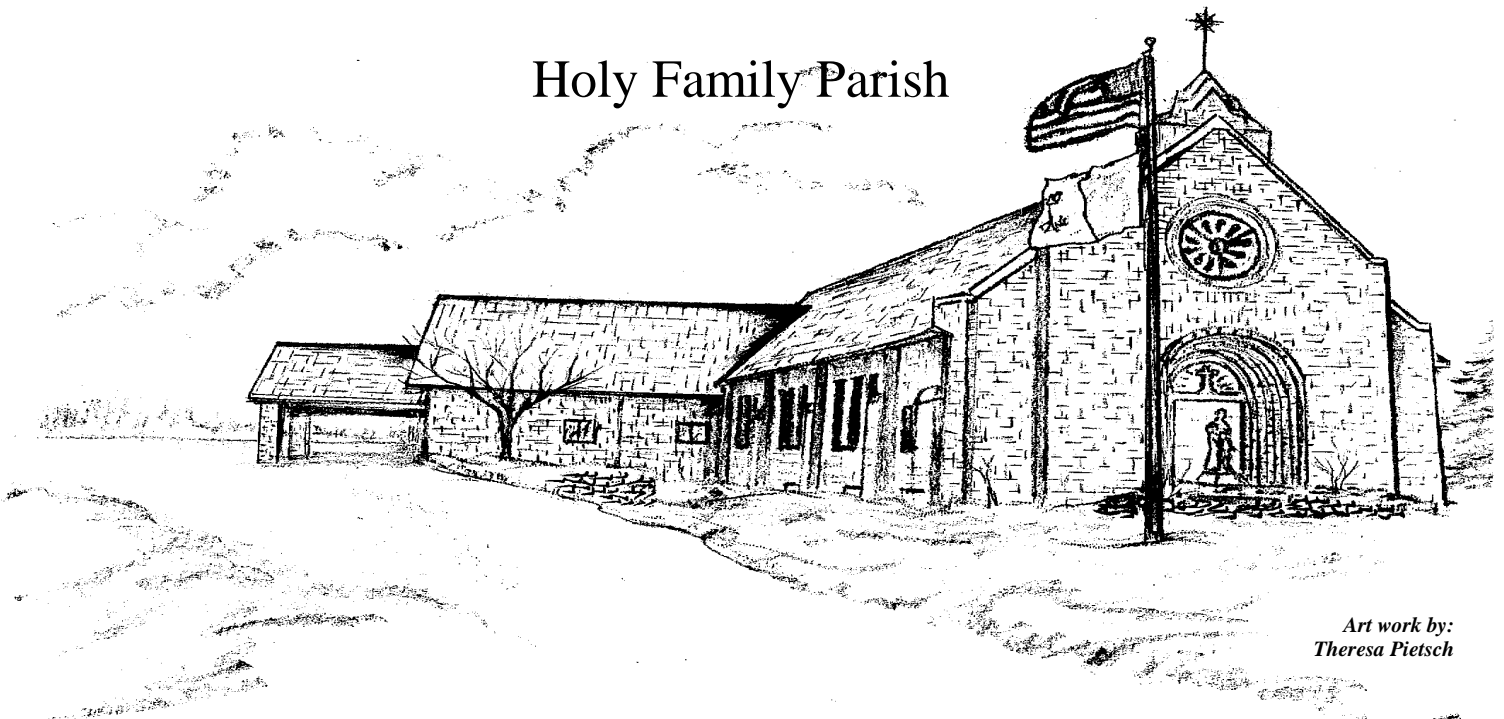


Holy Family Parish



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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 Daily Mass 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 May 3rd thru May 8th

Tuesday.....6:00 P.M.....Mary Hubert
Wednesday....6:30 P.M.....Amy Chenier Kositzke
Thursday.....8:00 A.M.....Francis & Geneva Smith
Friday.....8:00 A.M.....Janet Ostrander
Saturday.....4:00 P.M.....Gordon & Geneva Willford
Sunday.....8:00 A.M.....For All Mothers
10:00 A.M.....Germaine Deno

The Rosary is recited 20 minutes before daily Mass.

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: May 7th – 8th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Barb Tardiff
Sun. at 8:00 AM – Rosemary Beauchamp
10:00 AM – Scott Shepeck

MASS SERVERS: May 7th – 8th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. - Emily & Trent Marenger
Sun. at 8:00 A.M. - Laura Hallfrisch & Lucas Hughes
10:00 AM - Simon Chouinard & Gregory Chenier

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: May 7th – 8th

Sat. at 4:00 PM – Jay Belcher
Sun. at 8:00 AM – Piper Desy
10:00 AM – Dan Chouinard

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY: May 7th – 8th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Jim Chenier, Richard Newhouse, Eugene Marenger, Don Smith
Sun. at 8:00 A.M. – Bob Marcella, Ron Germain, Joe Menard, Dale Richer
10:00 AM – Scott Shepeck, Galen VanDrese, Bill Plouff, Alfred Gareau

VIDEO LIBRARY ASSISTANTS: May 7th – 8th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – the Gascons Sun. at 8:00 A.M. – Donna Richer 10:00 AM – Janice Plouff

The Pastor's Mind's Eye

COMFORT THE AFFLICTED – Part 1

It is said that friendship doubles our joy and divides our grief. That's true: good news becomes better when we can share it, and the burden of sorrow is lighter when there is more than one person to carry it. This is the straightforward counsel of St. Paul: "Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep" (Rom 12:15).

Most of us feel pretty inadequate in the face of another's suffering. We are afraid we might say the wrong thing or attempt to get out of the awkward situation by mouthing some platitude like, "I know how you feel." As daunting as this work of mercy appears, however, in one way it is the easiest to perform because often the best comfort we can provide comes from doing and saying nothing, but just by *being there* with our grieving friend. There are no magic words that make the pain vanish, but there are the looks and touches that say, "You're not alone."

Sumus Missiles Deum

Its finals week already!! I'm not quite sure where the time went but I am very grateful for it. One of the biggest blessings I got to encounter amongst the busy study schedule, was the opportunity to attend a Praise and Worship concert and see some of my favorite Christian music bands/artists. Sacred Heart had a great group of about 10 seminarians and two priests attend. It's of no surprise to any of you that music really helps me spiritually – the opportunity to be in an arena with a few thousand people just praising the Lord in song – priceless! As I reflect on this academic year coming to a close, once again please know how deeply grateful I am for all of you and your support. I look forward to being able to worship with you all at different times throughout this summer.

God Bless, Christian

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Tues.	May 3 rd	5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. -	Confession Mass Ladies Altar Society last meeting until September
Wed.	May 4 th	6:30 P.M. -	Mass and Pizza for the last day of Religious Education
Sat.	May 7 th	3:00 P.M. -	Confessions heard until 3:30 pm
Sun.	May 8 th	9:00 A.M. - 11:00 AM -	Breakfast served to all mothers and daughters Confirmation and Adult Education Class

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:

Paula Pare, Andrea Plouff, Duane & Nancy Marenger
Mike Vuksan, Elvira Skrupski, Rita Dawson
Denise Seymour, Sydney Berndt
Laurie Gascon, Tina Kelloniemi
Raymond Beauchamp, Amy Plouff
Jim Willford, Jim Vandermission, Dustin Berube
Pat McGlynn, Ruth Chouinard
Nick Nolde, Amanda Chenier, Michael Dawson
Kathy McGinn, Susan VanDrese, Pam Houle
Darlene McGeary, Christine Kleiman, Lynn Johnson
Tabitha Brunette, Traci Frappier, Shirley Frazer
Gerald Luft, James Paquin, Matt Smith, Justin Bjork
Michael Dombe, Allie Grenier, Frank Novak
Diane Helman, Joanne Popkowski, Tom Forvilly
Sally Luft, Marion Sodergren, Janet Gazan
Annie Hirn, Jean Way, Sue Mulzer, Carol Lancour
Roger Arnold, Nancy Paquin, Coda Meadors
Kathryn Fudala, Janet Shelley, Shelly Polakcyk
Kathy LaCosse, Joanne Lohfink, Payten LaMarch
Brenda Chouinard, Virginia Paquin, Kay Edington
Peggy Verbrigghe, Darlene Kelloniemi, Bill Whitney

It has come to our attention that a dishrag was flushed down in the toilet in the basement and it caused a lot of back up sewage problems. This was an expensive situation that could have been avoided. If anyone knows how this would of happened, please call the parish office.

Parish Faith & Family News

It's hard to believe that another year of Religious Education is coming to a close. This week, Wednesday, May 4th, there will be Mass at 6:30 p.m. with pizza to follow in the Father Matt Hall. Everyone is invited to come to this. I hope you will join us.

I hope everyone is close to finishing up their online class. I would like to thank my teachers for helping out with the classes. 1st grade – Lori Tourangeau, 2nd grade – Amy LaMarche, 3rd grade – Cathy, 4th grade – Jodi Gardner, 5th grade – Alicia Hughes, 6th grade – Christy Nelson, 7th grade – Sara Trombley, 8th grade – Nichole Silverstone, 9th grade – Julie Martin, 10th grade – Scott Shepeck, and 11th grade – Father John.



St. Vincent de Paul Corner

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you also say to those who are poor: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."



Calling All Ladies

This Tuesday, following the 6:30 PM Mass, our ladies will gather in the church hall for a presentation from **Holly Geurts** with her book that she wrote. All ladies are invited to attend. Cornell area is in charge of the lunch. This will be the last meeting until September.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- May 1st** - In His hand are the steep places of the earth; the strength of the hills is His also.
Psalm 95:4
- May 2nd** - Many people treat their religion as a spare tire - they never use it except in an emergency.
- May 3rd** - Cast out all negative thoughts about yourself today and focus on the gifts you do have.
- May 4th** - A gem cannot be polished without friction, nor the man perfected without trials.
- May 5th** - He that planteth a tree is the servant of God, He provideth a kindness for many generations, And faces that he hath not seen shall bless him.
- May 6th** - Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not only in the Bible, but in every leaf of springtime.
- May 7th** - Keeping house is like threading beads on a string with no knot at the end.

The 31st annual Hospitality Lecture is scheduled for Tuesday, May 31, 2016. Presenter is Sr. Sara Butler, M.B.S.T., professor emerita of dogmatic theology at the University of St. Mary of the Lake, Mundelein. Her presentation for the day is entitled, "The Year of Mercy: A Message about God's Love". Direct any questions to Denise Foye: dfoye@dioceseofmarquette.org, or 800-562-9745 ext. 130, 906-227-9130.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE TO THE
MARIAN SHRINES IN WISCONSIN
TUESDAY, AUGUST 23- THURSDAY,
AUGUST 25, 2016

RESERVATION DEADLINE IS MONDAY, JUNE 20TH CONTACT EMILY AT (906) 226-7772 EXT 3 FOR MORE INFO OR RESERVATIONS.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday
Acts 16:11-15
Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday
Acts 17:15,22-18:1
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday
Acts 18:1-8
Jn 16:16-20

Friday
Acts 18:9-18
Jn 16:20-23

Saturday
Acts 18:23-28
Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday
Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23
Lk 24:46-53

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Adults.....	\$3,942.00
Loose.....	256.00
General Maintenance.....	30.00
Good Shepherd.....	140.00
Catholic Home Missions.....	247.00
Mass Stipends.....	200.00
Miscellaneous.....	1,856.96
St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	771.55
Total.....	\$7,443.51

137 families contributed for Sunday, April 24th

Mother's Day Breakfast - Sunday, May 8th

The Holy Family Men's Club invite all Mothers and Daughters to a delicious breakfast after the 8:00 am Mass on Mother's Day, May 8th. Our menu includes eggs, ham slices, French toast sticks, potatoes, donuts from Donut Connection, coffee, juice and fresh fruit. Come and enjoy!



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

*Kevin Gartland and daughter Morgan
Richard & Sandra Detry*