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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 SEPTEMBER 2 & 3, 2023** @ 5:30 P.M. & 8:30 A.M.

SATURDAY MASS

READER **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS** Jan Schmidt & Mary Leon Susann Lederle

SUNDAY MASS

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS READER Marita Somero Karen Zemaitis &

Mary Ann Kolarik

THE 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, August 26 — Sunday, September 3, 2023

Saturday, August 26 5:30 p.m.

For Bill Brady by Martin and Phyllis Korson

Sunday, August 27 8:30 a.m.

For All St. Wenceslaus Parishioners

Saturday, September 2 5:30 p.m.

For Nicholas Lederle by Rich and Betty Popp

Sunday, September 3 8:30 a.m.

For Blaise Korson by Dave and Dorothy Couturier

Dear Fellow Parishioners.

Today we celebrate the Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time. In today's Gospel, Matthew 16:13-20, Jesus asks His disciples, "Who do people say I am?" They give various answers. Then He asks them, "Who do you say I am?" The question becomes personal. Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus replies, "You did not come upon this on your own, but from My heavenly Father."

Because of Peter's response, Jesus made Peter the head of the church, stating that upon him He will build His church, nothing shall prevail against it, and you will have the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus was laying the foundation for His disciples mission.

Insights into our spirituality come from our Heavenly Father, as they did for Peter. When we recognize this, we can develop a better awareness of God in our lives. Spiritual reading can prompt our thoughts, but the clarification comes from God. God's graces make it possible for our faith to grow, and our relationship with Him to be more real.

We also have the reassurance that no matter how bad things may look, or how evil seems to survive, and good seems to loose, that the church seems to stumble and fall, good people seem to suffer and loose, the Church will survive. This was promised by Jesus Christ. That the gates of the netherworld will not prevail against it.

Keeping our faith in Jesus, will give us peace of mind, give us the strength to carry on, and journey with Him. It is not enough to say who Jesus is, but we must believe who He is, and live our lives as such. Stay focused on the end reward, not on the stumbling blocks on the way. Trust in Jesus as who Peter said He is. We will all be better off if we all do.

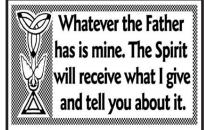
Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

We welcome all our parishioners and guests. We are delighted that you are here to celebrate the Mass with us. We pray that you will find welcoming, peace, and joy here as we pray together.

The Parish Council will meet on Monday, August 28, in the Church basement at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF **AUGUST 27, 2023**

Monday August 28 Matt 23:13-22 Tuesday Mark 6:17-29 August 29 Wednesday August 30 Matt 23:27-32 Thursday August 31 Matt 24:42-51 Friday September 1 Matt 25:1-13 September 2 Matt 25:14-30 Saturday Sunday September 3 Matt 16:21-27



The Altar Society will meet on Tuesday, September 5, at 7 p.m. in the Church basement.

Thanks to all who donated to the Maui Disaster Fund Collection. If you still wish to donate, write check to St. Wenceslaus and earmark for Maui and put in the basket in the vestibule.

The Most Reverend Jeffrey Walsh is inviting married couples who are celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries to a Mass celebrating their commitment to the sacrament of marriage. Couples celebrating 10, 25, 50, or 60+ years of marriage in 2023 are invited. The 2023 Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held at St. Mary Cathedral on Saturday, September 30 at 11:00 a.m. with a light reception to follow.

A few tickets are left for the St. Mary Car Raffle, they can be purchased at the St. Mary School Advancement Office, 256-9670. Tickets are \$50 each. This is your last chance to win \$25,000 cash or a \$25,000 voucher for the car of your choice, \$1,000 or \$500. The drawing is on Sunday of Labor Day weekend.

Bridging Hope: Bishop's Flock Walk for CHS, join Bishop Walsh as he walks across the Mackinac Bridge to support Catholic Human Services. This family friendly event will allow you to walk the Mackinac Bridge alongside Bishop Walsh and the staff of Catholic Human Services on September 4th, 2023. If you have questions or need help setting up a walker page: Susan Kirkman at skirkman@catholichumanservices.org or call direct @ 989-785-3030 ext. 2416. To register or donate, go to catholichumanservices-bloom.kindful.com/bridging-hope-23.

We are very slowly adding to our CSA goal of \$16,081.00. We are \$791 short of our goal. St. Wenceslaus has always met its goal. No gift is too big or too small. Give online at DioceseofGaylord.org/CSA23 or at the Parish Office. Thank you for all you do.

School will soon start. Please pray for teachers and students in these difficult times.

Area Happenings

<u>August 27</u>: **10 a.m. Mass at the Cedar Polka Fest in Cedar**, under the tent with celebrant, Bishop Jeffrey Walsh, and music ministers, Larry and his Larks and Bobby Atkinson. The offertory collection will go to Grand Traverse Catholic Schools, St. Mary Catholic School Lake Leelanau, and Holy Rosary Church Cedar.

<u>September 1 & 2</u>: First Friday & Saturday, St. Michael SB 8:30 a.m, St. Mary LL 8 a.m. <u>October 1</u>: Life Chain, 2:30-3:30, along Grandview Parkway and East Front from Division to Fair St.

October 2: The Grand Traverse Area Right to Life Focus on Life Benefit Dinner presents an evening with George Dennehy at the Grand Traverse Resort. Social Hour begins at 5 pm with Dinner and Program at 6 pm. Table of ten is \$850, Adult tickets \$85 and Students tickets \$65. Go to gtartl.com, "events" to register or call the office at 231-946-9469.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

AUGUST 20, 2023

PARISHIONERS: \$ 2,635 CONTRIBUTORS: \$ 800 FOOD PANTRY: \$ 80

JULY 2023

INCOME: \$15,669 EXPENSES: \$8,296



Please Pray For:

Adam Begley Barbara Brady Alicia Bakara, Ruth Blink Beth Britt Ben Bardenhagen Keith & Joanne Burnham Wayne Carter Mary Ann Duperon Kelly Endres John Fochtman Bernadine Gallagher Kevin Giangiolbe Tracy Grille Elmer & Millie Kalchik Mark Kalchik Steve & Kathy Kalchik Alexandra Kannenberg & Baby Dorothy (Popp) Korson Sarah Korson Pete Lara Kevin Maguire Tom Meoak Craig Moreland Peter Navin Jim Plamondon, Lucas Plamondon Al & Marie Porter **Bob Pratt** Joshua Pressey Joel Rivera Terry Schmidt Randy Sedlacek Debbie Shelagowski Cecilia Sella Helen Stimson Jim Sullivan Clem Suttmann & Trish Suttmann *Joel and Lara Sweitzer Family Ava Valesano **Gery Zemaitis**

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

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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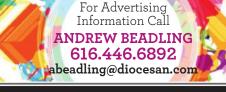
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