



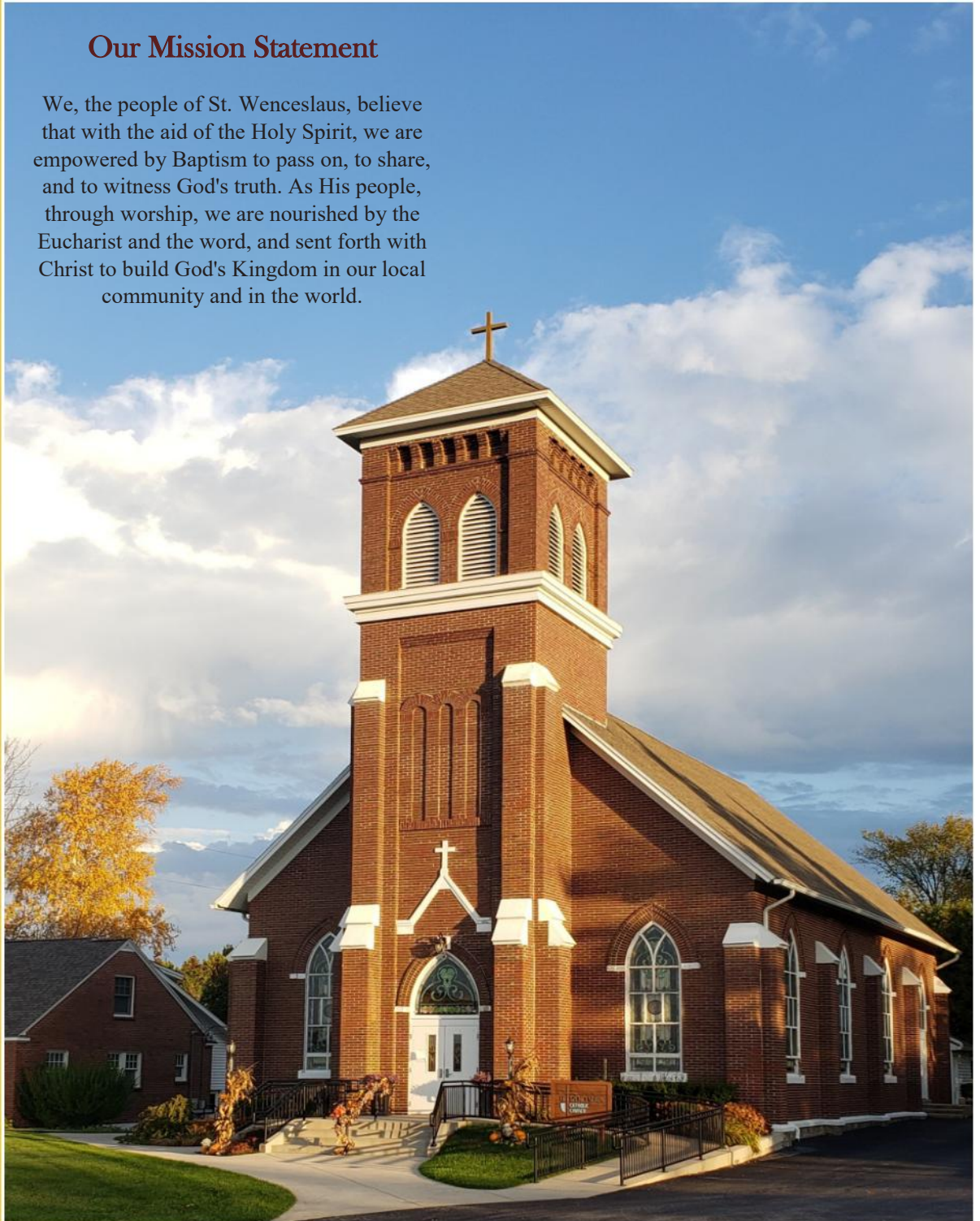
“It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: “A voice of one crying out in the desert, ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.’”

Matthew 3:3

### Our Mission Statement

We, the people of St. Wenceslaus, believe that with the aid of the Holy Spirit, we are empowered by Baptism to pass on, to share, and to witness God's truth. As His people, through worship, we are nourished by the Eucharist and the word, and sent forth with Christ to build God's Kingdom in our local community and in the world.

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St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church

December 8, 2024

## ST. WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Cell: (414) 788-8963

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  
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### Anticipating Surgery?

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

### Reconciliation

Fr. Michael Class, S.J.  
on Saturdays 4:30 — 5:00 p.m.  
St. Mary LL on Fridays at 9:00 a.m.  
and on Saturdays 3:30 — 4:30 p.m.  
St. Michael SB on Thursdays at 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

#### SAT., DEC. 14, 2024 @ 5:30 P.M.

READER EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Mary Leon Lynn Dunn & Mary Leon

#### USHERS

Dale Houdek & Bruce Dunn

#### ALTAR SERVER

Lucas Plamondon

#### SUN., DEC. 15, 2024 @ 8:30 A.M.

READER EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Adam Begley Karen Zemaitis & Kate Ready

#### USHERS

Steve Kalchik & Julius Kolarik

#### ALTAR SERVER

William Ready

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 — SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2024

<b>Saturday, December 7</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
For Carol Korson and Shirley Ann Tanguay by Jerome Korson	
<b>Rosary</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Sunday, December 8</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>
For Theresa Hitchens by Joe and Sherri Patterson	
<b>Monday, December 9 — Feast of the Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>
For Kathryn Schaub by Julius and Grace Kolarik	
<b>Monday, December 9 — Feast of the Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
For the Intentions of Rosemary Moe-Kalchik by St. Wenceslaus Altar Society	
<b>Tuesday, December 10</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>
For Nicholas Lederle by Rich and Betty Popp	
<b>Wednesday, December 11</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>
For Elmer Kalchik by Marty and Susan Jelinek	
<b>Thursday, December 12</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>
For Lewis Roubal by Tom and Marie Korson	
<b>Friday, December 13</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Saturday, December 14</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
For Ken Belanger by Leona Kalchik	
<b>Rosary</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Sunday, December 15</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>
For Rose Sweitzer by Martin and Phyllis Korson	

### Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate The Second Sunday of Advent. In today's Gospel passage from Luke 3: 1-6, we get a history lesson as to who was in power at the time of John the Baptist and Jesus Christ. This is to put in context the life of Jesus and John the Baptist into history. They both really existed and played an important part in changing the world.

John came proclaiming a message of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. He was the voice crying out in the desert to prepare the way of the Lord. A message for the people of his time and also a message to the people of our time. A message of cleaning away the obstacles for a road, a way, which is the road to heaven and the way of salvation. This way is a person, Jesus Christ.

Other religious teachers say: "I teach the way, I teach the truth, I teach the meaning of life." Jesus said: "I am the way, I am the truth, and I am the life. I am the light of the world." This is what John the Baptist was talking about. To be prepare for the coming of Jesus.. To get rid of anything that stands in the way of knowing Jesus better.

To straighten our path to Jesus, not taking detours to material things, to get our priorities in order, what comes first in my life. To establish a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Thank God that he gives some of us many years to do this; make straight the way to Jesus Christ. We welcome Him into our life.

**Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin**

**Volunteers** are always welcome to help clean the snow in front of the church side walks Sunday morning before Mass; please come early.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF

#### DECEMBER 8, 2024

<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 9</b>	<b>Luke 5:17-26</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 10</b>	<b>Matt 18:12-14</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 11</b>	<b>Matt 11:28-30</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 12</b>	<b>Luke 1:39-47</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 13</b>	<b>Matt 11:16-19</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 14</b>	<b>Matt 17:10-13</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 15</b>	<b>Luke 3:10-18</b>





### St. Wenceslaus Happenings

**Because the Feast of the Immaculate Conception**, a holy day of obligation, falls on a Sunday this year, it has been moved to Monday, December 9, with a Mass at St. Wenceslaus at 8:30 a.m. and at 6:30 p.m.

**The Retirement Fund Collection for Religious** Sisters and Brothers will take place this weekend, December 7 & 8. An envelope for this is in your envelope box. Please make checks payable to St. Wenceslaus, write Religious Retirement on the memo line, and place in parish collection, thank you.

**The Leelanau Holiday** Program for LCN neighbors will take place on Tuesday, December 17. Preparations are already underway to obtain toys and other new items for the many neighbors that are served in our county. Leelanau Christian neighbors program is asking for donations. All items must be new. There is a list on the Church Bulletin Board. Please consider making a donation such as a toy, socks, shirts, make-up, or what you think others may like. Items can be dropped off at the VFW Hall in Lake Leelanau on Sunday, December 15 or Monday, December 16 between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

**The parish is** in need of more singers in the choir for Christmas.

**A Note of Thanks:** Dear Father Class, Deacon Martin, and Church members, We wanted to thank you for the wonderful luncheon you arranged for our dad's funeral. It was so nice to know that mom and dad had such a supportive community! We all loved St. Wenceslaus as kids, and we all felt welcome again.

Thank you from the family of Keith Burnham

**Condolences to** Lori and John Phillips on the passing of John's father Charlie Phillips who passed away on November 25. Charlie was very helpful in our Confirmation program a number of years ago. In your kindness, please pray for the repose of his soul and comfort for his family.

*Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let Perpetual Light shine upon him.*

### Area Happenings

**Saturday: That Man is You**, a gathering of men for spiritual development, 8:30—9:30 a.m. in the St. Mary Lake Leelanau Social Hall. All men welcome.

**December 7, 8, 13, 14, 15: Take the Journey.** 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Experience the story of Christmas from creation to Bethlehem and beyond in a 45 minute walking tour. Watch scenes come to life as a guide leads you through a wood land path filled with actors, scenery, and live animals. The Christmas Journey is 100% outside, dress appropriately and wear sturdy shoes or boots. There is no charge. The event takes place at New Hope Community Church, 5100 Bethesda Ct, Williamsburg, MI 49690-9390, Follow 31 past Acme; watch for the sign.

**December 20: CHRISTMAS CONCERT! "Christmas Joy!" at St. Michael's Church in Suttons Bay.** Friday, at 7:00 p.m. Reception to follow at Fr. Baker Hall

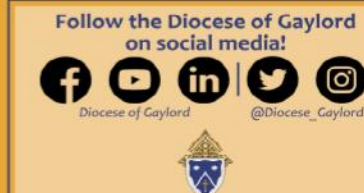
#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

NOVEMBER 24, 2024

PARISHIONERS:	\$ 2,177
CONTRIBUTORS:	\$ 422
CEMETERY FUND:	\$ 50
UTILITIES:	\$ 480
FOOD PANTRY:	\$ 235

DECEMBER 1, 2024

PARISHIONERS:	\$ 446
CONTRIBUTORS:	\$ 148
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:	\$ 150



#### Please Pray For:

Barbara Brady  
Alicia Bakara  
Beth Britt  
Ben Bardenhagen  
Joanne Burnham  
Wayne Carter  
Mary Ann Duperon  
Kelly Endres  
Lucille Flohe  
John Fochtman  
Kevin Giangiolbe  
Tracy Grille,  
Mark Kalchik  
Alexandra Kannenberg & Baby Russell  
Dorothy (Popp) Korson  
Nicole (Jason) Korson  
Sarah Korson  
Pete Lara  
Kevin Maguire  
Craig Moreland  
Peter Navin  
Jennifer Patterson  
Lucas Plamondon  
Al & Marie Porter, Butch Porter  
Bob Pratt  
Joshua Pressey  
Joel Rivera  
Debbie Shelagowski  
Cecilia Sella  
Jim Sullivan  
Clem Suttman  
Ava Valesano  
Gery Zemaitis  
Dolores Houdek  
Doug Iseri  
Panta Leon  
Stephen Erickson  
Janet Burmiester  
Lucas Kolarik

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

All those suffering from the effects of COVID

(\*NEW to Prayer List)

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when your loved one no longer needs to  
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