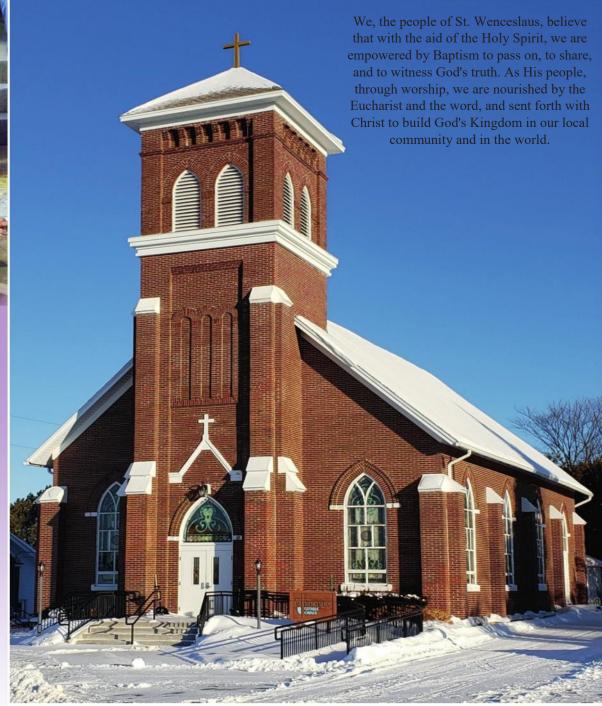


Our Mission Statement

He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

John 2: 15,16



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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 MARCH 10, 2024 @ 8:30 A.M.

READER Karen Zemaitis EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Cup is not offered during flu season.

<u>USHERS</u>

Tom Kolarik & Paul Korson

ALTAR SERVERS
William & Katerina Ready

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday, March 3 — Sunday, March 10, 2024

Sunday, March 3 8:30 a.m.

For the intentions of Tom & Marie Korson by St. Wenceslaus Altar Society

Wednesday, March 6 — Holy Hour/Soup Supper/Program 5:00 p.m. Sunday, March 10 8:30 a.m.

For Anna Atkinson by Jim Atkinson

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Third Sunday in Lent. In today's Gospel, John 2:13-25, Jesus cleanses the temple of the sale of oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers. Telling them, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a market place." They ask Him by what authority He does this. He again tells them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." His disciples did not understand until after the resurrection.

Jesus is reminding us that the church is not a place to make money but to give money, to sacrifice it. The church is a place of worship. We are not to use it to make profit, political gain, or for power. We have heard it said, "They have hijacked the religion for their own cause." Or mega churches where the pastor lives like a millionaire; It is easy to do. Just take a line out of scripture and quote it to one's own advantage. Jesus said to give to the poor. And so we collect for the poor. But someone takes half or more for their efforts.

There are many examples of using scripture to our advantage. We use scripture to guide us in life, to lead us to Jesus, not to make money. Do we serve in the church to look good? What are our motives to being a Christian?

Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 10. Set your clocks forward. Plan for that lost hour of sleep.

Lenten service: Wednesdays, Holy Hour at 5 p.m., Soup at 6 p.m., Program follows. This week's presenter is Mary Ann Kolarik who will speak on the Souls in Purgatory.

Council Corner

The worn rug at the top of the stairs in the rectory will be removed by Jerry. An architect will be hired to look into the possibility of a bathroom in the church. The church will hire for spring cleanup. Plan to have a chicken dinner meeting-soon. No date set. Soup supper money to go to *Kids First Uganda*. Tithing: \$500 to go to 5 loaves and 2 fish. **Recommend the return to the Precious Blood at Mass.** Suggestions: Hot plates for soup, recover kneelers, larger signs for bathroom, refasten loose pews. Next meeting is March 19.

Remembers Stations of the Cross after Mass. Readers and servers of that Mass are asked to stay and lead, thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 3, 2024

Monday	March 4	Luke 4:24-30
Tuesday	March 5	Matt 18:21-35
Wednesday	March 6	Matt 5:17-19
Thursday	March 7	Luke 11:14-23
Friday	March 8	Mark 12:28-34
Saturday	March 9	Luke 18:9-14
Sunday	March 10	John 3:14-21



Last week's Lenten program presenters spoke of the needs of the children of Uganda and are requesting donations for Kids First Uganda. The group is having a fundraiser to purchase land for a soccer field. Soccer has been a huge benefit to the children and has given them structure, good role models, and purpose. The soup supper money will go to this project. If you wish to donate, please write checks to St. Wenceslaus and earmark Kids First Uganda. Thank you.

We will return to offering the Precious Blood at Mass this Sunday.

The Annual Chicken Dinner and Raffle is scheduled for Sunday, June 30th. The Raffle Committee asks you to consider making donations to the raffle such as cash, 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.

Thanks to Will Bunek assisted by Deacon Martin for work on the lights on the Church front. They spent time in the cold searching for and fixing the short in the line.

Condolences to the Sedlacek family on the passing of Randy Sedlacek who passed away Saturday, February 24th, at MediLodge after suffering from MS for many years. In your kindness, please pray for the repose of his soul and comfort for his family. Funeral services will be here on Saturday, April 13.

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. Sunday: Euchre at St. Michael's, 2:00-5:00 p.m. The \$5 entry fee covers prizes and refreshments. No partner needed. Bring dimes to cover euchres.

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.

March 8, 22: K of C Soup Supper, 4-6:30 p.m. in the St. Mary Parish Social Hall. Free Will Offering. Come and pray the Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

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March 26: Chrism Mass

INCOME:

EXPENSES:

PARISH STEWARDSHIP				
FEBRUARY 25, 2024				
PARISHIONERS:	\$	740		
CONTRIBUTORS:	\$	179		
FOOD PANTRY:	\$	57		
EASTER FLOWERS:	\$	190		
LENTEN ALMS:	\$	75		
SOUP SUPPER:	\$	1,345		
JANUARY 2024				



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