January 21, 2018 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,

On January 22, our nation will commemorate the 45th anniversary of the fateful *Roe v. Wade* United States Supreme Court decision that permits the practice of abortion in our country. The act of abortion is contrary to the will and law of God. Our good Lord gives human life to individual persons, beginning at conception, and only He has the authority to determine the timing of death for a human person.

The practice of abortion in our country and world puts our society and culture against God and His plan for the human family. In light of this reality, we are called to lend our voice to our unborn brothers and sisters and to all in our world whose lives are rejected.

We are now in the middle of the USCCB sponsored '9 Days for Life' prayer and action effort (from January 18-26). In the bulletin last weekend I included a 'Novena for Novena to Three American Saints for Building the Culture of Life'. It is not too late to join in prayer for healing in our country.

Finally, let us especially remember those who have been wounded by abortion: aborted children, and mothers and fathers who have chosen abortion. Our good Lord's mercy seeks to heal the wounds of abortion, especially those who have been most affected by abortion. Jesus desires that we all work with Him to help hearts receive His love and mercy after abortion. He desires to forgive – which will stop the cycle of misery and death that surrounds abortion.

I include this week a collection of quotes from various Catholic sources about the goodness of human life:

On the Fundamental Right to Life - Pope Benedict XVI:

God's love does not differentiate between the newly conceived infant still in his or her mother's womb and the child or young person, or the adult and the elderly person. God does not distinguish between them because he sees an impression of his own image and likeness (Gn 1:26) in each one. ¹

[L]ife is the first good received from God and is fundamental to all others; to guarantee the right to life for all and in an equal manner for all is the duty upon which the future of humanity depends.²

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops:

[T]he failure to protect and defend life in its most vulnerable stages renders suspect any claims to the 'rightness' of positions in other matters affecting the poorest and least powerful of the human community. If we understand the human person as the "temple of the Holy Spirit" – the living house of God – then these latter issues fall logically into place as the crossbeams and walls of that house. All direct attacks on innocent human life, such as abortion and euthanasia, strike at the house's foundation. These directly and immediately violate the human person's most fundamental right – the right to life. Neglect of these issues is the equivalent of building our house on sand. Such attacks cannot help but lull the social conscience in ways ultimately destructive of other human rights.³

Abortion - Pope Benedict XVI:

Children truly are the family's greatest treasure and most precious

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 4:15pm 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 in advance to make

Eucharist - Either Fr. Kasel or our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are happy to bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are homebound. Please contact either parish office.

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 4:15pm, Rosary at 4:35pm, Mass at 5:00pm

Church of Saint Michael - Sunday Mass at 7:00am and 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

Zumbrota Care Center - 2nd Thursday of the month, Mass at 9:15am

Pine Haven Care Center - 1st Wednesday of the month, Mass at 11am

good. Consequently, everyone must be helped to become aware of the intrinsic evil of the crime of abortion. In attacking human life in its very first stages, it is also an aggression against society itself. Politicians and legislators, therefore, as servants of the common good, are duty bound to defend the fundamental right to life, the fruit of God's love.⁴

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops:

Among important issues involving the dignity of human life with which the Church is concerned, abortion necessarily plays a central role. Abortion, the direct killing of an innocent human being, is always gravely immoral (The Gospel of Life, no. 57); its victims are the most vulnerable and defenseless members of the human family. It is imperative that those who are called to serve the least among us give urgent attention and priority to this issue of justice.⁵

Embryonic Stem Cell Research - U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops: We must help those who are suffering, but we may not use a good end to justify an evil means. Moreover, treatments that do not require destroying any human life are at least as promising – they are already healing some conditions, and are far closer to healing other conditions than any approach using embryonic stem cells. The choice is not between science and ethics, but between science that is ethically responsible and science that is not.⁶

Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide - Pope Benedict XVI:

The freedom to kill is not true freedom, but a tyranny that reduces the human being to slavery. More and more lonely elderly people exist in big cities, even in situations of serious illness and close to death. In such situations, the pressure of euthanasia is felt, (cont. on pg. 4)

Women's Holy Hour: Please join us for the next CCW Women's Holy Hour on Sunday, January 28th at 6:00pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. More details on page 2.

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION Next Class/Session: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 TOPIC: Sacrament of the Sick

(Everything You Always Wanted to Know and Never Got to Ask) 6:00-6:30pm-Meal

6:35-7:30pm-Children Class/Parent & Adult Session

7:35-7:45pm-All students, parents, & teachers meet in the Church for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction!

***If your family has a conflict with any Wednesday sessions, you may attend either Parish. Please contact either Parish for any questions.

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. If you are interested in attending our adult presentation and do not have children for the program, please RSVP by email or through sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church, if you would like to come to the meal.

Womanta II-1. II **Women's Holy Hour:** Our next Women's Holy Hour will be Sunday, January 28th, 6:00 p.m. After spending an hour with our Lord in the Eucharist, please come downstairs for food, fellowship and a talk by Father Kasel on pro-life and how we can practically help the prolife cause in our daily lives. Free will donations from that evening will be donated to ProLife Across America. The St. Michael's CCW will be providing comfort food, including Macaroni and Cheese, as well as a hot chocolate bar. If you can bring comfort desserts, salads or other foods, we would welcome them.

"On February 2, 2018 (Feast of the Presentation of our Lord), we will be participating in a national event, titled **Rosary to the** Interior: For the Purification of the Church. I invite and encourage all the Catholics of our parishes, if it is at all possible, to journey the one of our parishes according to the times listed below, in order that, in union with the rest of the Church, we might pray the Holy Rosary for the Purification of the Church and the Triumph of Christ's Light over the spiritual darkness and weakness in Faith that is evident in our world. You can come at any time during these hours to pray yourself or with a group. Let us join with Catholics throughout our country and world in asking our Blessed Mother, Mary, to share Jesus and His triumphant Light with us and the whole world!"

Hours for prayer in our Churches on February 2, 2018:

Church of St. Columbkill open from 10am to 5pm Church of St. Mary open from 10am to 5pm

Church of the Holy Trinity open from 10am to 5pm

Church of St. Paul open from 9:30am to 3pm

Church of St. Michael open from 8am to 8pm

Calling all women and children! The Church of St. Michael CCW will be hosting a Pro-Life blanket tying on Monday, January 29th, 6:00pm in the parish hall. We will be providing a light meal and all materials for tying blankets, which will then be donated to a crises pregnancy center. We will say a rosary for all unborn children while we tie blankets and other pro-life materials and information will be available. Bring a friend.

Celebrate the season! Come and enjoy Pine Island's 5th annual Winter Fest on Saturday, January 27th. There's storytelling, ice fishing, games, skating, a movie/theatrical experience, ski classes, ski/ snowshoe rental, groomed luminary trails, bon fires, a sound & light show, chili feed, and more! For additional details, see Pine Island Image Committee Facebook page OR www.pineislandmnchamber.com.

Don't miss the first annual Winter Fest / Winter Carnival to be held at Saint Paul Lutheran Church in Pine Island on January 27th from **10am-Noon**. Everyone is welcome. There will be over 50 Winter Themed Carnival Games, Storytelling, a Hot Cocoa Bar and make your own Snowman Snacks. It's a free, fun, family event for all ages!

Pine Island Food Shelf: The item requested for the month of January is Tuna, Hamburger or Chicken Helper.

WEEKLY TITHING for January 13-14, 2018

Envelopes: 1,044.00 Plate: 863.08 EFT: 7.50 Total: 1,914.58 Kitui Mission Collection: \$ 177.00

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

The Church of St. Michael Men's Club Fish Fries begin Friday, February 16, 2018 Serving from 4:30pm-7:00pm



and each Friday of Lent in Community Room!

Pre-Lent Parish Fish Fry – Saturday, February 3

You are invited to come to a fish fry for our parishioners Saturday, February 3, 2018 after the 5pm Holy Mass.

Please rsvp to our parish office if you would like to come

February Birthdays and Valentine's Day: Join members of the CCW in helping the Pine Haven Care Center's residents celebrate February Birthdays and Valentine's Day on Monday, February 12 from 2-4PM in the main dining room. Approximately 6-8 volunteers will help serve angel food cake and ice cream, and also assist the residents with Bingo. This is a fun event for the residents and volunteers alike. Donations of four angel food cakes, 2 quarts of strawberries, and one gallon of vanilla ice cream are also needed. Pease contact the St. Michael's parish office of Teresa Liffrig if you are able to help.

HOLY MASS TIMES AND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

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

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

Friday, January 26, 2018

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

Saturday, January 27, 2018

5:00pm Holy Mass - On 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays of the month Holy Mass will be ad Orientem; 2nd & 4th versus populum

Lector: Barb Keehn EM: Jon Lenn Server: Jack Swanson Usher: Bob McCutcheon Sunday, January 28, 2018

7:00am Extraordinary Form Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

Lector: Noah Kneeland EM: Chris Kneeland

Servers: John Bauer, Nicholas Bauer, Joseph Pass

Ushers: Vince Fangman

UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday, January 21, 2018

5:30-8:00pm Youth Group Bowling & Pizza at Trailhead Grill

Sunday, January 28, 2018

6:00pm Women's Holy Hour at St. Michael

Monday, January 29, 2018

6:00pm Pro-Life blanket tying

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS



January 24, 2018 †Mary Klug January 26, 2018 †Peter Koenigs January 27, 2018 Dave Marr January 28, 2018 (EF)†John Brumm January 28, 2018 **Parishioners**

CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL FAITH FORM Next Class/Session: Wednesday, Februar TOPIC: Sacrament of the Sick (Everything You Always Wanted to Know and Neve CHURCH OF ST. PAUL FAITH FORMATION Next Class/Session: Wednesday, February 7, 2018

(Everything You Always Wanted to Know and Never Got to Ask) 6:00-6:30pm-Meal

6:35-7:30pm-Children Class/Parent & Adult Session 7:35-7:45pm-All students, parents, & teachers meet in the Church for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction!

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"Meal in a Bucket" If you ordered a meal, it will be available for pick up after Holy Mass on January 21. Thank you!

The 2018 Catholic Services Appeal is about to kick-off!

The 18 Collective Ministries of the Archdiocese, serving the poor, the marginalized, and the needy, participate in and are supported by your generosity. Together, we are strengthening our Catholic family and this Archdiocese. The 18 Collective Ministries served by the Catholic Services Appeal are: American Indian Ministry; Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW; Campus Ministry – Newman Center; Campus Ministry - Saint Paul's Outreach; Catholic Charities; Deaf Ministry, Elementary School Subsidies & Scholarships, Evangelization and Catechesis; High School Scholarships; Hospital Chaplains; Latino Ministry; Marriage, Family and Life; Parishes; Prison Chaplains; Saint John Vianney College Seminary; The Saint Paul Seminary; Venezuelan Mission; & Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities Please begin to prayerfully consider your upcoming gift to the Catholic Services Appeal. Visit the CSAF's website at www.csafspm.org to learn more.

Pro Life Quote:

"You are called to stand up for life! To respect and defend the mystery of life always and everywhere, including the lives of unborn babies, giving real help and encouragement to mothers in difficult situations. You are called to work and pray against abortion." St. John Paul II, during his visit to New York, 1995



†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.

Silent retreats for women based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius will be preached by priests from the Miles Christi Religious Order on the weekends of March 9-11, 2018, and May 4-6, 2018, at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Prior Lake. For more information and to register, please contact Karen Hastreiter at 651-451-1132 minnesota@spiritualexercises.net

16th Annual Zumbrota-Mazeppa Family Expo Sat. Feb. 3rd

Zumbrota-Mazeppa High School Gymnasium at 9-11am. This free event is for families with children birth to kindergarten and their families, highlights various family services that are available in the Zumbrota-Mazeppa community. Bring your family and enjoy: face painters, crazy hair, glitter tattoos, balloon artists, children's music, a HUGE slide, children's craft & activity tables, variety of family service tables. New this Year: A Silent Auction! There will be prize drawing at the event.

Bread of Stone's upcoming Concert at Crossings: Wed. Jan. 24, 7:00pm at State Theatre, 320 East Ave, Zumbrota, MN 55992, cost: \$20 in advance/\$24 at the door. (Doors open at 6:00)

WEEKLY TITHING for January 14, 2018

725.00 Envelopes: Plate: 7.00 Total: 732.00

NOTE TIME CHANGE: High Schoolers!

Come watch the Vikings game! We'll have it with pizza and bowling at the Trailhead Grill Pool and Pins in Pine Island, along with the Parish of Holy Trinity. We'll meet at the Trailhead Grill Bowling Alley in Pine Island at 5:30pm. We'll end whenever the game gets done!

Prayer Service for Life 2018: Join us at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, Monday, January 22, 10:30 a.m. for the Annual Prayer Service for Life, followed by MCCL's March for Life at the State Capitol. This prayer service commemorates the millions of lives lost to abortion and the many women and men wounded by abortion's aftermath. All are invited and welcome. Please consider carpooling or utilizing buses as parking and street access are limited. For more information, please contact the Office for Marriage, Family & Life at 651.291.4488 or visit at www.archspm.org/events.

Catholic Daughters will meet Monday, January 22, at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Paul for a meal, with the meeting to follow.

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HOLY MASS TIMES AND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

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

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

Thursday, January 25, 2018

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

Sunday, January 28, 2018

8:25am Confessions/Rosary

8:45am Holy Mass - On 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays of the month Holy Mass will be versus populum; 2nd & 4th ad Orientem

Lector: Loretta Froyum

EM: Monica Capra, Loretta Froyum, David Hinchley

Sue Hinrichs, Rick Ryan

Servers: Joel Matuska, Gunner Mancilman

Ushers: Tim Mack, Rick Ryan

Nursing Home Minister: Maggie Eggerichs

UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday, January 21, 2018

5:30-8:00pm Youth Group Bowling & Pizza at Trailhead Grill, PI Sunday, January 28, 2018

6:00pm Women's Holy Hour at St. Michael

Wednesday, February 7, 2018 Faith Formation Session/Class

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

January 23, 2018 Alana Monosmith January 25, 2018 †Fr. Jim Gorman **Parishioners** January 28, 2018



NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

(from pg. 1) especially when a utilitarian vision of the person creeps in. In this regard, I take this opportunity to reaffirm once again the firm and constant ethical condemnation of every form of direct euthanasia, in accordance with the Church's centuries-old teaching.

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops:

Euthanasia and assisted suicide can appear a reasonable and even compassionate solution to the suffering of individuals and families struggling with illness or the dying process. Yet these are not real solutions - they do not solve human problems, but only take the lives of those most in need of unconditional love.

Notes

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5 States Conference of Catholic Bishops, "Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities: A Campaign in Support of Life" (2001), /prolife/pastoralplan.shtml#intro.

6 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, "Stem Cell Research and Human Cloning: Questions and Answers" (2004), /prolife/issues/bioethic/stemcell/ answers08052004.shtml.

Outlines of the Catholic Faith:

Dear Brothers and Sisters, This Christmas you should have received the booklet: Outlines of the Catholic Faith. If you did not receive a copy please find one this weekend at our parish or stop by the parish office to pick on up. This is a very popular booklet and has been used in many parishes. I hope you enjoy this booklet and that we can all continue to grow in the knowledge and love our good Lord Jesus and His Holy Catholic Church! In Christ through Mary, Fr. Kasel Below is the Schedule for Outlines of the Catholic Faith Catechesis:

January 20-21: Pages 20-33 January 27-28: Pages 34-47 February 3-4: Pages 48-65 February 10-11: Pages 66-84

Special Confession Opportunity! There will be an opportunity for confession on Tuesday Jan. 23rd at the Church of Holy Trinity from 7:00-8:00pm. Come and experience God's merciful love!

7 Pope Benedict XVI, Homily at Mass of Possession of the Chair of the Bishop of Rome (May 7, 2005), http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/benedict_xvi/homilies/2005/documents/hf_ben-xvi_hom_20050507_san-giovanni-laterano_en.html. 8 Pope Benedict XVI, Address to the Pontifical Academy for Life Congress on the theme: "Close by the Incurable Sick Person and the Dying: Scientific and Ethical Aspects" (February 25, 2008), http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/benedict_xvi/speeches/2008/february/documents/hf_benvi_spe_20080225_acd-life_en.html. (quotes taken from www.usccb.org – compiled April, 2008)

Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, St. Joseph, St. Michael and St. Paul, may Jesus grant His mercy and healing to our country and the whole world!

In Christ through Mary, Fr. Kasel



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