

# Holy Family Parish



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## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 20, 2017

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### Pastoral Council Members

Wanda Chenier Tina Cryderman

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Sally Young – Liturgy Committee

Bob Berbohm – Evangelization Committee

### Finance Council Members

Gerald Miron Piper Desy

Audrey Herioux Bill Smith

Mary Kay Nolde

### REQUIREMENT FOR SACRAMENTS

The basic requirement for the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Marriage is that you be a practicing Catholic.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please notify the pastor during the pregnancy in order to schedule sacramental instruction, if necessary.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 to 3:30 P.M.

30 minutes before Mass on Tuesday and Friday  
or by appointment

### Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

### Sacrament of the Sick

The sacrament is for anyone you know who has any continuing or serious illness, or is having Surgery and would like to celebrate this healing sacrament.

### Mass Schedule for Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> thru Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>

Monday.....8:00 A.M.....*ad intentionem datis*

Tuesday.....6:00 P.M.....Canonization of Frederick Ozanam

Wednesday....8:00 A.M.....Walter Marcella

Thursday.....8:00 A.M.....Evelyn Chadek

Friday.....8:00 A.M.....Virginia Paquin

Saturday.....4:00 P.M.....The DeShambo Family

Sunday.....8:00 A.M.....Henry & Nora Menard & family

10:00 A.M.....For the People of our Parish

*PARISH MISSION STATEMENT*

*We will strive to imitate the Holy Family: by being a loving, welcoming, and forgiving community – fully alive in the Spirit of God; by teaching our children the Gospel way of life and encouraging them always to share fully in the life of our parish; by celebrating the Liturgy as a joyful remembrance of our Lord’s Sacrifice for us; by being a family of prayer; by respecting all life, and by having our arms open always to embrace the sick and needy.*

**READERS: Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

Sat. at 4:00 PM – Christy Nelson  
Sun. at 8:00 AM – Audrey Herioux  
10:00 AM – Gerald Miron

**MASS SERVERS: Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Bob Berbohm  
Sun. at 8:00 A.M. – The Smith Family  
10:00 AM – Alesha & Emily Marenger

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

Sat. at 4:00 PM – Debbie Nolde, **Luella Smith**, Bob Tourangeau  
Sun. at 8:00 AM – Tom & **Piper Desy**, Beverly Plmpton  
10:00 AM – Gerald & Jean Miron, **John Miron**

**MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY: Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Adolph Lippens and Don Smith  
Sun. at 8:00 A.M. - John King & Tom Pietsch  
10:00 AM – Eugene Marenger & Galen VanDrese

**VIDEO LIBRARY ASSISTANTS: Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Linda Deksnis      Sun. at 8:00 A.M. – Phyllis King      Sun. at 10:00 AM – Janice Plouff

**ANNUAL MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

The Marquette Diocese and the Knights of Columbus will give special recognition to couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th or 51st and above wedding anniversary anytime during this year. They and their families are invited to the Milestone Wedding Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, September 10 at 2 p.m. (ET) at St. Peter Cathedral in Marquette with a meal to follow.

Widows and widowers who would have celebrated a milestone anniversary this year are also invited and encouraged to attend, as are newlywed couples married from September 1, 2016 through October 1, 2017.

If you plan to attend, please fill out and return the registration form as soon as possible so that plans can be finalized. Those celebrating their Golden Anniversary (50th) this year are also asked to include, if possible, a recent photograph for publication in The U. P. Catholic diocesan newspaper. Registration form Deadline: Wednesday, August 30, 2017. A flyer which includes the registration can be found on the podium at the back of church.



**Calling all to Participate!**

**RAFFLE TICKETS**~~~~~Are here for our annual Harvest dinner which will be Sunday, October 15, 2017. Please grab a couple of packets and sell. The more tickets we sell the more profit our Harvest Dinner makes. There are lots of them to grab!

## THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Aug. 21 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 A.M. -	Morning Mass
Tues.	Aug. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. -	Confessions Mass St. Vincent de Paul Society meets
Wed.	Aug. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	12:00 PM -	Senior Citizens meet
Sat.	Aug. 26 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 P.M. -	Confessions heard until 3:30 P.M.

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Jesus, you are God's gift of healing love. While on earth, you healed the sick who came for help. We believe that you continue to heal the sick today. Heal all those for whom we pray, and those on our prayer list that is listed in our Book of Intentions at the back of church.

Dave Hirn, George Chaillier

#### St. Vincent de Paul Corner News

The Gospel today announces that the kingdom and salvation are for all people. It is our persistent calling out to Jesus and our faith that count, for Jesus always responds.

**With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use...and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.**

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call Rosemary at 786-9442 or Karen at 786-9082 so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.



Pregnancy Services will be hosting a Walk for Life on Saturday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>. There are pledge sheets and more information at the back of church.

**ROOF UPDATE.....** To date our funds that we have for the roof project are as follows:

\$71,309.00 from Our Faith in the Future campaign  
\$ 5,816.58 from different past fundraisers  
\$ 1,205.00 donated in memory of loved ones  
\$41,015.00 in pledges from 64 parishioners  
\$ 500.00 from a non-parishioner

That leaves us with a balance of \$48,393.42 that we still have to raise. If you have been hesitating sending in your donation/pledge for the ROOF, please prayerfully consider supporting this much needed improvement to our Church.

#### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Senior Companion Program is looking for individuals at least 55 years of age or older who have a passion and desire to be a volunteer to help other seniors. You will receive a non-taxable stipend and transportation reimbursement. If interest call Community Action Agency at (906) 786-7080 Est. 144

#### Save the Dates for These Special Events

Pregnancy Services of Delta County's Walk for Life, Saturday, Sept. 16. Contact Audra 786-7474 ext 104 for more information

The Annual Prayerful Life Chain is Sunday Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. For more information contact Sue at 233-1697 or Carol at 786-4795.

#### Knights of Columbus Council #640

Plan to attend our Knights of Columbus picnic Sunday, August 20th, starting at 11:00 a.m.

## SPIRIT LIFTERS

**Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>** - Sitting and wishing won't change your fate; God provides the fishing, but you've got to dig the bait.

**Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>** - He who forgives, ends the quarrel.

**Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>** - It's the little things that bother us, And keep us on the rack; We can sit upon a MOUNTAIN, But not on a TACK.

**Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Kindness is becoming at any age.

**Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>** - Are your troubles causing you to lose your religion or USE your religion?

**Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>** - Those who won't mind their own business, soon have no business to mind.

**Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>** - Feed your faith, and your doubts will starve to death.

**Marygrove Retreat Center will be hosting a  
Retrouvaille Weekend  
September 29 – October 1, 2017.**

**Help for all marriages** - Retrouvaille is based in the Catholic teaching that marriage is a sacrament. But the program is open to couples of all denominations who want to strengthen their relationships and work toward healing and forgiveness in their marriages. If you or someone you know is feeling hopeless or helpless about marriage, Retrouvaille is a lifeline for relationships in trouble. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend retreat in the Escanaba area Sept. 29 through Oct. 1, 2017, please call (414) 502-7685, email: [lakeshore@retrouvaille.org](mailto:lakeshore@retrouvaille.org) or visit our website at <http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com>

### **Donate your Elmer's Rewards Card points to Holy Family Church**

When shopping at Elmer's County Market, present YOUR Elmers Reward card and then the Holy Family Donation Card (they are at the back of church) to the cashier and let them know how many of your Elmer's Reward Card points you would like to transfer to Holy Family. You can transfer your Elmer's Reward Card points in 500 point increments.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

### **Monday**

Jgs 2:11-19  
Mt 19:16-22

### **Wednesday**

Jgs 9:6-15  
Mt 20:1-16

### **Friday**

Ru 1:1,3-6,14b-16,22  
Mt 22:34-40

### **Tuesday**

Jgs 6:11-24a  
Mt 19:23-30

### **Thursday**

Rv 21:9b-14  
Jn 1:45-51

### **Saturday**

Ru 2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17  
Mt 23:1-12

### **Sunday**

Is 22:19-23    Rom 11:33-36    Mt 16:13-20

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Adults.....	\$3,023.00
Loose.....	185.35
General Maintenance.....	47.00
Fuel.....	50.00
Diocesan Collection Env.....	220.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society.....	40.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$3,565.35</b>

**107 Parishioners contributed for Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>**

### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

ISAIAH 22: 15: 19-23    ROMANS 11: 33-36  
MATTHEW 16: 13-20

In today's gospel passage Jesus praises Peter for his in-sight and declares him "Rock." Peter's promotion to the "head office" must be seen, however, as conditional. We can all be replaced if we fail to do our jobs. Isaiah tries to communicate the possibility of being "let go" to Shebna, a royal official. If you were called into the boss' office today, would you fear being fired or expect a promotion?

*Have a Blessed Week!*

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH INCOME & EXPENSE STATEMENT  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017**

ASSETS:	<u>June 2016</u>	<u>07/01/16 – 06/30/2017</u>
Cash in checking	3,071.94	
Christian Service Account	14,228.98	
Roof Fund Savings	19,533.25	
Certificate of Deposit	86,641.08	
Ladies Altar Society	980.92	
Holy Family Men's Club	1,867.93	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS:</b>	<b>126,324.10</b>	
<b>ASSESSABLE RECEIPTS:</b>		<b>204,350.54</b>
Sunday Collections		
<b>GENERAL RECEIPTS:</b>		<b>39,272.43</b>
Donations, Votive Lights, etc.		
<b>FUND RAISING RECEIPTS</b>		<b>17,501.64</b>
Bazaars, pancake breakfast, etc.		
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>261,124.61</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Total Administrative Salaries		59,836.16
Total Religious Education		19,463.86
Total Other Parish Administrative		38,411.83
Total Benefits & Insurance		36,458.47
Total Plant Operation		79,483.54
Total Fund Raising		8,291.01
Total Capital Outlay		37,066.00
Total Other Expenses		6,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>285,010.87</b>
<b>Receipts Over (Under) Expenses</b>		<b>(23,886.26)</b>



The mission group "Sirvientas de Cristo", a lay apostolate of the Marquette diocese, is soliciting donations for a huge rummage sale being held at Holy Name Catholic School in Escanaba on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup> from 8-4. We are accepting donations on Thurs. and Friday from 10-12 a.m. and also from 6-7p.m. or by appointment. If you need help getting your items to Holy Name, please call us and we can assist you.

**CLOTHES** – we are only accepting children's clothes. No stains please.

All donations not sold in the rummage sale will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul in Escanaba unless prior arrangements are made. You can get additional information by contacting Julie or Tim Bishop. [julie@proserv-inc.com](mailto:julie@proserv-inc.com) or [bishoptj2262@gmail.com](mailto:bishoptj2262@gmail.com). Julie 906-280-1314, Tim 906-280-8923. Due to the generosity of one of the members of our diocese, any money raised with this rummage sale will be matched, up to the amount of \$35,000. The team would like to thank you in advance for your time, your prayers, and your support.

### *A note from Fr. Francis*

I complete two months as the Administrator of your parish on Saturday, 19 August. I am guardedly confident that my time here with you grows short and you will be able to return to some normalcy with your pastor in place as the father of the parish.

During my time here I have noted a hesitancy and reluctance for on the part of the vast majority of the parishioners here to stand behind the proposed roof project. The 64 contributions to the recent appeal represents only 23% of the parish households.

I mentioned in the homily last weekend that poignant image from Archbishop Philip Tartaglia of Glasgow in Scotland: “The Catholic Church is a bone in the throat of our secular culture.” We Catholics tend to be quite timid when it comes to witnessing to our faith. We rarely speak of your belief even with each other and are generally quiet when the faith is challenged or attacked.

There is, however, a way in which we do witness quite boldly, and that is in the building and maintenance of our churches. County 416 – 20<sup>th</sup> Road is often part of a cross country bicycle route but hosts mostly local vehicular traffic. Those who pass by the church on this sparsely travelled route are surprised to see the imposing church sitting atop the gentle rise of the road. The church building itself says to all who pass by that there are committed believers hereabout. Replacing the sagging, curling and moss-growing roof is essential in keeping the witness that is the church itself, a credible witness.

I’ll be gone, I suspect, certainly before the snow flies. I encourage you who will remain to take up the financial challenge to see the church is properly reroofed before winter. The generosity of the other 77% of the parish households is imperative.

The financial picture was outlined in last Sunday bulletin. The addition of one \$500 contribution from a non-parishioner is the only change in the figures last week. Another figure you should be aware of concerns the money that needs to be on hand before a loan application for the rest can be made. The parish has about \$27,000 more to raise before a loan application can be made.

Catholic dollars are hard to come by these days. The Upper Peninsula Catholic Service Appeal fell short by more than \$280,000, \$4,650 of which was our own parish shortfall. Now that doesn’t mean that the diocesan offices had to struggle through without that \$280,000+, it meant that the parishes of the diocese had to struggle along without that \$280,000+ in their operating budgets.

With regard to the roof at Holy Family, quite simply, if the church building is to continue to be a witness to the faith in this vicinity the money must be raised and the roof must be replaced.