

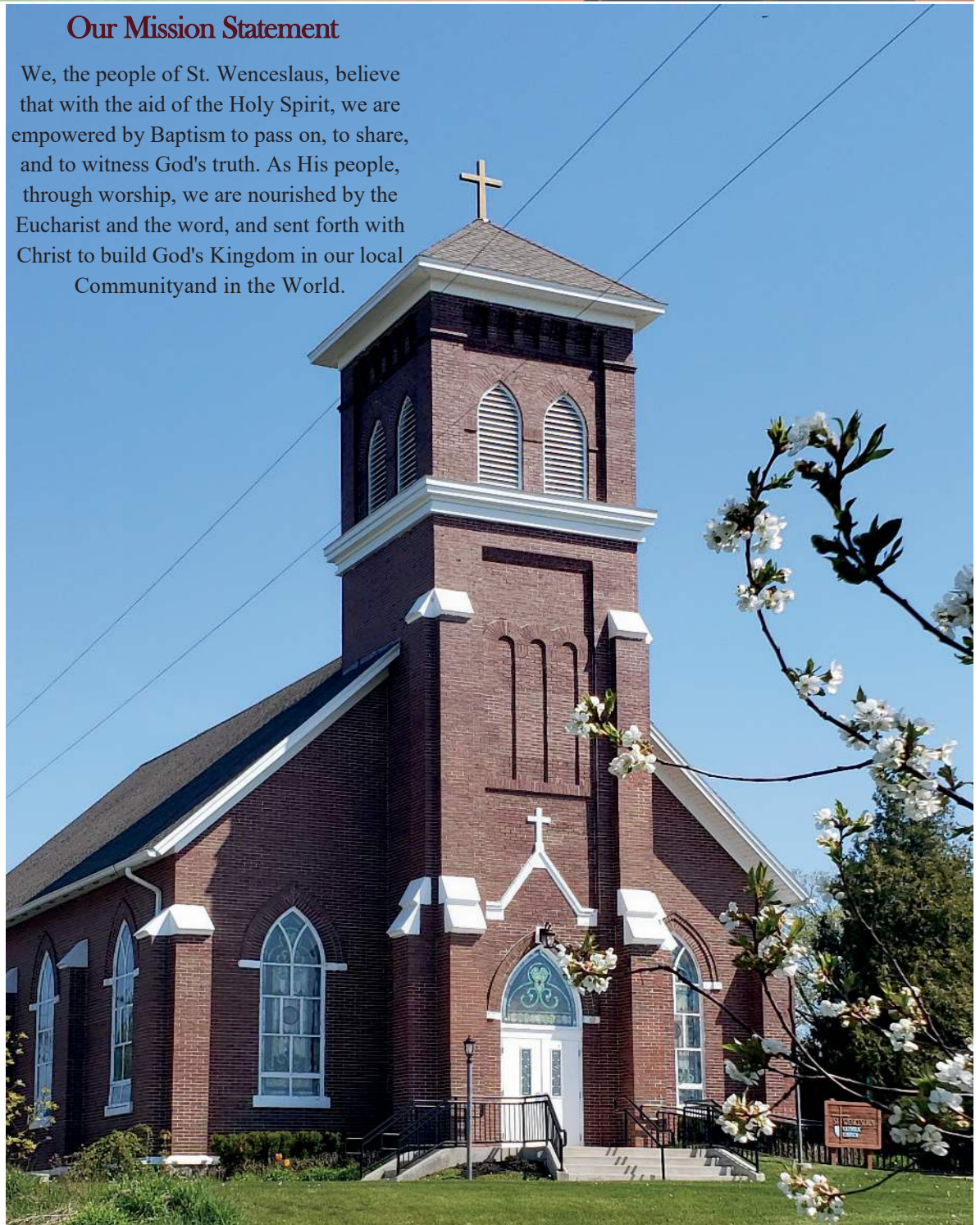
PALM SUNDAY

of the Lord's Passion



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

March 29, 2026

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Deacon Martin and he will try and find
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Anticipating Surgery?

Please call Deacon Martin to make
arrangements to be anointed in sickness
or prior to surgery.

Reconciliation

Fr. Michael Class, S.J.

Saturdays 4:30 - 5:00 p.m.

St. Mary LL on Fridays at 9:00 a.m.

and on Saturdays 3:30 — 4:30 p.m.

St. Michael SB on Thursdays at 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

SAT., APR. 4, 2026 @ 8:30 PM

READINGS

Rachel Plamondon-1st
Marita Somero-3rd
Andrew Sweitzer-5th

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Mary Leon &
Susann Lederle

USHERS

Paul Korson & Tom Kolarik

ALTAR SERVERS

John Kohler, Julius Kolarik, Lucas Plamondon

SUN., APRIL 5, 2026 @ 8:30 AM

READER

Chris Ready-1&2 Kate Ready & Karen Zemaitis

USHERS

Jim Atkinson & Julius Kolarik

ALTAR SERVER

William, Louis, & Katerina Ready

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026 — SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026

Saturday, March 28

For Beau Korson by Lara and Joel Sweitzer

5:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 29 — Rosary

8:00 a.m.

Sunday, March 29 — Palm Sunday

For all St. Wenceslaus Parishioners

8:30 a.m.

Monday, March 30

For Lewis Roubal by His Family

8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, March 31

For Helen Stimson by Peggy Kolarik

8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, April 1

For Carol Korson by Jerome Korson

7:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 1 — Mass at St. Kateri w/Fr. Class

8:30 a.m.

Thursday, April 2 — Holy Thursday

For Elmer Kalchik by Tom and Jane Kalchik

7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 3 — Good Friday

2:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 4 — Confessions

4:30-5:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 4 — Holy Saturday

For all Deceased Members of St. Wenceslaus

8:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 5 — Rosary

8:00 a.m.

Sunday, April 5 — Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

For all St. Wenceslaus Parishioners

8:30 a.m.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

As we liturgically celebrate Palm Sunday, we are entering back in time to accompany our Lord while he enters Jerusalem. We hold our palm branches high and from our hearts we welcome him into the Holy City. We are faced with a spiritual decision on Palm Sunday. We must make a choice.

Did you know there were two Palm Sunday processions? Jesus wasn't the only one riding into Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. Alongside him, and in a very different context and style, was **Pontius Pilate**.

Let's examine these two "processions": Jesus' reasons for going to Jerusalem were to celebrate the Passover and to willingly give himself as the Lamb of sacrifice to save the world. He makes his way from Galilee in the north, accompanied by a small crowd of people that is excited to celebrate Passover together in the Holy City.

Pilate's reason for going to Jerusalem was to keep control. During the increased traffic to the city for the Jewish faithful, more Roman soldiers were needed to maintain Rome's grip on power. Because of this, Pilate left his home in Caesarea Maritima, a coastal town, and went east to Jerusalem for Passover.

Jesus Rides a Donkey. When Jesus selected a donkey, he entered into the city in exactly the way the prophet Zechariah (9:9) had predicted. Jesus enters as the true king and messiah and thus is a direct challenge to Pontius Pilate and by extension to Roman power and authority.

Pilate Rides a Chariot. Pilate ensures that he comes with a show of force. He needs to be mounted on his chariot pulled by his war horse. This is because, unlike Jesus, he is weak and feeble. Outward expressions of strength often mask weakness and insecurities. Pilate's imperial procession is countered by Jesus' more humble and meek procession.

Jesus Comes with the Little Children. Jesus was surrounded by families, women, and children. His was a procession of common folk, farmers, and fishermen. The crowd around him was no more than the peasantry of Galilee. (Continued on page 3)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF

MARCH 29, 2026

Monday	March 30	John 12:1-11
Tuesday	March 31	John 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday	April 1	Matt 26:14-25
Thursday	April 2	John 13:1-15
Friday	April 3	John 18:1-19:42
Saturday	April 4	Matt 28:1-10
Sunday	April 5	John 20:1-9



St. Wenceslaus Happenings

Pilate Comes with Soldiers. Pilate again must surround himself with strong men and weapons because inside he is afraid and cowardly.

On Palm Sunday we have a day of two processions. Jesus' procession proclaimed the power of God. Pilate's procession proclaimed the power of Rome. This Biblical history begs a personal decision from each of us. Given my way of life, currently, "In what procession am I to be found?"

In Christ, Deacon Martin

Each Tuesday during Holy Week, the Bishop celebrates the Chrism Mass, the Blessing of Oils used in various rites (Oil of the Catechumens, Oil of the Sick, Sacred Chrism). Representatives come from all the parishes in the Diocese to retrieve the Blessed Oils and meet in prayer. During the Mass, the priests of the Diocese of Gaylord renew their priestly vows of service. **You are cordially invited to attend the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, March 31, at St. Mary, Gaylord Cathedral at 11:00 a.m.** For those at home, the Chrism Mass will be live streamed on the Diocese of Gaylord YouTube channel.

After the Chrism Mass, young men in grade 6–adults are invited to the annual St. Andrew Luncheon! This is an opportunity for fellowship with Bishop Walsh, seminarians.

You can now bring those religious items to the Church basement for recycling. The last date for drop-off is April 5. A religious group will be here to pick them after April 6th. Please put the items in boxes; do not seal or close the boxes. All items will be sorted and repacked on site. This is a wonderful opportunity to share those religious treasures you are not using and no longer want.

Thanks to all who came to the Lenten Holy Hour program, to all who were able to stay and pray the Stations of the Cross during the Lenten Season and to those who volunteered to lead the Stations, to all who came to the Friday Holy Hour and Fish Dinner, to Jerry Fleis, head cook and helpers, Fr. Michael, and Ann and Ken Mosier, to those who helped to clear the snow after the big snowfall, especially Steve Kalchik and Paul Korson.

For those who wish to donate for Easter Flowers, please write the name of the person (s) you wish to honor/remember on the back of the envelope. Write the check to St. Wenceslaus with Easter Flowers on the memo line.

There will be a Yard Sale and Raffle this year. Please save those unwanted treasures. **Please let Deacon Martin** know what you will donate for a raffle prize.

Happy April Birthday to: Rich Popp, Betty Popp, Sally Jelinek, Kim Prisk, Jerry Smith, and Armando Ramirez.

Happy Anniversary to: Mary Ann & Jerome Kolarik 4/4 and Grace & Julius Kolarik 4/19

Area Happenings

That Man is You, a men's gathering to enhance spirituality, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m., at St. Mary LL. **Sundays at 2 p.m., Euchre** Suttons Bay, St. Michael's. The \$5 cost covers refreshments and prizes. The group has decided to play until April 19 ending with a Pizza Party.

April 3, 4: First Friday & Saturday, St. Michael 8:30 a.m., St. Mary 8:30 a.m. Friday & 8:00 a.m. Saturday.

April 18: Euchre Night, at St. Mary Cafeteria, 6:00 p.m. sign-in, \$10 entry fee, bring your favorite snack to share. Top 3 players Prize and Most Loners Prize.

Please Pray For:

Alicia Bakara
Ben Bardenhagen
Terry Bauman
Barbara Brady
Beth Britt
Joanne Burnham
Kelly Endres
John Fochtman
Kevin Giangiolbe
Helen Galla, Tracy Grille
Delores Houdek
Doug Iseri
Cindy John, Mark Kalchik
Alexandra Kannenberg & son, Russell
Dorothy Kolarik,
Sarah Korson
Pete Lara
Panta Leon
Don Les
Kevin Maguire
Craig Moreland
Gretchen Mork
Peter Navin
Jennifer Patterson
Al & Marie Porter
Butch Porter
Bob Pratt
Joshua Pressey
Dani Ramirez
Joel Rivera
Marcie (Schaub) Schmer
Darlene Stanley
Jim Sullivan, Clem Suttman
Gery Zemaitis
Laura and Sarah

The Diocesan Vocations Team
Young men discerning the Priesthood
...the sick and the homebound of the
Parish,
their families and caregivers.
All those suffering from the effects of
COVID
and those suffering from natural
disasters.

(*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

MARCH 15, 2026

PARISHIONERS:	\$ 230
CONTRIBUTORS:	\$ 159
EASTER FLOWERS:	\$ 198
CEMETERY FUND:	\$ 16
LENTEN ALMS:	\$ 55

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

MARCH 22, 2026

PARISHIONERS:	\$ 684
CONTRIBUTORS:	\$ 295
EASTER FLOWERS:	\$ 10
LENTEN ALMS:	\$ 59



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