

NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

(from page 1) it did not necessarily have to have external expression. However, man has the right and the duty of giving public and external cult to God. It would be gravely harmful if Christians were obliged to hide away in order to practice their Faith and worship (of) God, which is their primary right and duty.

Sundays and Church Holy Days are, above all, days set aside for God, days particularly well suited to looking for Him and finding Him. *'Quaerite Dominum.'* We can never cease to look for Him: however, there are moments which demand doing so with more intensity, because during those periods Our Lord is particularly close, and so it is easier to find and meet Him. This nearness constitutes Our Lord's answer to the Church's invocation, which is expressed continuously by means of the liturgy. Even more so, it is the liturgy which precisely actualizes the nearness of the Lord. (St. John Paul II, *Homily*, 20 March 1980)

Holy Days of Obligation are of great importance in helping Christians to receive the action of Grace more fully. During these days the believer is asked to interrupt his work in order to dedicate himself the better to Our Lord. But there is not festivity without celebration, since a Holy Day does not consist simply in refraining from working. Neither can there be a Christian feast day without the faithful coming together to give thanks, to praise the Lord, to remember His deeds. And so it would be very unchristian to plan to spend the weekend or a 'Holy Day' of Obligation in such a way as to make impossible or very difficult one's dealings with God. It happens to certain lukewarm Catholics that they end up thinking they have insufficient time to hear (ie. be present for) Holy Mass, or they rush through it as if freeing themselves from a burdensome obligation.

Rest is not only an opportunity to recuperate energies, but is also the sign and the anticipation of the definitive repose of that celebration which is Heaven. That is why the Church wishes to celebrate her

feast days by including in them a rest from work. On the other hand, Catholics, like anyone else, have a right to that rest, a right which the State must guarantee and protect.

This Holy Day rest must not be interpreted as a simple doing nothing, a mere passing of the time, but rather as a positive involvement in something which enriches the personality in different ways.

There are many ways of resting, and it is important not to take the easiest way out, which often is not the one that rests us most in any case. If we know how to limit the use of television on feast days as well, for example, we will not be repeating so much the false excuse of not having time. On the contrary, we will see that during those days we can spend more time with our family, look after the education of our children, develop social relationships and friendships, make a visit or two to people in need, or to those who are alone or sick. Perhaps this will be our chance to have a longer conversation with a friend. Or it may be the moment that a mother or father needs to speak with one of their children on their own, and listen to them. In general terms one must know how to have *one's whole day taken up with a flexible schedule in which, besides the daily norms of piety, an important place should be given to rest, which we all need, to family get-togethers, to reading, and to time set aside for an artistic or literary hobby or any other worthwhile pastime. We live poverty by filling the hours of the day usefully, doing everything as well as we can, and living little details of order, punctuality and good humor.* (Conversations with Monsignor Escriva, 111)" (From: *In Conversation with God* by Francis Fernandez)

Through the intercession of the joyful Heart of Mary, the Mother of God, St. Joseph, St. Michael and St. Paul, may God bless us with the Graces we each need to grow in holiness this Easter Season!

In Christ through Mary,
Fr. Kasel

May 4, 2025 Third Sunday of Easter

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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 growth in loving devotion to our Blessed Mother! The Virgin Mary unfailingly leads us to Jesus and teaches us how to trust in His merciful Love!

This weekend we will celebrate May Crowning of an image of our Blessed Mother, Mary! Let us give our intentions and needs to her tender Immaculate Heart. She will take of us and our intentions!

The practice of our Catholic Faith is centered upon the Holy Mass and the gift of the Holy Mass is a priceless Spiritual Treasure! The main way for most Catholics to experience the Holy Mass is on Sunday. The priority of Sunday for Holy Mass has been set by our Lord Jesus.

Tragically, many Catholics have either forgotten or chosen to ignore the priority of worshipping God on Sunday. Many who might follow Jesus show a willingness to put Sunday Holy Mass second or third or even last among the many activities that could be done on Sunday.

Our society needs conversion to the mind of Jesus regarding Sunday Holy Mass. Let us pray for this intention during the remainder of this Easter Season and, when we reach Pentecost Sunday, may our good Lord grant the grace of the Holy Spirit to move the hearts of Catholics throughout the world to make time for Holy Mass each Sunday!

This week I share with you a beautiful meditation on Sunday - the Lord's Day. I encourage you to take time to read it through a few times this week.

"Sunday is the Lord's Day: *On Sundays there is an assembly of all who live in towns or in the country. This is the first day, on which God transformed darkness and matter and made the world; the day on which Jesus Christ our Savior rose from the dead.* (Divine Office, Second reading, St. Justin, *First Apology*, 67) The Jewish Sabbath gave way to the Christian Sunday from the very beginning of the Church, and from then on, every Sunday we celebrate the Lord's Resurrection.

Saturday was the day dedicated to Yahweh in the Old Testament. God Himself instituted it (Gen. 2:3) and commanded the Israelites to abstain from certain tasks on that day in order to honor Him properly. (Ex. 20:8-11, 21:13; Deut. 5:14) It was also the day on which the family got together to celebrate the end of the captivity in Egypt. As time passed, the rabbis complicated the Divine Precept, so that by the time of Jesus there had come into being a series of oppressive and meticulous prescriptions that bore no relation to what God had laid down about the Sabbath.

The Pharisees clashed frequently with Jesus on these points. In spite of this, Our Lord did not look down on the Sabbath, did not suppress it as a day dedicated to Yahweh; on the contrary, it would seem to have been His favorite day. On that day He went to the synagogues to preach, and many of His miracles were performed on the Sabbath. Sacred Scripture everywhere presents a lofty and noble idea of the Sabbath. It was the day established by God so that His people might devote to Him public cult, and the complete dedication of the day to this purpose appears as a grave obligation. (cf. Ex. 31:14-15) 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

importance of this command is also deduced from its repetition in Scripture. Sometimes the prophets point out as a cause of God's punishments the fact that people have not kept the Sabbath.

The Sabbath rest was a strictly religious event, which is why it always culminated in the offering of a sacrifice. (cf. Num. 28:9-10) The feast days of Israel, and particularly the Sabbath, were a sign of the Divine Covenant and the people's way of expressing their joy at being God's property and the object of His election and His Love.

That is why every feast day was linked to a salvation event. Yet these feast days contained only the promise of a reality which still had to take place. With the Resurrection of Our Lord the Sabbath gives way to the reality which it had foreshadowed, the Christian celebration. Our Lord Himself speaks of the Kingdom of God as a great banquet offered by a King on the occasion of the wedding of His Son, (cf. Matt. 22:2-13) through whom we are invited to share in the messianic benefits. (cf. Is. 25:6-8) With Christ there arises a new and superior cult, because now we have also a new Priest, and a new Victim is offered.

Public worship - Sunday rest: *Let the earth cry out to God with joy; praise the glory of His Name; proclaim His glorious praise, we read in the Entrance Antiphon.* (Ps. 65:1-2)

The precept of sanctifying Holy Days responds also to the need to give public cult (ie. worship) to God. We cannot be satisfied on such occasions with merely private cult. Some people try to relegate dealing with God to the realm of conscience, as if (continued on page 4)



May Crowning of our Blessed Mother! Please join us Sunday, May 4, during the 8:45am Holy Mass at the Church of St. Paul and the 7am and 10:30am Holy Masses at St. Michael for **May Crowning of our Blessed Mother!** The Blessed Virgin Mary loves us so much! Let us offer our gratitude and honor to her!

The next **Holy Hour & Social for Men:** Sunday, May 4, at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Michael. Fr. Kasel will give a talk on: *The Conclave and Current Events in the Church.* All men are invited!

<p>Buy one Blizzard at regular price, get 2nd Blizzard at 99¢! 215 E. 18th St. Zumbrota 732-5910</p>	<p>ZUMBROTA MINI STORAGE</p> <p>LIGHTING—PAVED 24 HOUR ACCESS</p> <p>507-696-4406</p>	<p>Hub Food Center 228 West Ave. Zumbrota 507-732-7329 https://www.nilssensfoods.com</p>	<p>MAXON FAMILY Parishioner</p> <p>Cremation & Life Celebrations 1624 37th Street NW, Rochester, MN 55901</p>
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<p>Safe Environment: The Archdiocese of St. Paul/Minneapolis requires all volunteers who interact with minors or vulnerable adults to complete the Essential 3 (background check, Code of Conduct, and VIRTUS training) before beginning their service, and to renew every three years while serving. Please contact the Safe Environment Coordinator for details on how to register for a VIRTUS class, complete the Essential 3, or do updates.</p>	<p>Parish Safe Environment Coordinator: Sara McNamara St. Michael: 507-356-4280 stmichaeloffice@bevcomm.net St. Paul: 507-732-5324 stpauls@hcinet.net</p> <p>St. Paul/Minneapolis Archdiocese Victim Assistance Program Hotline: (651) 291-4475</p>		

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

Save the Date! Join us as we celebrate the 20th anniversary of Father Kasel's ordination! **June 1, 2025, 4-9pm** at the Church of St. Michael. More details to come.



Congratulations to the children who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, April 26, at the Church of St. Michael:



*Sylvia Boyum Hailey Diercks
Arabelle Drees Raina Fuller
Liliana Hernandez Dominic Jarrett
Vincent Keller David Melduni
Mariam Ocariz Philomena Plummer
Sophia Plummer*

The next **St. Pio Knights of Columbus Council** membership meeting will be on Wednesday, May 14, at 7:00pm, at the Church of St. Michael. All members are encouraged to attend.

Kitui Living Water Project: Please remember to return your water bottles for the Living Water Project to the Church or the Parish office this week. We thank you for your donations and your generosity. God bless you!



Cemetery Collection: There will be a second collection on the weekend of May 17/18 to support the upkeep of the parish cemetery. Please consider donating to honor our beloved dead and to keep the parish cemetery looking beautiful!

PRO-LIFE QUOTES:

"Find the courage to proclaim Christ, ... and the unchanging truths which have their foundation in Him. These are the truths that set us free! They are the truths which alone can guarantee respect for the inalienable dignity and rights of each man, woman and child in our world - including the most defenseless of all human beings, the unborn child in the mother's womb." *Pope Benedict XVI, at Yankee Stadium, April 20, 2008*

"God, the Lord of life, has entrusted to men the noble mission of safe-guarding life, and men must carry it out in a manner worthy of them-selves. Life must be protected with the utmost care from the moment of conception: abortion and infanticide are abominable crimes." *Second Vatican Council, Church in the Modern World, #51*

Calling all bookworms! Join the Catholic Authors Book Study. We rotate between spiritual books, literature and writings of Doctors of the Church. On Tuesday, May 13, we will discuss *The Seven Last Words* by Fulton Sheen. We meet every 2 - 3 weeks, usually on Tuesdays from 7 - 8:30 pm in Rochester. Join us! See <https://archspm.groupvitals.com/groupfinder/profile/72459> or contact the parish office.

Institute of Catholic Culture Lecture Series:

THE QUEST FOR THE HOLY GRAIL & the Legend of King Arthur
Medieval legends of King Arthur and the Holy Grail have captivated scholars and enriched spiritual reflection throughout the Christian tradition. These lectures will explore two Arthurian romances, Chretien de Troyes' Knight of the Cart, and the Cistercian text we know as The Quest of the Holy Grail, through the lens of Catholic teaching on redemption, divine grace, and the pursuit of virtue. It will reveal what chivalry does and does not have to do with divine love, and how the truest knights must open themselves up to the sacred mysteries of faith, and of "the Love that moves the sun and the other stars."

Details:

Mondays, May 12, June 9 & 30, 2025

Pre-Class Discussion: 7:30pm EST Lecture: 8:00pm EST
Instructor: Anthony Esolen, Ph.D. Registration is required.
<https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/the-quest-for-the-holy-grail/>

Pine Island Food Shelf: items requested for May: Condiments: ketchup, mustard, salad dressings, mayo

WEEKLY TITHING April 26-27, 2025

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 2,130.00
Plate: \$ 609.16
EFT: \$ 960.00
Total: \$ 3,699.16

Good Friday Collection: \$ 2,584.00
Easter Donations (additional): \$ 50.00

Congratulations to:

• *Ruben & Jessica Mars on the baptism of their daughter Celeste Susan Mars on April 22 at the Church of St. Michael.*
• *David & Tricia Boyum on the baptism of their son Simon David Boyum on April 26 at the Church of St. Michael.*



You're Invited! Join Father Kasel and other parishioners to learn about the *Lord, Renew Your Church* campaign and the impact it will have on St. Michael, and throughout the Archdiocese. The *Lord, Renew Your Church* parish reception will take place at St. Michael on May 7 at 6:00 PM. Food will be provided, so please RSVP by May 6 to our parish campaign director at (651) 251-7700 or jdharis@ccsfundraising.com. We look forward to seeing you!

Thank Mom for Life plants for Mother's Day: With abortions rising 39 percent in just two years in our state, MCCL (MN Citizens Concerned for Life) is committed to changing the culture and rebuilding a pro-life Minnesota—and they are doing it through expanded outreach, social media, presentations, and youth events, and so much more. One way to impact our culture for life is by honoring moms! That's what MCCL's annual Mother's Day Project is all about, and we need your help. Thank Mom for life on Mother's Day, with a plant with a "Thanks Mom for Life" button attached. Begonias, African Violet plants, and Mini Rose bushes will be available at all Masses on Mother's Day weekend, May 10 and 11. Suggested donation for the Begonias and Violets is \$8.00 and the Mini Rose bush, \$10.00. This project honors moms and raises funds to save precious lives by furthering pro-life efforts. (Donations are not tax deductible.)

Homesteading Conference! May 24, 9:30am - 4:00pm

Come and learn more about the Catholic Land Movement and enjoy a hearty homestead meal, and workshops on topics such as:

- Milking Goats & Making Cheese
- Hatching Chicks & Keeping a Sustainable Flock
- Pasture-Raising Pigs
- Sourdough Bread-Making & More!

Register at: <https://zeffy.com/ticketing/minnesota-chapter-spring-conference> **Registration Required by May 16.** \$25/Adults 13+ | \$10/Kids 7-12 | Free 6 & Under | \$75/Family Max
*Lunch is included in ticket price

HOLY MASS TIMES

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

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

Friday, May 9, 2025

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

Saturday, May 10, 2025

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

Sunday, May 11, 2025

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

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

May 7, 2025 Kristina Hoerle (Julie Hoerle)
May 9, 2025 †Pyfferoen family (Paul & Mary Sutton)
May 10, 2025 †Michael Rolfson (Barb Rolfson)
May 11, 2025 Penelope Marks (Carolyn Ocariz)
May 11, 2025 Parishioners



CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL NEWS

WEEKLY TITHING April 27, 2025

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 1,400.00
Plate: \$ 151.00
Total: \$ 1,551.00

Holy Thursday Collection: \$ 152.00
Good Friday Collection: \$ 75.00
Easter Donations (additional): \$ 200.00

All Ladies of the Parish are invited to attend!

Church of St. Paul CCW Madonna Dinner on Tuesday, May 6, 2025

5:00pm Brief CCW meeting with installation of Officers
6:00pm Holy Mass with Fr. Kasel
6:30pm Lasagna Dinner
7:00pm **Speaker: Deb McManimon of St. Paul Street Evangelization**
"10 Great Ways to Share Your Faith"

7:30pm Dessert

Please **RSVP** to the Parish Office for the meal by calling 732-5324 or emailing stpauls@hcinet.net.
Pray, dine, connect in friendship, and be inspired!



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Second Annual Garage Sale!

Holy Trinity Parish - 211 4th Street N, Goodhue
May 15 & 16 (Thursday & Friday): 8am-4pm
May 17 (Saturday): 8:00-10:00am
Something for everyone: (toys, books, games, puzzles, home décor, kitchen items, bedding, clothes for all ages/sizes and more—please COME SEE)
Parish Fundraiser = Churches of St. Mary (Bellechester), St. Columbkil (rural Goodhue), and Holy Trinity (Goodhue)
Freewill donations to support youth & family programs.
SERVING FOOD TOO with bake sale and food stand:
Homemade sweet rolls and coffee-\$2, from 8-10:30
Sandwich basket with chips, cookie, & lemonade-\$3, from 10:30-4

HOLY MASS TIMES

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

8:00am Confessions/8:30am
9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
6:00pm CCW Holy Mass

Thursday, May 8, 2025

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

Sunday, May 11, 2025

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

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

May 6, 2025 †Kathy Bucher (Bing Bucher)
May 6, 2025 †Socorro Budensiek (St. Paul CCW)
May 8, 2025 †Deceased Ancestors of the Kirzinger & Hustak families
May 11, 2025 Parishioners



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9 ways you can be guilty for the sins of others

"Sin is a personal act. Moreover, we have a responsibility for the sins committed by others when we cooperate in them..." (CCC 1868)

1. By counsel (to give advice, one's opinion or instructions.)
2. By command (to demand, to order, such as in the military.)
3. By consent (to give permission, to approve, to agree to.)
4. By provocation (to dare.)
5. By praise or flattery (to cheer, to applaud, to commend.)
6. By concealment (to hide the action, to cover-up.)
7. By partaking (to take part, to participate.)
8. By silence (by playing dumb, by remaining quiet.)
9. By defense of the ill done (to justify, to argue in favor.)

(Note: To participate in the sins of another person means that one is just as guilty of the sin as the one who committed the sin. For example, if you encourage someone to have an abortion, you are guilty of the sin of abortion.)

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*

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Prayer for Vocations: World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be observed on Sunday, May 11, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "*Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest!*" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.



Please Pray for those to be Ordained Transitional Deacons: Saturday, May 10, at 10am at the Basilica of Saint Mary, Minneapolis. All the faithful are invited to attend the Diaconate Ordination. Theology III seminarians from the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis will celebrate the Rite of Transitional Diaconate Ordination. Please pray for these men.