## March 18, 2018 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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### From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

Each year we celebrate the Solemnity of the St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on March 19.

From his place in Heaven, St. Joseph is always ready to be a father and a great intercessor for us! We have only to trust him and place confidence in his love for God and our souls. Just as he cared for Jesus and the Virgin Mary on earth, so now from Heaven he desires to manifest his loving concern for our spiritual and temporal needs! I encourage you to grow in your devotion to St. Joseph through prayer and some daily devotion to him. Entrust some intentions to him and then see what happens! This week I offer you an excerpt from an article called: *St. Joseph: A Theological Introduction* by Fr. Michael D. Griffin, O.C.D.

#### "Prayer to Saint Joseph

It goes without saying that the surest sign of personal devotion to Saint Joseph is manifested by praying to him frequently. His good friends have always called upon him in time of need, when in doubt or discouraged.

We are not only speaking of the prayer of petition. We should of course ask the saints to help us in our material needs, such as finding a job or succeeding in our work. But here we are thinking of prayer on a deeper level. In this perspective, we should pray to Joseph in order to have a greater appreciation of the meaning of religion and the practice of virtue. More important still, we should pray to him to gain a better understanding of a genuine, authentic Christian life, that is, of a life which is lived in Christ and with Christ and for Christ.

Saint Teresa of Avila, the great apostle of devotion to Saint Joseph, is truly outstanding in explaining the manner in which we should pray to Joseph. She writes in the sixth chapter of her Autobiography:

I took the glorious St. Joseph for my advocate and protector, and commended myself earnestly to him; and it was clearly he who both healed me of this sickness and delivered me from great dangers that threatened my good name and the salvation of my soul. His aid has brought me more good than I could ever hope for from him, I do not remember once having asked anything of him that was not granted... God seems to have given other saints power to help us in particular circumstances, but I know from experience that this glorious Saint Joseph helps in each and every need. Our Lord would have us understand that, since on earth He was subject to this man who was called His father, whom as His guardian He had to obey, so now in heaven He still does all that Joseph asks. Others, who have turned to Joseph on my advice, have had the like experience; and today there are many people who honor him and keep on finding out the truth of what I say.<sup>39</sup>

Teresa's advice is especially valuable because she tells us that she discovered this from her own personal experience. And she assures us that those who follow her example have learned that she was telling them the truth. Teresa grew in devotion to Saint Joseph through her meditation on the infancy scenes of the gospels. As she reflected on the perfect obedience that Christ practiced towards Joseph on earth,

## 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 4:15pm 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 arrangements.

**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

she concluded that Our Lord would refuse him no request. That is why she reasoned that Joseph was able to obtain a favorable answer to all his petitions, whereas other saints can only help in particular circumstances. Pius XI was later to confirm this intuition of Teresa when he spoke of "an almost omnipotent power" that Joseph still has over the heart of Christ. 40

Teresa continues: Of all the people I have known with a true devotion and particular veneration for St. Joseph, not one has failed to advance in virtue; he helps those who turn to him to make real progress. For several years now, I believe, I have always made some request to him on his feast day, and it was always been granted; and when my request is not quite what it ought to be, he puts it right for my greater benefit.<sup>41</sup>

And then Teresa reminds us: Prayerful persons, in particular, should love him as a father. I do not know how anyone can think of the Queen of angels, at the time when she was undergoing (cont. on pg. 4)

## The Church of St. Michael Men's Club Fish Fries are from 4:30pm-7:00pm each Friday of Lent

Women's Holy Hour: Please join us for the next CCW Women's Holy Hour on Sunday, March 25th (Palm Sunday) at 6:00pm at the Church of St. Michael, Pine Island. After Adoration, we will serve a delicious pasta dinner, have social time and listen to a talk by Fr. Kasel, "The Graces of Holy Week". We could use some desserts and salads to go with the pasta. Thank you in advance for your assistance. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in a most beautiful way to begin Holy Week.

#### CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

#### CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

Next Class/Session: Wednesday, April 11, 2018 TOPIC: Kneeling Before the Majesty of God (Eucharistic Adoration)

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.

#### **Evening of Recollection for Youth & Confirmation Students**

Wednesday, March 21 from 5:30-8:30pm at the Church of St. Paul, Zumbrota. A night of dinner, prayer, and some enlightening talks!

**Come, Holy Spirit!** 

Please pray for our students who will be confirmed on March 24 at 10:00am at the Cathedral of St. Paul. All are invited to attend a reception for them after the 10:30am Holy Mass on Sunday, March 25. *May God bless you!* 





#### St. Joseph's Altar and Hospitality Sunday, March 18th

The Little Flowers Girls will be hosting a St. Joseph's Altar after the 10:30 Mass on **Sunday, March 18th** to help raise funds to bring the Little Flowers Girls Summer Camp here this summer. The summer camp provides an opportunity for girls 5 and up and their moms

to come together for a faith-filled, fun weekend. This will be the 4th year Church of St. Michael will be hosting the camp. Thank you for supporting this important event for area girls. The St. Joseph's Altar is a tradition in the Catholic Church to honor the foster father of Jesus near his feast day. It started in Sicily when residents prayed to St. Joseph for much needed rain and he answered their prayers! Come and honor St. Joseph, eat great food and help bring the Little Flowers Camp to Minnesota this summer!

#### <u>Sacrament of Confession</u> Individual Confession

Tuesday, March 20 6:30-7:30pm St. Paul Individual Confession times for Holy Week

Tuesday, March 27 4:00-5:00pm St. Paul
Tuesday, March 27 7:00-8:30pm St. Michael
Holy Thursday, March 29 3:30-4:30pm St. Paul
Good Friday, March 30 4:30-5:30pm St. Michael

Good Friday, March 30 after the Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion St. Paul

The **Quilting Bee Cause** will meet on Tuesday, March 20 at 9am in the church hall. Please join us. Everyone is welcome. Any questions--call Bea Rauen at 356-4858.

#### EASTER FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

There is an envelope in your contribution packet for Easter flowers in memory of a loved one. The suggested donation is \$13. Please consider making a donation and place in the collection plate or return to the office by Sunday, March 25th. Thank you!



#### Pro Life Quote:

The fight against abortion is "part of the battle in favor of life from the moment of conception until a dignified, natural end. This includes the care of the mother during pregnancy, the existence of laws to protect the mother postpartum, and the need to ensure that children receive enough food, as well as providing healthcare throughout the whole length of life..."

Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio in book of interviews "Pope Francis: His Life in His Own Words"

#### WEEKLY TITHING for March 10-11, 2018

Envelopes: \$ 1,244.00 Plate: \$ 513.77 EFT: \$ 7.50 Total: \$ 1,765.27

Kitui Mission Collection: \$ 200.00

#### COME AND IOIN US!

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

Serving from 4:30pm-7:00pm -each Friday of Lent (March 23) in the Community Room! STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7:30pm

The Second Annual Family Square Dance—April 7!

When: Saturday, April 7, 2018—6:30 - 8:30pm Where: Church of St. Michael, Pine Island

Snacks and refreshments will be provided. There will be a free-will offering at the door. Grab your friends and family, and come along for a light-hearted evening of laughter and good ol' fashioned fun!

Pine Island Food Shelf: The items requested for the month of March: Shampoo and Toothpaste

Remember: March is Minnesota Food Share Month! The more the food shelf collects during the Minnesota Food Share March Campaign, the more Food Fund dollars it will receive from MN Food-Share. Every food and cash donation given during the March campaign makes a big difference! Cash donations are always appreciated!

#### HOLY MASS TIMES AND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

#### Wednesday, March 21, 2018

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

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

#### Friday, March 23, 2018

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#### Saturday, March 24, 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, March 25, 2018

7:00am Extraordinary Form Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

Lector: Noah Kneeland

EM: Chris Kneeland

Server: Charles Nelson, Leland Nelson, Joseph Pass

Usher: Scott Pass

#### **UPCOMING CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

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6:30-7:30pm Confessions at the Church of St. Paul, ZM Friday, March 23, 2018

4:30-7:00pm Fish Fry & 7:30pm Station of the Cross at St. Michael

#### HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

March 21, 2018	†Anthony Roemer (Carrie Ganz)
March 23, 2018	Eric Berns (Carol Berns)

March 24, 2018 Cathy Cunningham

March 25, 2018 (EF) †Mary Jane Steger (Mike & Beth Steger)

March 25, 2018 Parishioners



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#### St. Patrick's Ham Dinner: Thank you...

The St Paul's Annual Ham Dinner Committee extends a huge **THANK YOU** to all volunteers who contributed to this event. Without your generous support of time, talents and or money, this event could not come together as well as it does year after year. This fundraiser continues to support the important work of the church and essential causes. Your attendance and invitations to others to attend and participate in the camaraderie is equally important to making this a success.

Thank you again!

St. Patrick's Ham Dinner Committee 2018

Cecelia Flaaen and Linda Kazmierczak, Monica Capra & Chris Flaaen,

Maggie Eggerichs & Sue Hinrichs and Fr. Kasel

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## The Zumbrota Area Food Shelf is once again participating in the Minnesota Food Share March Campaign!

Minnesota Food Share provides a portion of their "Food Fund" dollars to our local food shelf, based on the pounds collected and dollars raised in our community. Through the March Campaign, giving food or money to your local food shelf is the perfect way for donors to stretch the value of their donation while helping people in need. All food and monetary donations given to the Zumbrota Area Food Shelf stay at and are used only by the Zumbrota Area Food Shelf. Our food shelf service area includes Zumbrota, Wanamingo, Bellechester, and Goodhue. Donations may be mailed to Zumbrota Area Food Shelf; PO Box 43; Zumbrota, MN 55992. Food donations may be dropped off any time the food shelf is open and also the first Monday of the month from 11- noon. Contact Jan Horsman (732-7527) or Maggie Eggerichs (732-7516) to arrange other drop off times for food donations. *Thank You, Zumbrota Area Food Shelf Board and Volunteers* 

#### 60th Annual Palm Sunday Legion Dinner

Sunday, March 25, 2018 at the Zumbrota VFW, serving from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Baked ham and roast beef, with pie for dessert. Adults: \$13 in advance, or \$14 at the door; children under 12: \$6 at the door; pre-school children eat free! Advance tickets available at Main Street Pharmacy, Busby's Hardware, VFW, and Ace Hardware.

The **KOC** council 2751, will be holding a free will donation **Pancake**, **Egg and Sausage Breakfast**, March 18th from 8:30am to 12:30, at St. Peter & Paul's Church hall in Mazeppa. All proceeds will be donated to the Mazeppa Area Food Shelf.

#### **WEEKLY TITHING for March 11, 2018**

Envelopes: \$ 518.00 Plate: \$ 33.00 Total: \$ 551.00

#### Sacrament of Confession

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#### Words To Live By:

"It would be easier for the world to exist without the sun than without the Holy Mass." St. Pio of Pietrelcina

"Where there is no obedience, there is no virtue; there is neither goodness nor love. And where there is no love, there is no God. Without God, we cannot reach Heaven. These virtues form a ladder; if a step is missing, we fall down." *St. Pio of Pietrelcina* "Every encounter with the Word of God is a propitious moment. Frequent contact with Sacred Scripture helps us to grasp the manner and the actions that God uses when choosing, teaching, and making us sharers of His love." *St. John Paul II, Message for the 38<sup>th</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocations, September 14, 2000.* 

"The man who wishes to understand himself thoroughly must with his unrest, uncertainty, and even his weakness and sinfulness, with his life and death, draw near to Christ." St. John Paul II, Encyclical: The Redeemer of Man, March 1, 1979.

**Catholic Daughters** will meet on March 26th for a 6:30pm supper, followed by a 7pm meeting in Mazeppa. We will have a Birthright shower—come by and check us out!

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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: Karen Hodgman

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7:00pm Stations of the Cross at St. Paul 6:30-7:30pm Confessions at St. Paul

#### **HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

March 20, 2018 †Chuck Beck March 22, 2018 The Wahl Family

March 25, 2018 Parishioners



#### NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

(from pg. 1) so much with the Child Jesus, without giving thanks to St. Joseph for looking after them in the way he did. If anyone has not a guide to teach him how to pray, let him take this glorious saint as his master and he will not go astray. 42

In this passage Teresa uncovers for us most profound meaning of devotion to Saint Joseph. For Teresa, Saint Joseph was truly the patron and master of the interior life; and those interested in cultivating the interior life of personal intimacy with Jesus and Mary should take him as their master and guide. She confidently asserts that those who complain that they do not understand how to pray properly, or who feel that they are not making progress in the art of genuinely and sincerely conversing with Christ, need not despair, even if they can find no director to help them. But if they turn to Joseph and take him as a father they will never go astray or fail to make real spiritual progress. So convinced was Teresa from her own personal experience that she did not hesitate to challenge anyone who doubted her words:

All I ask, for the love of God, is that anyone who does not believe me will put what I say to the test, and he will then learn for himself how advantageous it is to commend oneself to this glorious patriarch Joseph and to have a special devotion to him. 43," (from www.ewtn.com) 39 Life of Saint Teresa. written by herself, chap. 6.

40 See the text of the discourse given on March 19, 1938, quoted in Cahiers de Joseph, 9

Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, St. Joseph, St. Michael and St. Paul, may our good Lord Jesus bless us and the whole world with an outpouring of His Divine Mercy! In Christ through Mary, Fr. Kasel

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#### Prayer for an end to abortion

All parishioners are invited to pray for an end to abortion with Fr. Kasel & Fr. Zabinski at the Rochester Planned Parenthood on Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 4:30pm. Let us join together in public witness and lend our voices for the sake of the dignity of all human life, especially the lives of our unborn brothers and sisters! *Rochester* Planned Parenthood: 1212 7th St NW, Rochester, MN 55901

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT CHURCH OF ST. PAUL Each Tuesday of Lent at 7:00pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL Each Friday of Lent at 7:30pm

#### Collection for the Holy Land - Good Friday

Pope Francis has asked all parishes around the world to take up a collection for Christians in the Holy Land on March 30. Your financial gifts enable the Franciscan community provide education, formation, build homes for the poor and orphans, support senior care facilities and preserve Christians shrines...all in the Holy Land. And most important during this time of war and unrest, this collection will provide humanitarian aid to refugees. On March 30, please stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land and help our Franciscan brothers and sisters.



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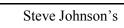
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