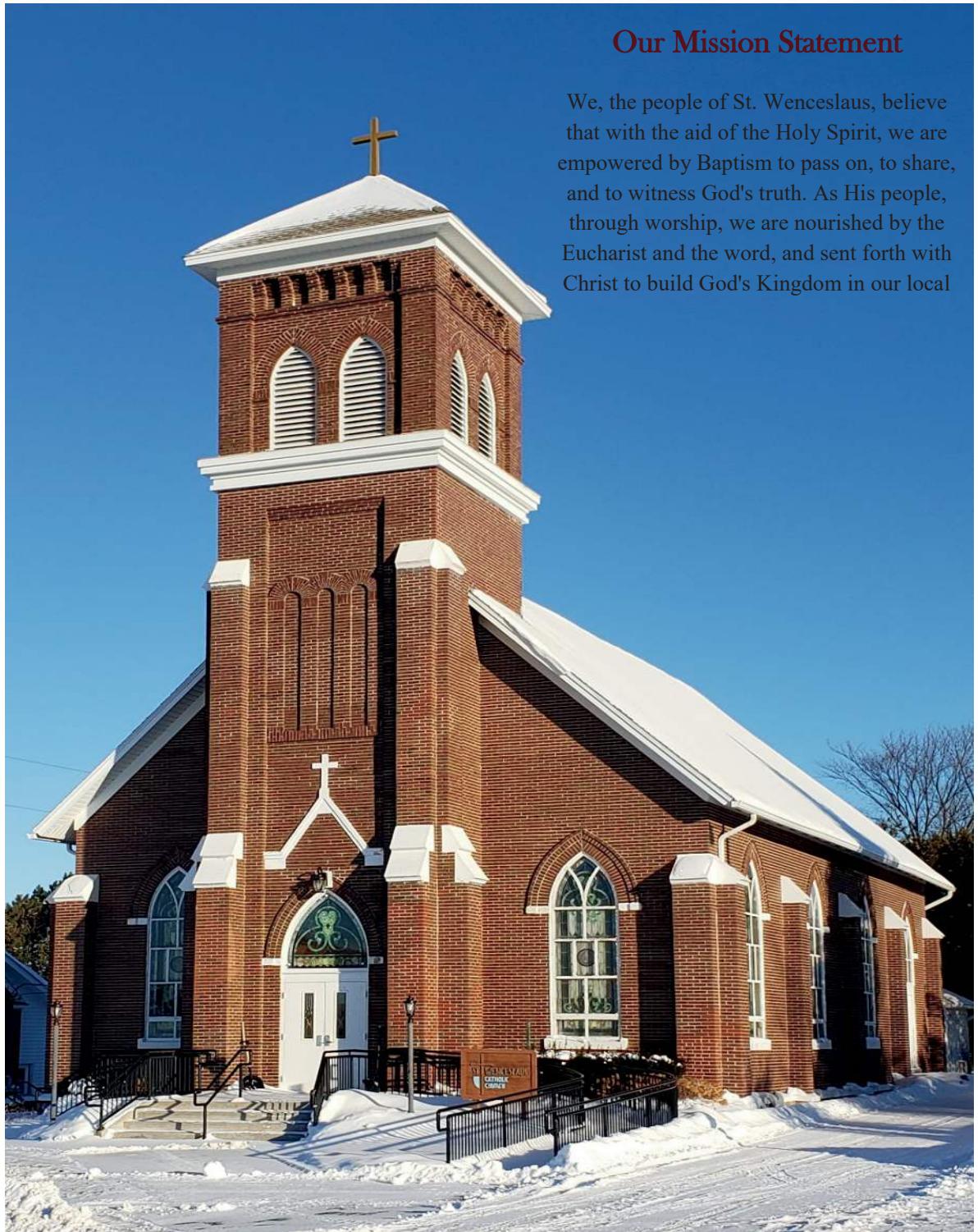


# Baptism *of the Lord*

## 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



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Rev. Michael Class, S.J.  
Cell: (414) 788-8963

If you are in need of a priest, please call Deacon Martin and he will try and find one for you.

## Secretary (Wednesdays 9A — 12P)

Jacqueline Bunek  
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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., JAN. 17, 2026 @ 5:30 PM

#### READER      EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Rachel Plamondon Jan Schmidt & Lynn Dunn

#### USHERS

Panta Leon & Jim Plamondon

#### ALTAR SERVER

Phillip Plamondon

### SUN., JAN. 18, 2026 @ 8:30 AM

#### READER      EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Adam Begley Karen Zemaitis & Kate Ready

#### USHERS

Steve Kalchik & Julius Kolarik

#### ALTAR SERVER

William Ready

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026 — SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2026

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| <b>Saturday, January 10</b>   | <b>5:30 p.m.</b> |
| For the intentions of Dcn. Scott Lawler on his 10th Ordination Anniversary by Maria Dotterweich | 8:00 a.m.        |
| <b>Sunday, January 11 — Rosary</b>  |                  |
| For the intentions of Joanne Burnham by St. Wenceslaus Altar Society                            |                  |
| <b>Sunday, January 11</b>   | <b>8:30 a.m.</b> |
| <b>Monday, January 12</b>   | <b>8:30 a.m.</b> |
| For Elmer Kalchik by Joe and Sherri Patterson   |                  |
| <b>Tuesday, January 13</b>  | <b>8:30 a.m.</b> |
| For Terry Schmidt by The Family   |                  |
| <b>Wednesday, January 14</b>  | <b>7:00 a.m.</b> |
| For Blaise Korson by Jim and Jan Bardenhagen  |                  |
| <b>Wednesday, January 14—Mass at St. Kateri with Fr. Michael Class</b>                          | <b>8:30 a.m.</b> |
| <b>Thursday, January 15</b>   | <b>8:30 a.m.</b> |
| For Carol Korson by Jerome Korson   |                  |
| <b>Friday, January 16</b>   | <b>No Mass</b>   |
| No Mass   |                  |
| <b>Saturday, January 17</b>   | <b>5:30 p.m.</b> |
| For Barbara Fleis by Jerry Fleis  |                  |
| <b>Sunday, January 18 — Rosary</b>  | <b>8:00 a.m.</b> |
| <b>Sunday, January 18</b>   | <b>8:30 a.m.</b> |
| For Lewis Roubal by The Family  |                  |

## Dear Fellow Parishioners,

In today's liturgy, Matthew 3:13-17, John the Baptist baptizes Jesus Christ. Upon doing so, the heavens open up and the Spirit of God descends upon Him in the form of a dove. And a voice from heaven saying: "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased."

When we are baptized, original sin is taken away, the sin of Adam and Eve, our first parents. God the Father is pleased with us for now we have become children of God. We are now heirs to the Kingdom of God. And the Holy Spirit descends on us as well.

The Holy Spirit is God's active presence in our lives. The Holy Spirit is the one who guides us to make the right decisions and gives us the strength to follow through with them. The Holy Spirit inspires us and gives us knowledge, ideas, and insights that we could never have on our own.

All of us long to hear God's voice in our hearts. When we let Christ come close to us, we do. But, that's not always easy for us. We tend to be like John the Baptist, we feel more comfortable keeping Jesus at a distance, on a pedestal. We are afraid to let the nitty-gritty of our lives be known. We may be ashamed of what He might see; we don't know how he will react. But there is no need to be afraid. Jesus is our Savior. He already knows us, through and through. He only wants to give us the gift of the Holy Spirit, to hear God's voice more clearly. Are we listening? Are we willing to change?

Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

**Pray for our seminarians:** Christopher "Jake" Belanger, Andrew Feister, Gerald Przekora, David Witkowski, John Mawby, Mark Steck, Chance Armstrong, and Isaac Laucky.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 11, 2026

|           |            |              |
|-----------|------------|--------------|
| Monday    | January 12 | Mark 1:14-20 |
| Tuesday   | January 13 | Mark 1:21-28 |
| Wednesday | January 14 | Mark 1:29-39 |
| Thursday  | January 15 | Mark 1:40-45 |
| Friday    | January 16 | Mark 2:1-12  |
| Saturday  | January 17 | Mark 2:13-17 |
| Sunday    | January 18 | John 1:29-34 |



## St. Wenceslaus Happenings

**Christmas** decorations will be taken down next Sunday. It is a pretty fast process. Please plan to stay and help. There will be beverages & sweet treats for workers.

**Monday, January 19:** The Parish Council will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Church basement. All are welcome to attend.

**Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s):** Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center, in DeWitt, MI (10 miles north of Lansing), on Jan 30-Feb 1, 2026. Take a chance and get involved ... you won't regret it! Cost is \$240 for meals and a single room. Call (586) 770-1772 for details, visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), or e-mail [reflect.michigan@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.michigan@gmail.com).

**The Annual Dinner** and Raffle will be held June 27th, the last Sunday in June. Prizes are needed for the raffle. Please consider donating a prize, such as dinner or car wash gift cards, a product of your creative talents, coupons for produce from your orchards or gardens; sport or fishing items, or cash donations. The possibilities are endless. Please let Deacon Martin know what prize you will donate.

**Please remember** to submit to the Parish Office, the names of persons who you consider to have qualities to be potential priests, thank you.

**Do you hear** the call to Holiness, the call to community? Do you desire a deeper prayer life, a deeper spirituality, a deeper union with God? Have you heard the call of Pope St. John Paul II to "Come into the deep?" Live Carmelite Spirituality in a Catholic Community of Lay Men and Women. The Discalced Secular Carmelite Community of the Infant Jesus of Prague meets monthly at the Carmelite Monastery in Traverse City. For more information contact: Ed Mende, Formation Director, at 231-288-9314, or Anne Dezelski, President, at 231-631-4764. Meeting dates are: February 8, March 8, April 12, and May 17.

**Join Bishop Walsh** and one million young Catholics on pilgrimage with Pope Leo XIV. When: August 1 – August 9, 2027. Where: Seoul, South Korea. Who: Adults between the ages of 18 and 35. Cost: \$4,699 (paid in installments). Registration and \$500 deposit due on February 15, 2026. Registration is forthcoming. Important: Informational sessions will be hosted in each vicariate (Zoom-in options may be available). Locations will soon be announced on the diocesan website. Questions? Contact Ami Peterson at 989-705-3539 or [apeterson@dioceseofgaylor.org](mailto:apeterson@dioceseofgaylor.org). If interested, talk with Deacon Martin.

FYI: Daily morning Mass at St. Mary's is now at 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning is at 8:00 a.m.

## Area Happenings

**That Man is You**, a men's gathering to enhance spirituality, 8:30– 9:30, at St. Mary, Lake Leelanau.

**Sundays at 2 p.m., Euchre** Suttons Bay, St. Michael's. The \$5 cost covers refreshments and prizes. Come for cards, friendship, and comradery. You do not need a partner.

## **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  
Jerome Kolarik, Phillip Kolarik  
Sarah Korson  
Evelyn Kropp  
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  
Joel Rivera  
Marcie (Schaub) Schmer  
Darlene Stanley  
Jim Sullivan, Clem Suttmann  
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

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when your loved one no longer needs  
to be on the list.

### **PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

DECEMBER 25, 2025

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| PARISHIONERS:                  | \$ 465 |
| CONTRIBUTORS:                  | \$ 981 |
| RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS: | \$ 100 |
| CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:             | \$ 70  |
| GENERAL FUND:                  | \$ 50  |

### **PARISH SWEWARDSHIP**

DECEMBER 28, 2025

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| PARISHIONERS:                              | \$ 2,055  |
| CONTRIBUTORS:                              | \$ 105    |
| FOOD PANTRY:                               | \$ 50     |
| BUILDING MAINTENANCE:                      | \$ 42     |
| RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS:             | \$ 200    |
| IMMACULATE CONCEPTION / CHRISTMAS OFFERING | \$ 5 / 20 |

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