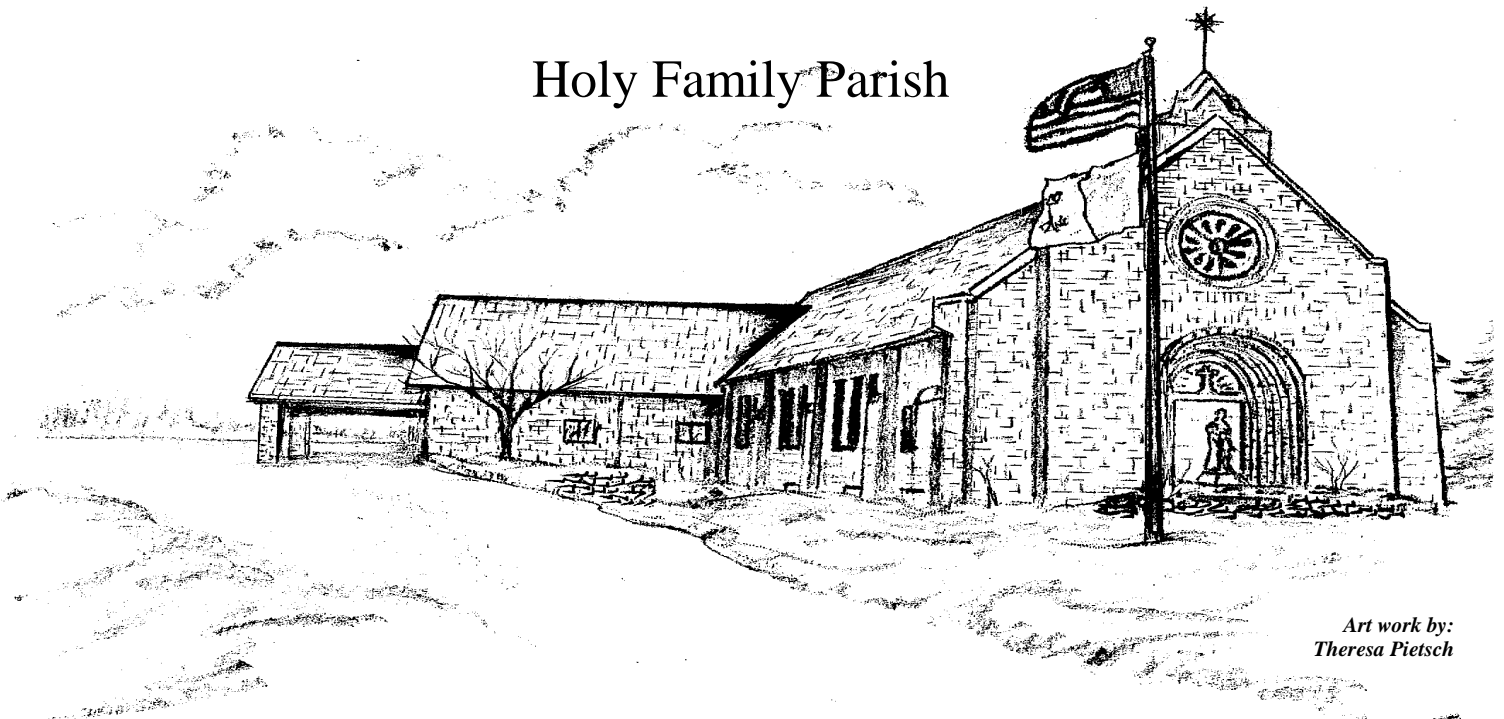


Holy Family Parish



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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 Nov. 21st thru Nov. 27th

Tuesday.....6:00 P.M.....Walter & Rosemary Solis

Wednesday....**7:00 P.M.**.....Rex McGinn

Thursday.....8:00 A.M.....No Mass

Friday.....8:00 A.M.....No Mass

Saturday.....4:00 P.M.....Frank Paquin 1st Anniversary

Sunday.....8:00 A.M.....For the People of the Parish

10:00 A.M.....Randy Trombley 24th Anniv.

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: Nov. 26th – 27th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Christy Nelson
Sun. at 8:00 A.M. – Beverly Plimpton
10:00 AM – Scott Shepeck

MASS SERVERS: Nov. 26th – 27th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Gabe, Daniel & Ben Smith
Sun. at 8:00 A.M. – Laura Hallfrisch
10:00 AM – Simon Chouinard

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: Nov. 26th – 27th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Nichole Silverstone
Sun. at 8:00 A.M. – Donna Richer
10:00 AM – Cindi Shepeck

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY: Nov. 26th – 27th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Kevin Dubord, Art Caron,
Sun. at 8:00 AM – Don Anderson, John King, Bob Marcella, Jim Chenier
10:00 AM – Harold Young, Neil VanDrese, Eugene Marenger, Bob Tourangeau

VIDEO LIBRARY ASSISTANTS: Nov. 26th – 27th

Sat. at 4:00 P.M. – Julie Caron Sun. at 8:00 A.M. – Carol LaFave 10:00 AM – Emily Moreau

The Pastor’s Mind’s Eye

Visit the Imprisoned

Part 2

This work of mercy does not end when a convict is released. There are programs of restorative justice to help former prisoners integrate back into society, and these provide opportunities for us to carry out this work. Job training and employment can help men and women get a fresh start, and even in informal ways we should look for ways to welcome them into our parish communities. We must be realistic enough to recognize that some ex-convicts have very deep problems that cannot be dismissed with the wave of a hand; their path will sometimes be slow and laborious, but we should commit ourselves to walking the journey with them and helping them not to give up hope.

Another important group of people who stand in need of the mercy of this work are juvenile offenders. These young people have found themselves behind bars because something or someone has failed them. We should not be naïve: working with young offenders requires discretion and training. There will be heartbreaks and setbacks. But if it is a tragedy when any human being stops hoping, it is doubly so when that human being is standing on the threshold of adult life.

Sumus Missiles Deum

Hello again! As I write to you this time, I sincerely and humbly thank you. A few weeks ago I received financial assistance from the seminarian endowment fund to help for my tuition this fall, and I am in amazement at your generosity. Once again, I hope you all know how thankful and proud I am to come from such a great faith community. Ben and I are truly blessed with your financial assistance, but also of course through your support and warm welcome every time we’re home. With that said, I am very much looking forward to be coming home in about a week for Thanksgiving. I can’t believe how fast this semester has gone by. After Thanksgiving break, I have two more weeks of classes and then final exams before Christmas break! The days can be long, but the weeks fly by! May you all have a blessed Thanksgiving and know of my prayers for you all, for I am truly thankful for you! ☺ Christian

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Tues.	Nov. 22 nd	5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. -	Confessions Mass St. Vincent de Paul Society
Wed.	Nov. 23 rd	12:00 PM – 7:00 P.M. -	Senior Citizens meet Thanksgiving Eve Mass
Thurs.	Nov. 24 th	-----	Happy Thanksgiving – Parish offices closed
Sat.	Nov. 26 th	3:00 P.M. -	Confessions heard until 3:30 pm

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:

Larry Chouinard, Annie Hirn, Betty Lou Tourangeau
Carol Katch, Cecila Terrien, Pat Hughes
Clarence Roberts, Tom Neuens, Joyce VanDrese
Andrea Plouff, Donald Pellegrini, Edward Blahnik
Duane & Nancy Marenger, Dustin Berube James Paquin
Laurie Gascon, Denise Seymour, A Special Intention
Paula Pare, Tina Kelloniemi, Raymond Beauchamp
Carol Lancour, Jim Willford, Jim Vandermission
Pat McGlynn, Ruth Chouinard, Amy Plouff
Amanda Chenier, Michael & Rita Dawson, Frank Novak
Kathy McGinn, Susan VanDrese, Pam Houle
Darlene McGeary, Christine Kleiman, Sue Mulzer
Jean Way, Lynn Johnson, Matt Smith, Justin Bjork
Tabitha Brunette, Traci Frappier, Shirley Frazer
Nick Nolde, Michael Dombe, Allie Grenier
Diane Helman, Joanne Popkowski, Rose Morrison
Sally Luft, Tom Forvilly, Janet Gazan, Sydney Berndt
Roger Arnold, Nancy Paquin, Coda Meadors
Kathryn Fudala, Janet Shelley, Shelly Polakcyk
Kathy LaCosse, Joanne Lohfink, Payten LaMarch
Brenda Chouinard, Kay Edington, Elvira Skrupski
Peggy Verbrigghe, Darlene Kelloniemi, Bill Whitney

*The Parish Offices will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24th, and Friday, Nov. 25th. Wishing you a Thanksgiving filled with peace, love and joy!
From Fr. John, and the Parish Staff*



Alone for the Holiday?

A warm welcome is extended to individuals and families who will be alone for the holiday to a Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day at noon. Meal reservations, rides or home delivered meals can be arranged by calling Community Action at 786-7080.

Thanksgiving Eve Mass

On Wednesday, Nov. 23rd we will celebrate our Thanksgiving Eve Mass at 7:00 PM. We ask that you please bring non-perishable items to be brought up at the offertory time for the St. Vincent dePaul baskets.



The following people are scheduled to serve:

Lector: Diane Danhoff

Altar Servers: Gabe Smith and Lucas Hughes

Minister of Communion: Anne DeShambo

Church Dinner

St. Anthony & St. Thomas will hold their annual dinner bazaar on Sunday, Dec. 4th from 11 am to 2:30 pm. They will serve Ham, meatballs, cabbage rolls, and all the trimmings. Dinner is \$10 from ages 18 and up; ages 6-17 \$5; 5 and under are free.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- Nov. 20th** - When you begin to dislike someone, do something nice for him.
- Nov. 21st** - Tolerance is a virtue, but the greatest crime of our age has been the toleration of wrong.
- Nov. 22nd** - What makes life worth the living is our giving and forgiving.
- Nov. 23rd** - Love me for what I am, Not what you want me to be.
- Nov. 24th** - If you can think of nothing for which to give thanks, you have a poor memory.
- Nov. 25th** - Lord show me the way I can somehow repay the blessings you've given me today.
- Nov. 26th** - So once in every year we throng Upon a day apart, To praise the Lord with feast and song In thankfulness of heart.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society are taking names for the Christmas Baskets. If you know of someone in need please call Betty Lou Tourangeau at 786-7216. Everything is kept confidential. Names will be taken to Dec. 1st.

Yummy Yummy!

St. Anthony's 10" meat pie \$13.00 each. Must pre-order pie by calling Debbie at 399-4259. Pick up dates are Dec. 14th – 15th between 1-4 pm at St. Thomas Church in Escanaba.



Baptismal Congratulations

Welcome to the Church, Trista Ann, daughter of Nick & Traci (Brunette) Pinar. Trista was baptized at Holy Family Church on Nov. 12th. Also welcome to Brynn Violet and Annika Marie, daughters of Rod

& Melissa Kemppainen. Both girls were baptized on Sunday, Nov. 13th. Congratulations to the parents, God-parents and extended family and friends.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

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| <p>Monday
Rv 14:1-3,4b-5
Lk 21:1-4</p> <p>Wednesday
Rv 15:1-4
Lk 21:12-19</p> <p>Friday
Rv 20:1-4,11-21:2
Lk 21:29-33</p> | <p>Tuesday
Rv 14:14-19
Lk 21:5-11</p> <p>Thursday
Rv 18:1-2,21-23;
19:1-3,9a
Lk 21:20-28</p> <p>Saturday
Rv 22:1-7
Lk 21:34-36</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday
Is 2:1-5 Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44</p> |
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STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Adults.....	\$3,117.00
Loose.....	374.00
General Maintenance.....	59.00
Fuel.....	146.00
All Saints Day.....	10.00
Military Collection.....	374.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	105.00
Total.....	\$4,185.00

137 families contributed for Sunday, Nov. 13th

Ladies of the Parish Christmas Party



Come One, Come All....Ladies of the parish are invited to the Christmas party on Monday, Dec. 5th which starts at 5:30 pm with dinner served at 6:00 PM. The cost for the night is \$6 for a catered meal, and if you want to

participate there is a \$10 gift exchange. We also collect toys for the baskets. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this fun event! ***If you plan to attend, please sign up at the back of Church by Dec. 3rd.***

Also start thinking of items you can donate to raffle off to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Baskets. Why not consider making something. The raffle will be held on Dec. 5th, the night of the Ladies Christmas Party.

Parish Faith & Family News

Advent is just a week away. But we need to celebrate Thanksgiving first. What are you thankful for? I hope a day doesn't go by without you thanking Jesus for that day and what went on during that day.

I am thankful for my parish family. We always seem to come together and help when someone is in need; whether it is food, money, or prayers. We have become a caring and giving parish.

In the Gospel for the 1st week of Advent we hear about two men working in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Also, the two women grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! We don't know when a thief might break into our house, so we are prepared for him at all times. We lock our doors and windows. We leave a light on when we're gone. We insure our possessions. We do things now because a thief could come at some unknown time. Hence, even during this busy Christmas season we must keep our daily life centered on Christ.

Remember our Family Group Gathering is Wednesday, November 30, 2016, starting at 6:15 pm. We will have skits, crafts, and snacks. Everyone is welcome to come.

Parents, remember to check the group discussion and lesson discussion on your child's dashboard. Some are not answering the questions. Also, teachers, please remember to post questions for your students.

Can you unscramble the following words that pertain to Advent and Christmas?

njho eht tbitpas gnale bilgrea hheemetbl ymra

Let's give Thanks

St. Thomas Parish will be hosting a **THANK YOU, GOD!** prayer service Sunday, November 20th @ 3 PM



Thank You, LORD!

- Chaplet of Divine Mercy to conclude the Year of Mercy designated by Pope Francis
- Rosary as a prelude to THANKSGIVING DAY to thank God for His mercy and blessings received during this year
- Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

~~~We can do this TOGETHER~~~

To date we have \$37,705 toward our goal of \$44,130. This leaves a short fall of \$6,425 with about 46 or so cards still out. Please return your card if you have not yet done so. We are counting on 100% participation. A huge THANK YOU to all who have donated so far!

**WE GOT THIS!!!!**

Hope in Anxious Times ~ Parish Mission

Sunday, November 27th & Monday the 28th, 6:00 PM St. Joseph Catholic Church in Perkins. Fr. Tim Ferguson, Rector of Marygrove Retreat Center will help us to focus our hope on Christ, the light shining in the darkness. What is this world coming to? Yet, from the Feast of Christ the King, through to Christmas, the Church proclaims a message of hope. Please join us. All are welcome.