

Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

Mark 1:12,13

# ST. WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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If you are in need of a priest, please call Deacon Martin and he will try and find one for you.

### Secretary (Wednesdays 9A-12P)

Jacqueline Bunek stwenceslausgp@gmail.com

#### **Anticipating Surgery?**

Please call Deacon Martin to make arrangements to be anointed in sickness or prior to surgery.

#### Reconciliation

Father will hear confessions by appointment.

#### **Eucharist for the Homebound**

If you are homebound, recovering from surgery or illness and would like the Eucharist brought to your home, please call or email the Parish Office or call Deacon Martin.

SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021 @ 8:30 A.M.

#### **Readers:**

**Saturday Mass:** 

Lori Phillips

**Sunday Mass:** 

Clem Suttmann

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20 —SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021

Saturday, February 20 6:00 p.m.

For Beau Korson by Mom and Dad, on 2nd Anniversary

Sunday, February 21 8:30 a.m.

For Louie Houdek by Angela Maleski

Wednesday, February 24 6:00 p.m.

Exposition of the Eucharist and Benediction followed by a short Lenten program.

Saturday, February 27

For Patti Shea by St. Wenceslaus Altar Society

Sunday, February 28 8:30 a.m.

For Carol Korson by Jerome Korson

#### May the peace of Christ be with you always!

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. In today's Gospel, Jesus is led into the desert and tempted by the devil for forty days. He was among wild beasts and the angels ministered to Him.

After John was arrested Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the Gospel of God. This is the time of fulfillment. "The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel."

Jesus, being human, was tempted by the devil. But He was not alone in the desert; the angels ministered to Him. God never abandoned Him, nor does He ever abandon us. He is always there to help us. For now is the time of fulfillment. What had been promised in the old testament has been fulfilled through the coming of Jesus: God coming to earth; God becoming one of us; God reaching out to us; God speaking to us in our language; God telling us that the Kingdom of God is at hand; God telling us to repent and believe in the Gospel; to change our ways and believe in Jesus; to turn away from our self centered and selfish habits.

Jesus eagerly invites us to repent, and He also gives us the perfect way to do so: the sacrament of confession. Jesus instituted confession because He knew we would need it. The same devil that tempted Jesus in the desert is still in business, tempting us in the desert of our consumerist and relativistic culture. Repentance and confession gives God a chance to pour his unconditional mercy into our thirsty souls. During this Lenten season, let's take Jesus up on His offer, repent and believe in the Gospel.

#### In Christ, Deacon Martin

Fr. Bryan will hear confessions at LL St. Mary on Saturdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Join in praying the rosary every Friday.** St. Gertrude's is open at 1:30 p.m. for prayer in the church. Join by praying the rosary at home at that time.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 21, 2021

Monday	Feb 22	Matt 16:13-19
Tuesday	Feb 23	Matt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Feb 24	Luke 11:29-32
Thursday	Feb 25	Matt 7:7-12
Friday	Feb 26	Matt 5:20-26
Saturday	Feb 27	Matt 5:43-48
Sunday	Feb 28	Mark 9:2-10



6:00 p.m.

**The Lenten program** this year will be a study of St. Joseph to honor the year of St. Joseph. The program will be held in the Church on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. The evening will start with Exposition of the Eucharist and prayer. Masks and social distancing are required. All are welcome to participate in all or part of the program.

The Pastoral Council will meet Monday, February 22, at 7 p.m. in the Church basement. They invite you to join in brainstorming simple plans for fundraisers. They will discuss the feasibility of an Annual Dinner. In the meantime, think about possible simple plans for fundraisers that are not labor intensive. Please share your thoughts and suggestions with Deacon Martin or Jerry Fleis. Every idea will be valued and will be considered. Much depends on the restrictions of the pandemic. All are welcome to attend. Social distancing and masks are required.

There are copies in the vestibule of The Word Among Us, The Little Black Lenten Books, 6-Minute devotionals for Lent, and the Little Purple Books, for children. Please take a copy for you Lenten reading.

**Pianist Needed:** Tillie and Tom are Retiring. St. Wenceslaus Parish is in need of a pianist who is familiar with a keyboard to play on Saturday nights, Sunday mornings and at funerals. Ability to canter is a plus but not necessary. Please contact Deacon Martin at 271.3824, 231.866.1819, or 271.3574.

**Vocation View:** Lent: the springtime of the soul. A time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you.

**Rest in Peace:** Fr. Michael Conner, who served at St. Wenceslaus with Fr. Walt Derilo when we were a cluster with Suttons Bay, passed away on February 8 from complications of liver cancer. His funeral was last week at TC Immaculate Conception. Please pray for the repose of his soul and comfort for his family and friends. Eternal Rest, grant unto him O Lord, and may Perpetual light shine upon him

#### **Area Happenings**

and may the angels guide him into paradise.

**February 19, March 5th, & 19th**: **Holy Rosary TAKE OUT Fish Dinners,** 4-7 p.m. in Cedar, MI. Take Out Dinners include: Scalloped Potatoes; Cole Slaw; Macaroni & Cheese; Dinner Roll; Dessert; All Baked Cod, All Deep Fried Cod or a Mix of Both Types of Fish. Adults \$14 and Seniors (60 & Older) \$12 .

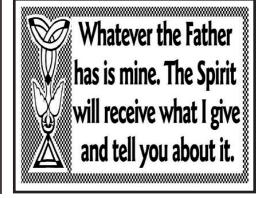
<u>February 23-April 12</u>: Scripture Study of St. Paul's Letters to the Ephesians. The 8 week program to be held in the Rectory Basement meeting room at Holy Rosary Parish, starts at 6:30 p.m. Email dellacqua2455#charter.net or call Dick DellAcqua at 231-499-4677 for more information.

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