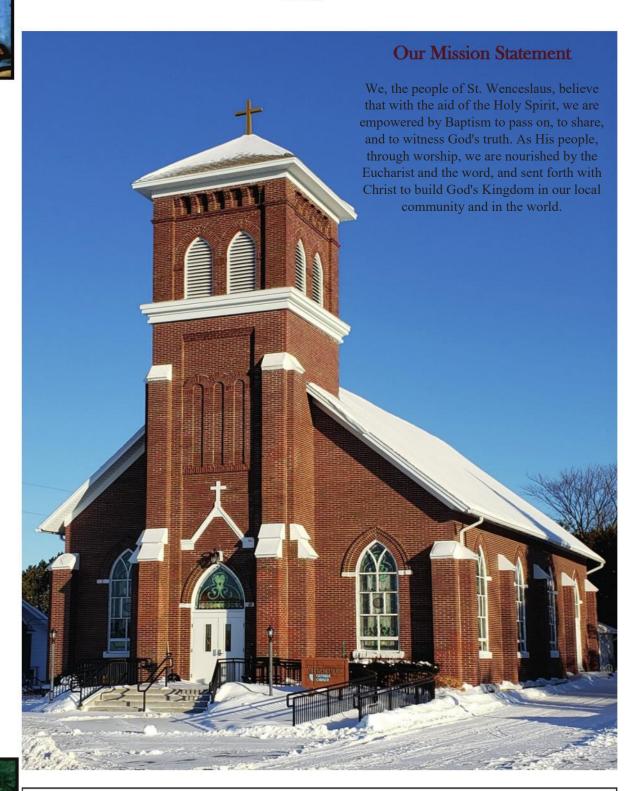


ORDINARY TIME

A leper came to him and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean."

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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
FEBRUARY 18, 2024
@ 8:30 A.M.

READER Mary Leon EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Cup is not offered during
flu season.

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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, February 11 — Sunday, February 18, 2024

8:30 a.m.

Sunday, February 11

For John Bussey by Irene and Pat Bruen Family

Wednesday, February 14 — Ash Wednesday 6:30 p.m. For the intentions of Tom Meoak & Tillie Garvin by St. Wenceslaus Altar Society

Sunday, February 18 8:30 a.m.

For Terry Schmidt by Bruce & Lynn Dunn

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary time. In today's Gospel, Mark, 1:45-39, a leper comes to Jesus and begs Him: "If you wish, you can make me clean." Jesus' response is, "I do will it, be made clean." And the leper was made clean. Jesus sent the man to show himself to the priest, with the request to tell no one about his healing. The man went and did just the opposite; he told everyone, so that Jesus had to stay out of town.

There are theologians who believe that sin is kind of a spiritual leprosy. It disfigures our souls and spreads to every corner of our lives. It destroys us and destroys our ability to relate to other people. It cuts us off from the purpose of our life and our role in human society and human history. Just as leprosy starts small, but spreads and grows, so one sin, one betrayal of our conscience, can spark a spiritual forest fire.

Today, we could say it is like one cancer cell. If left unchecked, it can spread throughout our whole body; it can take over our lives.

When Jesus reaches out and touches this leper, and heals him, it is more than just a miracle; it is a revelation of Christ's mission. He is the Redeemer, the Savior: He is the one who comes into this fallen world. He has the power of His mercy and grace, to cleanse it and give it a new start. Jesus came, and He still comes, not to condemn, but to save. That's why He gave us the sacrament of confession to make us clean again and to give us a new start. Let Jesus make us clean again. Plan to go to confession.

Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

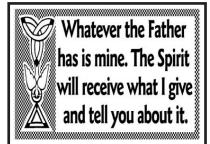
Lenten service: Wednesdays, Holy Hour at 5 p.m., Soup at 6 p.m., Program follows. The first presenters will be Mary Taylor and Judy Yoder, on February 21, speaking on *Kids First Uganda*, a group that St. Wenceslaus has tithed to before. Come and hear the exciting progress the group has made, how lives have been changed for the better, and the plans for the future.

During Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross each Sunday after Mass. Readers and Altar Servers of the Day are asked to stay and lead this program.

Please pray for victims of abuse in the Catholic Church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Monday	February 12	Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday	February 13	Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday	February 14	Matt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday	February 15	Luke 9:22-25
Friday	February 16	Matt 9:14-15
Saturday	February 17	Luke 5:27-32
Sunday	February 18	Mark 1:12-15



The Annual Chicken Dinner and Raffle is scheduled for June 30th, the last Sunday in June. The Raffle Committee is asking for you to consider making donations to the raffle such as cash donations, handcrafted projects, sport or fishing items, gift cards for restaurants, coupons for fruits or vegetables from your orchards or gardens. Call Deacon Martin if you would like to donate to the raffle. Thank you.

Collection envelopes are in the vestibule; please take yours home.

Ash Wednesday is Feb. 14. There will be a 6:30 p.m. Mass on Ash Wednesday, February 14. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence meaning that no meat is allowed. A fast day means that one full meal and two lesser meals are allowed. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics who have reached the age of fourteen until the beginning of their sixtieth year.

The Men's Soup Supper will be Saturday, February 24 from 5-7 p.m. Cost will be by Free Will Offering. Come for comradery and enjoy some tasty Vegetable Beef or Potato Soup and help Third World Countries.

The Blankets of Hope school and community service project will take place Monday, Feb. 12 from 8-3. Come and help volunteers as they make blankets that have gone all around the world. The next day, Tuesday, Feb. 13, the volunteers will be making little dresses for Africa. All activity takes place in the Church Social Hall. There is a spot for everyone, sewer or non-sewer. They accept donations of sewing supplies and fabric. If you would like to participate in anyway, call Jozell Rexroat 231-357-7397.

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

<u>February 16, March 1, March 15</u>: Holy Rosary Fish Dinners, 4-7 p.m. Dine in or out. Baked or deep fried cod, scalloped potatoes, Cole slaw, mac & cheese, dinner roll and dessert. Cost \$16. Call 228-5429 for more information.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

PARISHIONERS: \$ 720
CONTRIBUTORS: \$ 47
FOOD PANTRY: \$ 70
CEMETERY WATER: \$ 40

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Ben Bardenhagen
Keith & Joanne Burnham
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