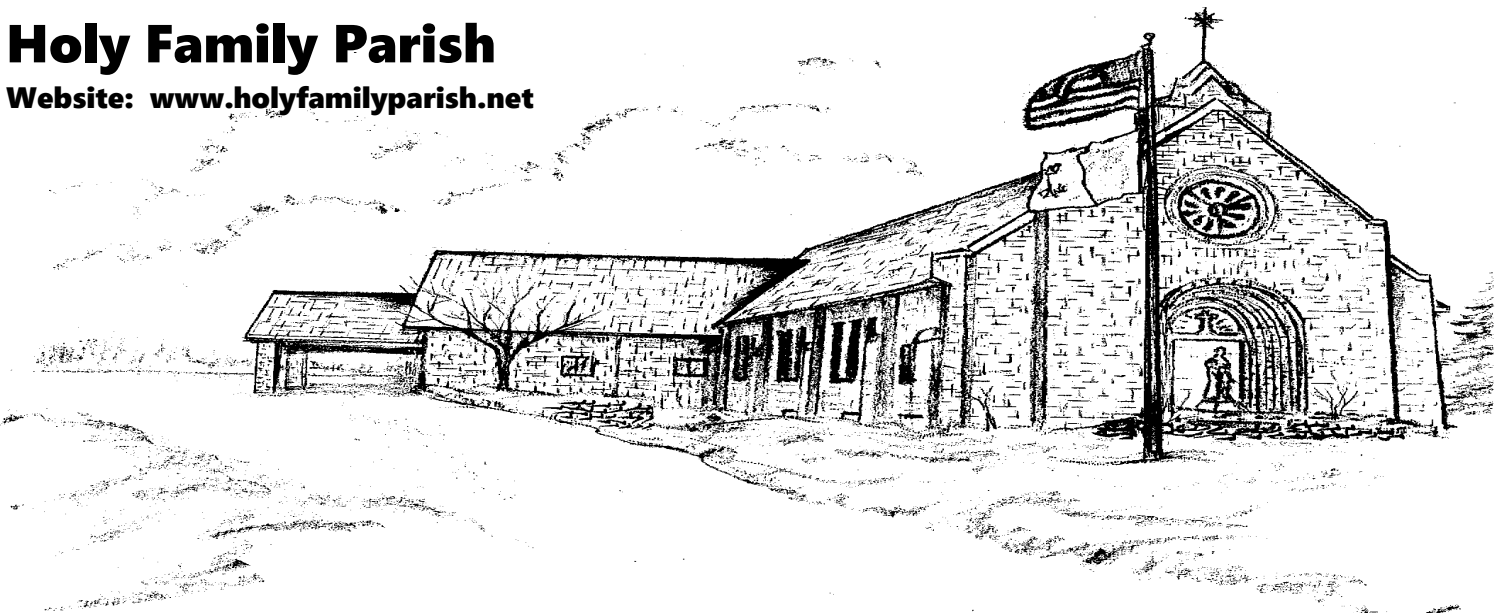


# Holy Family Parish

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## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 26, 2025

### Pastor

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### Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

### Deacon

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### Parish Secretary

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*Bulletin articles should be submitted*

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### Faith Formation Coordinator

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### Maintenance

906-786-1209

### 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  
Mary Kay Nolde Frank Chenier

### 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

### Sacrament of Baptism

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

### Sacrament of Penance

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

7:30 am – 7:50 am

before daily Mass or by appointment

### Sacrament of the Sick

The sacrament is for anyone you know who has any continuing or serious illness or at point of death, or is having surgery and would like to celebrate this healing sacrament. Contact Fr. Sebastian at (906) 440-4193

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

*Mike Gasperich, Joan, Jean Way, Shelly Polaczyk  
Clifford Marcella, Brenda Chouinard, John King  
Michael Theoret, Herb Iverson, Sue Boudreau*

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.

# THE BIBLE STUDY

## The Gospel of Luke

**Luke: 5:8.** The response of **Simon Peter** to this miracle reveals some of what he may have been thinking when Jesus asked him to let down his nets after he had just finished cleaning them. He is called *Simon Peter* here, rather than just Simon, because his new apostolic nature starting to emerge. Occasionally in the Gospels, Simon the man is set in contrast to Peter the Apostle. He is more commonly referred to as *Peter* once Jesus gives him this nickname in Luke 6:14.

The response of Peter to this miracle is surprising. The general response to such a miracle would be amazement, wonder, awe, and a desire for Jesus to stay and perform more miracles (cf. 4:42). But Peter asks Jesus to **depart**. Peter states that he is a **sinful man**, implying that he has no right to be in the company of Jesus. But what sin had Peter committed? It was probably not something Peter said or did, but something he thought about Jesus when Jesus asked him to cast the net again in the middle of the morning. He may have felt anger, bitterness, or resentment at Jesus. Peter had just finished cleaning his nets, and to let them down again would require Peter to clean them all over again. This would keep him from going home to his family, and from getting adequate rest to prepare for the next night of fishing. Though it is not recorded, it is quite likely that such thoughts went through Peter's mind, and now he is confessing them to Jesus, saying that he is not worthy to be in the company of Jesus.

If we believe that the miraculous catch of fish happened a few weeks after the call of Simon Peter according to the accounts in Matthew 4:18-22 and Mark 1:16-20 then Simon has previously been called to follow Jesus and become a fisher of men already, but has now gone back to fishing. If so, he may be confessing the sin of turning back from following Jesus or his infidelity. He is

confessing his doubt in the ability of Jesus to provide for him.

But now, far from doubting Jesus, Peter declares Jesus is his **Lord**. This is in contrast to the earlier usage of "Master" (5:5). Simon is not stating that Jesus is God and it is not even certain that Peter believed Jesus was the Messiah. Instead, Peter now recognizes the authority of Jesus, and submits himself to Jesus as One who is worthy of trust.

**5:9:** The reason for Peter's confession of sin is that **he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken**. The miracle caused amazement, which led to the recognition that Jesus had not asked them to do something ridiculous after all.

**5:10:** Among these others **were James and John, the sons of Zebedee**. John may have been one of the first followers of Jesus (John would be the unnamed second disciple in John 1:45-52). As fishing **partners with Simon**, they would have shared in the task of cleaning the nets and hauling in the fish, as well as the potential rewards from such a great catch.

Simon has confessed his sin to Jesus, and might be afraid that Jesus will not allow Simon to follow Him any longer. When Jesus speaks to *Simon* directly, He is not talking only Simon, but speaking to him as the spokesperson and leader for the group. Jesus to him, "**Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.**" Jesus is not here to judge or condemn Simon, but to challenge and encourage him in discipleship directions. Again, if this event follows the previous earlier calling (Matt 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20), then Jesus is reiterating that Simon can trust Jesus to provide for him as he follows Jesus in catching men.

(We will continue next week).

**THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY**

Mon.	Jan. 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Angela Merici, Virgin and religious founder</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For all of our Special Intentions 1:00 P.M. - St. Vincent dePaul Society meeting
Tues.	Jan. 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Intentions of Ken May
Wed.	Jan. 29 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Mary Thomas Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	Jan. 30 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Bert & Cecile Meyette 7:00 P.M. - Smear League
Fri.	Jan. 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b><i>Saint John Bosco, Priest</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - <b>NO MASS</b> ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b><i>First Saturday</i></b> <b>8:00 A.M. - <i>First Saturday Mass – For Fr. Sebastian’s Intentions</i></b> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Judith Gereau
Sun.	Feb. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b><i>The Presentation of the Lord</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the people of our parish 10:00 AM - Mass – Dan Chouinard (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv.) 4:00 P.M. - Venison Supper served until 6:00 PM

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**67 envelopes returned for Sunday, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>**

Adults.....	\$2,983.00
Loose.....	160.00
General Maintenance.....	15.00
Fuel.....	<u>25.00</u>
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$3,183.00</b>

**Budgeted weekly Income & Expense \$4,509.61**  
**Short..... \$1,326.61**

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	125.00
U.P. Catholic Services 57 appeal.....	1,050.00
Diocesan Collection.....	110.00
Votive Lights.....	174.00
Mass Stipends.....	20.00



The **Venison Supper** will be held Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Asking for a donation of \$10 for adults; ages 6-12 \$5.00, and 5 & under free. Ladies: please don't forget the bars. The meal is not complete unless we have your delicious bars. ~ Thank You! TAKE OUTS WILL BE AVAILABLE by calling 906-630-9597 starting at noon with pickup starting at 4:00 PM.

Join us this Sunday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 12:30 pm in the St. Joseph & St. Patrick parish hall for the best breakfast in town. Pancakes, eggs, sausages, cinnamon rolls, toast, cheesy potatoes, etc. 13 years to adult is \$10; children 6-12 \$7; children 5 and under are free. Special family rate of \$35. All are welcome!

## SPIRIT LIFTERS

**Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>** - Where there is great love there are always great miracles.

**Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>** - Others, Lord, yes others, Let this my motto be, Help me to live for others, That I may live like Thee!

**Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>** - Happiness is not a station you arrive at, but a manner of traveling.

**Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>** - Humility is a strange thing - when you think you've gained it, you've lost it.

**Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>** - Bibles that are falling apart usually belong to people who are not.

**Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>** - A smooth sea never made a skillful mariner.

**Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>** - He who has no money is poor, but he who has nothing but money is the poorest of all.

### St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reads the words of scripture: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."

In the month of January, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families by providing money for food, utility and rent, bills, etc. Thank You!

For more info contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

If you would like a copy of your 2024 contributions, please sign up at the back of church. We will be mailing them the last week of January.

***Pasty Making will be Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>. The signup sheets are at the back of church!***

Holy Name School is still looking for a full-time (with benefits) head cook. For more information please contact the school at 786-7550.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

**Monday**  
Heb 9:15,24-28  
Mk 3:22-30

**Tuesday**  
Heb 10:1-10  
Mk 3:31-35

**Wednesday**  
Heb 10:11-18  
Mk 4:1-20

**Thursday**  
Heb 10:19-25  
Mk 4:21-25

**Friday**  
Heb 10:32-39  
Mk 4:26-34

**Saturday**  
Heb 11:1-2,8-19  
Mk 4:35-41

**Sunday**  
Mal 3:1-4    Heb 2:14-18    Lk 2:22-40

***St. Thomas Breakfast  
Sunday, February 2nd  
9:00am-12:30pm***

***Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage,  
Potatoes, Toast,  
Coffee & Juice***

***\$10 ages 13 & up; \$6 ages 6-12,  
Ages 5 and under are FREE!***

***Please join us, 1820 9th Avenue North, Escanaba***

### **U.P. Catholic Services Appeal**

**Our goal this year is 42,662.03. We need the participation of everyone to meet this goal. So far we have received \$33,720 from 78 pledges. Still short \$8,942. Please return your cards as soon as possible.**

Join Fr. Corey Litzner, Deacon Steve & Jackie Gretzinger as the Diocese of Marquette presents a Religious & Fun Pilgrimage to Poland on October 14-23, 2025. The cost is \$4795.00 p.p. dbl. occ. & includes round-trip airfare from Chicago, motor-coach transportation upon arrival, 8 nights' accommodations at first-class hotels, Breakfast & dinner daily. For the amazing full itinerary and/or reservations, visit:

<https://www.petersway.com/1300.html> or contact: Megan at Peter's Way Pilgrimages 516-605-1551 / [megan@petersway.com](mailto:megan@petersway.com)