

St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church

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# 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

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 JANUARY 7 & 8, 2023 4:00 P.M. & 8:30 A.M.

READERS: EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

#### **Saturday Mass:**

Mary Leon John & Lori Phillips

#### **Sunday Mass:**

Jerry Fleis Karen Zemaitis & Mary Ann Kolarik

# **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

# Saturday, December 31, 2022 - Sunday, January 8, 2023

Saturday, December 31 — News Year's Eve 4:00 p.m.

For All St. Wenceslaus Parishioners

Sunday, January 1 — New Year's Day 8:30 a.m.

For Theresa Hitchens by Rosemary Moe Kalchik

Saturday, January 7 4:30 p.m.

For Ken Belanger by Martin and Phyllis Korson

Sunday, January 8 8:30 a.m.

For Nate Brown by Chip and Rubi Schaub

# Dear fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate Mary the Mother of God. In today's Gospel, Luke 2:16 - 21, several things are pointed out to us. The shepherds make haste to Bethlehem to see Joseph, Mary, and the infant lying in the manger. They then went and shared the message. And Mary keep all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. When eight days were completed for his circumcision, He was named Jesus.

Mary is mentioned three times in this passage. First, she is simply there. At the manger, with Joseph and the baby Jesus. She does not go to the shepherds; they come to her, and so do the three wise men, later. People came to Mary throughout history.

Second, she kept all these things that happened and reflected on them in her heart. It means thanking God for these events, trying to discern His plan for them, and trying to obey His will. She did not know all that was to happen in her life or the life of her Son. Nothing happens to us outside God's plan. We are not responsible for that plan, but we are responsible for our choices.

The third thing Mary did was to obey God's Law, and took Jesus to be circumcised on the eight day, in fulfillment of the covenant God made with ancient Israel. They also named Him Jesus, the name given to Him by the angel. Mary and Joseph probably did not understand all that took place. As we do not understand fully what God has in store for us. We too must stay faithful, pray, and accept Gods plan for our life. It's God's plan for our sainthood. Be open to it. The rewards are out of this world.

# Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

**Stewardship by the Book:** Today's second reading reminds us that through Christ we have been delivered from the law and become sons and daughters of God. New Year's Day provides a perfect opportunity to ask ourselves the question: Does my life reflect my gratitude for all that my loving Father has given me.

**Vocation View**: Mary, the Mother of the Priest, Jesus, is especially Mother to all priests. Pray to Mary to ask her guidance in your life.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 1 2023

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| Monday    | January 2          | John 1:19-28 |
| Tuesday   | January 3          | John 1:29-34 |
| Wednesday | January 4          | John 1:35-42 |
| Thursday  | January 5          | John 1:43-51 |
| Friday    | January 6          | Matt 1:7-11  |
| Saturday  | January 7          | John 2:1-11  |
| Sunday    | January 8          | Matt 2:1-12  |



Warmest wishes for a Happy New Year. May God bless you with a safe, healthy and joyous new year. God bless you and your loved ones as you head into 2023. May the Lord bless our coming year with spiritual growth, love for people, and many opportunities to spread the Gospel of Life.

**The Office Staff** 

**Thanks to all** who are shoveling and plowing to keep the grounds safe for parishioners.

Checking in with Bishop Walsh — Did you know you can check in with our Bishop Jeffery Walsh every Wednesday? Our Bishop takes time out of his week to deliver a message to all in the Gaylord Diocese. Just go to: https://dioceseofgaylord.org/. On the bottom of the home page there is a blue box titled: Bishop's Weekly Message. Click the play button to hear a short 5 minute video message each week.

**Religious calendars**, donated through the generosity of the Martinson Funeral Home, are available in the vestibule.

**Envelope boxes for weekly collections** are available in the vestibule for you to take home. They are arranged by alphabetical order by family last name.

**There is also a** Matthew Kelly book available for all parishioners. Take one for family and another for friends. Be like the shepherds and share the good news.

**Thanks to all** for your continued financial support of our Parish. Thanks to those who continue to tithe. Thanks to those who are able to come and celebrate Mass in the Church and to those celebrate with us on the internet.

# **Area Happenings**

<u>January 8</u>: Father Baker Hall at Suttons Bay St. Michael's, through the courtesy of the Knights of Columbus, will be open for Euchre. The price of \$5.00 covers prizes and refreshments. Come for cards, friendship, and comradery. Cards start at 2 p.m. Come early to sign up and pay.

<u>January 6 & 7</u>: First Friday and Saturday Masses, LL St. Mary 8 a.m. and SB St. Michael 8:30 a.m.

# **Family Perspective by Bud Ozar**

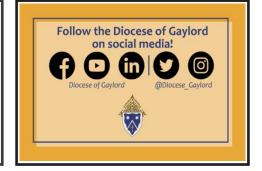
Today's Gospel says Joseph "made his home in Nazareth." A "home" is built on the foundation of love, commitment and a shared history and is decorated with forgiveness, acceptance, rituals, discipline and mutual support. The Holy Family challenges us today: Don't live 'anyplace', live at HOME!

### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 25, 2022
WEEKEND COLLECTION \$2,613.70
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS \$ 80
RETIREMENT FUND \$ 300
FOOD PANTRY \$ 80

NOVEMBER 2022

INCOME \$ 6,874 EXPENSES \$ 9,318



# **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.

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