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Second Sunday of Lent – February 25, 2024

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Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

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....

Diane, Barb, Eric, Pat, Joan, Jean Way Amanda, Jan Carter Mike Mosher, Penny Segerstrom Shelly Polaczyk, Mike & Lori

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

Penitential Rite (Cont.):

Most Grievous Fault: In the new translation of the Confiteor we confess to God that we have sinned through three ways and admit that it happened through my fault. We notice two improvements in the new translation of this prayer. Both improvements more adequately reflect the Latin text of the Mass and help underscore the seriousness of sin. First, instead of simply saying, "I have sinned" at the beginning of this prayer, we now we say "I have greatly sinned. This reflects David's repentant words to God, "I have sinned greatly in that I have done this thing" 1Chro 21:8). Second, instead of simply saying, "through my own fault" we repeat it three times while striking our chest in a sign of repentance: "through my fault, through my most grievous fault." This repetition more fully expresses sorrow over our sins. When we are at fault over something small, we might simply say to the person whom we wronged, 'I am sorry.' But it is a more serious matter and we deeply feel sorrow over our actions, we sometimes apologize several times and in varying ways, like: 'I am sorry, I really regret doing that, please forgive me etc. The repetitions remind us that sinning against God is not a light matter. We must take responsibility for whatever wrong we have done, or the good that we should have done but failed to do. Therefore, at Mass, I do not simply offer an apology to God. In the Confiteor, I express heartfelt contrition and humbly admit that I have sinned 'through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault."

The Gloria:

"Glory to God in the highest, and
On earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God Almighty Father...."

The tone of the liturgy now shifts from sorrowful repentance to joyful praise as we arrive at a prayer known as the Gloria. This prayer is typically sung, but it comes from no ordinary hymn book. The opening line of the Gloria is taken from the words sung by the angels over the fields of Bethlehem, announcing to the shepherds the good news of Christ's birth, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased (Lk 2:14). It is fitting that we sing these words at the beginning of the Sunday Liturgy (except on Advent and Lent), for there is a sense in which every Mass makes present the mystery of Christmas once again. As God was made manifest to the world in the baby Jesus some 2000 years age, so he is made present sacramentally upon our altars at the consecration in every Mass. We thus prepare ourselves to welcome Jesus by repeating the same words of the praise that the angels use to herald Christ in Bethlehem.

<u>Biblical</u>: The rest of the part in Gloria, (*we praise you, we bless*...) continues to be saturated with words from Sacred Scripture. In fact, this goes back to early Christianity, as Mosaic Biblical titles for God and common Biblical expressions of praise. Indeed the Christians who pray the Gloria joins the great men and women throughout salvation history-and even the angels and saints in heaven- in their praise of God for His work of salvation for His own glory.

The prayer follows a Trinitarian pattern, beginning with praise of the Father who is addressed as 'God Almighty Father' and 'heavenly King' – the two Biblical titles for God. In the Old Testament, God is often addressed as 'God Almighty or Lord Almighty.' Gloria also praises God as the heavenly King. Throughout the Scripture, God is described as King. The first half of the Gloria is addressed to the Father; whereas the second half is addressed to God the Son and his redemptive act.

(We will continue next week).

Our parish prayers and sympathies to the families of Patricia Dementer and Doris Begalle May they rest in peace.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY				
Mon.	Feb. 26 th	8:00 A.M	Mass – For all of our special intentions	
Tues.	Feb. 27 th	8:00 A.M 5:30 P.M 6:00 P.M	of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church Mass – Glenn King Stations of the Cross Soup and Sandwich ½ hour DVD Presentation: No Greater Love	
Wed.	Feb. 28 th	8:00 A.M 5:00 P.M 6:30 P.M	Mass – Fr. Francis Dobrzenski St. Vincent DePaul Society meets CCD Classes	
Thurs.	Feb. 29 th	8:00 A.M 7:00 P.M	Mass – For the intentions of Catherine & Lucia Kudwa Smear League	
Fri.	March 1 st	8:00 A.M 6:30 P.M	Mass – For the intentions of Frank Kudwa, Jr. First Friday Adoration until 7:30 PM Parish Office closed Abstinence (no meat) to be observed on all Fridays of Lent	
Sat.	March 2 nd	8:00 A.M 3:00 P.M 4:00 P.M	First Saturday Mass – Fr. Sebastian's Intentions Confessions heard until 3:45 PM Mass – Betty Lou Tourangeau	
Sun.	March 3 rd	Third Sunday 8:00 A.M 10:00 AM -	of Lent Mass – Dwaine & Joy Berbohm Mass – For the people of our parish	

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

67 envelopes returned for Sunday, Feb. 18th

Adult Offering	\$2,770.00
Loose	126.00
General Maintenance	85.00
Fuel	50.00
Total	\$3,031.00
Budgeted weekly Income & Expense	\$4,389.42
Shortage	\$1,358.42
St. Vincent DePaul Society	55.00
U.P. Catholic Services Appeal	250.00
U.P. Catholic Newspaper	80.00
Catholic Schools Collection	150.00

To date we have received \$36,490 in U.P. Catholic Services Appeal pledges. We are short of \$4,516.97 in reaching our goal of \$41,006.97.

Special Mass by the Bishop! Sunday March 10th at 10 am

The future of the individual churches and the Universal Church rests in the hands of the younger families. If a Parish has more young families active, no doubt that Community will survive. I am very pleased to see these days quite a few young families and children attending the Mass regularly. I thought, as a thanksgiving to the Lord, of celebrating a Mass for our pregnant ladies, young parents and children. Having accepted my request, Bishop Doerfler will be coming on March 10th and he will celebrate at the 10 am Mass and specially honor the mothers. Followed by the Mass we will have a luncheon. Please be prepared to participate in this special Mass. This is open to all parishioners.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- **Feb. 25**th The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even touched, they must be felt with the heart.
- **Feb. 26**th Take time to live because the world has so much to give.
- **Feb. 27**th No atheist can hinder the bible's influence more than a Christian who disregards it in his life.
- **Feb. 28**th Only those who see the invisible can do the impossible.
- **Feb. 29**th Give us clear vision that we may know where to stand and what to stand for, because unless we stand for something, we shall fall for anything.
- Mar. 1st You can't control the length of your life, but you can control its' width and depth.
- $Mar.\ 2^{nd}$ The mind like a parachute functions only when open.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

Your almsgiving in the St. Vincent de Paul envelope will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter. For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the "Forty Cans For Lent" food drive starting Saturday February 17th. Please bring canned and/or dry food to help feed families. All donations will be given to Saint Vincent DePaul to stock their shelves.

Morning Men's Retreat – March 9th, 2024 starting at 8:30 AM central to noon. It will be held at Immaculate Conception Parish Hall, 500 Blaine St., Iron Mountain. Speakers, Adoration and Fraternity. Speakers: Rick Popp & Dr. Patrick Richardson

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday	Tuesday
Dn 9:4b-10	Is 1:10,16-20
Lk 6:36-38	Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday	Thursday
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Jer 18:18-20	Jer 17:5-10
Mt 20:17-28	Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31

Friday	Saturday
Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a	Mi 7:14-15,18-20

Sunday

Ex 30:1-17 1 Cor 1:22-25 Jn 2:13-25

Sirvientes de Cristo, a local, Catholic mission group is seeking faith-filled adults to participate in a mission trip to La Paz, Honduras from **June 17 to July 2, 2024**. Trip to include: retreat for missionaries, medical clinic, food distribution, Bible Fiesta event for children, and more. Estimated cost is \$1500 per person, includes food, lodging, and airfare. Please contact Julie Bishop at **(906) 280-1315** or **julie@proserv-inc.com** or Laura Hallfrisch at **(906) 398-7253** or **lhallfrisch@outlook.com** for more information.

LUNCHEON WITH THE BISHOP MARCH 10, 2024

All parishioners are invited to attend the Mass with the Bishop on March 10th at the 10:00 AM Mass. Immediately following we will have a catered meal for everyone. If you would like to attend the luncheon please sign up at the back of church. We will take signups thru Sunday March 3rd.

We are starting to collect the old palms from last year. If you have any please bring to church and put in the marked basket.

Join us this Sunday, Feb. 25th from 9 am to 12:30 at St. Joseph & St. Patrick Parish in Escanaba for Breakfast. Family \$30; adults (13 & up) \$10, children 6-12, \$7 and children under 5 are free.

Breakfast on March 3rd at All Saints Church, Gladstone from 9:00 to 12:00. Menu is all you can eat. Adults \$12, children 6-18 \$8, children 0-5 free. Families (4 or more) \$30.