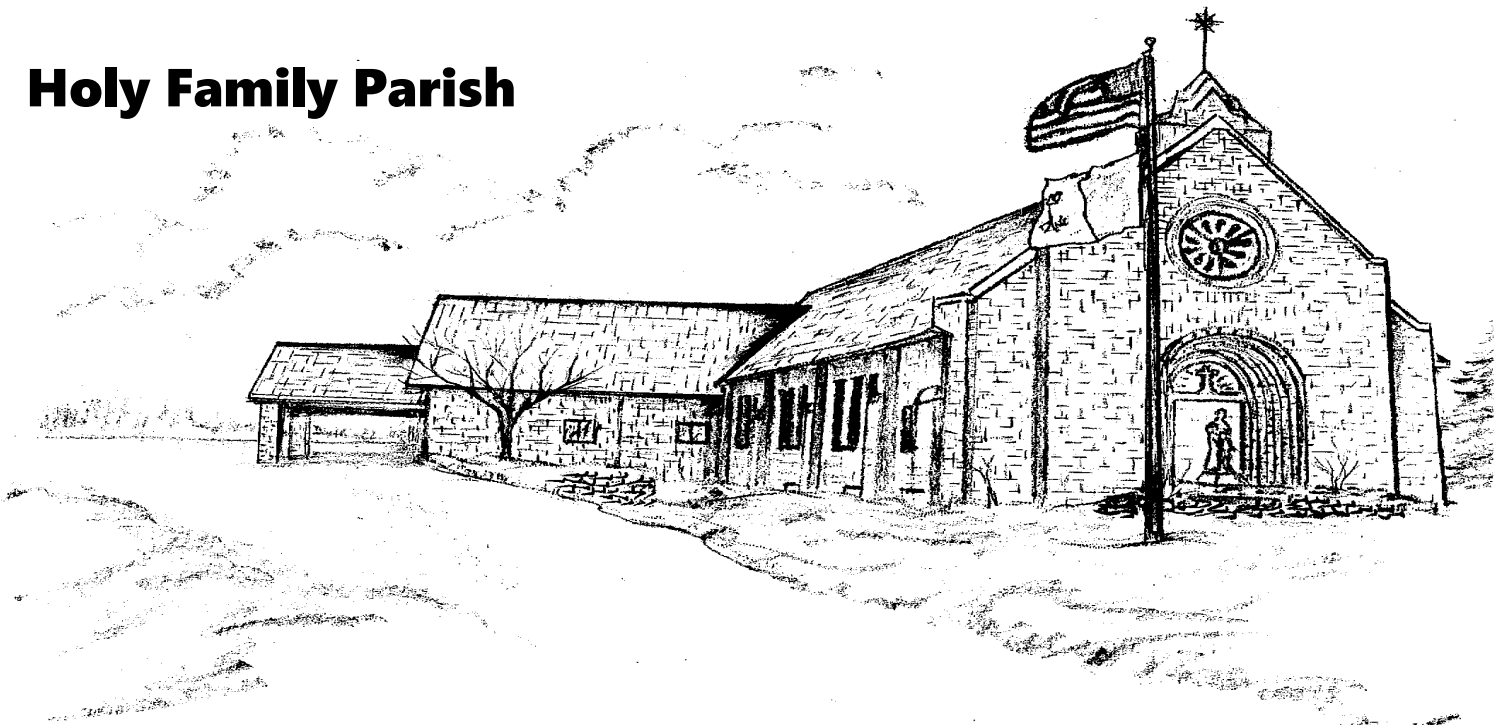


# Holy Family Parish



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## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 13, 2021

### Pastor

(906) 786-1209 Ext. 3

### Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

### Deacon

Deacon: Robert Berbohm 786-9082

### REQUIREMENT FOR SACRAMENTS

The basic requirement for the sacraments of First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage is that you be a practicing Catholic. One parent must be a practicing Catholic to present a child for Baptism

### Parish Secretary

Pam Leisner (906) 786-1209 Ext. 1 (H) 789-1710

Office hours: Monday thru Thursday 9 am to 3 pm

*Bulletin articles should be submitted*

*by Noon on Wednesdays*

E-mail Address: [secretary@holyfamilyparish.net](mailto:secretary@holyfamilyparish.net)

Website: [www.holyfamilyparish.net](http://www.holyfamilyparish.net)

### Sacrament of Baptism

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

### Faith Formation Coordinator

Chris Olesak 428-9431

Email: [colesak@allsaintsgladstone.org](mailto:colesak@allsaintsgladstone.org)

### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 P.M.

7:30 am – 7:50 am

before daily Mass or by appointment

### Maintenance

Mike Rabbitoy 786-1209

### 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.

### Pastoral Council Members

Pam Marenger – President Diane Danhoff  
Wanda Chenier – Secretary Harold Flagstadt  
Kevin Dubord Tina Cryderman  
Pam Marenger – Liturgy Committee  
Bob Berbohm – Evangelization Committee

### Finance Council Members

Gerald Miron Piper Desy Bill Smith  
Mary Kay Nolde Frank Chenier

Please remember our sick in your prayers.....

*Diane, Bob Gascon, Brevyn Willford, Barb, Dale Duane Marenger, Kambria, Shelly Polaczyk, Jan Carter, Pete*  
Attention parishioners. We will start with our prayer list back in the weekly bulletin. If you have a family member or friends who are sick and in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 786-1209. This will be the new corner for the names. The Mass intentions are now listed in the weekly calendar.

## CATECHETICAL CORNER

### Anointing of the Sick (Cont.)

#### Biblical Foundation:

Last week started with the introduction to the Anointing of the Sick. Let us continue with the Biblical background of this Sacrament.

We have not seen anywhere in the four gospels where Jesus uses any sort of oil to anoint a sick person for healing. At the same time he has used his spittle and mud to heal couple of people. Then where do we find the connection of Jesus to this Sacrament? The Church says that the holy anointing of the sick as a true and proper Sacrament is implied in Mark's Gospel 6:7-13, where we see Jesus sending out the twelve apostles for the mission of preaching. In verse 13 we read, "They drove out many demons, and **they anointed with oil** many who were sick and cured them." So we need to conclude that it was by Jesus' instruction the apostles used the oil for anointing the sick. The next clear reference to the anointing we find in the letter of St. James chapter 5:14-15 where James instructs people to call the priests of the Church to anoint anyone who would be sick in the community. James writes, "**Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the *presbyters* of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up.**" So it is evident that from the time of the apostles the anointing of the sick was a practice in the early Church.

#### Who are the ministers of anointing and what parts of the body are anointed?

Bishops and priests are the only valid ministers of the anointing of the sick. Relying on the words of St. James, the Church declares that the 'Presbyters' mentioned by the apostle, does not refer to the older men nor more influential members of the community, not even deacons, but only the bishops and priests. In administering the anointing the priest anoints the forehead and both palms of the hands of the patient. If the patient is a priest, then instead of anointing his palms on the other side of the hands are anointed. For, at the ordination the priests are anointed on the palms. The oil is pure olive oil blessed by the bishop at the Chrism Mass every year and distributed to the churches.

The spiritual effects of the anointing of the sick are: forgiveness of the guilt of unremitted sin, even grave sin for which the person had at least imperfect sorrow, remission of the temporal punishment still due for remitted sin. And also this Sacrament gives the strength to bear the physical suffering. At times, God gives physical healings also to the patient who may be dying. In my pastoral life I have witnessed number of occasions the patients getting back to be conscious even when they were in totally unconscious stage. Some of them went on living long time. The effects of this Sacrament continue as long as the one who receives it remains in the same physical condition that occasioned the reception of the Sacrament. The matter in the holy anointing is the 'holy oil called the oil of the sick' and form is the prayer the priest pronounces during the anointing: "**Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the Holy Spirit.**" **The patient will say Amen or if he/she is not conscious the relatives will respond. Then the priest continues: "May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise of up."**

The Sacrament of anointing is not strictly necessary for salvation for a person who regularly goes to the Sacrament of Penance and Communion. But for a person who is physically unable to confess his sins, or even to give some sign of sorrow, anointing may be the only way he/she can be saved. But as a wonderful Sacrament of healing both body and soul, though we are good practicing Catholic we all should seek for this Sacrament in need. The children below the age of reasoning need not be anointed even in critical conditions.

**(To be continued next week)**

## *Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time*

### THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	June 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. -	Mass - For all of our Special Intentions
Tues.	June 15 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. -	Mass – Elaine Gareau
Wed.	June 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. -	Mass – Marjorie VanDamme
Thurs.	June 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. -	Mass – Earl Miron
Fri.	June 18 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. - -----	Mass – Peggy Verbrigghe Parish office closed
Sat.	June 19 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Saint Romuald, Abbot; BVM</i>	
		3:00 P.M. -	Confessions heard until 3:45 PM
		4:00 P.M. -	Mass – Carl & Elvira Carlson
Sun.	June 20 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Father's Day</i>	
		8:00 A.M. -	Mass – For the people of our parish
		10:00 AM -	Mass - Pete & Willa DeMay

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

80 envelopes were returned for Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>

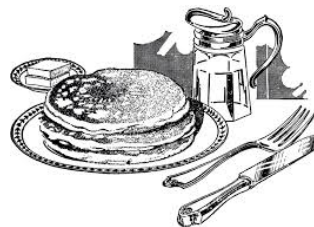
Adults.....	\$ 3,470.00
Loose.....	185.50
General Maintenance.....	268.00
Mass Stipends.....	100.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$4,023.50</b>

<b>Budgeted weekly Income &amp; Expense...</b>	<b>\$3,786.83</b>
<b>Overage.....</b>	<b>\$ 236.67</b>

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	145.00
Diocesan Collection.....	15.00

**St. Joseph Church, Perkins: Job Opening for a Part-Time Parish Custodian** - Call the parish office at 359-4701 for more information and to request an application.

### Council 640 Knights of Columbus News



Because of the virus our Council has been unable to hold our Seminarian Breakfast Fundraiser the last two springs, so we are holding a **virtual type fundraiser**. We encourage parishioners to send a check for the cost of a meal to help us raise funds for this worthy cause. Checks should be made out to Council 640 Knights of Columbus and mailed to Harold Flagstadt at 4048 County 416 20<sup>th</sup> Road, Gladstone, MI 49837.

Every human being comes from the hand of God, and we all know something of God's love for us through each person we encounter. Whatever our religion, we know that if we really want to love, we must first, before anything else, learn to forgive.

~ Mother Teresa

## SPIRIT LIFTERS

- June 13<sup>th</sup>** - Prayer is the key to heaven, and faith unlocks the door.
- June 14<sup>th</sup>** - Many a man who is offered the chance of a lifetime for a song, can't sing.
- June 15<sup>th</sup>** - Only a dad, but he gives his all To smooth the way for his children small; These are the lines that for him I pen; Only a dad, but the best of men.
- June 16<sup>th</sup>** - Life is like a ladder, every step we take is either up or down.
- June 17<sup>th</sup>** - The greatest gift a father can give his children is to love their mother.
- June 18<sup>th</sup>** - A friendship true is like pure gold...It won't wear out because it's old.
- June 19<sup>th</sup>** - Lord, show me how to say yes to the beauty you are building within me.

### MEIJER'S SIMPLY GIVE DOUBLE MATCH DAY IS SATURDAY, JUNE 19

Support Escanaba St. Vincent de Paul Pantry by purchasing \$10 Simply Give donation cards at the Meijer store checkout. The Pantry uses the cards to purchase food only items for our neighbors in need.

To stretch your donation, take advantage of Meijer's Simply Give Double Match Days on Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. For every \$10 Simply Give donation card you purchase on this day, Meijer will provide the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry with a contribution of \$20, which brings the total to \$30 for a single customer purchase. Purchases resulting from the Double Match Day will be matched by Meijer up to a maximum amount of \$10,000 for this campaign. If you don't see Simply Give donation cards at the checkout, please ask a cashier.

**We ask that you please return a copy of your Simply Give receipts with the name and address of the donor to St. Vincent de Paul Pantry, 115 N. 8th Street, Escanaba, MI 49829. Thank you.**

*The Blue Army/Our Lady of Fatima* is collecting religious items for their state fair booth in August. New or gently used rosaries, medals, statues, books and pictures will be accepted at St. Anne's parish office from 9 am to 4 pm.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

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| <b>Monday</b><br>2 Cor 6:1-10<br>Mt 5:38-42                  | <b>Tuesday</b><br>2 Cor 8:1-9<br>Mt 5:43-48    |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>2 Cor 9:6-11<br>Mt 6:1-6,16-18           | <b>Thursday</b><br>2 Cor 11:1-11<br>Mt 6:7-15  |
| <b>Friday</b><br>2 Cor 11:18,21-30<br>Mt 6:19-23             | <b>Saturday</b><br>2 Cor 12:1-10<br>Mt 6:24-34 |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>Jb 38:1,8-11    2 Cor 5:14-17    Mk 4:35-41 |  |

### BARAGA YOUTH FRATERNITY CAMPING TRIP for Boys -

Daily Mass, Campfires, Prayer, Talks. Tent camping at Companions of Christ the Lamb near Paradise, MI. Canoeing the Two-Hearted River, visits to U.P. waterfalls, hiking and swimming. Spending time with priests and seminarians, learning the Catholic faith more deeply, and building fraternity with other youth of the diocese. For Boys ages 11-15. Mon. July 19 through Thurs. July 22. \$100 full payment by July 15. Registration Forms available at the Parish Office. For more info. or to request financial assistance, contact Fr. Corey Litzner (906) 295-1282 or Mike Nelson (906) 420-0107 or 233-2644.



We are currently looking for a full time Store Manager, a part time cashier and volunteers. Pick up applications at 816 Delta Ave Gladstone MI

### **WORLD CHURCH COMBINED COLLECTION - JUNE 12/13TH, 2021**

**Catholic Relief Services Overseas Fund**

**Holy Land & National Communications Collection**

**Peter's Pence Collection (For the Holy Father)**

**11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME; Cycle – B; June 13<sup>th</sup> 2021**  
**Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34**

Dear Sisters & Brothers,

In the synoptic gospels Jesus uses the parables to impart his great messages. Among the many parables a few parables are known as the '*Kingdom Parables*' in which he compares the Kingdom of God to something or somebody who is insignificant in the world. Of course, the subjects for his parables are the ordinary things, events and life situations of the people of Palestine. Though the parables look very simple, the message is very deep. *Through the parables of the seeds scattered by the farmer and the mustard seed in today's gospel, Jesus draws our attention towards the simple origin of the Kingdom of God on earth which is the Church and its magnificent growth in future.*

These two parables are not hard to understand or interpret; they illustrate the Christian paradox, '*Small is great*' or *small beginning great achievement.*' As we know Christianity teaches many paradoxical concepts such as '*We conquer by yielding; we find rest under the yoke; we become great by serving; we are exalted being humble etc.*' Small is great doesn't make any sense in the worldly point of view. For we are familiar with the usual material slogan, '*might is right; money is power and bigger is better.*' But God doesn't view things from a worldly point of view; He has the heavenly perspective. And in God's eyes, the poor, the small and weak, the meek and humble, are the truly great and blessed. That is what Jesus speaks in the Beatitudes.

Coming to the lesson of the seed or the mustard seed, we know that a seed is small and a mustard seed is very tiny in size and nobody expects a big shrub out of it. Though mustard seed is not the smallest of all seeds, in Palestine a grain of mustard seed stood proverbially for the smallest possible thing. **For instance, when Jesus says, 'faith as a grain mustard seed' he means the smallest conceivable amount of faith.** But once the mustard seed is fully grown the small birds can rest on its branches. In this parable what is important for Jesus is not the size of a mustard seed and its growth rather the nature of the Kingdom of God he established. This parable says, '*never be daunted by small beginnings*'. Here Jesus foresees the growth of the Church which had a very humble origin.

When Jesus was crucified, even his close friends, the disciples, ran away and only a few women had the courage to stand at the foot of the cross. For fifty days the outside world has not seen the presence of the eleven men at all. So naturally

everybody concluded that everything was over with Jesus. **But Jesus, the tiny mustard seed planted by God on earth was raised by God as a big tree.** Today Church is the resting place for millions in the world. But Christianity had a very humble origin with Jesus and it slowly grew with the apostles. Even after 2000 years the branches of the Church continue to extend far and wide. Currently there is no corner in the world where we will not find Christians and churches.

**History teaches us a great lesson that anything good had a humble origin and anything had a big beginning could never continue for long.** For instance, once upon a time Rome reigned all over the world, but finally she fell in the hands of the barbarians; the kingdom of great Briton once extended towards the end of the world, now is reduced to a tiny nation; The same thing happened with kings and emperors too. Alexander the Great, Hitler and Napoléon seemed to have built mighty empires. In Russia Stalin reigned with iron fists and assassinated millions of his opponents, but today nobody speaks about these rulers and their empires. They only survived for a few years and disappeared in the pages of history. On the other hand some of the poor souls started building up empires for God from nothing. Among them, no one will forget Francis of Assisi, Ignatius of Loyola and Mother Theresa of Calcutta. These simple people planted the tiny seeds and later they became huge trees, spreading their branches all over. **We can't expect such growth with iron fist, money or power but only by the work of God.** That is what we have just heard in the first reading from Prophet Ezekiel that God planted a tender shoot of cedar, and it became a big cedar tree giving shade and protection to many; because it was planted by God. That was the story of the kingdom of the people of Israel.

Living in an instant and fast food culture, we expect everything to be big, quick and full. We don't have any patience to wait for the slow growth and also we believe that with our money, power, talent and influence we can conquer the world. Please remember God begins anything in simple and humble way, but it will never cease to exist and will continue to grow. It is applicable to our spiritual journey, married life and material achievement. No one became a saint overnight; no one became a good father or mother in a day; If we begin with the Lord, no doubt he will take care of the rest of the things. That is why **Jesus says, "But seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides"** (Mt. 6:33).