



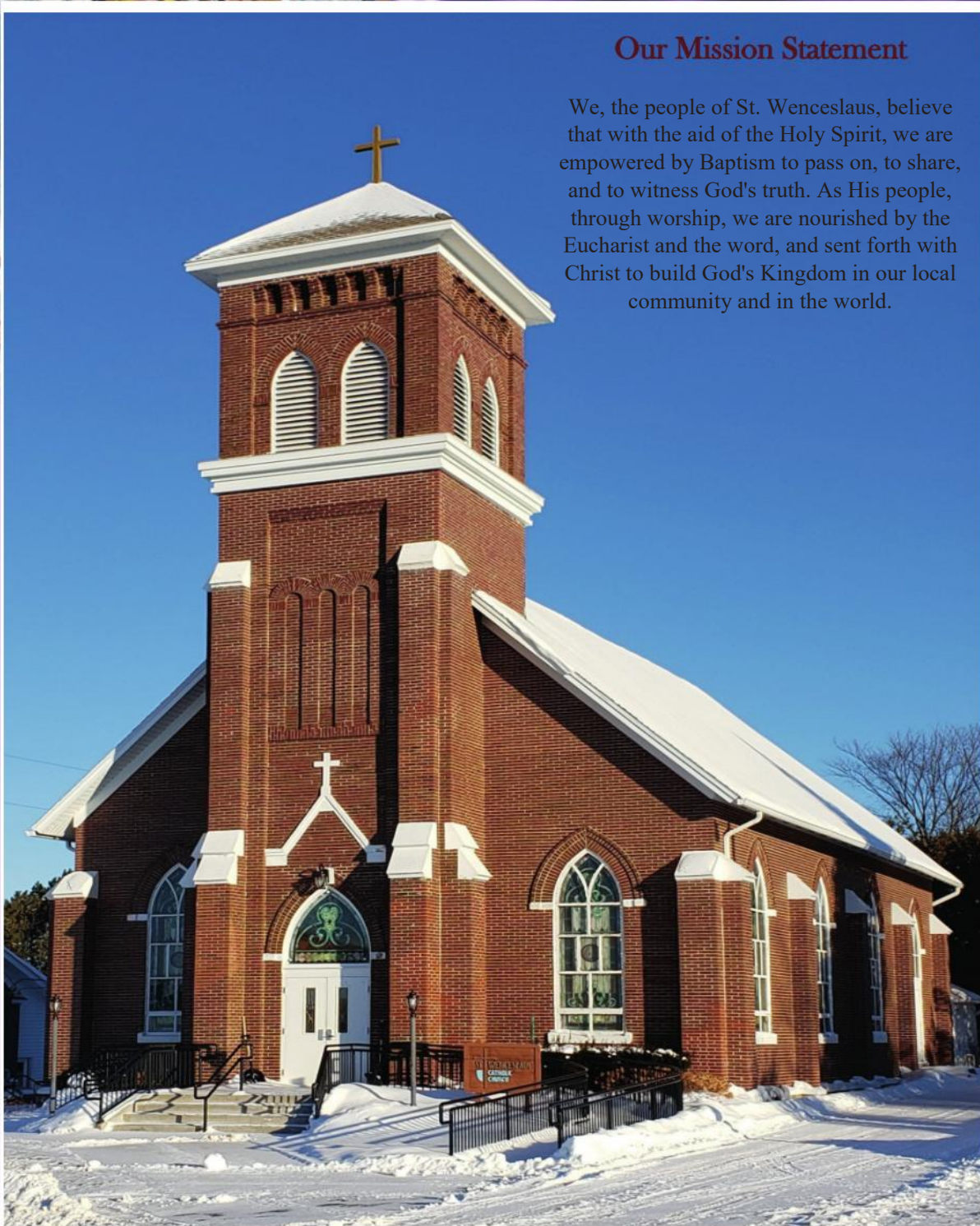
5TH SUNDAY OF *LENT*



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for the Son of Man
to be glorified.
Amen, amen,
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wheat falls to the
ground and dies, it
remains just a grain
of wheat; but if it
dies, it produces
much fruit.”
John 12: 23,24

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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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

MARCH 24, 2024
@ 8:30 A.M.

READER

Chris Ready

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Kim & Matt Prisk

USHERS

Jim & Philip Plamondon

ALTAR SERVERS

William & Louis Ready

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday, March 17 — Sunday, March 24, 2024

Sunday, March 17

8:30 a.m.

For Linda Avis by John Avis

Wednesday, March 20 — Holy Hour/Soup Supper/Program

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 24

8:30 a.m.

For Larry Liszewski by Lorraine Liszewski

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Fifth Sunday in Lent. In today's Gospel, John 12:20-33, Jesus answers His disciples: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified, Amen, Amen, I say to you. Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat, but if it dies, it produces much fruit."

Jesus was talking about several things. First He was talking about His own death. The time had come for Jesus to be glorified by His agony, suffering, crucifixion, and resurrection. This is called the Pascal Mystery. His dying and Resurrection conquered death for all time. He paved the way for us to enter into eternity. This is why He came to earth.

Secondly, He is telling us that unless we die to self, we can not have eternal life. We all know by experience that the most joyous time is when we can share our life, our time, our talent to help someone. It gives us a warm feeling inside that seems to touch our heart. This is what Jesus is talking about. We need to die to selfish tendencies, to me first attitude, to looking out for only me, for seeking only my pleasure. When we die to our selfishness, the Holy Spirit will replace them with kindness, joy, charity, peace, gentleness, faith, modesty, self-control, long-suffering, to name a few. We will be born a new. We will really experience the Kingdom of God. If only for a moment. Not in it's fullness, but partially. It prepares us for the full experience in heaven.

Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

Lenten service: Wednesdays, Holy Hour at 5 p.m., Confession available. Soup at 6 p.m., Program follows. This week there will be a video by Bishop Baron, "Hearing the voice of God."

Due to the long Gospel, there will be no Stations of the Cross after Mass next week on Palm Sunday. Thanks to all who have stayed to pray the Stations.

For those who wish to donate Easter Flowers, please write the name of the person you wish to remember or honor on the back of the envelope. Write the check to St. Wenceslaus and write Easter Flowers on the memo line.

The Chrism Mass is Tuesday, March 26, a beautiful Mass with the blessing of the Holy oils is at 11 a.m.

Happy St. Patrick's Day; may the luck of the Irish be with you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 17, 2024

Monday	March 18	John 8:1-11
Tuesday	March 19	Matt 1:16
Wednesday	March 20	John 8:31-42
Thursday	March 21	John 8:51-59
Friday	March 22	John 10:31-42
Saturday	March 23	John 11:45-57
Sunday	March 24	Mark 15:1-39

**FIFTH
SUNDAY
OF LENT**



Fifth Sunday of Lent: Throughout the gospels, Jesus uses the image of being “lifted up” to describe his crucifixion. After Jesus was nailed to the cross, he was physically lifted up—a painful, yet exalting moment—for through the cross he brought salvation. While he understood his impending suffering, Jesus knew its purpose. He promised to “draw everyone” to himself (John 12:32), knowing that the cross would remove the barrier between us and our relationship with the Father. Reflect upon the cross today. Let it speak of God’s infinite love and thank him for his willingness to suffer and die so that we may live.

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 Matt Prisk & Jerry Fleis for preparing the fish and other foods for the Fish Dinner after the Holy Hour last Friday. Thanks to all those who brought desserts. And especially thanks to all who came to the Holy Hour and the dinner and to those who stayed to clean up after and set up for the next activity.

The Euchre group voted to extend the activity through the end of April, excluding Easter Sunday.

The Diocese of Gaylord has recently launched a weekly e-newsletter that will help deepen your understanding and relationship with God. Subscribe now and receive a variety of faith-based content including Bishop Walsh's "Checking In" video via email every Wednesday afternoon. Sign up today:
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Clarence King, of Peshawbestown, passed away this past week. He was a frequent visitor at St. Wenceslaus Church. His funeral was at St. Kateri this past week. Please pray for the repose of his soul and comfort for family and friends.

*Eternal Rest grant unto him O Lord and Let Perpetual Light shine upon him.
 May he rest in peace. Amen.*

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 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 27, 28, 29, 30: “The Promise”, a musical story of the Passion and Resurrection, presented at the New Hope Community Church (follow 31 North past Acme) 7:30 p.m. and on Holy Saturday at 2:30 p.m.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

MARCH 10, 2024

PARISHIONERS:	\$ 540
CONTRIBUTORS:	\$ 206
EASTER FLOWERS:	\$ 35
CEMETERY FUND:	\$ 75
LENTEN ALMS:	\$ 55

FEBRUARY 2024

INCOME:	\$ 8,416
EXPENSES:	\$ 7,425

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...the sick and the homebound of the
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 All those suffering from the effects of
 COVID

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