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## Third Sunday of Lent – March 12, 2023

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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, Betty Lou, Joan Shelly Polaczyk, Roger Tourangeau, Jan Carter, Becky, Jean Way Amanda, Duane, Judy Hubert

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

## **The Commandments**

The Third Commandment; The Lord's day (Cont.): The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist unless excused for serious reasons such as illness, care for the sick or infants and unavoidable travelling where they can't find a convenient church to attend Mass.

The Jews had strict regulation against the work on Sabbath day. For instance, the women were not even allowed to cook on Sabbath. On Sabbath if somebody died of accident the body was not allowed to be removed from the sight. People were not allowed to go for long distance and carry any load. But the Church permits certain type of work on Sundays, after attending Mass. We are allowed to do the household things (not working in the field or planting seeds or trees), read and write, listen to music, travelling. We are allowed to engage in recreational activities like hunting and fishing or any other sports activities. Any acts of charity and care for the sick are welcome. But due to the wide spread of materialism and secularism the industrial corporations have stolen the right of people for worship and prayer, which is against their constitutional right.

The Fourth Commandment: "Honor your father and your mother that your days may be long in the land which the Lord your God gives you" (Ex20:12)

Our Lord Jesus himself recalled the force of this Commandment of God in Mk 7:8-13. The Apostle Paul teaches: "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right." "Honor your father and mother;" this is a first Commandment with a promise attached to it. The people of Israel were promised long life in the Promised Land, provided they would honor their parents.

The Fourth Commandment opens the second table of the Decalogue (The Ten Commandments). It shows us the order of charity. God has willed that, after Him we should honor our parents to whom we owe life and who have handed on to us the knowledge of God. We are obliged to honor and respect all those whom God, for our good, has vested with his authority. The Commandment is expressed in positive terms of duties to be fulfilled. It introduces the subsequent commandments which are concerned with particular respect for life, marriage, earthly goods, and speech. It constitutes one of the foundations of the social doctrine of the Church. The fourth Commandment is addressed expressly to children in their relationship to their father and mother, because this relationship is the most universal. It likewise concerns the ties of kinship between members of the extended family. It requires honor, affection, and gratitude toward elders and ancestors. Finally, it extends to the duties of pupils to teachers, employees to employers, subordinates to leaders, citizen to their country, and to those who administer or govern it. Observing the fourth Commandment brings reward: "Honor your father and mother that your days may be long in the land which the Lord your God gives you." Respecting this Commandment provides, along with spiritual fruits, temporal fruits of peace and prosperity.

## The Fifth Commandment: "You shall not kill."

When we go through the Old Testament we read about a lot of bloodshed by the people of Israel who mercilessly killed all their enemies including women and children of the enemies. So we wonder whether people of Israel were serious about this Commandment at all. To give the simple answer, yes, the Old Testament has been forcefully taught to respect human life and avoid killing of any innocent human beings, whether born or unborn. "He who sheds a man's blood, shall have his blood shed by man, for in the image of God man was made" (Gen 9:6). In the Book of Genesis we read how Cain killed his brother Abel and what punishment God inflicted upon him. Life is the greatest gift God has given to man. So it is the wish of God that we safeguard it against any attack. God is the author of life; He alone can take it back apart from the circumstance of a just war and the murder of a criminal for legitimate self defense.

(We will continue next week).

## THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	March 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. –	Mass - For all of our special intentions
Tues.	March 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M 5:30 P.M 6:00 P.M 6:30 P.M	Mass – Amy Chenier Kositzke Stations of the Cross Soup & Sandwich Supper Video Presentation
Wed.	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M 5:00 P.M 6:30 P.M	Mass – Eric Tourangeau Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help St. Vincent DePaul Society meets CCD Classes grades 1-7
Thurs.	March 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M <b>6:30 P.M</b> 7:30 P.M	Mass – Loretta Robitaille <b>Lenten Penance Service here</b> Smear League
Fri.	March 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M	Mass – Andrew & Rejeanne Menard <b>Parish Office closed</b>
Sat.	March 18 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 P.M 4:00 P.M	Confessions heard until 3:45 PM Mass – Joseph Nolde
Sun.	March 19 <sup>th</sup>		Mass – Ileen Hughes Mass – For the People of our parish

\$3,982.00

## **STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

85 envelopes returned for Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

Adult Offering.....

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Loose	206.00
General Maintenance	245.00
Fuel	55.00
Total	\$ 4,488.00
Budgeted weekly Income & Expense  Over	\$3,980.50 \$ 507.50
U.P. Catholic Newspaper	45.00
Diocesan Collection	50.00
U.P. Catholic Services Appeal	10.00
Flowers	50.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	90.00

## SURROUNDING AREA LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Thurs., March  $16^{th}$  6:30 PM – Holy Family – here March  $22^{nd}$  7:00 PM – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton March  $27^{th}$  – 7:00 PM – All Saints, Gladstone March  $28^{th}$  – 6:30 PM – St. Joe/St. Pats, Esky

## Plan Your Trip to the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress June 9th-10th in Marquette

Registration is open at <u>revival.yoopercatholic.org</u> where you can view a detailed schedule, read the speaker bios, find lodging information, and register adults, teens, and children. Or you can grab a registration form from the back of church.

## **SPIRIT LIFTERS**

- Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> Some people grin and bear it. Others smile and change it.
- Mar. 13<sup>th</sup> It is a greater thing to obey the Word of the Lord than to preach it.
- Mar. 14<sup>th</sup> Don't let your mind become so busy that your heart can't respond.
- Mar. 15<sup>th</sup> If you have Jesus on the inside, you can stand any kind of trouble on the outside.
- Mar. 16<sup>th</sup> Service is the rent we pay for the space we occupy in life.
- Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> The toughest kind of mountain climbing is to get out of a rut.
- Mar. 18<sup>th</sup> True patience means waiting without worrying.

## St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work."

Through your almsgiving you are doing the will of the Father and finishing the work of Jesus. Know that your nickel, dime or quarter is multiplied by the coins place by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Envelope.

For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

## Knights of Columbus, Escanaba Council #640 40 Cans for Lent I can, You can, We can

Please support our efforts to help those in need by contributing nonperishable food. This will help supply the Food Pantry at St. Vincent DePaul. There will be containers at the back of church.

There are still pasties available. Please call the parish office if you would like some.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday	Tuesday
2 Kgs 5:1-15ab	Dn 3:25,34-43
Lk 4:24-30	Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday	Thursday
Dt 4:1,5-9	Jer 7:23-28
Mt 5:17-19	Lk 11:14-23

 Friday
 Saturday

 Hos 14:2-10
 Hos 6:1-6

 Mt 12:28-34
 Lk 18:9-14

## **Sunday**

1 Sm 16:1b,6-7,10-13a Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41

# **Stations of the Cross**

Stations of the Cross will be held on Tuesdays
At 5.30 pm; followed by Soup and Sandwich; then
we will listen to the inspirational talk by
Fr. Pablo Straub, C.Ss.R.

The DVD which we are going to watch during the Lent is a series of talks he delivered on: The Holy Eucharist & Eucharistic Miracle at Lanciano, Italy; The Sacred Heart and Divine Mercy devotions,; The Seven Last Words of Jesus and Christ's Passion and Death.

# Just a reminder that Spring Study Day is fast approaching!

Don't miss this opportunity to hear from three great presenters who will speak about the Eucharist and how we can live a Eucharistic life, as well as talking about Bishop Baraga's life and "Following in the Footsteps" of the Snowshoe Priest. Register at <a href="https://form.jotform.com/DioceseofMarquette/spring-study-day-2023">https://form.jotform.com/DioceseofMarquette/spring-study-day-2023</a>.

We are now collecting old palms. There is a basket at the back of church to put them in.