

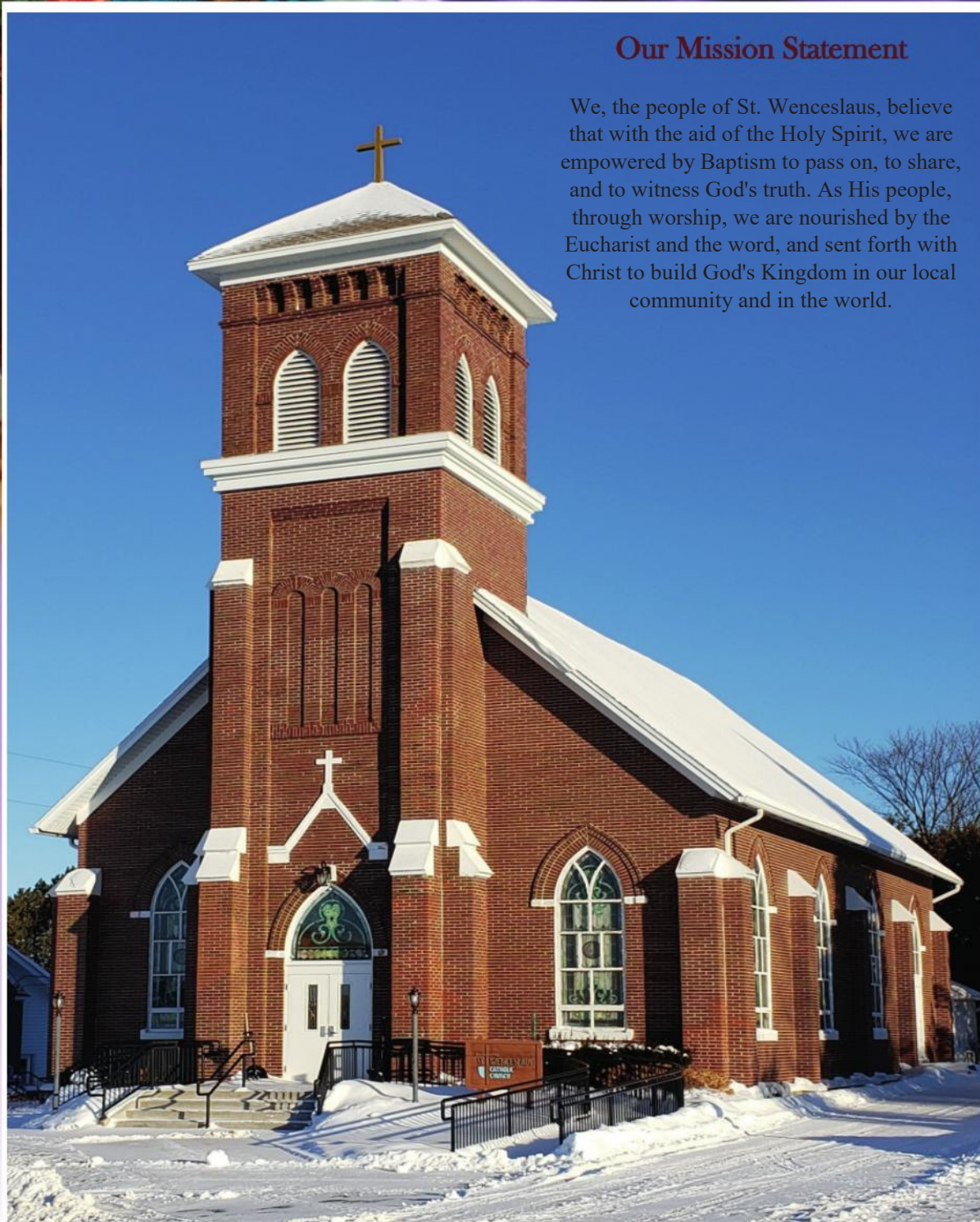


1ST SUNDAY OF *Lent*



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.



The Spirit
drove Jesus
out into the
desert, and he
remained in
the desert
for forty days,
tempted by
Satan.

He was among
wild beasts, and
the angels
ministered
to him.

Mark 1:12,13

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Anticipating Surgery?

Please call Deacon Martin to make
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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 25, 2024
@ 8:30 A.M.**

READER

Chris Ready

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Cup is not offered during
flu season.

USHERS

Jim & Philip Plamondon

ALTAR SERVERS

William and Louis Ready

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday, February 18 — Sunday, February 25, 2024

Sunday, February 18

For Terry Schmidt by Bruce & Lynn Dunn

8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, February 21 — Holy Hour

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 25

For All St. Wenceslaus Parishioners

8:30 a.m.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the First Sunday of Lent. In today's Gospel, Mark 1:12-15-39, Jesus is driven out into the desert for forty days and is tempted by the devil. He was among wild animals and was ministered to by the angels. After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the Gospel of God. "This is the time of fulfillment. The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel."

Jesus spent forty days in the desert, alone, away from other people, a time spent in preparation for this future ministry. This idea is not His own, but is inspired by the Spirit. It was the Spirit's idea. He was led by the Spirit to toughen up His humanity. He fasted, spent time in prayer, and was helped by the angels.

Lent is like a desert because it is a time of fasting. Fasting is not just about food. It is also about other deliberate sacrifices, things that make our lives pleasant or convenient, such things as sugar, desserts, parties, alcohol, games, TV, or other things.

We can also do other things. Visit the sick, comfort the sorrowful, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, bring the Eucharistic to the homebound, chauffeur those needing transportation, volunteer, pray for others, and the list goes on. In Lent, we are asked to fast, pray, and give alms. Jesus was led into the desert where He prayed, fasted, and gave of Himself for us. Let us all try and imitate Him.

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. Praying the Stations is a way for us to pray for the poor souls in purgatory.

Happy Lent! Let us respond to God's loving call to be close to Him.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Monday	February 19	Matt 25:31-46
Tuesday	February 20	Matt 6:7-15
Wednesday	February 21	Luke 11:29-32
Thursday	February 22	Matt 16:13-19
Friday	February 23	Matt 5:20-26
Saturday	February 24	Matt 5:43-48
Sunday	February 25	Mark 9:2-10



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. Please call Deacon Martin if you would like to donate to the raffle. Thank you.

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.

Copies of *The Little Black Books-6-Minute Reflections* and *The Word Among Us* are available in the vestibule.

The Parish Council will meet Monday, February 26, in the Church basement at 7:00 p.m.

Condolences to Barbara Glinski on the passing of her husband, Dr. Leonard Glinski, DO, who entered Eternal Life on January 31, 2024. He and his wife are summer parishioners. His funeral was celebrated last week in Orchard Lake at the St. Mary's Chapel. Besides his wife, he leaves two children, their spouses and four grandchildren. 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

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 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 are welcome.

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

February 25: St. Mary Lake Leelanau, K of C Pancake Breakfast. 9-11:30 a.m., Cost: Free Will Offering.

March 1, March 15: 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.

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

Kevin Giangiolbe

Tracy Grille

Doug Iseri

Mark Kalchik

Steve & Kathy Kalchik

Alexandra Kannenberg & Baby

Chuck Korson

Dorothy (Popp) Korson

Nicole (Jason) Korson

Sarah Korson

Pete Lara

Kevin Maguire, Tom Meoak

Craig Moreland, Peter Navin

Jennifer Patterson

Jim Plamondon, Lucas Plamondon

Al & Marie Porter

Bob Pratt

Joshua Pressey

Joel Rivera

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

FEBRUARY 11, 2024

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CONTRIBUTORS:	\$ 346
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