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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

The month of May is dedicated to increased devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Let us ask Jesus and St. Joseph to teach us to practice great love for the Immaculate Heart of Mary! This weekend I share with you a reflection on St. Joseph the Worker (Feast: May 1). I encourage you to read it through a few times this week!

“St. Joseph the Worker (May 1): The *Memorial* of Saint Joseph the Worker has been celebrated liturgically since 1955. On this day the Church, inspired by Saint Joseph’s example and under his patronage, commemorates in a special way the human and supernatural value of work.

Work is a gift from God: *By the labor of your hands you shall eat.* (cf. *Entrance Antiphon:* Ps. 128:1-2)

The Church, in presenting St. Joseph to us... as a model, is not endorsing just one particular form of work, manual labor, but is testifying to the dignity and value of all honest human occupations. In... (Genesis 1:26; 2:3) we read the Genesis account of man’s participation in the work of Creation. Sacred Scripture also tells us that God placed man in the garden of Eden *to till it and keep it.* (Gen. 2:15) From the beginning of man’s existence, work is for him a command of nature, a feature of his condition as created being, an expression of his dignity, and a means whereby he cooperates in the great overall task of Divine Providence. All that original sin did was to change the *form* of this cooperation, as we also read in the Book of Genesis: *Cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life... In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread.* (Gen. 3:17-19)

After the fall of our first parents, what had been intended originally as something pleasant and agreeable has since become difficult, and very often exhausting; but there has been no change in the relationship of man’s work to his Creator and its role in the redemption of mankind. The conditions attached to work cause some people to look upon it as a punishment, or alternatively because of the malice of the human heart estranged from God, as a mere form of merchandise or an ‘instrument of oppression’, to such an extent that on occasions it is difficult to appreciate its very real grandeur and dignity. Others see work exclusively in terms of a means for making money, or as an expression of selfish personal affirmation, and fail to realize the value of work *in itself* as something Divine, whereby man collaborates with God and offers his Creator something in which all his natural and supernatural virtues come into play.

For many centuries manual work was looked down on as no more than a way of earning a living, and was considered to be something basically worthless or degrading. Nowadays materialistic societies tend to classify people according to ‘how much they make’ and to their ability to obtain a greater level of material well-being at more or less any cost. *It is time for us Christians to shout from the rooftops that work is a gift from God and that it makes no sense to classify men differently, according to their occupation, as if some jobs*

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 8:25am, 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

were nobler or of less significance than others. Work, all work, bears witness to the dignity of man, to his dominion over creation. It is an opportunity to develop one’s personality. It is a bond of union with others, the way to support one’s family, a means of contributing to the improvement of the society in which we live and to the progress of all humanity. (J. Escriva, *Christ Is Passing By*, 47) St. Joseph was a tradesman who worked for his living, and the feast (St. Joseph the Worker) proposes him to us as a model and patron. (St. John Paul II, *Redemptoris Custos*, 15, August 1989, 22) We should have frequent recourse to him to ensure that the work we do never loses its innate dignity or value, for it is not uncommon that, when God is forgotten, *from the factory dead matter goes out improved, whereas the men there are corrupted and degraded.* (Pius XI, *Quadragesimo Anno*, 15 May 1931, 135) Our work, with St. Joseph’s help, ought to leave our hands as a prayerful and pleasing offering to God.

The natural and the supernatural meaning of work: In... (Matthew 13:54-58) we see once again how Jesus is identified in Nazareth by his occupation: *Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary?* (Mark 6:3) When He returned to His native town (sons here, as elsewhere, often following the same trade as (cont. on pg. 3)



May Crowning of our Blessed Mother!

Please join us this Sunday, May 2 during the 8:45am Holy Mass at the Church of St. Paul and 10:30am Holy Mass at St. Michael for the **May Crowning of our Blessed Mother!** Mary loves us so much! Let us offer our gratitude and honor to Mary!

Holy Hour for Men will be Sunday, May 2, at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. All men are invited!

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

The Next Session: Wednesday, May 5 at 6:30-7:45pm

TOPIC for May: Mary, God's Masterpiece
(includes the Living Rosary)

Victory in our Lord's Precious Blood

"I, Caterina, servant and slave of the servants of Christ crucified, am writing to you in His Precious Blood. I long to see you sharing in the Blood of God's Son - as a son created by the supreme Father in His image and likeness and as a ransomed servant, so that you may walk in love and in holy awe of God... What heart is so hard and stubborn that it would not melt contemplating the affectionate love Divine Goodness bears for it? Love, then, love! Ponder the fact that you were loved before ever you loved. For God looked within Himself and fell in love with the beauty of His creature and so created us. He was moved by the fire of His ineffable Charity to one purpose only: that we should have Eternal Life and enjoy the infinite good God was enjoying in Himself. *Oh boundless Love, well have you shown that Love! When we lost grace by deadly sin, by disobedience to You, my Lord, we lost Love.*

But look at the way the Holy Spirit's clemency chose to restore grace to us. See how God's supreme exaltedness took on the servitude of our humanity in such lowliness and profound humility that our pride ought to be utterly confounded! Adam's foolish children may well be ashamed. For is there any greater sight than to see God stooped down to humanity - as if humanity were in control of God rather than God having control over humanity? For humanity is nothing of itself; what we have, we have from God by grace, not because He owes it to us. This is why no man who knows himself will ever mortally offend God or become proud because of his position or greatness or power. If he were lord of the whole world, he would consider himself nothing... This is why the saints say that God's servants are the ones who are free sovereigns; they have won the victory. There are many who have been victorious over a city or a fortress, but if they have failed to conquer themselves and their enemies - the world the flesh, and the devil - one could say they have nothing at all... Choose to hold fast your lordship over the city of your soul. Fight fiercely against those three enemies... These enemies of ours have been rendered powerless, because the spotless Lamb gave Himself up to the shameful death of the most Holy Cross in order to restore our liberty and make us free." *From a letter by St. Catherine of Siena (+1380) Doctor of the Church, Third Order Dominican, stigmatist and papal counselor*

Thank you from the St. Padre Pio Knights of Columbus:

The March Food Drive resulted in 860 pounds of food being donated to the food shelves in Pine Island and Zumbrota. May God reward you!

St. Padre Pio Knights of Columbus Charitable Works:

The St. Padre Pio Council donated \$2,051 to the newly-formed First Choice Clinic in Cannon Falls for the purchase of an ultrasound. Thanks to additional donations from Supreme Knights Council and the Cannon Falls Knights Council, the clinic has sufficient funds to purchase the ultrasound which costs approximately \$60,000! Thank you to all who have worked with the Knights of Columbus to make this possible!

PRO-LIFE QUOTES

"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

Laws which legitimize the direct killing of innocent human beings through abortion or euthanasia are in complete opposition to the inviolable right to life proper to every individual; they thus deny the equality of everyone before the law. - St. John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae* (1995), no. 72.

Pine Island Food Shelf: The items requested for **May:** Ketchup/Mustard and Salad Dressings

WEEKLY TITHING for April 24-25, 2021

Sunday/Easter Envelopes:	\$ 2,248.00
Plate:	\$ 668.70
EFT:	\$ 432.50
Total:	\$ 3,349.20

Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection: \$ 587.00

Holy Spirit Novena for the month of MAY: May 1 to May 9.

May Crowning of our Blessed Mother!

Please join us this Sunday, May 2nd during the 10:30am Holy Mass at St. Michael for the **May Crowning of our Blessed Mother!** Mary loves us so much! Let us offer our gratitude and honor toward Mary!

Thank Mom for Life on Mother's Day, May 9, with an

orchid corsage, mini rose bush, violets, or begonia plant with a "Thanks Mom for Life" button attached. They will be available at all weekend Masses with a suggested donation of \$6 for the orchids and violets, \$7 for the begonias, and \$8 for the mini roses. All proceeds benefit Goodhue County Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life.



Church of St. Michael Fall Festival!

Fr. Kasel and the Fall Festival committee recently met and are happy to announce that plans have started in order to hold our Fall Festival this year. It is scheduled for **Saturday/Sunday, September 18/19**. We are planning for most of the familiar activities will be held on Saturday: Tractor Pull, outside concessions, farmers market, quilt show, craft vendors, bingo, silent auction. For Sunday we are planning: our Beef Dinner, Tractor Show, outside concessions, farmers market, silent auction, quilt show, craft vendors, bingo, Pedal Tractor Pull and kids' games. All of these events are subject to change. We will need volunteers to make this a success! Please consider helping. There is a sheet in entry of the church for you to sign and make us know you are willing to volunteer. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please contact Fr. Kasel. If you have any suggestions or questions, please contact the parish office.



†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.

HOLY MASS TIMES

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

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

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

Friday, May 7, 2021

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

6:30pm (EF) First Friday Holy Mass

Saturday, May 8, 2021

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Mass

Sunday, May 9, 2021

7:00am Extraordinary Form Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

May 5, 2021	Ryan & Nicole Shannon (Janet Shannon)
May 7, 2021	†Souls in Purgatory
May 7, 2021	(EF) Tom & Josefina Meyer (C.B.)
May 8, 2021	The York Families
May 9, 2021	(EF) Carol Berns
May 9, 2021	Parishioners



CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL FAITH FORMATION

The Next Session: Wednesday, May 5 at 6:30-7:45pm

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(From *Father Kasel*...from pg. 1) their fathers), the neighbors remarked: *Is not this the carpenter's Son? Is not His mother called Mary?* (Matt. 13:54-58) In another place it says that Jesus practiced the same profession as St. Joseph, the man who occupied the place of His Father here on earth. Man's work by being taken up by the Son of God, has been sanctified, and can now be something redemptive, through being united to Christ the Redeemer of the world. All the negative qualities that attach themselves to work as a consequence of original sin - weariness, toil, hardship and difficulties - become, in Christ, something of immense value for every individual and for all of mankind. Man is now associated with the work of redemption wrought by Christ, *Whose labor with His hands at Nazareth greatly ennobled the dignity of work.* (Second Vatican Council, *Gaudium et Spes*, 67)

Any honest occupation can be a task adapted to the perfection of the individual who carries it out, and indeed of the whole of society itself. Through the communion that exists among all the members of Christ's Mystical Body - the Church - man's work, in all its incidental detail, can become a means of helping others. But for this to be so, it is essential for us not to lose sight of the fact that every human enterprise, even the most arduous and difficult of achievement, has to have a *supernatural* as well as a human purpose. *The galley slave is well aware that he rows in order to make the ship move; but for this to give meaning to his life, he needs to appreciate the meaning that suffering and punishment have for a Christian. That is, he has to see his situation as a means of identifying himself with Christ. If, through ignorance or rejection, he doesn't manage to see this, he will end up hating his 'work'. A similar effect can be seen when the fruit of one's labors (not the financial reward, but the actual product, the thing that has been 'produced' or 'made') is so alienated from its maker that it scarcely impinges on his consciousness.* (P. Berglar, *Opus Dei*, Salzburg, 1983) Many people go to 'work' every morning as if they were going to the galleys, to row a ship to a destination they are neither aware of nor care about; all they look forward to is the weekend and the pay-check. This sort of work, evidently, can do nothing to ennoble or sanctify man, and only with difficulty can it develop his personality and be of real benefit to society.

Let us meditate today, with Saint Joseph's help, on various aspects of love and esteem for our job. How hard do we try to do things perfectly and punctually? What is our professional standing like? Do we have a methodical approach to things - which does not at all exclude having a sense of urgency about them? Do we always carry out every little detail of our work as carefully and considerately as we can? If our daily enterprise is engaged in as conscientiously as is humanly possible, we can say with the liturgy of today's Mass: *Lord God, fountain of all mercy, look upon our gifts on the feast of St. Joseph. Let our sacrifice become the protection of all who call on You.* (Roman Missal, 1 May, *Prayer over the Gifts*)

Loving our work: Work well done is work done with love. To have a proper regard for the task we are engaged in is, perhaps, the first step in ennobling it and raising it to the level of the supernatural. We have to put our heart into the things we do, and not just do them mechanically, automatically, 'because we haven't any option'. *My son, do you remember that man who came to see me this morning, the one with the brown jacket? He's not an honest man... He works as a cartoonist for an illustrated magazine. It gives him enough to live on and keeps him busy. But he always talks disparagingly about his work and tells me: 'If only I could be a painter! But I have to draw these stupidities in order to eat. Don't pay any attention to them, old chap, don't even look at them! It's just pure commercialism!' In other words, he's only in it for the money. And he has let his spirit get separated from what his hands are doing, because he has very little regard for his work. But let me say this, my son. If my friend finds his task so repulsive, if his drawings can be said to be rubbish, the reason is precisely because he hasn't put* (cont. on pg. 4)

WEEKLY TITHING for April 25, 2021

Sunday/Easter Envelopes: \$ 950.00

Plate: \$ 44.00

Total: \$ 994.00

Catholic Home Missions Appeal Collection: \$ 389.00

Holy Spirit Novena for the month of MAY: May 1 to May 9.

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Please join us this Sunday, May 2nd during the 8:45am Holy Mass at the Church of St. Paul the **May Crowning of our Blessed Mother!** Mary loves us so much! Let us offer our gratitude and honor toward Mary!

All Ladies of the Parish are invited to attend!!!

Church of St. Paul CCW Madonna Celebration

on Tuesday, May 4, 2021

6:00pm Holy Mass with Fr. Kasel

6:40pm *Terese Horlocker will be speaking on:*

"Our Lady of Grace"

the history of the Miraculous Medal

7:15pm Brief Meeting

Light Snacks will be served, hosted by Joan Circle

No RSVP needed!



WORDS TO LIVE BY:

"We never give more honor to Jesus than when we honor His Mother, and we honor her simply and solely to honor Him all the more perfectly. We go to her only as a way leading to the goal we seek - Jesus, her Son." *St. Louis Marie de Montfort*
"Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did." *St. Maximilian Kolbe*
"Men do not fear a powerful hostile army as the powers of hell fear the name and protection of Mary." *St. Bonaventure*
"Before, by yourself, you couldn't. Now, you've turned to our Lady, and with her, how easy!" *St. Josemaria Escriva*

Prayer for Priests by St. Therese of Lisieux, Carmelite

O Jesus, eternal Priest, keep you priests within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart, where none may touch them. Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily touch Your Sacred Body. Keep unsullied their lips, daily purpled with Your Precious Blood. Keep pure and unearthly their hearts, sealed with the sublime mark of the Priesthood. Let Your holy Love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion. Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in Heaven their beautiful and everlasting crown. Amen.

HOLY MASS TIMES

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

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

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

Thursday, May 6, 2021

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

Sunday, May 9, 2021

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions

8:45am Holy Mass - On 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays of the month
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HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

May 4, 2021

†Roy & †Gloria Bradley

May 6, 2021

Return of fallen-away Catholics

May 9, 2021

Parishioners



NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

(from pg. 3) *his heart into them. When the spirit is present, there is no job that doesn't become noble and holy. This is as true of a cartoonist as it is of a carpenter or a dustman... There is a way of drawing cartoons, or of working with wood, or of emptying bins... which shows that love has been placed there, as well as attention to detail and proportion, and a little spark of something personal - what artists call individual style - and there is no human undertaking or task in which such a personal ingredient cannot flourish. That's the way things have to be done. The other way, that of loathing one's work and despising it, instead of redeeming it and secretly transforming it, is wrong and immoral. The visitor in the brown jacket is, therefore, an immoral person, because he doesn't love his work.* (E. D'Ors, *Learning and Heroism: Greatness and Service of the Intellect*, Pamplona 1973)

St. Joseph teaches us to love the occupation in which we spend so much of our life: keeping the home, working in the laboratory, at the plough or the computer, delivering parcels or being a receptionist. The status of a job depends on its capacity to perfect us in a human way and supernaturally as well, on the opportunities it offers to provide for our family and collaborate in good works on behalf of mankind, and on the social contribution we can make in the world through its means.

St. Joseph had Jesus beside him while he worked. At times he would have asked Him to hold a piece of wood while he sawed it, and at others he would have shown Him how to use a chisel or a plane. Whenever he got tired he would have been able to look at his Son, Who was the Son of God, and his work would thereby acquire a new value because he would realize that through it he was collaborating mysteriously in the enterprise of salvation.

Let us ask St. Joseph today to teach us the awareness of the presence of God which he had while he was engrossed in his work. Let us not forget, either, our Mother the Blessed Virgin, to whom we lovingly

Family Rosary Procession: Sunday, May 2 2:00pm State Capital

As a public witness to our Catholic faith during the month of May dedicated to our Blessed Mother Mary, come with family and friends to the annual Archdiocesan Family Rosary Procession led by Archbishop Bernard Hebda. Gather at the State Capitol beginning at 1:15 p.m. The procession to the Cathedral of Saint Paul begins at 2 p.m. Those who cannot walk the route may go directly to the Cathedral to pray the Rosary. The event will also be live streamed on the Cathedral's Facebook page. Find more details at archspm.org/events and at minnesotarosaryprocessions.org.

Join the Archdiocesan Synod Journey this Fall

How can we as members of the Body of Christ in the Church better pass-on our beautiful Catholic Faith - whether in our homes or in the broader world? The Archdiocesan Synod kicks into high gear this coming fall! Your input is needed to help Archbishop Hebda chart the course for our local Church. We will be forming small groups in order to discuss and give feedback on priorities within each Synod focus area. More details will come this summer! See more about the Synod focus areas at archspm.org/synod.

dedicate the month of May that begins [May 1]. Let us not forget to offer daily in her honor a particular hour of work or study, each day better than the previous one, and more perfectly done." (From: *In Conversation with God* by Francis Fernandez) Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, St. Joseph, St. Michael and St. Paul, may God bless us with great love for the Immaculate Heart of Mary!

In Christ through Mary,
Fr. Kasel

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