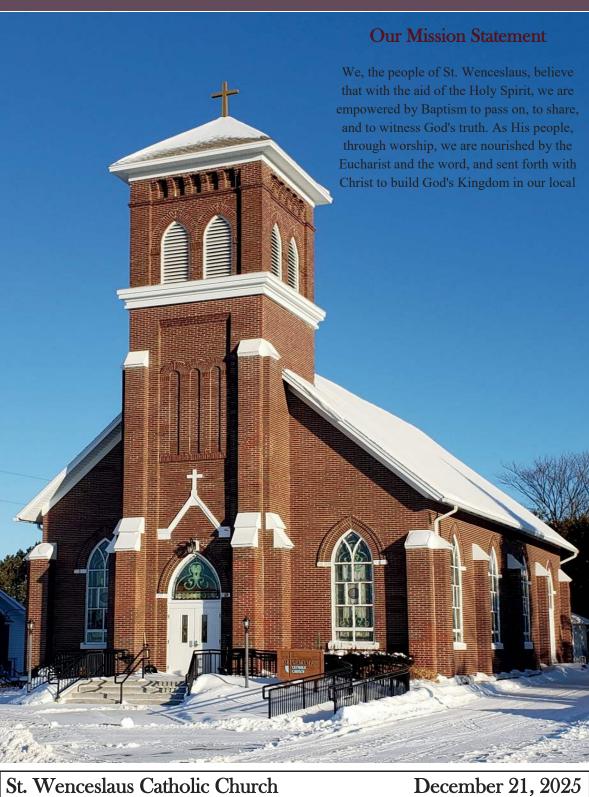


"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means "God is with us."

Matthew 1:23





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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

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., DEC. 27, 2025 @ 5:30 PM

READER <u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>

Jan Schmidt & Susann Lederle

USHERS

Mary Leon

Bruce Dunn & Dale Houdek

ALTAR SERVER

Lucas Plamondon

SUN., DEC. 28, 2025 @ 8:30 AM

READER <u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>

Mary Ann Kolarik Karen Zemaitis &

Kate Ready

USHERS

Tom Kolarik & Paul Korson

ALTAR SERVER

William Ready

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20 — SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2025

Saturday, December 20	5:30 p.m.	
For Theresa Hitchens by Joe and Sherri Patterson		
Sunday, December 21 — Rosary	8:00 a.m.	
Sunday, December 21	8:30 a.m.	
For all St. Wenceslaus Parishioners		
Monday, December 22	8:30 a.m.	
For Carol Korson by Jerome Korson		
Tuesday, December 23	8:30 a.m.	
For LeAnn Redford by Bruce and Lynn Dunn		
Wednesday, December 24 — Christmas Eve — Carols start at 4:30 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	
For Lewis Roubal by The Family		
Thursday, December 25 — Christmas Day		
For Helen Stimson by Paula Crimmins		
Thursday, December 25 — Christmas Day — Mass at St. Kateri with Fr. Class	10:00 a.m.	
Friday, December 26	No Mass	
Saturday, December 27	5:30 p.m.	
For Kathryn Schaub by Martin and Phyllis Korson		
Sunday, December 28 — Rosary	8:00 a.m.	
Sunday, December 28	8:30 a.m.	
For Elizabeth Schneider by Jim Atkinson		

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Advent. The Gospel for today is Matthew 1:18-24, Joseph learns through a dream, Mary is with child. In a dream God tells him about Mary's pregnancy by the Holy Spirit and that her son would save His' people from their sins. All this took place to fulfill what had been said through the prophet. Because he is a righteous man, he thinks of divorcing her quietly.

Joseph had every right to doubt Mary's pregnancy. He knew he was not the father, but did not want to disgrace her. He decided to deal with it quietly which seems noble. But in a dream he is told that Mary is with child by the Holy Spirit, and He is to save man from their sins. He is to take Mary as his wife. This is kind of a tall story. But Joseph takes Mary as his wife. Silently he accepts God's call.

God speaks to us all in different ways. Mary, Zechariah, and the shepherds receive the visits of angels to learn of God's will, while Joseph and the Magi receive dreams. We have scripture; we have the church; we have each other; and we have God Himself. We have to learn how to listen and see the signs that are before us. Joseph was a righteous man, a holy man. He was a devout man who trusted in God. He never asked God, "Why Me." He quietly followed God's plan. It wasn't easy. He had many challenges. But never gave up. We can learn much from Joseph. God has a plan. Look and listen, and follow God's plan.

Your servant in Christ, Deacon Martin

Christmas Ministry Schedule

Christmas Eve, Wed., Dec. 24 @ 5:00p.m. Christmas Day, Thurs., Dec. 25 @ 8:30a.m.

Ushers: Jim & Phillip PlamondonUshers: Jim Atkinson & Julius KolarikAltar Servers: Lucas PlamondonAltar Servers: Louis & Katerina Ready

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 21 2025

Monday	December 22	Luke 1:46-56
Tuesday	December 23	Luke 1:57-66
Wednesday	December 24	Matt 1:1-25
Thursday	December 25	John 1:1-18
Friday	December 26	Matt 10:17-22
Saturday	December 27	John 20:1a and 2-8
Sunday	December 28	Matt 2:13-15, 19-23



Wenceslaus Happenings

May the Blessings of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be yours this Christmas and enrich your life in the New Year. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas! - Deacon Martin & Parish Staff

Bishop Walsh is asking us to identify faithful young men (ages 15+) who exhibit qualities of leadership and service, and who may be open to learning more about the priesthood. To submit names, please visit gaylordvocations.org/calledbyname or put card in the collection basket. Men you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop Walsh, invitations to discernment events, and support from our Vocation Team. Thank you for your participation in this important campaign.

Heartfelt gratitude for your generosity! "Thank you very much for your donations, always." says Sister Olivia Bellegante, 93, a member of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in St. Louis, Missouri. Your gift directly impacts thousands of senior religious, providing the support they need in their later years. Learn more at retiredreligious.org.

A big thank you to Roberto, Angela Ninotti, Lorena Ramirez, members of the choir, and special guests, Dani Ramirez and John Ninotti, and all who helped in the beautiful and touching celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Thanks to everyone who came to the Parish Christmas party, brought a dish to pass and **to** Angela Ninotti and Kim Prisk who hosted the party and all those who helped in any way.

If you wish to donate for Christmas flowers, the envelope is in your envelope box. Remember to write the name of the person you want to honor/remember on the back of the envelope. Write checks to St. Wenceslaus and "Christmas Flowers" on the memo line.

This Sunday, December 21, we will decorate the Church for Christmas immediately after Mass. Everyone is welcome to help. There will be coffee, hot chocolate, and pastries after in the basement.

Thanks to those who shovel or plow snow. The end of Autumn has called a lot of attention to itself with the constant snowfall and winter starts today. Any help with shoveling is greatly appreciated.

Martinson Funeral Home has very generously donated religious calendars. They are in the vestibule; please take one home.

AREA HAPPENINGS

<u>Saturdays:</u> *That Man is You*, a program for men for spiritual development, 8:30 a.m.-9:30a.m. at St. Mary Lake Leelanau. All men are welcome to attend.

Christmas Mass Schedule at St. Mary, LL

Dec 24th: 4:00 p.m. Children's Mass 11:00 p.m. Midnight Mass (10:30 Choir begins)

Dec 25th: 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass

Christmas Mass Schedule St. Michael, SB St. Gertrude: Dec. 24th: 8:00 p.m.

Dec. 24th: 4:30 p.m. **Dec. 25th:** 8:30 a.m.

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DECEMBER 14, 2025

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> Jerome Kolarik, Phillip Kolarik Sarah Korson

> > Evelyn Kropp

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Panta Leon

Don Les

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