

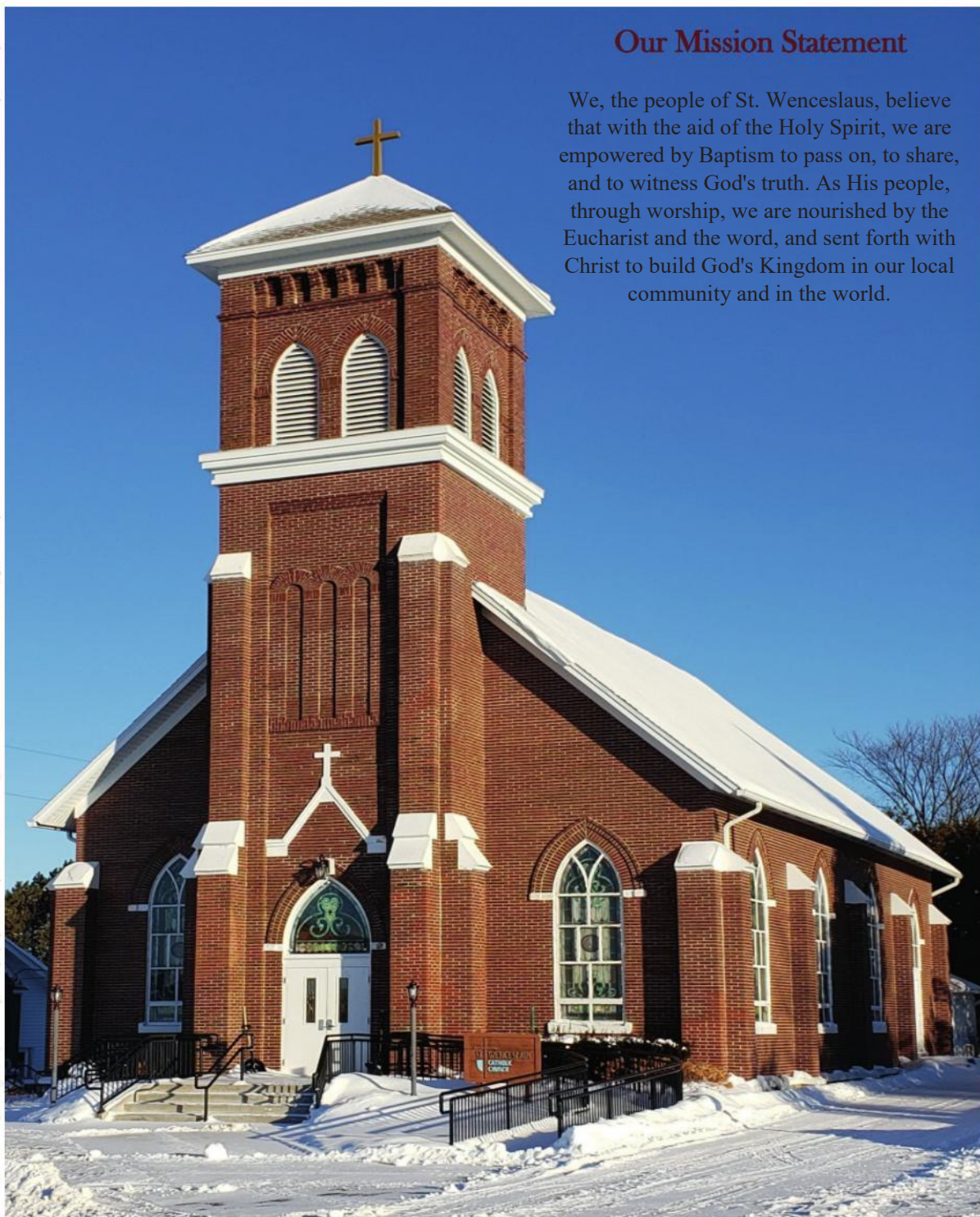
Amen, I
say to you,
whatever
you did
for one of
these least
brothers of
mine, you
did for me.

Matthew
25:40

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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.



St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church

January 14, 2024

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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
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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
JANUARY 21, 2024
@ 8:30 A.M.

READER

Karen Zemaitis

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Susann Lederle &
Jan Schmidt

USHERS

Jim Atkinson & Steve Kalchik

ALTAR SERVERS

Lucas & Phillipp Plamondon

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, January 14 — Sunday, January 21, 2024

Sunday, January 14

8:30 a.m.

For Nicholas Lederle by Jerome and Mary Ann Kolarik

Sunday, January 21

8:30 a.m.

For Blaise Korson by Martin and Phyllis Korson

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Second Sunday in Ordinary time. In today's Gospel, John 1:35-42, John the Baptist tells two of his disciples that Jesus is the "Lamb of God." Upon hearing this, the two began to follow Jesus. Jesus asks them, "What are you looking for?" The disciples ask "Where are you staying?" Jesus tells them, "Come and you will see." Andrew, one of the disciple, goes and finds Peter, his brother and tells him, "We have found the Messiah." When Jesus sees Peter, He tells him, "You are Simon, the son of John: You will be called Cephas.", which is translated Peter.

Three things are to be noted here. Someone brought Andrew to Jesus, namely John the Baptist. For anyone to come to Jesus, someone has to bring them. That's the way the Church is to grow. We bring people to Christ by being joyful Christians, loving Christians, honest Christians, trustful Christians. Deeds more than words, bring people to Christ. This is something we can all do.

Second, Jesus asks the disciples, "What are you looking for?" What are we looking for in life? What do we love? Is it the things of this world? Or, are we looking for God? God is total truth and total love, total honesty, and total self-giving. Are we ready to give rather than receive? Are we looking to give ourselves away to the God who is greater than we are or are we looking for some advantage, some improvement, some perk? If we want to belong to God, and live for God, if this is what we are looking for, then we can follow Jesus.

Third, Jesus changes Simon's name to Peter, the "Rock". Jesus takes an ordinary man, uneducated, a man struggling to keep his business afloat, a man who is always putting his foot in his mouth and saying the wrong thing. Jesus deliberately chose this man on whom He would build His Church. We are like Peter in many ways. Jesus still wants us to "come and see". He is asking all of us to, "come and see".

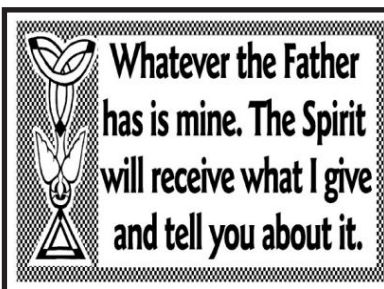
Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

Suggestions are welcome for this year's Lenten program. Please speak to Deacon Martin or to Mary Ann Kolarik. Lent is only a month away. This is also a good time to consider what you will do for Lent to become closer to Our Lord. **Lent is meant to be a time of repentance. These 40 days are set aside to praise and worship the Lord; to read the Bible more, and to pray more often. Christians who observe Lent correctly anticipate deeper intimacy with the Lord.**

Deacon Martin is preparing 4 children and an adult for Confirmation.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 14, 2024

Monday	January 15	Mark 2:18-22
Tuesday	January 16	Mark 2:23-28
Wednesday	January 17	Mark 3:1-6
Thursday	January 18	Mark 3:7-12
Friday	January 19	Mark 3:13-19
Saturday	January 20	Mark 3:20-21
Sunday	January 21	Mark 1:14-20



We will take down and put away the Christmas decorations this Sunday. It is a fairly fast process; please plan to stay and help.

There are still calendars and envelope boxes available in the vestibule.

Thanks to all those who brought dishes to the Millie Kalchik Luncheon and to the many who helped in anyway, to shop, set up, work in the kitchen, serve, or clean up after. There was a great turn out of help and we truly appreciate that. The Kalchik family is very grateful for the lovely luncheon.

Thanks to all who helped with the Christmas party, those in the kitchen, those who set up, served, or cleaned up after, and to those who came to the Christmas party, and to the many who stayed to help clean up. We are very grateful for all the help.

The Parish Council will meet tomorrow, Monday, January 15, at 7 p.m. in the Church basement. All are welcome to attend.

Some of our parishioners have had big changes in their lives. Please pray for our parishioners who have new living arrangements, a few are now in the Pavilions; one is looking for senior housing; and a couple has moved into assisted living. Please pray for their safety, good care, and a good adjustment to their new situations and for their devoted families and good health for all our parishioners.

One way to listen to the Lord is through prayer. Will you commit to ten minutes each day this week to listen quietly for the Lord's call to you?

Area Happenings

Live Carmelite Spirituality in a Catholic Community of Lay Men and Women

For a deeper prayer life, a deeper spirituality, and a deeper union with God, answer the call of St. John Paul II to "Come into the deep". The Discalced Secular Carmelite Community of the Infant Jesus of Prague meets monthly at the Carmelite Monastery in Traverse City. Call Ed Mende (231)288-9314 or Anne Dezelski (231)631-4764 for more information. Meeting dates are Feb. 11, March 10, April 14, and May 19. *Need to attend 3 meetings.

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.

Sundays: Euchre at St. Michael's, 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. The \$5 entry fee covers prizes and refreshments. No partner needed.

Please pray the rosary daily for our country.

Please Pray For:

Barbara Brady
Alicia Bakara, Ruth Blink
Beth Britt
Ben Bardenhagen
Keith & Joanne Burnham
Wayne Carter
Mary (Houdek) Denouldped
Mary Ann Duperon
Kelly Endres, John Fochtman
Bernadine Gallagher Family
Kevin Giangiolbe
Tracy Grille, Doug Iseri
Elmer Kalchik
Mark Kalchik
Steve & Kathy Kalchik
The Millie Kalchik Family
Alexandra Kannenberg & Baby
Chuck Korson
Dorothy (Popp) Korson
Sarah Korson
Pete Lara
Kevin Maguire, Tom Meoak
Craig Moreland, Peter Navin
Jennifer Patterson
Jim Plamondon, Lucas Plamondon
Al & Marie Porter, Albert Porter Jr.
Bob Pratt
Joshua Pressey
Joel Rivera
Terry Schmidt
Randy Sedlacek
Debbie Shelagowski
Cecilia Sella, Helen Stimson
Jim Sullivan
Clem Suttman & Trish Suttman
Ava Valesano
Jim Wenstrup
Diane Zande
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.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 31, 2023		
PARISHIONERS:		\$ 655
CONTRIBUTORS:		\$ 389
MAINTENANCE:		\$ 40
FOOD PANTRY:		\$ 120
UTILITIES:		\$ 60

JANUARY 1, 2024		
PARISHIONERS		\$1,401
CONTRIBUTORS:		\$ 35
FIRST OFFERING:		\$ 30
FOOD PANTRY:		\$ 20
UTILITIES:		\$1,000

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

JANUARY 7, 2024		
PARISHIONERS:		\$ 697
CONTRIBUTORS:		\$ 63
FIRST OFFERING:		\$ 10
UTILITIES:		\$ 40

2023		
YEAR END DONATIONS RECEIVED:		\$9,000



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