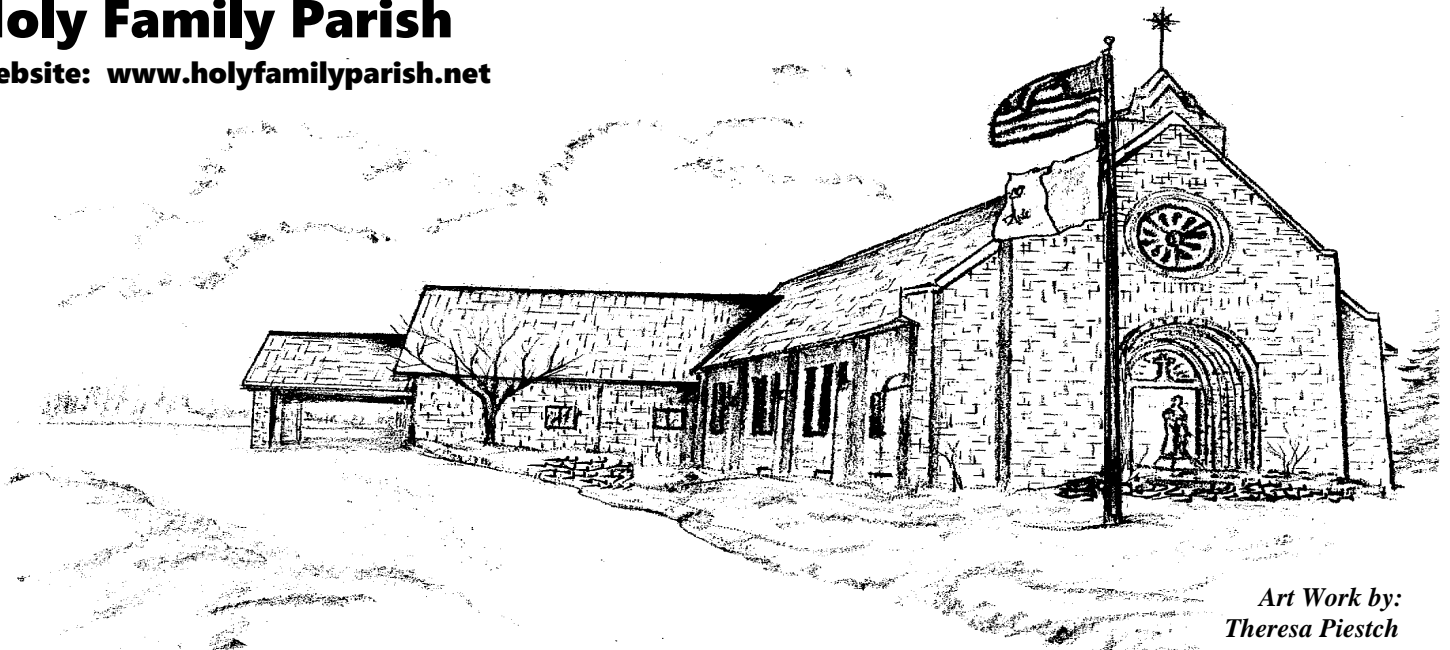


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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – April 2, 2023

Pastor

(906) 786-1209 Ext. 3

Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

Deacon

Deacon: Robert Berbohm 786-9082

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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

Parish Secretary

Pam Leisner (906) 786-1209 Ext. 1 (H) 399-3058

Office hours: Monday thru Thursday 9 am to 3 pm

Bulletin articles should be submitted

by Noon on Wednesdays

E-mail Address: secretary@holyfamilyparish.net

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Faith Formation Coordinator

Kathy Kohtala 428-9431

Email: kkohtala@allsaintsgladstone.org

Sacrament of Penance

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

7:30 am – 7:50 am

before daily Mass or by appointment

Maintenance

906-786-1209

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

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

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 Fifth Commandment, “You shall not kill” (Cont.)

Capital Punishment: It is the death sentence administered by the legitimate civil authority, the state or federal government, to the notorious criminals. The legal right to inflict capital punishment is invested in public authority and no private person is allowed to do that. The Catholic Church doesn’t agree with the capital punishment. It strongly believes that God is the author of life and as such only He has the authority to take life. But due to the separation of power between the State and the Church, the Church cannot interfere with the decision of the State. Most of the European countries have already abolished the death sentence. Unfortunately many of them follow the Euthanasia.

Anger, Grudge and Hatred: The anger which leads to the infliction of physical harm and mental torture is a grave sin which comes under the Fifth Commandment. At the same time we have the right to feel moral anger, without intending to harm anyone. Similarly, we should not keep long standing grudge and hatred towards someone who may have hurt our feeling. Jesus is very particular about forgiving. And also we need to reconcile with the people whom we have hurt or who have hurt us. It is very much needed for our eternal life as well as peace of heart.

Gossip or Injurious words: No one can claim that he/she is totally free from gossip. Sometimes we join the gossip, though we have not the ones who started it. Other times we may be the ones who opened it. It is the evil nature in human beings that when they hear something bad about people they are eager to listen to that and when they happen to hear something good about people they don’t give any interest in that. “There is mxim; **“The great minds discuss ideas; the average minds discuss events and the mean minds discuss people.”** Very often people fall in the third category and show interest in discussing people and their actions, especially their shortcomings. Remember, when we talk about the failures of people we hurt their feelings. Of course, we all make some comments about people. If they are not offensive, then, we don’t violate this commandment. There is a simple method to know whether our comments hurt the feeling of people. Suppose, somebody makes a similar comments about my actions and when I hear about that will it hurt me? If so then your comments will be hurtful to those people too. **That is why in the Sermon on the Mount Jesus says, “Judge not so that you may not be judged.** Even if our brother or sister failed in something or did something wrong, he/she deserves a little sympathy and encouragement from our part. Perhaps, our support can help the person to grow; whereas our unhealthy criticism can ruin the life of that person. Jesus again says, **“Be compassionate as your heavenly Father is compassionate.”** Christian charity should be our number one priority.

Scandal: In Matthew 18:6 Jesus condemns the scandal in these words: *“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone hung around his neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea.”* If by your word, deed or omission, lead somebody to do wrong or commit a serious sin, it is called scandal. It is nothing but the bad example we give to the weak and the vulnerable. The seriousness of the violation depends on who caused it. For instance, if the Church leaders give bad examples to the faithful, the parents not becoming a role model to the children, the teachers give bad examples to the students, they are very serious scandal. Scandal is also called soul murder. So we should be very careful in our words and deeds. When we hear the fifth Commandment, ‘You shall not kill’ – we all feel happy that I have not killed anyone and there is no chance that I will murder somebody. Now, going through all the actions explained above, you know what this Commandment is meant. Perhaps, you and I may have violated this commandment in different ways.

(We will continue next week).

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	April 3 rd	8:00 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. –	Mass - For all of our special intentions Ladies Altar Society meeting
Tues.	April 4 th	8:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. -	Mass – Intentions of Daniel Kudwa Stations of the Cross Pizza Video Presentation
Wed.	April 5 th	8:00 A.M. - 8:45 A.M. -	Mass – Don Meunier Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help Cleaning Bee to clean the church before Easter
Thurs.	April 6 th	<i>Holy Thursday</i> 7:00 P.M. -	Mass – Special Intention Adoration to follow until 10:00 PM
Fri.	April 7 th	<i>Good Friday</i> 3:00 P.M.- -----	Good Friday Services Parish Office closed
Sat.	April 8 th	<i>Holy Saturday</i> 9:00 P.M. -	Easter Vigil – Francis & Geneva Smith
Sun.	April 9 th	<i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i> 8:00 A.M. - 10:00 AM -	Mass – For the People of our parish Mass – Lawrence Viau (34 th Anniv.)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

66 envelopes returned for Sunday, March 26th

Adult Offering.....	\$ 2,672.00
Loose.....	106.04
General Maintenance.....	-0-
Fuel.....	65.00
Total.....	\$2,843.04

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense... \$3,980.50
Shortage..... \$1,137.46

Flowers.....	35.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	520.00

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Today, Sunday, we will have our first in a long time
Coffee & Donut Social after the 8:00 & 10:00
 AM Mass. Plan to come down and enjoy a good
 donut and good conversation!!!

ATTENTION LADIES OF THE PARISH: Our
 next meeting has changed to Monday April 3rd at 6:30
 PM Please try to make this important meeting as we
 will be discussing upcoming events. **THANK YOU!**
 Danforth area is in charge of the snackies!!!!

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- Apr. 2nd** - God always gives His best to those who leave the choice with Him.
- Apr. 3rd** - The only way to help yourself is to help others.
- Apr. 4th** - The curse of the cross was changed by Christ into a blessing for us.
- Apr. 5th** - When we depend on man, We get what man can do, When we depend on prayer, We get what God can do.
- Apr. 6th** - People are often the carpenters of their own crosses.
- Apr. 7th** - Satan trembles when he sees the weakest Christian on his knees.
- Apr. 8th** - When a man begins to amass wealth, it is a question whether God is going to gain a fortune or lose a man.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

Please support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the poor as they carry their cross of suffering and pain.

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.

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE THIS WEEKEND!

Please return the Baby Bottles for Pregnancy Services as soon as possible. Thank You.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday

Is 42:1-7
Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday

Is 49:1-6
Jn 12:21-33,36-38

Wednesday

Is 50:4-9a
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday

Ex 12:1-8,11-14
1 Cor 11:23-26
Jn 13:1-15

Friday

Is 52:13—53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday

Gn 1:1 2 2:2 or 1:1,26-31a
Gn 22:1-18 or 11:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18
Ex 14:15 – 15:1
Is 54:5-14
Is 55:1-11
Bar 3:9-15, 32 – 4:4
Ez 36:16-17a,18-28
Rom 6:3-11
Mt 28:1-10

Sunday

Acts 10:34a,37-43
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8
Jn 20:1-9 or 41 Lk 24:13-35

*This year's Cantata Choir presents their annual
Easter concert, performing:*

***Praise the God of Resurrection,
and songs from Witness
Sunday, April 2nd***

4:00 p.m. at Faith Church in Rock, and again at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church in Perkins. Coffee and fellowship to follow each performance. A free-will offering will be accepted to help cover the cost of the music.

PART-TIME ATHLETIC DIRECTOR AVAILABLE NOW AT HOLY NAME

The Athletic Director would oversee all athletics in 4th-12th Grades. This position will be open until filled. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Joseph L. Carlson, Principal at jcarlson@holynamenamecrusaders.com or 906-786-7550, Ext. 11.