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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)

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Anticipating Surgery?

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

Reconciliation

By appointment with Fr. Class, S.J. St. Mary LL on Fridays 8:30 a.m. and on Saturdays 3:30 — 4:30 p.m. St. Michael SB on Thursdays 9:00 a.m.

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
SATURDAY & SUNDAY
DECEMBER 17 & 18, 2022
@ 4:00 P.M. & 8:30 A.M.

Readers: Eucharist Ministers:

Saturday Mass:

Mary Leon John & Lori Phillips

Sunday Mass:

Karen Zemaitis Matt & Kim Prisk

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 10 - Sunday, December 18, 2022

Saturday, December 10 4:00 p.m.

For Andrew Schofield by Chip and Rubi Schaub

Sunday, December 11 8:30 a.m.

For Ryan Collins by Stephen and Diana Tarsa

Saturday, December 17 4:00 p.m.

For Jean Sedlacek by John and Linda Kohler

Sunday, December 18 8:30 a.m.

For Elizabeth Schneider by Jim Atkinson

Dear fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent. In today's Gospel, Matthew 11:2-11, John the Baptist is in prison. He sent his disciples to question Jesus if he was the one to come or should they look for another? Jesus' response was to tell John what you see and hear, to let His works speak for themselves.

Then Jesus speaks of John. What did you go out to the desert to see? A weak person, swayed by the wind, no, a person in fine clothing, no, to see a prophet? Yes greater than a prophet. There is no one born of woman that is greater than John the Baptist, yet even the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

John sends his disciples to see for themselves who Jesus is. To evaluate what they see and hear, to determine for themselves whether Jesus is the Messiah or not? We too must determine for ourselves who Jesus is for us and will we follow Him. Do we take the time to look and listen to what is around us? Do we attribute what is around us as a gift, a message, an insight from God? Jesus has much to share with us. He is not pushy. He allows us to make up our own mind, amidst the many distractions. We need to go into the desert, away from the distractions of this world. We need to find a quiet place in our lives so we can hear and see what Jesus is trying to tell us. If we listen, He will speak to us.

Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

Advent is a time for us to repent, to change our lives in accordance with the teaching of Christ. Confessions at St. Wenceslaus will be on Friday, December 16, from 5-6 p.m. We will start with a short prayer together. Father Ben Martin will be here to here confessions.

Thanks to all who came to the Parish Christmas party, to those who set up, decorated, purchased chicken, brought a dish to pass, helped to serve the food or, helped clean up and to Lori Phillips for bringing her barbershop quartet. Gery Zemaitis was the winner of the Euchre games. Thanks for a very pleasant evening. John Phillips won the door prize at the Christmas party.

LCN receives \$30 in gift cards for every \$10. To maximize the double match day, make a donation to LCN, earmark checks "Meijer Simply Give" by Dec. 14. Thanks for all you will do.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF

DECEMBER 11, 2022 Luke 1:39-47 December 12 Monday Tuesday December 13 Matt 21:28-32 Wednesday December 14 Luke 7:18-23 Thursday December 15 Luke 7:24-30 December 16 Friday John 5:33-36 Saturday December 17 Matt 1:1-17 Sunday December 18 Matt 1:18-24



We welcome and thank Fr. Ray Cotter as our celebrant at the Saturday Mass.

Congratulations to Rachel Plamondon won the quilt in the Altar Society quilt raffle.

Next Sunday we will decorate the Church for Christmas, immediately after Mass. Many hands are needed. Please plan to stay and help. There will be refreshments for workers after the decorations are up.

Little Blue Books, 6 – Minute Reflections for Advent are available from ushers.

Religious Retirement: The annual collection for the Retirement fund for the Religious is this week. Only 4% of the religious sisters and brothers have sufficient funds for retirement. The envelope is in your envelope box. Please write the checks to St. Wenceslaus with "Religious Retirement" on the memo line. Thank you. If you did not donate this weekend and wish to do so, you may donate next weekend.

The Christmas Eve Mass at St. Wenceslaus will be at 4:30 p.m., preceded by Christmas carols at 4:00 p.m.

If you wish to donate flowers for the Christmas Flower Offering, please mark the back of the envelope, from the envelope box, with the name of those you are honoring or remembering and put in the collection basket.

We have a number of people who are unable to attend Mass for different reasons. Call them or send a card. Let's keep in touch with those who are unable to celebrate Mass with us.

Roberto is looking for more singers to add to the choir for Christmas. Some of the choir have left for warmer areas. Think about going up to the balcony and sharing your talent to make the Christmas Mass beautiful.

A few openings remain to attend the World Youth Conference in Lisbon, Portugal. For more information contact: apeterson@dioceseofgaylord.org. or Ami Peterson at 231-340-1743. Cost is \$2,999 plus airfare.

The Parish extends its sympathy to Jerome Korson and family, on the passing of his sister, Agnes Bonner. Services were held in Sparta MI.

Eternal Rest, grant unto her, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon her.

The Bob Kalchik Rosary will be at the Martinson Funeral Home, Thurs, Dec 15 at 7 p.m., his funeral will be at St. Michael SB, Fri, Dec 16 at 11 a.m.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 4, 2022

WEEKEND COLLECTION \$ 1,612
FOOD PANTRY \$ 15
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS \$ 137
RETIREMENT FUND \$ 520

OCTOBER 2022

INCOME \$12,345 EXPENSES \$12,226



Please Pray For:

Anonymous Alicia Bakara, Ruth Blink Beth Britt Ben Bardenhagen Keith & Joanne Burnham Wayne Carter Fr. Michael Class, S.J. Mary Ann Duperon **Kelly Endres** John Fochtman Marilynne Gauthier Kevin Giangiolbe Tracy Grille **Bob Kalchik Family** Elmer & Millie Kalchik Mark Kalchik Steve & Kathy Kalchik Alexandra Kannenberg & Baby Dakota Korson Dorothy (Popp) Korson, Sarah Korson Pete Lara Kevin Maguire Tom Meoak Craig Moreland Peter Navin Jerry Patterson Lucas Plamondon Al & Marie Porter **Bob Pratt** Joshua Pressey Joel Rivera Ruth Schaub Terry Schmidt Randy Sedlacek Debbie Shelagowski Lauren Sineway, Helen Stimson Jim Sullivan Clem Suttmann & Trish Suttmann Ava Valesano **Gery Zemaitis**

...the sick and the homebound of the Parish, their families and caregivers.

All those suffering from COVID

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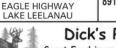
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