March 3, 2024 Third Sunday of Lent

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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

This month of March is dedicated to growing in devotion to the great St. Joseph (Solemnity celebrated on March 19). I share with you the Litany of St. Joseph, that we grow in devotion to this great saint!

Litany of St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, pray for us (after each line)

Saint Joseph, pray for us (after each line)

Renowned offspring of David,

Light of Patriarchs,

Spouse of the Mother of God,

Chaste guardian of the Virgin,

Foster-father of the Son of God,

Diligent protector of Christ,

Head of the Holy Family,

Joseph most just,

Joseph most chaste,

Joseph most prudent,

Joseph most strong,

Joseph most obedient,

Joseph most faithful,

Mirror of patience,

Lover of poverty,

Model of artisans,

Glory of home life,

Guardian of virgins,

Pillar of families,

Solace of the wretched, Hope of the sick,

Patron of the dying,

Terror of demons,

Protector of Holy Church,

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

Welcome to the Churches of



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

V. He made him the lord of His house:

R. And ruler of all His substance.

Let us pray: O God, who in Thine unspeakable providence didst vouchsafe to choose blessed Joseph to be the spouse of Thine own most holy Mother: grant, we beseech Thee, that we may deserve to have him for our intercessor in heaven, whom we reverence as our defender on earth: who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, St. Joseph, and our patrons, St. Michael and St. Paul, may God bless you, your families, and our parishes!

In Christ through Mary,

Fr. Kasel

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

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



March 8, 15, & 22

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT CHURCH OF ST. PAUL Each Tuesday of Lent at 5:30pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL Each Friday of Lent at 7:30pm

The next Holy Hour for Men will be on Sunday, March 10, at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. All men are invited!

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

The next **Faith Formation session** will be on Wednesday, **March 6, 2024** at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island.

Topic for March: The Virtue of Sincerity
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6:00-6:30pm - Meal

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Our program is open for all of our parishioners to attend and it will benefit all ages! There will be separate presentations for adults & youth.

Youth Group Event! All Youth, Grades 7-12, are invited for a prayer, food, and game night Wednesday, **March 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.

Easter Flower Donations Help to beautify our sanctuar

Help to beautify our sanctuary and remember a loved one through a contribution for Easter Flowers! There is an envelope contribution packet for Easter flowers. The suggested donation is \$13.

Please consider making a donation and put it in the Sunday collection or return to the office by Sunday, March 24. Thank you!

Jesus: Our True Happiness

"Go and sin no more. This is what Jesus says to me every time I go to confession. How great is the goodness of heart of my Beloved, and I wish to respond to His delicacy towards me with a pure soul and the heart of an angel! These words of our Lord touch me to the quick. How delicate is the Heart of Jesus. Such Love and such tenderness could proceed only from God!

I undertake, O my Jesus, to sin no more. At Your feet in the Sacrament of Penance, I, a penitent sinner, will humbly implore Your infinite Mercy. I will be direct and open, and will ask You unceasingly for that Grace, which is so uncommon, to walk straight before the Lord...

You have the words of Eternal Life, and I will listen to no other voice but Yours, Jesus, the God of my soul! Only You, O my Jesus, Life of my life, speak to my heart. O Divine Speech, O beloved Word! O beloved Host! O my Jesus meek and humble of Heart. Speak to my heart and calm the storms which agitate it. Say but a word, and Peace will return to it. Speak, my Lord, speak; Your poor servant listens to You, one word from You and my soul shall be saved. To whom shall I go, Life of my life, if not to You who are Life Eternal?

When my soul is sad and weary through desolation and abandonment, where shall I find refreshment, and Peace, if not in Your most Precious Blood, which rejoices the soul by the visits of Its Grace. When I am overcome with weakness and discouragement, when temptations surround me on every side, to whom shall I have recourse, but to Him Who is Consolation and Strength Itself? And when my soul is flooded and filled with consolation, and Peace and happiness reign in my heart, to whom shall I go, if not to You, O my Jesus, that I may share my joy and happiness with You. On every occasion, O my Beloved, it is to You that I wish to go; it is upon Your most loving Heart that I wish to lean, both now and through eternity." Blessed Concepcion Cabrera de Armida (Blessed Concepcion (+1937),also known as 'Conchita', was a wife, mother, widow and mystic. She was the first Mexican laywoman to be beatified.)

Witness to Life: Join us on Thursday, March 7, at 6:30 pm at St. James Coffee for the documentary "I Lived at Parker Avenue", presentations from local pregnancy resource centers, and Fr. Andy Vogel will share his personal adoption story. Bring something to donate to the pregnancy centers (diapers - especially larger sizes, pullups, wipes, etc.) and get a free drink. Fr. Vogel will offer Holy Mass at 6 pm. Hope you can join us and bring a friend. Life is a gift!

WEEKLY TITHING February 24-25, 2024

 Sunday Envelopes:
 \$ 4,631.00

 Plate:
 \$ 618.75

 EFT:
 \$ 955.00

 Total:
 \$ 6,204.75

 Ash Wednesday Collection:
 \$ 739.00

COME AND JOIN US!

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

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

March 8, 15, & 22

Both <u>baked & fried fish</u> will be offered!
Prices:

FRY

Adults-\$14.00, Children 5-12-\$6.00, Family maximum \$45.00

TAKE OUT AVAILABLE!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7:30pm

Institute of Catholic Culture Lecture Series:

ST. BONIFACE: And the Conversion of the Germanic Tribes

St. Boniface, apostle to the Germans, was a tireless Church reformer and Christian missionary. Thanks to his dogged persistence and evangelical ingenuity, Germany became a center of Christian culture from which would develop many great saints, mystics, writers, and artists. Join Christopher Check and the ICC to discover his story and lasting legacy in the life of the Church.

Details: Monday, March 4

Pre-Class Discussion: 7:30 PM ET, Lecture: 8:00 PM ET Instructor. Christopher Check Registration is required. Visit: https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/st-boniface/?vgo_ee=

Shroud of Turin Replica Exhibit: March 13 – 20, 2024 All are invited to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse between March 13 – 20, to view a life-size replica of the original Shroud of Turin (believed to be the burial cloth Jesus was wrapped in after His crucifixion). "It contains all of the information in the gospels, and then even more information that science has been able to extract from the shroud, showing the evidence that Jesus was a real person," said Tony Cherniawski, Expert Presenter. Tony Cherniawski will offer free presentations to pilgrimage, parish, and school groups that would like to visit the exhibition. Please call the Shrine in advance if you are bringing a group of 10 or more to see the Shroud. Free presentations for pilgrimage, school, and parish groups! Group reservations information: GuadalupeShrine.org/events!

<u>Pine Island Food Shelf:</u> items requested for March: Baking items - baking soda or powder, cornstarch, spices

HOLY MASS TIMES

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

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

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

Friday, March 8, 2024

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

Saturday, March 9, 2024

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Mass

Sunday, March 10, 2024

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

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

March 6, 2024 Michael Kaiya

March 8, 2024 †Robert Sowada (Nancy Sowada)

March 9, 2024 †LaVerne Zabel (Sue Moffit & Molly Garvey)
March 10, 2024 †Anna & Frank Hanzl (Lynette Stroh)

March 10, 2024 Parishioners



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Stations of the Cross at the Church of St. Paul: Each Tuesday of Lent at 5:30pm

Church Cleaning: Mark your calendars: Wednesday, March 20, at 9:30AM for Spring Cleaning of the Church upstairs. Men and ladies are all invited - many hands make light work! We hope to finish before noon or sooner. Contact Barb Boraas at 507-696-7997 with questions.

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WORDS TO LIVE BY:

"God had one Son on earth without sin, but never one without suffering." St. Augustine

"As iron is fashioned by fire and on the anvil, so in the fire of suffering and under the weight of trials, our souls receive that form which our Lord desires them to have." St. Madeline Sophie Barat "When it is all over you will not regret having suffered; rather you will regret having suffered so little, and suffered that little so badly." St. Sebastian Valfre

"Whenever anything disagreeable or displeasing happens to you, remember Christ Crucified and be silent." St. John of the Cross "In difficult moments, I will fix my gaze upon the silent Heart of Jesus stretched on the Cross, and from the exploding flames of His merciful Heart, will flow down upon me power and strength to keep fighting." St. Faustina

"The road is narrow. He who wishes to travel it more easily must cast off all things and use the Cross as his cane. In other words, he must be truly resolved to suffer willingly for the Love of God in all things." St. John of the Cross

"The Passion of Christ is the greatest and most stupendous work of Divine Love. The greatest and most overwhelming work of God's Love." St. Paul of the Cross

Men of Christ - Rising Daily in Discipleship on Saturday, March 23, from 9am - 3pm, at the Church of St. Joseph, Rosemount. Join men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 2024 men's conference. Keynote speakers Deacon Harold Burke-Sievers and Jeff Cavins will lead the day that will include presentations by Bishop Joseph Williams, Deacon Joe Michalak, and Bishop Izen. Archbishop Bernard Hebda will celebrate Holy Mass. For more information call 651.291.4488 or email flomos@archspm.org.

Join First Choice Clinic for their 1st annual Pickleball Tourna-

ment! Come out and have some fun while supporting this life-affirming ministry. All levels of experience are welcome.

When: Saturday, March 9, 9:30am walk-in registration and 10:00am start time

Where: Goodhue School (510 3rd Ave, Goodhue)

Prizes: First Place: \$100, Second Place: \$50, Third Place: \$25. Double Elimination!

\$50 entry fee per team. Text 651-301-5239 for registration (pre-registration strongly encouraged).

WEEKLY TITHING February 25, 2024

 Sunday Envelopes:
 \$ 1,035.00

 Plate:
 \$ 178.00

 Total:
 \$ 1,213.00

 Ash Wednesday Collection:
 \$ 131.00

St. Patrick's Ham Dinner at the Zumbrota VFW



March 17 at the Zumbrota VFW, serving from 10:30am -1:00pm

Prices: Adults: \$16.00, Children 6-12: \$6.00, Under 6: free Available for Dine-In & Take Out

Please sign up to give donations and also to volunteer your time for the event. The sign-up board is at the entrance of the Church. You may also email at stpauls@hcinet.net or call the Parish Office at 732-5324 to sign up.

For those who wish to give a cash donation, there is a box and envelopes located by the entrance of the Church or you may drop your donation in the collection basket.

If you have any questions, contact the Ham Dinner committee members: Linda Kazmierczak & Karen Hodgman, Steve & Mary Kingsbury, Mark & Donna Huneke, and Fr. Kasel

Thank you in advance for your willingness to make this endeavor a success!



Calling all parishioners! We are looking for silent auction baskets and items for this fundraiser held during **St. Patrick's Ham Dinner.** Any type of themed bas-

ket or items - including religious items, gift cards/certificates, homemade or purchased items will be appreciated! If you have any questions, contact Josefina or Sara in the parish office. Please drop off any items at the office.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Easter Flower Donations

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PRO-LIFE QUOTES:

How can it be that the most Wondrous and Sacred Human Space - the Womb - has become a place of unutterable violence? Pope Benedict XVI

"If the bringing of children into the world is today an economic burden, it is because the social system is inadequate; and not because God's law is wrong. Therefore the State should remove the causes of that burden. The human must not be limited and controlled to fit the economic, but the economic must be expanded to fit the human." — Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

HOLY MASS TIMES

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

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

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

Thursday, March 7, 2024

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

Sunday, March 10, 2024

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions

8:45am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

March 5, 2024 March 7, 2024

†Lora Keller (Karen Hodgman) †Frances Kronebusch (Audrey Lydon)

March 10, 2024 Parishioners



NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Roger Zabinski, (father of Fr. Zabinski, former Parochial Vicar of our Parishes), who passed away recently. '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.

Save the date for a Bi-Parish Mission: Fr. David Gunter will be back with us for a Bi-Parish Mission this coming April 13 - 17. The title of the Mission is: Jesus will come again! More details will be forthcoming.



The next **Knights of Columbus** membership meeting is on Wed., March 13, at 7 pm, at the Church of St. Paul, Zumbrota.

Catholic Services Appeal 2024

Christ waits for you to join Him in His desert trial this Lent. The adventure is hard, and worth it. You can help others find the joy of the Gospel this Lent through your support of the Catholic Services Appeal. This appeal supports many ministries whose outreach is beyond the boundaries of individual parishes, such as prison ministry, Catholic Schools, campus and young adult ministry, Venezuelan mission, hospital chaplains, Catholic Charities of St. Paul/Minneapolis, deaf ministry, and more.



Giving is Faith in Action. Give to the Catholic Services Appeal today. GIVE ON-LINE TODAY https://www.archspm.org/catholic-services-appeal

40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil: We are holding prayer vigil until March 24 to pray for an end to abortion. Join in the campaign and sign up for hours at https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/rochester. Questions? Contact Margaret Mulligan 40daysforliferoch@gmail.com



Looking for a way to grow spiritually this Lent?

Encounter Jesus anew, expand our parish community, and meet new people through small groups! Check out small group options online and sign up at:

https://archspm.groupvitals.com/groupFinder

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage: Marian Route 🐠 Coming to our parishes this spring!



Starting on Pentecost Sunday, May 19, four processions starting at different locations around the country will begin, concluding at the Eucharistic Congress July 16. The route coming through the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis is the Marian Route.

The procession departs from the headwaters of the Mississippi, the northern arm of the Pilgrimage will descend through the midwestern United States, pass through Wisconsin and Illinois, and meet up with the other three Pilgrimage routes in Indianapolis at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress.

The Marian Route pilgrimage will be traveling through the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis from May 24-31. Our parishes are blessed to be along the route of the pilgrimage route and will host the pilgrimage on May 31!

More information at: https://www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/marian-route

Kitui Living Water Program- Lent 2024 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. Thank you, ahead of time, for any contributions you are able to make!



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invite you to join us. Contact Steve Kingsbury 612-207-3179

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