

September 3, 2023
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

First, I wish all a blessed and safe Labor Day weekend! Let us be mindful to thank our Good God for the work the Holy Spirit initiates and completes in our lives. Let us also thank the Holy Angels for their efforts to protect and help us on the path toward Eternal Life. Finally, let us thank God for the works that He, in His goodness, has entrusted to us through our individual vocation and the secular work that we may do to support our families or ourselves. Work, indeed, is an essential part of our lives and is a profound blessing when understood through the eyes of Faith!

Second, we celebrate some wonderful Feasts this month: Sept. 8: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Sept. 12: The Holy Name of Mary; Sept. 14: The Triumph of the Holy Cross; Sept. 15: Our Lady of Sorrows; Sept. 23: St. Padre Pio; Sept. 29: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels.

Third, I want to remind our families to turn in the Faith Formation registration enrollment forms. We are looking forward to another wonderful year for forming our youth in our Catholic Faith!

Finally, as we are in the midst of the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, I encourage you to prayerfully read the following sermon by St. John Chrysostom (b.349-d.407), Bishop and Doctor of the Church. St. John Chrysostom (which means 'golden mouthed') was known in the early Church for his eloquent and inspirational sermons. In this sermon he teaches us five paths to repentance, which can be most helpful for our souls to greatly advance in our spiritual life and grow in knowledge of God's will for our lives. Here is the sermon by St. John Chrysostom:

"Would you like me to list also the paths of repentance? They are numerous and quite varied, and all lead to Heaven.

A first path of repentance is the condemnation of your own sins: *Be the first to admit your sins and you will be justified.* For this reason, too, the prophet wrote: *I said: I will accuse myself of my sins to the Lord, and you forgave the wickedness of my heart.* Therefore, you too should condemn your own sins; that will be enough reason for the Lord to forgive you, for a man who condemns his own sins is slower to commit them again. Rouse your conscience to accuse you within your own house, lest it become your accuser before the judgment seat of the Lord.

That, then, is one very good path of repentance.

Another and no less valuable one is to put out of our minds the harm done us by our enemies, in order to master our anger, and to forgive our fellow servants' sins against us. Then our own sins against the Lord will be forgiven us. Thus you have another way to atone for sin: *For if you forgive your debtors, your heavenly Father will forgive you.*

Do you want to know of a third path? It consists of prayer that is fervent, careful and comes from the heart.

If you want to hear of a fourth, I will mention almsgiving, whose power is great and far-reaching.

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

If, moreover, a man lives a modest, humble life, that, no less than the other things I have mentioned, takes sin away. Proof of this is the tax-collector who had no good deeds to mention, but offered his humility instead and was relieved of a heavy burden of sins.

Thus I have shown you five paths of repentance; condemnation of your own sins, forgiveness of our neighbor's sins against us, prayer, almsgiving and humility.

Do not be idle, then, but walk daily in all these paths; they are easy, and you cannot plead your poverty. For, though you live out your life amid great need, you can always set aside your wrath, be humble, pray diligently and condemn your own sins; poverty is no hindrance. Poverty is not an obstacle to our carrying out the Lord's bidding, even when it comes to that path of repentance which involves giving money (almsgiving, I mean). The widow proved that when she put her two mites into the box!

Now that we have learned how to heal these wounds of ours, let us apply the cures. Then, when we have regained (continued on page 4)



*Happy Birthday to our Blessed Mother!
September 8 we celebrate the Nativity of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*



The next **Holy Hour and Social for Men:** Saturday evening, September 9, at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island.

Please note the change in date! We will have a guest speaker this month: Daniel Marsh, a retired Marine Corps veteran who experienced two tours of duty in Afghanistan. Daniel will share on *Why America is Worth Sacrificing For*. All men are invited!

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

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- (Re)read Archbishop Hebda's Pastoral Letter, "You Will Be My Witnesses," www.archspm.org/synodletter (also available via podcast)
- Prayerfully discern participating in Small Group Leader Formation, a FREE seven-week series held on **Tuesdays, September 19 & 26, October 3 & 10 (Thursday, October 5), and November 7 & 14 from 7-8:30 p.m.** right here at the Church of St. Michael, facilitated virtually by Bishop Williams himself. Contact Fr. Kasel, any of the Synod Evangelization Team members, or the parish office to learn more or to register. This formation is intended for those who are open to the possibility of playing a leadership role in a small group. The small groups themselves will form later, at which time another invitation will be made.

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
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!

Institute of Catholic Culture Lecture Series:

Come and See: An Evening Intro to the ICC

New to the ICC? Looking to grow in faith? Hungry for a deeper experience of Christianity? Join Fr. Hezekias and your ICC Team for a special event geared towards new members and those seeking to get more out of what the ICC has to offer. The evening will begin with a short "meet and greet" fifteen minutes before the scheduled start time. We will then discuss the ICC mission, share how best to engage in ICC programs, and offer some encouraging tips for you to get the most out of your time with us. Whether you are brand new to the ICC, or just want to dive in deeper, you are welcome to join us for this informal ICC evening. Please note: this session will not be recorded, so if you miss it, please keep an eye out for the next one on our Live Events page. Event Details: Wednesday, September 6, Pre-Class Discussion: 7:30 PM EST

Lecture: 8:00 PM EST Instructor: Most Rev. Mikael Mouradian
Registration required at: <https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/events/come-and-see-20230906>

Pine Island Food Shelf: items requested for September: cereals & oatmeal

WEEKLY TITHING August 26-27, 2023

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 4,027.00
Plate:	\$ 1,030.15
EFT:	\$ 955.00
Total:	\$ 6,012.1

Assumption of the BVM: \$ 808.75

Missionary Cooperation Plan Collection: \$ 3,730.00

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, Craft & Vendor, & Concession

Concession are available on Sunday.

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

Fall Mums will be available for sale before the festival.

Prices: \$20 for a solid color and \$25 for a tri-color mum.

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.)

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!

Andrew Dinner: Tuesday, September 19, 6-8pm at Archdiocesan Catholic Center, St. Paul
Archbishop Bernard Hebda, Bishop Michael Izen and Father David Blume, Director of Vocations, invite men discerning the priesthood, ages 16-50, to dinner and conversation with vocations testimonies on priesthood and religious life. It is typical for a pastor, deacon, religious or youth minister to accompany each discerning guest. Go to 10000vocations.org for registration and more information

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Saturday, September 9, 2023

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Mass

Sunday, September 10, 2023

7:00am Latin Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

September 6, 2023

Angela Ger (Winkels family)

September 8, 2023

Helena Teske (Sara McNamara)

September 9, 2023

Scott Mitchell

September 10, 2023

†Jeff Funkhouser (Ally Drees)

September 10, 2023

Parishioners



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WORDS TO LIVE BY:

"If you put all the love of the mothers into one heart it still would not equal the love of the Heart of Mary for her children." St. Louis de Montfort

"The Immaculate alone has from God the promise of victory over Satan. She seeks souls that will consecrate themselves entirely to her, that will become in her hands forceful instruments for the defeat of Satan and the spread of God's Kingdom." St. Maximilian Kolbe

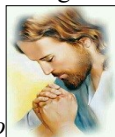
"Tell everybody that God grants graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary" St. Jacinta

"Mary, give me your Heart: so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate; your Heart so full of love and humility that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life and love Him as you love Him and serve Him in the distressing guise of the poor." St. Teresa of Calcutta

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!*



WEEKLY TITHING August 27, 2023

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 1,515.00
Plate:	\$ 320.00
Total:	\$ 1,835.00

Assumption of the BVM: \$ 411.00

Missionary Cooperation Plan Collection: \$ 774.50

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

Annual Rummage Sale: The Catholic Daughters will hold their annual rummage sale in Zumbrota at Church of St. Paul on Thursday, September 7, from 1-6pm, on Friday, September 8, from Noon - 6pm, and Saturday, September 9, from 8am - Noon. Donations will be accepted on Tuesday, September 5, from 5-7pm, Wednesday, September 6, from 1-7pm, and on Thursday, September 7, from 1-6pm. Any donations and support of the Catholic Daughters are appreciated. For questions, please call Monica 507-990-4577.

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

40 Days for Life Campaign Kick-Off Gathering: On September 7 there will be a *Casting the Vision Kick-off Gathering* at St. James Coffee in Rochester at 6 pm to find out details, invite friends and find out how to participate. Then from September 27-November 5, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life—40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 1212 7th Street NW, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information and/or to volunteer to help, please contact Margaret at: 40daysforliferoch@gmail.com.

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.

HOLY MASS TIMES

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

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

Thursday, September 7, 2023

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

Sunday, September 10, 2023

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions

8:45am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

September 5, 2023

Ruth Siefert

September 7, 2023

Gregory Hilbert (Gary & Louise Gerken)

September 10, 2023

Parishioners



NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

(from page 1) genuine health, we can approach the holy table with confidence, go gloriously to meet Christ, the King of Glory, and attain the Eternal Blessings through the Grace, Mercy and Kindness of Jesus Christ, our Lord." (This excerpt is taken from the Office of Readings for Tuesday of the 21st week in Ordinary Time. The biblical text that precedes this sermon is the call of the prophet Jeremiah {see Jeremiah 1: 1-19}. Hom. De diabolo tentatore 2, 6: PG 49, 263-264.)

Through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, St. John Chrysostom, and our patrons, St. Paul and St. Michael, may God bless you, your families and our parishes!
In Christ through Mary,

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
"Some people argue that changing laws will not eliminate abortions. It is certainly true that a change of heart is more important than a change of law. What is forgotten, however, is that the law is the great teacher. Children grow up believing that if a practice is legal, it must be moral." John Cardinal O'Connor
"Life is a gift from the Creator, to be spent in the service of one's brothers and sisters. It is to be accepted, respected, and promoted with every means available, and defended from every threat."
St. John Paul II, Address to an International Congress on Care of the Dying, March 17, 1992

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.



Prayer to St Joseph the Worker: (The title, St Joseph the Worker, reminds us that St Joseph is the patron of carpenters, builders and all workers as stated by Pope Pius XII in 1955.)
"Oh glorious St Joseph, model of all who are devoted to labor, obtain for me the grace to work in the spirit of penance in expiation of my many sins; to work conscientiously by placing love of duty above my inclinations; to gratefully and joyously deem it an honor to employ and to develop by labor the gifts I have received from God, to work methodically, peacefully and in moderation and patience, without ever shrinking from it through weariness or difficulty to work; above all, with purity of intention and unselfishness, having unceasingly before my eyes death and the account I have to render of time lost, talents unused, good not done, and vain complacency in success, so harmful to the work of God. All for Jesus, all for Mary, all to imitate you, O Patriarch St. Joseph! This shall be my motto for life and eternity. Amen." *Pope Pius XII*



†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.

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