

## NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

**The Victory of the Holy Cross** –September 14- Feast day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

“Have you seen the wonderful Victory? Have you seen the splendid deeds of the Holy Cross? Shall I tell you something still more marvelous? Learn in what way the Victory was gained, and you will be even more astonished. For by the very means by which the devil had conquered, by these Christ conquered him; and taking up the weapons with which he had fought, He defeated him. Listen to how it was done.



A virgin, a tree and a death were the symbols of our defeat. The virgin was Eve: she had not yet known man; the tree was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil; the death was Adam’s penalty. But behold again a Virgin and a tree and a death, those symbols of defeat, become the symbols of His Victory. For in place of Eve there is Mary; in place of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, the tree of the Holy Cross; in place of the death of Adam, the death of Christ.

Do you see him defeated by the very things through which he had conquered? At the foot of the tree the devil overcame Adam; at the foot of the tree Christ vanquished the devil. And that first tree sent men to Hades; this second one calls back even those who had already gone down there. Again, the former tree concealed man already despoiled and stripped; the second tree shows a naked Victor on high for all to see. And that earlier death condemned those who were born after it; this second death gives life again to those who were born before it. Who can tell the Lord’s mighty deeds? By death we were made immortal: these are the glorious deeds of the Holy Cross.

Have you understood the Victory? Have you grasped how it was wrought? Learn now, how this Victory was gained without any sweat or toil of ours. No weapons of ours were stained with blood; our feet did not stand in the front line of battle; we suffered no wounds; witnessed

**The St. Pio Knights of Columbus Council 16016**

membership meeting is on Wednesday, September 13, at 7:00pm, at the Church of St. Paul, Zumbrota.

**St. Pio Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast:**

Come and enjoy pancake breakfast on Sunday, September 24, from 8am to 1pm, at the Church of St. Michael. Help us support our Coats for Kids project!



**Save the Dates!! Bi-Parish Mission:** Plan now to attend our Bi-Parish Mission by Fr. David Gunter, MIC on the evenings of October 23-25, 2023. Father Gunter will also speak at all the Holy Masses on October 21 & 22.

**Youth Group Event!** All Youth, Grades 7-12, are invited for a prayer, food, and game night Wednesday, September 20, from 6:30 -8:30pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. Fr. Kasel will give a talk. All high school students and confirmation candidates are invited to this youth event. Please RSVP to our parish offices.

no tumults; and yet we obtained the Victory. The battle was the Lord’s, the crown is ours. Since then Victory is ours, let us imitate the soldiers, and with joyful voices sing the songs of Victory. Let us praise the Lord and say, *Death is swallowed up in Victory. O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?* The Holy Cross did all these wonderful things for us: the Holy Cross is a war memorial erected against the demons, a sword against sin, the sword with which Christ slew the serpent. The Holy Cross is the Father’s Will, the glory of the Only-begotten, the Spirit’s exultation, the beauty of the angels, the guardian of the Church. Paul glories in the Holy Cross; it is the rampart of the saints, it is the light of the whole world.” *Sermon by St. John Chrysostom*

September 10, 2023  
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

During this month of September, Catholics are encouraged to grow in our devotion to the Triumph of the Holy Cross of our Lord Jesus (the feast is September 14 each year) and the Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary (the memorial is September 15). However, there are few more important feasts in honor of our Blessed Mother in September. These include: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (September 8) and the Holy Name of Mary (September 12). This week I include an article on why we honor the Holy Name of Mary on September 12:

*Why the Holy Name of Mary is associated with a turning point in history* (by Larry Peterson)

“Why do we honor the name of Our Lady and hold it in such high esteem? Why not just honor her as the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus? Why did Pope Innocent XI, in 1683, proclaim that September 12 is the Feast day of the Most Holy Name of Mary? (Pope St. John Paul II reinstated the feast in 2003 as an ‘optional memorial.’)

The name *Mary* has its origins in ancient languages. In Aramaic, *Maryam*; Old Testament Greek, *Mariam*; Hebrew, *Myriam*; and from the New Testament Latin, *Maria*.

The feast day of the Most Holy Name of Mary originated in 1513 in Cuenca, Spain. At the time it was a local celebration and was held on September 15.

In 1587, Pope Sixtus V moved the feast day to September 17. In 1622, Pope Gregory XV expanded the feast to the Archdiocese of Toledo, and in 1671, the entire kingdom of Spain was included. But in the year 1683, this feast day was inserted into the Roman Calendar. That was when Pope Innocent XI made it a feast everywhere in the Catholic world. The feast was designated to be celebrated on September 12, four days after the birthday of Our Lady.

Why? Because of what’s known as the Battle of Vienna, recognized as a turning point in history and the end of the expansion of the Ottoman Empire into Europe.

In 1683, the army of the Ottoman Empire had marched through Hungary. Now on Austria’s border, it was preparing to vanquish Vienna. The papal nuncio and King Leopold of Austria pleaded with King Jan Sobieski of Poland to help them stop the invading Ottomans. King Sobieski immediately agreed to help. He had beaten back the invaders a few years before, and although the army he commanded was small, he was undeterred.

On his march to Austria, King Sobieski and his army passed by the Shrine to Our Lady of Czestochowa. The King pleaded with the Blessed Mother by invoking her Name. He asked for her

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

blessing and intercession.

The allied forces went on to win against the Ottomans and King Sobieski triumphantly entered Vienna on September 12. He attended Mass and praised the Blessed Virgin as the cause and reason for their great victory.

King Sobieski presented the Muslim standard to Pope Innocent XI. The Holy Father proclaimed the Polish King as defender of Christendom. Pope Innocent XI thereupon declared September 12 as a date to honor the Most Holy Name of Mary, whose motherly intervention had saved Christendom.” (from [www.aleteia.org](http://www.aleteia.org))

Through the intercession of the Holy Name of Mary, St. Joseph, St. Paul and St. Michael, may God bless our families and all our parishioners with His Peace!

In Christ through Mary,  
Fr. Kasel



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## CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

### CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

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**FOR SALE! FALL MUMS** will be available for sale starting the weekend of September 23 & 24. Prices: \$20 for a solid color and \$25 for a tri-color mum.

The next **Holy Hour for Women** will be Sunday, September 24, at 6:00pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. All women are invited!

### Fiat Ministries Discernment Retreat

**Date(s):** Friday, September 22 – Sunday, September 24

**Location:** Dunrovin Retreat Center (15525 St Croix Trail N, Marine on St Croix, MN 55047)

**More information and registration:** [10000vocations.org](http://10000vocations.org)

Single women age 18-28 who are seeking to do God's will are invited to attend the retreat. The Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln, Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles, Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus and Pro Ecclesia Sancta Sisters will help lead the retreat for women discerning God's call for their lives!

### Help Our Parish Grow Closer to Christ

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Institute of Catholic Culture Lecture Series:

### Modern Marvels: Eucharistic Miracles of the 21st Century

Three contemporary Eucharistic miracles—Buenos Aires (1996), Tixtla, Mexico (2006), and Sokolka, Poland (2008)—provide us with considerable scientific evidence of the presence of living heart tissue in consecrated hosts. Fr. Spitzer will discuss the scientific testing and conclusions from each of these miracles, and reflect on their theological and spiritual significance in a skeptical modern age. Details: Tuesday, October 3, Pre-Class Discussion: 7:30 PM EST, Lecture: 8:00 PM EST Registration is required. Visit: <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/the-light-of-the-resurrection/>

### WEEKLY TITHING September 2-3, 2023

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 2,964.00
Plate:	\$ 1,351.17
EFT:	\$ 2,417.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 6,732.17</b>

*Please pray* for the repose of the soul of **Ray Keller** (parishioner), who passed away September 5. *'Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.'*

CONGRATULATIONS to **Tanner & Caitlin (Kneeland) Dolan**, who were united in the Sacrament of Matrimony on September 2, 2023 at the Church of St. Michael!



### CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FALL FESTIVAL OCTOBER 6 & 8, 2023

**Friday, October 6:**

Our fabulous St. Michael Fish Fry from 4:00-7:30pm

**Sunday, October 8:**

Kids' pedal tractor pull, Kids' games, Fall mums, Silent Auction, Crafts & Vendors, & Concessions

**A Concession Stand** will be offering BBQs, Hamburger, Hot dogs, and water/pop on Sunday.

**Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull** will be on Sunday at approximately at 1pm and **Kids Games** will begin at 11:45am!

**Fall Mums** will be available for sale before the festival.

**Crafts vendors** on Friday evening and Sunday (If you are interested in a site for crafts you make, it is only \$25 - contact the parish office at [stmichaeloffice@bevcomm.net](mailto:stmichaeloffice@bevcomm.net).)

**Baskets/Items for the Fall Festival Silent Auction:** Calling all parishioners! We are in need of items to be donated for the Silent Auction held during the Festival this Fall. Please make up any type of "basket" that you like or any individual items, including religious items, gift certificates, gift cards, homemade items or purchased items. Please drop off any items at the parish office. Thank you for your generosity!

### HOLY MASS TIMES

**Wednesday, September 13, 2023**

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass  
9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Thursday, September 14, 2023**

5:30pm Latin Holy Mass (Exaltation of the Holy Cross)

**Friday, September 15, 2023**

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

**Saturday, September 16, 2023**

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions  
5:00pm Holy Mass

**Sunday, September 17, 2023**

7:00am Latin Holy Mass  
10:30am Holy Mass

### HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

**September 13, 2023** Norbert Kelly (Sara McNamara)

**September 14, 2023** Fr. Kasel & all priests

**September 15, 2023** Tim Hike

**September 16, 2023** †John York

**September 17, 2023** Parishioners

**September 17, 2023** Tim Schultz (Laurie Schultz)



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Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 780.00
Plate:	\$ 198.00
EFT:	\$ 1,515.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 2,493.00</b>

St. Paul CCW will have their **next meeting** on Tuesday, **September 12**, with Holy Mass at 6 pm, followed by the meeting.

**St. Therese Relics:** Relics of three remarkable saints are coming to the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis: St. Thérèse of Lisieux and her parents, Saints Louis and Zélie Martin! The relics will be at the following churches from Wednesday, October 4-Sunday, October 15: *St. Mary's, Stillwater* (October 4-5), *Cathedral of St. Paul, Saint Paul* (October 6-7 at noon), *Basilica of St. Mary, Minneapolis* (October 7 at noon-October 10), *St. Therese, Deephaven* (October 12-15). The relics will be available for public veneration at the Cathedral of St. Paul on Saturday, October 7, from 7-11:30 a.m., or contact the other churches for their veneration schedules.

### †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.

**Healing after Contraception Retreat:** September 21-29, 2023

This free nine-day virtual retreat explores the physical, emotional, and spiritual wounds caused by contraception and sterilization and shows how to move from pain and suffering into healing, forgiveness, and openness to new life. The Healing After Contraception Retreat explores the multi-faceted problems created by the use of contraception and raises awareness of the real pain suffered by real people. Inspiring talks from medical doctors, priests, two philosophy professors, a filmmaker and his wife, a health coach, and pro-life women bring messages of healing, hope, forgiveness, conversion, and love. Learn more and register at: <https://healing-after-contraception-retreat.onemoresoul.com/> "The Lord heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." Psalm 147:3

**Immaculate Conception Church** of rural Kellogg will hold their annual fall dinner on Sunday, October 1. Serving chicken and ham dinner from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Other activities include: Big Ticket Raffle, Bake Sale, Basket Raffle, Garden Produce, and Grocery Cart Raffle. Take-outs available. Handicap Accessible.

**Fall Bazaar:** Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Mazeppa invites all to the Fall Bazaar on Sunday, **September 17**, from 11am to 1:30pm. There will be a Ham and Turkey Dinner (\$13 each), a Raffle and Country Store.

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6:00pm St. Paul CCW Holy Mass

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**Sunday, September 17, 2023**

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions  
8:45am Holy Mass

### HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

**September 12, 2023** †Sandra Klouser (Dan Klouser)

**September 12, 2023** †Frances Kronebusch (St. Paul CCW)

**September 14, 2023** †Joel Macansantos (T & J Meyer)

**September 17, 2023** Parishioners



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### WORDS TO LIVE BY:

"Look to the star of the sea, call upon Mary... in danger, in distress, in doubt, think of Mary, call upon Mary. May her Name never be far from your lips, or far from your heart... If you follow her, you will not stray; if you pray to her, you will not despair; if you turn your thoughts to her, you will not err. If she holds you, you will not fall; if she protects you, you need not fear; if she is your guide, you will not tire; if she is gracious to you, you will surely reach your destination." *St. Bernard*

"Mary means enlightener, because she brought forth the Light of the world. In the Syriac tongue, Mary signifies Lady." St. Isidore of Seville

"Mary means Star of the sea, for as mariners are guided to port by the ocean star, so Christians attain to glory through Mary's maternal intercession." *St. Thomas Aquinas*

"God the Father gathered all the waters together and called them the seas or maria [Latin, seas]. He gathered all His Grace together and called it Mary or Maria... This immense treasury is none other than Mary whom the saints call the 'Treasury of the Lord.' From her fullness all men are made rich." *St. Louis de Montfort*

"This most holy, sweet and worthy Name was 'eminently fitted to so holy, sweet and worthy a Virgin. For Mary means a bitter sea, star of the sea, the illuminated or illuminatrix. Mary is interpreted as 'Lady.' Mary is a bitter sea to the demons; to men she is the Star of the Sea; to the Angels she is Illuminatrix, and to all creatures she is Lady." *St. Bonaventure*