

March 19, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare)

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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

This Sunday the Church of St. Paul hosts the annual St. Patrick's Ham Dinner at the Zumbrota VFW. I encourage all of our parishioners to support this wonderful event! Along with a fabulous meal, you can check out several great items on our silent auction. Come and enjoy the hospitality of the Church of St. Paul!

This weekend I would like to focus once more on St. Joseph, the Spouse of the Virgin Mary and Foster Father of our Lord, Jesus. Specifically, I encourage all who are able to attend Holy Mass this coming Monday, March 20, at 6:30pm, as we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph, the Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This Sunday I share with you a reflection from Fr. John Hardon, S.J., that I found to be both inspiring and educational:

"There are many good reasons why St. Joseph should be the special heavenly patron of dedicated souls - in the religious life, in the priesthood, and among the laity. But as the Church teaches, he is especially to be venerated and his patronage invoked because he was the guardian of the Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Jesus.

The dignity of the Mother of God is so sublime that nothing created can rank above it. But as Joseph was united to the Blessed Virgin by the ties of marriage, we may believe that he approached nearer than anyone else to the eminent dignity by which the Mother of God surpasses all human persons in holiness. Marriage is the most intimate of all unions, which from its essence confers a sharing of gifts between those joined together in wedlock. Thus, in giving Joseph the Blessed Virgin as his spouse, God appointed him to be not only the witness of her virginity, the protector of her honor, but also, because they were truly married, a sharer in her exalted sanctity.

Joseph shines above all mankind by the august privilege of his vocation as the foster-father of the Son of God and, therefore, the diligent protector of Christ.

From this two-fold dignity flows the obligation which nature lays on the heads of families, so that Joseph became the administrator and legal defender of the Holy Family. He set himself to defend with a mighty love and a daily concern his spouse and the Divine Infant. Regularly by his work he earned what was necessary for the one and the other for nourishment and clothing. He guarded the Child from death when threatened by Herod's jealousy, and found for him a refuge in Egypt. In the miseries of the journey and in the bitterness of exile, he was ever the companion, the helper, and the upholder of Jesus and His Virgin Mother. We may confidently say that the Holy Family which Joseph ruled with the authority of a father contained within itself the first beginnings of the Church. So that, even as Mary is the

Welcome to the Churches of

St. Paul &

St. Michael



We are happy that you are here! If you are new to our parishes, please call or stop at the Parish Office. We would love to meet you and answer any questions that you might have!

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

Mother of the Church because she is the Mother of Christ, so Joseph is the Protector of Holy Church because he was the guardian of Jesus and Mary."

Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, St. Joseph, the Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Michael, St. Paul, and all the Angels and Saints, may we all come to know and experience the great love and mercy of our Heavenly Father!

In Christ through Mary,

Fr. Kasel



Church of St. Paul St. Patrick's Ham Dinner and Silent Auction on Sunday, March 19

from 10:30am-1:00pm at VFW, Zumbrota

Details on page 3.



The Church of St. Michael Men's Club Fish Fries

4:30pm-7:00pm each Friday of Lent

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT CHURCH OF ST. PAUL

Each Tuesday of Lent at 6:00pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL

Each Friday of Lent at 7:30pm

The next Holy Hour for Women will be Sunday, March 26, at 6:00pm at Church of St. Michael, PI. All women are invited!

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

The next Faith Formation class/session will be **Wednesday, April 12, 2023**, at the Church of St. Michael.

Topic for April: The Virtue of Meekness

Below is the schedule:

- 6:00-6:30pm - Meal
- 6:35-7:25pm - Children Class/Parent & Adult Session
- 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.

Consecrated Virgin from our parishes!

On the Solemnity of the Annunciation, March 25, 2023, one of our parishioners, Miss Lynn Marie Therese Kemmetmueller, will be consecrated into the Order of Virgins along with three other women in the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis by Archbishop Bernard A. Hebda. This is an Archdiocesan event, and open to the public! The Holy Mass will be at the Basilica of Saint Mary in Minneapolis beginning at 11am. The Serra Club will lead the Holy Rosary at 10:15. A light reception will follow at the Basilica. If you would like to attend the reception, please RSVP to eccefiat325@gmail.com with number attending.

Holy Hour of Prayer: A special Holy Hour of prayer support for Lynn Kemmetmueller and the women to be consecrated to the Order of Virgins will be held at the Church of St. Michael on Wednesday, March 22, during the Adoration from 4-5pm. All are welcome!

There will be a reception at the Church of St. Michael, on Sunday, April 2, after the 10:30am Holy Mass in honor of Lynn's consecration.

Individual Confession times for Holy Week

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| Tuesday, April 4 | 4:00-4:55pm | St. Paul |
| Tuesday, April 4 | 6:30-7:30pm | St. Paul |
| Wednesday, April 5 | 4:00-4:55pm | St. Michael |
| Wednesday, April 5 | 7:00-8:30pm | St. Michael |
| Holy Thursday, April 6 | 4:30-5:30pm | St. Paul |
| Good Friday, April 7 | 4:30-5:30pm | St. Michael |
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Prayer to St. Joseph: Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. Oh, St. Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls - pray for me. Amen.

Institute of Catholic Culture Lecture

BOUND BY THE LAW? Understanding Christ's Fulfillment of Judaism Rev. Sebastian Carnazzo, Ph.D. Christ is the end of the law" (Rom 10:4). St. Paul makes this shocking statement in his closing remarks in his letter to the Church in Rome. What does he mean by the words "end" and "law"? The answers to these two questions will also explain why Mark's Gospel can say "Thus he declared all foods clean" (Mark 7:21). In this lecture, we will explore the relationship between the Old Covenant and the New and the meaning and means of salvation in the Christian Good News.

Details: Monday, March 27, Pre-Class Discussion: 7:30 PM EST
Lecture: 8:00PM EST Registration is required. Visit: <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/bound-by-the-law>

WEEKLY TITHING March 11-12, 2023

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| Sunday Envelopes: | \$ 2,116.05 |
| Plate: | \$ 616.20 |
| EFT: | \$ 1,095.00 |
| Total: | \$ 3,827.25 |

The Church of St. Michael Men's Club Fish Fries

Serving each Friday of Lent from 4:30-7:0

March 24 & 31

*****Both baked & fried fish will be offered*****

Prices: Adults-\$13.00, Children 5-12-\$6.00,
Family maximum \$45.00

TAKE OUT AVAILABLE!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7:30pm

St. Joseph's Altar and Hospitality Sunday, March 26:

You are invited to the Annual St. Joseph's Altar and Hospitality on Sunday, March 26, after the 10:30am Holy Mass to celebrate the feastday of St. Joseph, hosted by hospitality team and Little Flowers Girls. The St. Joseph's Altar is a tradition in the Catholic Church to honor the foster father of Jesus. Come and honor the great St. Joseph in this very special way!



EASTER FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

There is an envelope in your contribution packet for Easter flowers in memory of a loved one. The suggested donation is \$13. Please consider making a donation and place in the collection plate or return to the office by Sunday, April 2. Thank you!

Natural Family Planning (NFP) Classes teach couples the Church approved methods on how to achieve or postpone pregnancy while remaining in God's Will for the gift of sexuality. For a complete list of classes offered throughout the Archdiocese, visit <https://www.archspm.org/marriage/natural-family-planning-nfp/> or call 651-291-4489

†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.

Pine Island Food Shelf: items requested for March: Baking Items- baking soda or powder, cocoa, cornstarch, spices

HOLY MASS TIMES

Monday, March 20, 2023

6:30pm Latin Holy Mass- Solemnity of St. Joseph

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

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

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

Friday, March 24, 2023

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

Saturday, March 25, 2023

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Mass

Sunday, March 26, 2023

7:00am Latin Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

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| March 20, 2023 | Fr. Kasel |
| March 22, 2023 | †Edgar Bermudez |
| March 24, 2023 | Special Intention |
| March 25, 2023 | †Sheila Spooner (Nancy Anderson) |
| March 26, 2023 | †Louise Griffith (Ocariz family) |
| March 26, 2023 | Parishioners |



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Consecration Reception: All are invited to a reception after Holy Mass at the Church of St. Paul on Sunday, March 26, to celebrate Lynn Kemmetmueller's consecration to the Life of Virginity Lived in the World. Lynn will give a brief explanation of the preparation needed for her vocation.

 **Stations of the Cross at the Church of St. Paul:**
Each Tuesday of Lent at 6:00pm

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St. Joseph and the Incarnation

“According to [St.] Jerome and Origen, [St.] Joseph had no suspicion of adultery because he knew the modesty and chastity of Mary. Moreover, he had read in Scripture that the virgin would conceive and that ‘a shoot shall sprout from the stock of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom’. He knew also that Mary was descended from the line of David. Thus it was easier for him to believe that she could have let herself descend into debauchery. This is why, considering himself unworthy to live with a person of such great sanctity, he wanted to send her away secretly - like when Peter says to Jesus, ‘Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!’” *St. Thomas Aquinas*

Mark your calendars: Wednesday, March 29, at 9:30 AM for Spring cleaning of the Church upstairs. Men and ladies are all invited—many hands make light work! Please bring your own bucket and cleaning cloths. Hope to finish before noon or sooner. Contact Barb Boraas at 507-696-7997 with any questions.

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

ARCHDIOCESAN EVANGELIZATION PRAYER

Holy Spirit, renew your wonders in our time, as though in a new Pentecost, and grant that this Archdiocese, united in prayer around Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and guided by St. Peter, may spread the Kingdom of the divine Savior, a Kingdom of truth, of justice, of love, and of peace. Amen. Saint Paul, our great missionary patron, pray for us!

Weekly Rosary: You are invited to join in praying the weekly Rosary with Zumbrota Care Center residents on Mondays at 1:30 pm. We meet in the South Day Room. If you have questions, call Barb Boraas at 507-732-5877.

WEEKLY TITHING March 12, 2023

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| Sunday Envelopes: | \$ 860.00 |
| Plate: | \$ 168.00 |
| Total: | \$ 1,028.00 |



St. Patrick's Ham Dinner and Silent Auction



Sunday, March 19, from 10:30am-1:00pm at VFW, 25 East 1st St, Zumbrota


Today we are hosting our Annual St. Patrick's Ham Dinner and Silent Auction!

Bring your family & friends and join us at the Zumbrota VFW

Available for Dine-In & Take Out

Prices: Adults: \$14.00, Children 6-12: \$6.00, Under 6: free



 PRAYER WARRIORS NEEDED at Rochester Planned Parenthood on March 20 and 27. 40 Days for Life has started and will continue until April 2. Rochester does not have a campaign this year, but please consider praying on Mondays at Planned Parenthood, as that is when the chemical abortion pill is given. Planned Parenthood is open Mondays from 9-4:30. There are no designated prayer times. Bring a friend and stop by to pray whenever it works for you. Contact Maggie at maggieggerichs@hotmail.com or the parish office with questions.

WORDS TO LIVE BY:

“What could Jesus Christ refuse St. Joseph, who never refused Him anything during his mortal life on earth?” St. Augustine
“St. Joseph was an ordinary sort of man on whom God relied to do great things. He did exactly what the Lord wanted him to do, in each and every event that went to make up his life. That is why Scripture praises Joseph as ‘a just man’. And in Hebrew a just man means a good and faithful servant of God, someone who fulfills the Divine Will, or who is honorable and charitable toward his neighbor.” St. Josemaria Escriva
“The dignity and glory of St. Joseph is such that the Eternal Father conferred upon him with greatest liberality, a likeness to his own supremacy over his incarnate Son.” St. Bernadine of Siena
“What many kings and prophets desired to see, and saw not; desired to hear, and heard not; he [St. Joseph] was allowed not merely to hear and see, but also to carry, lead, embrace, kiss, nourish, and protect.” St. Bernard of Clairvaux
“Jesus wished to become indebted to St. Joseph for the necessities of life, and of this Holy Patriarch alone it may be said that he saved the life of his Savior.” St. Madaleine Sophie Barat
“Saint Joseph is most powerful against the demons which fight against us at the end of our lives.” St. Alphonsus de Liguori
“I know not how anyone can ponder on the sufferings, trials, and tribulations the Queen of Angels endured whilst caring for Jesus in His childhood, without at the same time thanking St. Joseph for the services he rendered the Divine Child and His Blessed Mother.” St. Teresa of Avila

HOLY MASS TIMES

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

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

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

Thursday, March 23, 2023

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

Sunday, March 26, 2023

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions

8:45am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

March 21, 2023 Matt & Angela Weightman family (Cathy Kelly)

March 23, 2023 †Pat Lawler

March 26, 2023 Parishioners



NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

Pray for an End to Abortion: All parishioners are invited to join Fr. Kasel to pray for an end to abortion at the Rochester Planned Parenthood (1212 7th St NW, Rochester, MN 55901) on Sunday, March 26, 2023 at 2:00pm.



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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1. Visit: signup.formed.org 2. Enter your parish zip code or name (St. Michael 55963 or St. Paul 55992) 3. Grow in our Catholic Faith!

**Catholic Services Appeal 2023
For the Love of Christ Impels Us...to Believe in the
Power of Giving**

Your gift to the Catholic Services Appeal supports an array of ministries that include pro-life, seminarian support, Catholic education, services to those most in need and Synod evangelistic priorities in the building up of our local church. Please prayerfully consider making a gift that will impact the lives of so many people throughout the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis through your abundant generosity. To learn more about the Catholic Services Appeal please visit the CSAF website: csafspm.org.

Kitui Living Water Program- Lent 2023

Give Change...Change Lives

Kitui Water Bottle Project: Please continue filling your water bottles with change and return to the church when full or by the end of Lent to help those in the Kitui Diocese in Africa overcome their water shortage. Questions regarding the Kitui Partnership may be directed to the Parish Office.

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!*

PRO LIFE QUOTE:

“Give us the grace - When the sacredness of life before birth is attacked, to stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life.” St. John Paul II

“Respect for life requires that science and technology should always be at the service of man and his integral development. Society as a whole must respect, defend and promote the dignity of every human person, at every moment and in every condition of that person's life.” St. John Paul II (Evangelium Vitae)

“Not even one abortion per week is acceptable. Not one per month. Not one per year. Not one in our lifetime...The dignity of the human person begins at the moment of conception, not at birth. The dignity, as recognized by the signers of the Declaration of Independence, is bestowed by the Creator, and no one has the right to destroy innocent unborn life.” Archbishop Samuel Aquila

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