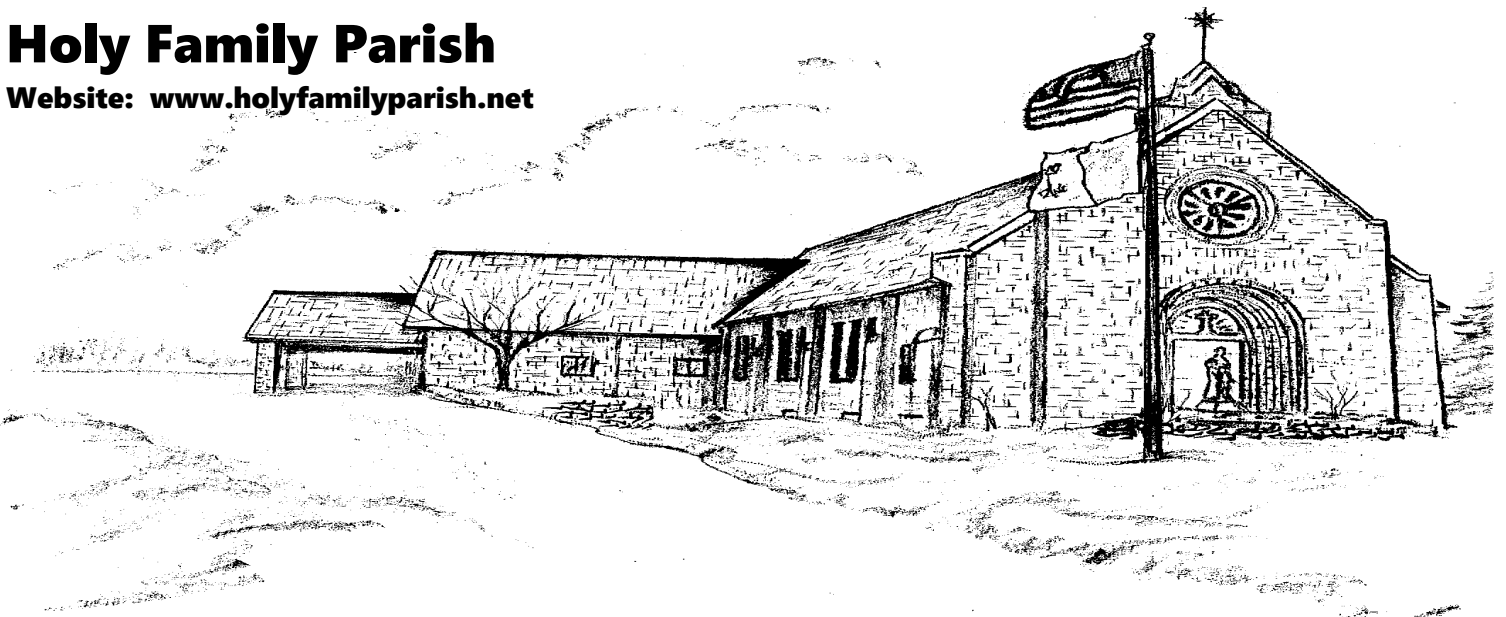


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Sacrament of Marriage

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, John King*

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 Mass

Words of Consecration (Cont.)

Language of Sacrifice: If you were one of the apostles present at the Last Supper, one thing that might strike you about Jesus' words is that he used sacrificial language with reference to himself. First of all, the Passover Feast itself was a sacrifice. When Jesus speaks about the Body and Blood in the context of the Passover, what he brings to our mind is the *Passover lamb*, the blood of which was sprinkled and the flesh was eaten. Secondly, when Jesus says, **"My Body will be given up for you,"** the term used in Luke's gospel for "given up" is significant, for it is employed elsewhere in the New Testament in association with sacrifice (Lk 2:24; Mk 10:45; Jn 6:51). Thirdly, when Jesus speaks of his Blood **"which will be poured out for the forgiveness of sins,"** that alludes to the atoning sacrifice in the Temple, which involved being poured out the blood of the lamb on the altar to bring forgiveness to the sins of the people. Jesus speaks about **"Blood of the new and eternal covenant."** These words echo what Moses said in the sacrificial ceremony at Mount Sinai that sealed God's covenant union with Israel as His chosen people (Exodus 24: 1-17). In the midst of the sacrificial rite, Moses took the blood of the animals and announced, *"Behold the blood of the covenant."* Perhaps, the apostles present at the Institution of the Eucharist understood the meaning of the 'Blood of the covenant.' At the Passover Feast, instead of speaking about the Passover lamb which was sacrificed at the feast, Jesus speaks about his own Body and Blood being offered up and poured out in sacrifice. Jesus surprisingly identifies himself with the sacrificial lamb normally offered at the Passover. As such Jesus' actions at the Last Supper mysteriously anticipate his sacrifice on the cross. At the Last Supper Jesus offers up his own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins. All that was left for him to do was to carry out that sacrifice in a bloody manner on Good Friday.

At the Last Supper, after giving his apostles his Body and Blood, he commands, **"Do it in memory of me."** It is very clear that the memorial should be celebrated in future. As we have seen above, the liturgical memorial makes the past the present and the event is re-lived. The Catechism explains, "In the New Testament, the memorial takes on new meaning. When the Church celebrates the Eucharist, she commemorates Christ's Passover, and it is made present: the Sacrifice Christ offered once for all on the cross, remains ever present."

In the old version of the Mass, we hear the **'the Blood is poured for the forgiveness of all.'** But in the new translation it is said: **"for many."** First of all, this change in the translation remains closer to Jesus' actual words of Institution in the gospel of Matthew 26:28. It is also more harmonious with the Latin text of the Mass. **Some still raise the concern that 'Has not Jesus poured his Blood for all, in other words didn't he come to save all mankind?'** It is true that Jesus came to save all and salvation is offered to all. But in reality not all accept this offer or the gift. It is left to the freedom of the individual whether he/she accepts this offer or the gift of salvation which Jesus gained for us through pouring his Blood. Moreover, many Scripture scholars have observed that Jesus' language at the Last Supper about the Blood being poured out 'for many' recalls *'the many'* that are three times mentioned in Isaiah 53: 10-12.

In the Eucharistic Prayer, options are given according to the importance of the day. According to the importance of the Liturgical Seasons and day of celebration the priest can choose between Eucharistic Prayers I – IV. Of course, there are a few choices with the Preface too, depending on the Liturgical Seasons. The Words of Institution used by Jesus at the Last Supper will be the same in the four Eucharistic Prayers. But you will find changes in the rest of the prayers. At the same time, you will never find any change in the structure and the order of Mass.

(We will continue)

Mother's Day Breakfast - Sunday, May 12th

**Happy
Mother's
Day!**

The Holy Family Men's Club invite all Mothers and Daughters to a delicious breakfast after the 8:00 am Mass on Mother's Day, May 12th.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	April 29 th	<i>Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For all of our special intentions
Tues.	April 30 th	<i>Saint Pius V, Pope</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Donald Theoret
Wed.	May 1 st	<i>Saint Joseph the Worker</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Richard Anderson Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help 6:30 P.M. - CCD classes for grades 1-7 and 8 th & 9 th
Thurs.	May 2 nd	<i>Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Rob Leisner
Fri.	May 3 rd	<i>Saints Philip and James, Apostles</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the intentions of Angela May ----- Parish Office closed 6:30 P.M. - First Friday - Adoration until 7:30 PM
Sat.	May 4 th	8:00 A.M. - First Saturday Mass – Fr. Sebastians intentions 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Francis & Geneva Smith
Sun.	May 5 th	<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Donette Ostrander & Craig Deronne 10:00 AM - Mass – For our First Communicants

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

76 envelopes returned for Sunday, April 21st

Adult Offering.....	\$2,688.00
Loose.....	116.00
General Maintenance.....	5.00
Fuel.....	5.00
Total.....	\$2,814.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense... \$4,389.42

Shortage..... \$1,575.42

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	37.00
Priest Retirement Collection.....	930.00
Reimbursement.....	110.00
U.P. Catholic Services Appeal.....	250.00

Next Honor flight will take place on May 2nd. VanRooy hanger opens at 7:00 PM and the plane is scheduled to land at 8:30 PM.



Plan to join us for an

Open House

Tuesday, May 7th 4 – 6 PM

Tree of Life unveiling 5 PM

2501 1st Avenue North, Escanaba

THANKS AGAIN for all the donations for the **SUCCESSFUL** Bake Sale. We earned \$795. WOW! this exceeded last year's net profit. None of this could be done without the donations and the BUYERS. This church is truly blessed. The rye bread & cinnamon rolls are a huge success (thanks Pam & Ann, Doris & Nancy). Father has some altar needs so these proceeds will go toward meeting those. Again, thank you. Start saving for the next April. 😊

Next Sunday, May 5th, we will have two children making their First Communion at the 10 am Mass. We will have a light reception in the church basement after for everyone.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- Apr. 28th** - There are three answers to prayer: YES
NO WAIT A WHILE.
- Apr. 29th** - Character is like the foundation to a house....it is below the surface.
- Apr. 30th** - One of the troubles in the world today is the fact we have allowed the Golden Rule to become a bit tarnished.
- May 1st** - In His hand are the steep places of the earth; the strength of the hills is His also.
Psalm 95:4
- May 2nd** - Many people treat their religion as a spare tire - they never use it except in an emergency.
- May 3rd** - Cast out all negative thoughts about yourself today and focus on the gifts you do have.
- May 4th** - A gem cannot be polished without friction, nor the man perfected without trials.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Indeed, by helping the poor we can "bear much fruit" and we find that with Jesus we can do everything.

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread. For more info contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

VIDEO LIBRARY NEWS

May is the month for mothers, so our library feature of the month will be our Blessed Mother. There are several great books and videos on her to be found on the little table outside the library. Please take some time to learn about her extraordinary life.

Our Parish prayers and sympathies are extended to
the family of
William Richer
May he rest in peace

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday
Acts 14:5-18
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8

Thursday
Acts 15:7-21
Jn 15:9-11

Friday
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14

Saturday
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21

Sunday
Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48
1 Jn 4:7-10
Jn 15:9-17

Good Shepherd Collection

On Good Shepherd Sunday, our parish and all parishes and missions throughout our diocese took up a special collection to support our priests' retirement fund, known as the St. Joseph Association. We truly appreciate your support. If you were unable to donate last weekend, you may still support our retired priests by returning your envelope marked for the benefit of the "Good Shepherd Collection" in today's collection or by dropping it off at the parish office. Parishioners can also donate to the St. Joseph Association online by visiting osvhub.com/diocesefmarquette/giving/funds/st-joseph-association.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank EVERYONE who donated to the 40 Cans for Lent - food drive! The Knights collected 1,746# of canned/dry food which was given to St. Vincint de Paul to stock their shelves. Again, thank you for your donations to help those in need.

The Knights of Columbus Council 640 of Escanaba, will be having a garage sale fund raiser on Saturday May 18 at the Knights of Columbus club house - 1812 9th Ave North, Escanaba from 9:00 am - 3:00 p.m. Donations will be accepted Saturday May 4 & May 11 between 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus hall. Or you may contact Tom Desy at 906.399.3138.