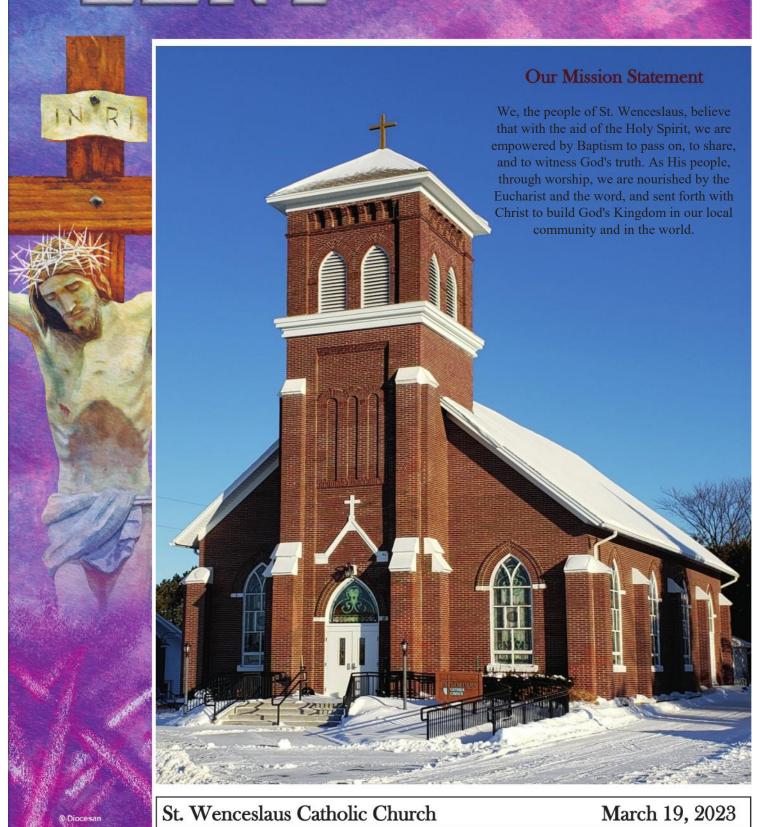
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind.

John 9:39



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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.

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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 SUNDAY MARCH 26, 2023 8:30 A.M.

READER EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sunday Mass

Clem Suttmann Karen Zemaitis Mary Ann Kolarik

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday, March 19 — Sunday, March 26, 2023

Sunday, March 19 8:30 a.m.

For All St. Wenceslaus Parishioners

Wednesday, March 22 — Holy Hour & Soup Super 5:00-7:00 p.m.

and a program to follow

Sunday, March 26 8:30 a.m.

For Beau Korson by The Family

Dear fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate The Fourth Sunday of Lent. In today's Gospel, John 9:1-41, Jesus heals a blind man by spitting on the ground and made clay with the saliva. He smeared the clay on the man's eyes and told him to go wash in the Pool of Siloam. He went and washed, and came back able to see.

The man's neighbors asked him how this happened, and he told them. They brought him to the Pharisees who asked him how this happened. He told them what Jesus had done, and called him a prophet. They called his parents and asked if he was truly blind. They said yes. Any other questions the parents said to ask their son. The Pharisees call the son back again. The man again tells them how it happened and asked them if they wanted too be His disciples. At this they throw him out of the temple.

Jesus finds the man and tells him that He is the Son of Man. He came into this world so that those who do not see might see. We are all somewhat blind to who Jesus is. The Pharisees were blind because Jesus did not fit the pattern they had for the Messiah. He did not come from their group. He did not follow their rules as they interpreted them. They could not accept an outsider.

Each time the man told the story of his healing, he became more convinced of the power of Jesus. In the end he did believe. It did not matter that the Pharisees did not believe. It was his story. It is in telling our story to others that we grow in our faith, that we believe. It is in giving it away that we receive more.

One cannot argue with your experience of Jesus. It is yours, as it was the blind man's. In sharing our story, how God has worked in our life, we become more convinced of His involvement in our life. It causes others to look at their lives as well and see God in their lives. It is a win win for all. Share your story.

Your Servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

Stations of the Cross are prayed on Sundays after Mass during Lent. Readers of the day are asked to do the readings; Altar Servers are asked to carry the candles. We do not pray the Stations on Palm Sunday.

Ministry Needs: We have Biblical elections yearly for the Parish and Finance councils. We need fresh leadership. Please consider saying yes when you have been nominated. The Finance Council meets four times a year, usually after Mass. The Parish Council meets monthly.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF

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Monday	March 20	John 4:43-54
Tuesday	March 21	John 5:1-3, 5-10
Wednesday	March 22	John 5:17-30
Thursday	March 23	John 5:31-47
Friday	March 24	John 7:1-2, 10
Saturday	March 25	Luke 1:26-38
Sunday	March 26	John 11:1-45



A reminder, the Saturday evening Mass will be cancelled until further notice.

The Lenten Program: Wednesday, March 22, Holy Hour and Benediction at 5 p.m., Soup Supper at 6 and a program to follow.

Each Tuesday during Holy Week, the Bishop celebrates the Chrism Mass, the blessing of the oils used in our various rites (Oil of Catechumens/Oil of the Sick/ Sacred Chrism). Representatives come from all 77 parishes in our diocese to retrieve the blessed oils and meet in prayer. During this Mass the priests serving the Diocese of Gaylord also renew their priestly vows of service. **You are cordially invited to the Chrism Mass at St. Mary Cathedral, Gaylord on Tuesday, April 4th at 11:00.** For those unable to travel to Gaylord, the Chrism Mass will be livestreamed on the Diocese of Gaylord YouTube channel.

The Suttons Bay branch of the Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake Breakfast to benefit Jim Plamondon on March 26 in the St. Michael Fr. Baker Hall from 9:30—11 a.m. Come, help the Plamondon family and enjoy a great breakfast. Jim was injured in a work related fall and will be unable to work for a few months.

Area Happenings

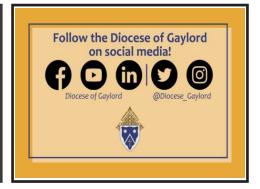
<u>Sundays</u>: Euchre at SB St. Michael at 2 p.m., \$5 cost , bring dimes for euchres. <u>Saturdays</u>: That Man is You, 8:30-9:30 a.m., St. Mary LL Social Hall.

March 24-25: 24 Hours for the Lord. Holy Rosary hosts 24 hours of Confession and Adoration, 4 p.m. –4 p.m. Local priests will be available to hear confessions throughout the 24 hours. Check www.holyrosarycedar.org for more information.

<u>March 24</u>: Holy Rosary Lenten Fish Fry. Dinners served from 4 p.m. — 7 pm. Dine-in or takeout. \$16 per person.

April 14-16: To Encounter Christ (TEC) is a spiritual movement for high school seniors and college students. It begins with a three-day retreat weekend, at Camp Daggett in Petoskey. This high energy and spirit-filled retreat includes dynamic reflections, music, sacraments, adoration, small group dialogue and prayer. Afterwards, the TEC community evolves into a network of support that both reinforces parish involvement and personal spiritual growth. For more information, visit the international website: tecconference.org for more information about the local TEC community and retreat registration, visit the new-lifetec website.

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CEMETERY	\$	72	
MAINTENANCE	\$	40	
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All those suffering from the effects of COVID

(*NEW to Prayer List)

Please call the Parish Office (231-271-3574) when your loved one no longer needs to be on the list.





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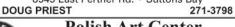
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