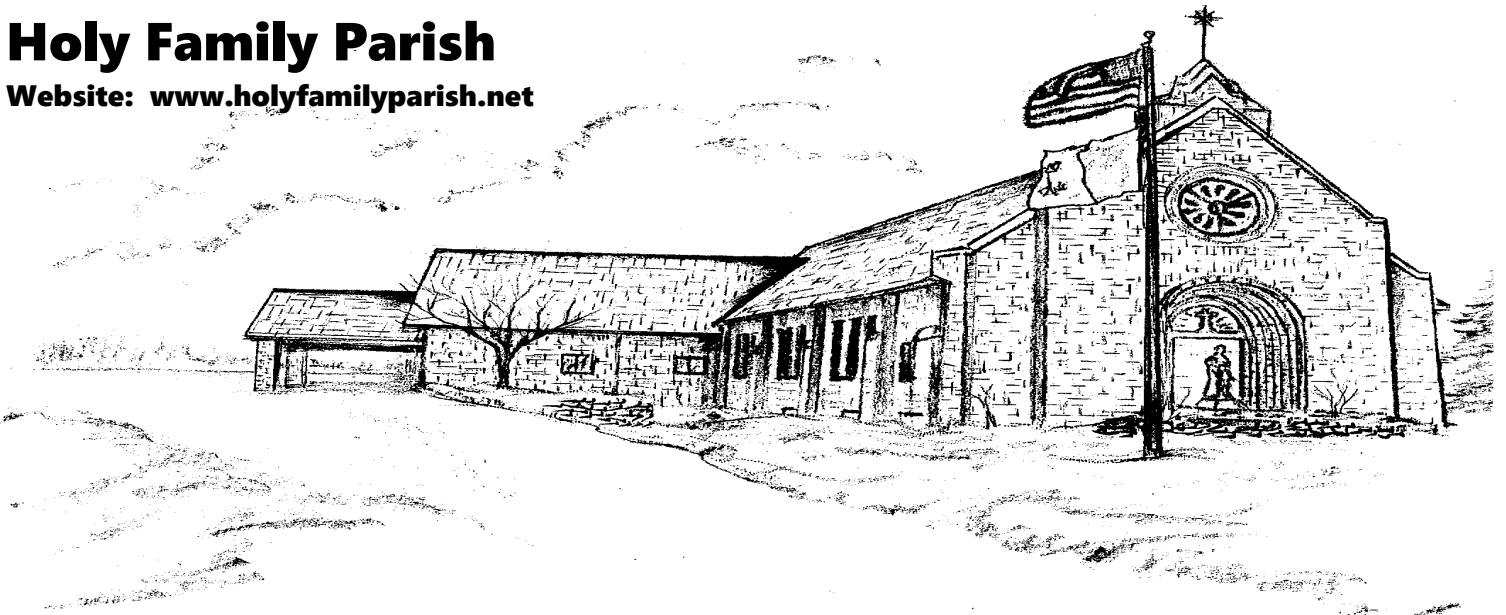


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Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 14, 2023

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Bob Berbohm – Evangelization Committee

Finance Council Members

Gerald Miron Piper Desy
Mary Kay Nolde Frank Chenier

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

Precepts of the Church (Cont.)

The Third Precept: Every Catholic is supposed to go for the Sacrament of Penance at least once a year or whenever one is in grave sin. Only two Sacraments we can receive so often such as the Confession and the Eucharist. The faithful are expected to use these opportunities to receive the grace. Any person who is in mortal sins should receive the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) before he/she receives the Communion. By the third Precept every Catholic is supposed to go for the Sacrament of penance at least once a year and receive Communion. For convenience and considering the importance of the season, the Church instructs the faithful to make their Confession during the Lent or the Easter Season. Since the reception of any Sacrament brings us full grace, it is good that we make Confession regularly. This practice also will allow us to resist against temptations and avoid mortal sins.

The Fourth Precept: Catholics are expected to receive Communion at least once a year. This Precept is the repetition of the Third precept. The faithful are not only supposed to make Confession once a year but also receive the Holy Communion. Holy Eucharist is the second Sacrament which we can receive whenever we attend the Mass, provided we are not in mortal sins. If we are in venial sins, the Penitential Rite the priest does at the beginning of the Mass will make us worthy to receive the Communion worthily. When we have the wonderful opportunity of receiving the Sacrament of Penance and Holy Communion often, we should not be satisfied with the minimum.

The Fifth Precept: Support your Parish with financial contributions. The Council of Trent states: “*It is the duty of the faithful to contribute to the support of religion according to our means, so that God may be duly honored and worshiped and the kingdom of his Church extended.*” It is the duty of the faithful, especially, to support the maintenance of their local Parish and the sustenance of the Pastor. As priests are not allowed to take up any income generating job or business their only source of sustenance is the generosity of the faithful. Unfortunately in the modern age everything is expensive and at the same time the Church doesn't have any source of income other than the generosity of the faithful. Together with the support of their local Parish the faithful are also expected to support of the maintenance of the Diocesan administration.

We hear the common complaints from the faithful, “The Church is always after our purses and wallets.” This is a bit exaggeration. If the faithful want to see their Parish open for them, they have to support its up keeping. And also there are no other institutions in the world other than the Church which seek only nominal amount to maintain the Priests. For a Pastor he has no fixed hours of work; he should be available for his people 24x7. But at the same time he is the one who is less paid.

Every local church is the second home for its parishioners. They have an emotional attachment to their parish, as they have been baptized, confirmed, got married in the same church. Their children are also baptized and confirmed in the same church. That is why the Bishop tries their best to keep every Parish open. Unfortunately, due to lack of priests and lack of enough members the Bishops are forced to close the parishes, which is very heart rending for the members. Many Protestant denominations insist that their members should pay the tithe (10%) of their total income to the church. But Catholic Church doesn't keep that rule at all. She asks her members to do their best, remaining in their limitation of their resources. **(Will be continued next week)**

Anointing of the Sick: Please make sure that you receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, before you go for serious surgery or anyone of you who is seriously sick or dying. This is a wonderful healing Sacrament which gives you physical and spiritual healing. Please contact the priest on time.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	May 15 th	<i>Fr. Sebastian's 44th Ordination Anniversary to the Priesthood</i> 8:00 A.M. – Mass – For all of our special intentions
Tues.	May 16 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – In celebration for the 44 th Ordination Anniversary of Fr. Sebastian to the Priesthood
Wed.	May 17 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the Poor Souls in Purgatory Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help ----- Parish office closed
Thurs.	May 18 th	<i>Saint John I, Pope and Martyr</i> 8:00 A.M.- Mass – Special Intention ----- Parish Office closed
Fri.	May 19 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Louise Beauchamp ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	May 20 th	<i>Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest</i> <i>12:30 P.M. - Wedding – Caitlyn Leisner & Austin Wicklund</i> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 P.M. 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Don Anderson (2 nd Anniv.)
Sun.	May 21 st	<i>The Ascension of the Lord</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Roger Boudreau, Sr. (27 th Anniv.) 10:00 AM - Mass – For the People of our parish

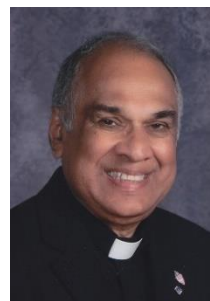
STEWARDSHIP CORNER

83 envelopes returned for Sunday, May 7th

Adult Offering.....	\$ 4,293.00
Loose.....	243.00
General Maintenance.....	225.00
Fuel.....	<u>250.00</u>
Total.....	\$ 5,011.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense...	\$3,980.50
Overage.....	\$1,030.50

Priest Retirement Collection.....	\$ 135.00
Votive Lights.....	255.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	92.00
Funeral Luncheon Reimbursements.....	295.19
Pentecost Flowers.....	15.00
The Word Among Us.....	15.00



Happy 44th Ordination Anniversary to the Priesthood

May 15th

Fr. Sebastian

Thank you for saying yes to the Call! Holy Family is very blessed to have you shepherd our people. May the Lord bless you with many, many more years!

Happy Mother's Day

The men of our parish will be serving breakfast to all mothers and children following the 8:00 AM. Mass

The parish office will be closed Wednesday, May 16th thru Monday, May 22nd. It will be back open on Tuesday, May 23rd.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- May 14th** - Some things may come to us with rough wrappings, but there is gold inside.
- May 15th** - When God puts a burden upon you, He also puts His own arm under you.
- May 16th** - If you are being run out of town, get in front of the crowd and make it look like a parade.
- May 17th** - Seven days without prayer makes one weak!
- May 18th** - Live as if Christ died yesterday, arose this morning, and is coming back tomorrow.
- May 19th** - When you “bury the hatchet” don’t leave the handle sticking out.
- May 20th** - The real character of a man may be measured by what he does when no one is looking.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments... Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father and I will love him and reveal myself to him.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and through us into the hearts of those who are poor.

For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

BOOKKEEPER POSITION OPENING

St. Anne’s Parish will need a bookkeeper to replace Lynn Wulf who is retiring after serving as bookkeeper for the past 12 years. Applications and job descriptions can be picked up at the parish office. This is a great part-time position for someone who would like to work only 3 days per week for a total of 21 hours per week! Preference will be given to those having prior bookkeeping experience. For questions and immediate consideration, please contact Fr. Fran at 786-1426.

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

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| Monday
Acts 16:11-15
Jn 15:26—16:4a | Tuesday
Acts 16:22-34
Jn 16:5-11 |
| Wednesday
Acts 17:15,22—18:1
Jn 16:12-15 | Thursday
Acts 18:1-8
Jn 16:16-20 |
| Friday
Acts 18:9-18
Jn 16:20-23 | Saturday
Acts 18:23-28
Jn 16:23b-28 |
| Sunday
Acts 1:1-11
Eph 1:17-23 Mt 28:16-20 | |

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Director of Escanaba Catholic Faith Formation

The Escanaba Catholic Faith Formation program is looking for a Part-time Director, mid-August through mid-May; 3 days/week; 15-19 hours/week. Escanaba Catholic Faith Formation includes three parishes: St. Anthony of Padua, Wells; St. Joseph & St. Patrick, Escanaba; and St. Thomas the Apostle, Escanaba. \$20/hour Please apply in person, or send an application (<https://files.ecatholic.com/32488/documents/2022/10/PM-A-081.pdf?t=1665460186000>) and resume to: St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 1820 9th Ave. North, Escanaba, MI 49829.

Breakfast Fundraiser for Seminarians

The Escanaba Knights of Columbus will have a breakfast fundraiser for Seminarians at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Hall 1820 9th Ave N, Escanaba Sunday, June 4th, 9am-12:30pm Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage, Potatoes, Toast Coffee & Juice \$9 ages 13 & up, \$6 ages 6-12, Ages 5 and under are free.

ASK BISHOP JOHN DOERFLER TO PRAY FOR YOU

A direct mailing will be sent to all registered households from Bishop John Doerfler in the next six weeks. Helping to fulfill one of his primary obligations, to pray for the people of the Diocese of Marquette, Bishop John Doerfler invites parishioners to send personal prayer requests. Returned prayer cards are kept in his private chapel where he will pray for your intentions for the next year.