November 5, 2023 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

This past week we celebrated the Solemnity of All Saints. Our good Lord desires that we all be Saints!

To follow Him in fulfilling His desire for each one of us, He grants us Grace to sanctify the heart, mind and will. Let us each one desire to be a Saint!

This week I share with you a sermon from St. Bernard of Clairvaux to help inspire our desire to be a Saint!

"Why should our praise and glorification, or even the celebration of this feast day mean anything to the Saints? What do they care about earthly honors when their heavenly Father honors them by fulfilling the faithful promise of the Son? What does our commendation mean to them? The Saints have no need of honor from us; neither does our devotion add the slightest thing to what is theirs. Clearly, if we venerate their memory, it serves us, not them. But I tell you, when I think of them, I feel myself inflamed by a tremendous yearning.

Calling the Saints to mind inspires, or rather arouses in us, above all else, a longing to enjoy their company, so desirable in itself. We long to share in the citizenship of Heaven, to dwell with the spirits of the blessed, to join the assembly of patriarchs, the ranks of the prophets, the council of apostles, the great host of martyrs, the noble company of confessors and the choir of virgins. In short, we long to be united in happiness with all the saints. But our dispositions change. The Church of all the first followers of Christ awaits us, but we do nothing about it. The Saints want us to be with them, and we are indifferent. The souls of the just await us, and we ignore them.

Come, brothers, let us at length spur ourselves on. We must rise again with Christ, we must seek the world which is above and set our mind on the things of Heaven. Let us long for those who are longing for us, hasten to those who are waiting for us, and ask those who look for our coming to intercede for us. We should not only want to be with the saints, we should also hope to possess their happiness. While we desire to be in their company, we must also earnestly seek to share in their glory. Do not imagine that there is anything harmful in such an ambition as this; there is no danger in setting our hearts on such glory.

When we commemorate the Saints we are inflamed with another yearning: that Christ our life may also appear to us as he

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SACRAMENTS

Confession - Saturday 4:00pm at St. Michael; Sunday 8:25am at St. Paul and 8:00am before daily weekday Holy Mass at both parishes. **Baptism -** Please contact the parish office.

Matrimony - Please call Father Kasel at least six months prior to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick - This is for someone who is seriously ill, dealing with major surgery or infirm. Please contact Father Kasel to make arrangements.

WEEKEND HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Church of Saint Paul - Sunday Confessions at 8:25am, Rosary at 8:20am, Mass at 8:45am

Church of Saint Michael - Saturday Confessions at 4:00pm, Rosary at 4:35pm, Mass at 5:00pm

Church of Saint Michael - Sunday Mass at 7:00am, Rosary at 10:05am, Mass at 10:30am

WEEKDAY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Church of Saint Paul - Tuesday and Thursday
Confession 8am & Mass 8:30am, Rosary at 8:10am before Mass
Church of Saint Michael - Wednesday and Friday

Confession 8am and Mass 8:30am

appeared to them and that we may one day share in his glory. Until then we see Him, not as He is, but as He became for our sake. He is our head, crowned, not with glory, but with the thorns of our sins. As members of that head, crowned with thorns, we should be ashamed to live in luxury; His purple robes are a mockery rather than an honor. When Christ comes again, His death shall no longer be proclaimed, and we shall know that we also have died, and that our life is hidden with Him. The glorious Head of the Church will appear and His glorified members will shine in splendor with Him, when He forms this lowly body anew into such glory as belongs to Himself, its Head.

Therefore, we should aim at attaining this glory with a wholehearted and prudent desire. That we may rightly hope and strive for such blessedness, we must above all seek the prayers of the Saints. Thus, what is beyond our own powers to obtain will be granted through their intercession."

Through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, Queen of Saints, St. Joseph, St. Michael and St. Paul, may our good Lord bless the Holy Souls in Purgatory and bring them to Heaven! In Christ through Mary,

Fr. Kasel

The next **Holy Hour for Men** will be on Sunday, November 12, at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Michael. All men are invited!

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

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7:30-7:45pm - Church for Adoration

At 7:30pm all students, parents and teachers gather in the Church for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

Cemetery Collection: There will be a second collection **Novem**ber 18-19 to provide for the upkeep of the St. Michael Cemetery. Please be generous in remembering our beloved departed in prayer and alms.

A sweet exchange between Heaven and earth!

"The Holy Souls, unable to help themselves, rely on the prayers of the Church - our prayers and sufferings - to shorten their time of purification or their journey to Eternal Beatitude. St Thomas Aquinas wrote that, "the prayers for the dead are most acceptable to God because the dead have need of them and cannot help themselves as the living can." On the one hand there is the dependence of the Holy Souls on our prayers. This builds up the Kingdom of God in Heaven as greater numbers of souls enter Eternal Beatitude. The 'Keys to the Kingdom' are in the hands of the faithful members of the Church who can open Paradise by praying for these souls. We should continue to pray for them even though we do not know if they are still in Purgatory or have ascended into Heaven knowing that, in the economy of Salvation, the Lord will distribute the benefits of our prayers. On the other hand, St Thomas teaches us that the Holy Souls can pray for their loved ones on earth whilst, unless God permits it, not knowing their concrete needs. (cfr. St Thomas, Summa Theologiae, 1, q.89) In fact, the souls in Purgatory are very effective in assisting us in our needs and intentions. St Teresa of Avila said, "I never asked Graces from the Souls in Purgatory without being heard. In fact, the Graces I could not gain from other heavenly Spirits, I obtained from the Souls in Purgatory." There is a sweet exchange of Charity between Heaven and earth with each part helping the other to attain Salvation! Indeed, thought of in this way, we can see that the members of the Church are called to participate in Christ's mission of Salvation and to take on His sentiments towards these Holy Souls." (Taken from www.mdrevelation.org/the-saints-teach-us-to-pray-for-the-holy-souls/)

National Vocations Awareness Week: November 5-11, 2023 National Vocations Awareness week is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to the promotion of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering of these particular vocations. More Information: 10000vocations.org

The Quilters will display quilts the weekend of November 4-5 after Holy Masses. The quilts will be delivered to Sharing and Caring Hands after the display.

Institute of Catholic Culture Lecture Series:

The Thanksgiving Sacrifice: The Eucharist in the Garden of Eden What was God's plan for man in the Garden? How does it relate to the Eucharist? Join Fr. Hezekias Carnazzo to explore the connections between the work of Adam, the sacrifices and feasts of the Old Testament, and the Liturgy. Details: Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Pre-Class Discussion: 7:30PM EST, Lecture: 8:00PM EST, Registration is required. https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/thethanksgiving-sacrifice

WEEKLY TITHING October 28-29, 2023

Sunday Envelopes: 5,132.00 Plate: 707.02 EFT: 925.00 Total: $6,764.0\overline{2}$



Church of St. Michael Holiday Tea SAVE THE DATE:

December 2, 2023 9:00 - 11:30am

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WORDS TO LIVE BY:

We can, if we will, become a Saint, for God will never refuse to help us to do so." St. John Vianney

'Though you have recourse to many Saints as your intercessors, go especially to St. Joseph, for he has great power with God." St. Teresa of Avila

'After seven years in the religious life, I still am weak and imperfect. I always feels, however, the same bold confidence of becoming a great Saint because I don't count on my merits since I have none, but I trust in Him who is Virtue and Holiness." St. Therese of Lisieux

"All the science of the Saints is included in these two things: To do, and to suffer. And whoever had done these two things best, has made himself most saintly." St. Francis de Sales

'The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day." St. Gianna Molla

CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL PRAYER CHAIN

Do you have a prayer intention? Please contact Fr. Kasel or the parish office at 356-4280 or stmichaeloffice@bevcomm.net.

Pine Island Food Shelf: items requested for November: Canned Meats: chicken, tuna, Spam, salmon, etc.

HOLY MASS TIMES

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, November 10, 2023

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Saturday, November 11, 2023

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Mass

Sunday, November 12, 2023

7:00am Latin Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS



November 8, 2023 Kristina Hoerle

November 10, 2023 Tom Meyer & †Agustin Macansantos November 11, 2023 †Michael Rolfson (Les & Barb Rolfson)

November 12, 2023 **Parishioners**

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Teach Us Good Lord

Teach us, good Lord, to serve You as You deserve; to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of

knowing that we are doing Your will. Amen.

By St. Ignatius of Loyola

Peace Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (Feast day October 4)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.



†ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT†

Can you spend an hour with Jesus? Adoration is held at St. Paul, Zumbrota on Tuesdays from 9am-5pm and St. Michael, Pine Island on Wednesdays from 9am-5pm.

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WEEKLY TITHING October 29, 2023

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 1,090.00 Plate: 154.00 **Total:** 1,244.00

Church of St. Paul Men's Club Pancake Breakfast

Pancake and the St. Paul CC vv Autum 230pm Sunday, November 12, 8:00am-12:30pm

All CCW Ladies: Your baked goods are needed for the CCW bake sale during the Men's Club pancake breakfast! Baked goods can be dropped off on Saturday, 10-11am or on Sunday morning before the Holy Mass. Pies and baked goods that freeze well and packaged in small amounts sell very well. Thank you for your help!

PRO-LIFE QUOTES:

"At the dawn of salvation, it is the Birth of a Child which is proclaimed as joyful news, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord Lk 2:10-11. The source of this great joy is the Birth of the Saviour, but Christmas also reveals the full meaning of every human birth, and the joy which accompanies the Birth of the Messiah is thus seen to be the foundation and fulfillment of joy at every child born into the world." St. John Paul II

"You are called to stand up for life! To respect and defend the mystery of life always and everywhere, including the lives of unborn babies, giving real help and encouragement to mothers in difficult situations. You are called to work and pray against abortion." St. John Paul II, in New York, 1995

"God, the Lord of life, has entrusted to men the noble mission of safeguarding life, and men must carry it out in a manner worthy of themselves. Life must be protected with the utmost care from the moment of conception: abortion and infanticide are abominable crimes" [nefanda sunt crimina] Vatican Council II, Church in the Modern World #51

AN INVITATION FROM JESUS

Do you have no regular commitments during weekday mornings? Are you interested in growing in love with the One who loves you most - Jesus? Consider coming to Holy Mass on weekdays! Holy Mass, Confession and the Holy Rosary are offered Tuesday through Friday at our parishes. Come to sanctify your weekdays with Jesus - He is waiting for you!

Give the gift of an Hour of Adoration for someone. Cards are in the vestibule to send to the recipient.

Annual Deer Hunter Suppers: Friday, November 17 from 5:00-8:00pm at the Bellechester Community Center. Serving turkey and ham with all the trimmings! Adults--\$17, kids ages 5-10--\$7, under 5-Free. Everyone welcome! Take-outs available call 651-923-4416.

HOLY MASS TIMES

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, November 9, 2023

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Sunday, November 12, 2023

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions

8:45am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

November 7, 2023 †Frances Kronebusch (St. Paul CCW)

November 9, 2023 †Theresa Lorentz (Karen Hodgman)

November 12, 2023 Parishioners



NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

The St. Pio Knights of Columbus Memorial Holy Mass will be Wednesday, November 15, at the Church of St. Paul, Zumbrota. A social will follow. All members and their families are welcome. Please note the date, we meet on the third Wednesday for this month only.

Eucharistic Revival: Liturgy and Life Series

As part of the United States Bishops' Eucharistic Revival underway across the country to renew our appreciation for what we celebrate at Holy Mass, the tri-parish community of St. John's in Vermillion, St. Mary in New Trier, and St. Mathias in Hampton are hosting a Liturgy and Life Series. Each parish will host one evening with a locally known speaker focused on a theme of the Second Vatican Council. Each evening will be 4 - 5pm with a reception afterwards. Come for one part or all of the series. All are invited.

Sunday, Nov. 5 - Fr. Jim Notebaart at St. Mary in New Trier: The People of God and the Body of Christ

Sunday, Nov. 12 - Vicki Klima at St. Mathias in Hampton: Full Conscious and Active Participation

Sunday, Dec. 3 - Fr. J. Michael Joncas at St. John the Baptist in Vermillion: Summit and Source of the Church's Life

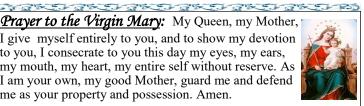
Archdiocesan Synod Update: As part of the Year I focus (Small Groups) discerned by Archbishop Hebda, the Synod Evangelization Teams for both of our parishes have been participating in a seven-week small group leader formation series led by Bishop Joseph Williams. This will conclude in mid-November, at which time there will be a planning/ practical training session in preparation for the launch of small groups in Lent 2024. If you would like to be a part of this process, are interested in learning more, or wish to join a small group when they form, please contact Father Kasel or Sara McNamara at the parish offices at 507-356-4280 or 507-732-5324. Please pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our local archdiocesan synod!

Plenary Indulgence for Souls in Purgatory - November 1 - 8 Dear Parishioners, According to the Enchiridion of Indulgences of the Catholic Church a Plenary Indulgence is available each day from November 1-8 for Catholics who devoutly visit and pray for the departed in any cemetery. The usual conditions for a Plenary Indulgence apply: A plenary indulgence can be gained only once a day. In order to obtain it, the faithful must, in addition to being in the state of grace:

- have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin;
- have made a sacramental confession of their sins;
- receive the Holy Eucharist;
- pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff.
- 1)The Sacrament of Confession 20 days before or after the pious work of mercy or prayerful action;
- 2) Holy Communion received 20 days before or after the pious work of mercy or prayerful action;
- 3) Pray for the Holy Father as part of each Plenary Indulgence (Our Father and Hail Mary are suggested)

Suggested prayer for a visit to a cemetery: 'Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Prayer to the Virgin Mary: My Queen, my Mother, I give myself entirely to you, and to show my devotion to you, I consecrate to you this day my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my entire self without reserve. As I am your own, my good Mother, guard me and defend me as your property and possession. Amen.





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