions, a delicious meal, and plenty of fun with our OLV community. Tickets are \$50 per person or \$360 for a table of 8. To purchase tickets, call the school office at (218) 736-6661. Scan the QR code for more information. We hope to see you there!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will be praying every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth. Please join us as we meditate on Our Lord's Passion.

OCIA CATECHUMEN AND CANDIDATES

As a parish we continue to pray for the following OCIA catechumen and candidates as they prepare to receive the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 19: Victoria Kavaklian (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation) Stevie Caputo, Danielle Jensen, Dan Lee, and Colleen Schroeder (Eucharist, Confirmation), Derek Ambrosie (Confirmation)

FIRST COMMUNION AT ST. ELIZABETH

During the 4:30 p.m. Mass on March 29 at St. Elizabeth, four middle school students will be making their First Communion. They are: Tucker and Aleanna Fletcher, Kahlan Schroeder, and Carlos Rodriguez Mancha. Congratulations!

FIRST COMMUNION AT OLV

The 10:30 a.m. Mass on April 6 will be held only for the First Communion families along with the ministers assigned to serve at the Mass due to limits on space. Thank you for understanding! Congratulations to the students making their First Communion.

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



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BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

If you have yet to see our 2025 Video, please take a moment to learn more about ministries that bring hope and help build the kingdom of God right here in Central Minnesota. You can use your smartphone or visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.



"BE STILL AND KNOW" RETREAT

Join us at Centre for Christ for a contemplative retreat for social ministry leaders, volunteers, allies and other passionate community members on April 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Doing ministry work can be hard, especially when trying to manage our personal life. This day will include sessions of prayer, reflection and synodal listening with boxed lunch. The retreat is limited to 25 participants. Register for \$35 by March 31.
235 Main Street South, Sauk Centre, MN 56378

SPRINGTIME TABLETOP LUNCHEON

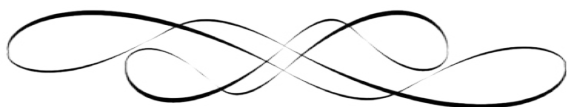
The luncheon will be held on May 17, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will be featuring the pianist, Jayme Littlewolf, and the troupe, "R.N. Tertainment". Tickets are \$20, which includes lunch and a table theme gift.
The Belles of St. Mary of the Lakes Church
20996 County Highway 20, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

JOURNEY TO ETERNITY

Whether you use a paper map or a GPS app, do you know where you are going? CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is a weekend Catholic retreat program for adults sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for May 16-18, 2025, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

SPRING DINNER

We will serve meatballs and ham from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on April 13 at St. Olaf Catholic Church. Tickets are \$15 for ages 13 and up, \$5 for ages 6 to 12, and free for ages 5 and under. There will also be a bake/craft sale, cake walk, fishpond, and a kids raffle. Bring the whole family!
518 Division St E, Elbow Lake, MN



Web sites:

OLV Church _____ www.ffolvchurch.org
OLV School _____ www.ffolvschool.org
St. Leonard _____ www.stleonardpr.org
Diocese _____ www.stcdio.org

Facebook Pages:

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

Stewardship as a Way of Life:

“No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan.” - Joshua 5:12

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God’s blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Temporary OLV church office address:

Our Lady of Victory Church
125 W Lincoln Ave, Suite 3,
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Our Lady of Victory



Our Lady of Victory

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Needed to date \$460,000.00
Collected in February 2025 \$47,425.08
Received to date \$491,445.73
Surplus/Deficit..... \$31,445.73

St. Leonard

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Year-to-date revenues \$118,367.49
Year-to-date expenses \$115,006.91
Year-to-date gain/loss \$3,360.58

St. Elizabeth

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