

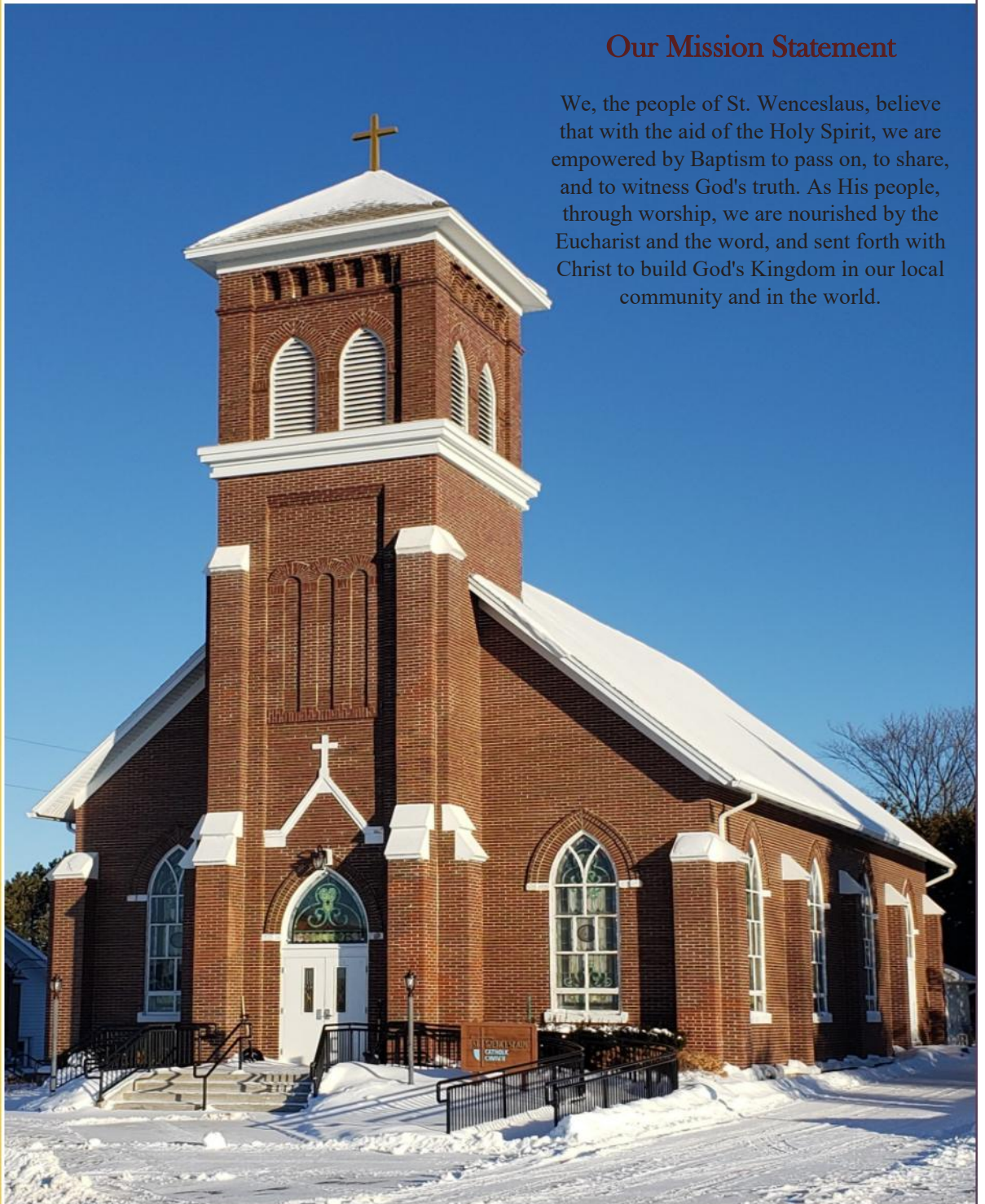


“Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel,”
which means “God is with us.”

Matthew 1:23

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 22, 2024

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)

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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. 28, 2024 @ 5:30 P.M.

READER	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Mary Leon	Lynn Dunn & Susann Lederle

USHERS

Jim & Phillip Plamondon

ALTAR SERVER

Lucus Plamondon

SUN., DEC. 29, 2024 @ 8:30 A.M.

READER	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Chris Ready	Kim & Matt Prisk

USHERS

Paul Korson & Tom Kolarik

ALTAR SERVER

William Ready

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21 — SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024

Saturday, December 21	5:30 p.m.
For Personal Intentions of the Leon Family by Panta and Mary Leon	
Rosary	8:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 22	8:30 a.m.
For Gerald Patterson by Joe and Sherri Patterson	
Monday, December 23	8:30 a.m.
For The Intentions of the Souls in Purgatory by Martin and Phyllis Korson	
Tuesday, December 24 — Christmas Eve Caroling	4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, December 24 — Christmas Eve Mass	5:00 p.m.
For Randy Sedlacek by Jerome and Mary Ann Kolarik	
Wednesday, December 25 — Christmas	8:30 a.m.
For Jane Beaudry by Lucille Flohe	
Thursday, December 26	No Mass
Friday, December 27	No Mass
Saturday, December 28	5:30 p.m.
For All St. Wenceslaus Parishioners	
Rosary	8:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 29	8:30 a.m.
For Betty Schneider by Jim Atkinson	

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate The Fourth Sunday of Advent. In today's Gospel passage from Luke 1: 39-45, he tells us of Mary traveling through the hill country to see Elizabeth, her cousin, who is in her sixth month. She is carrying John the Baptist. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting her baby leaps with joy. Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit said; "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

Here are two women who loved more, sacrificed more, and were more faithful to God than many others. Greatness and holiness are not always where you expect to find it. It is often found in humble ordinary people. In the foot hills, Mary didn't just believe in God; she acted on her belief. She said yes to God's invitation, she put her life in His hands. Her yes was her full expression of her faith.

This reading today is an invitation to each of us. Like Mary, we are all called to be an ark for God. Today we will receive the Eucharist at Mass. In this moment we truly carry Christ with us in sacramental form. We are a sacramental ark for God. Let's all carry Jesus to others. This is how we too become Holy.

Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

MASS TIME CHANGE: In January and February the time of the Saturday evening Mass will change to 4:30 p.m. In March the 5:30 p.m. time will resume.

Change in office hours: The Parish Office will be open on Monday, December 23 from 9 a.m. — Noon this week and will be closed on Wednesday, December 25, Christmas Day.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF

DECEMBER 22, 2024

Monday	December 23	Luke 1:57-66
Tuesday	December 24	Luke 1:67-79
Wednesday	December 25	Luke 2:15-20
Thursday	December 26	Matt 10:17-22
Friday	December 27	John 20:2-8
Saturday	December 28	Matt 2:13-18
Sunday	December 29	Luke 2:41-52



St. Wenceslaus Happenings

Dear Parishioners,

We wish you all a very merry and happy Christmas. As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, our savior and the love he has for us, let us grow in love for one another. We wish you all God's gracious blessings. **Deacon Martin and the Office Staff**

Local Christmas Schedule

St. Mary

Christmas Eve: 4:00 p.m.

Midnight Mass: 11:00 p.m.

Christmas Day: 10:00 a.m.

St. Michael

Christmas Eve: 5:00 p.m.

Christmas Day: 8:30 a.m. Carols at 4:30 p.m.

St. Wenceslaus

Christmas Eve: 5:00 p.m.

Christmas Day: 8:30 a.m.

The Church will be decorated for Christmas this Sunday, after Mass. There will be coffee, rolls, and hot chocolate for the workers. Please plan to stay and help.

There will be a Potluck Breakfast on January 5 to celebrate Christmas and to welcome the New Year after Mass. Meat, juice, and coffee will be provided. Parishioners are asked to bring egg or potato dishes, sweet rolls or fruit or anything that you enjoy for breakfast.

Thanks to Don Les, we have a new web site. Type the following url into your browser window: <http://stwenceslausgp.org> and click on "website" or scan the QR Code below. The website is still under construction.

If the weather and roads are really icy or snowy & blowing, use your own judgement. It is okay to stay home and watch the Mass on TV.

The date of the Annual Dinner has been changed to June 22, 2025 so that we will not be competing with the Cherry Festival and the Children's Free Fishing Day.

If you wish to donate for Christmas flowers, find the envelope in your weekly box, write the name of whoever you wish to honor or remember on the back. Please write the check to St. Wenceslaus and write "Flowers" on the memo line.

2025 religious calendars, through the generosity of Martinson Funeral Home, and the weekly envelopes are in the back of Church. Please take a calendar and your box home.

St. Mary Cash Calendars make great stocking stuffers for Christmas! With the purchase of each *Cash Calendar* card there are 4 chances every month and 48 chances in 2025 to win a \$25.00 cash prize. Each Cash Calendar is only \$10.00. They can be purchased online at <https://www.stmarysl.org/cash-calendar.cfm> or call 231-256-9670.

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 28: Live Nativity at St. Mary' Lake Leelanau 3-4 p.m.

Vocation View: Vocations from God are not always clear. Not all of us are as lucky as Joseph who had an angel appear to him saying: "Take Mary as your wife, and fear not."

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 15, 2024

PARISHIONERS:	\$ 1,091
CONTRIBUTORS:	\$ 353
CEMETERY WATER:	\$ 60
CHURCH EXPENSES:	\$ 650
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:	\$ 105
RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT:	\$ 350

NOVEMBER 2024

INCOME:	\$ 7,828
OPERATIONAL EXPENSES:	\$ 11,846



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
Gery Zemaitis
Dolores Houdek
Doug Iseri
Panta Leon
Janet Burmiester
Lucas Kolarik
Margaret Waldon
...the sick and the homebound of the Parish,
their families and caregivers.
All those suffering from the effects of COVID
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