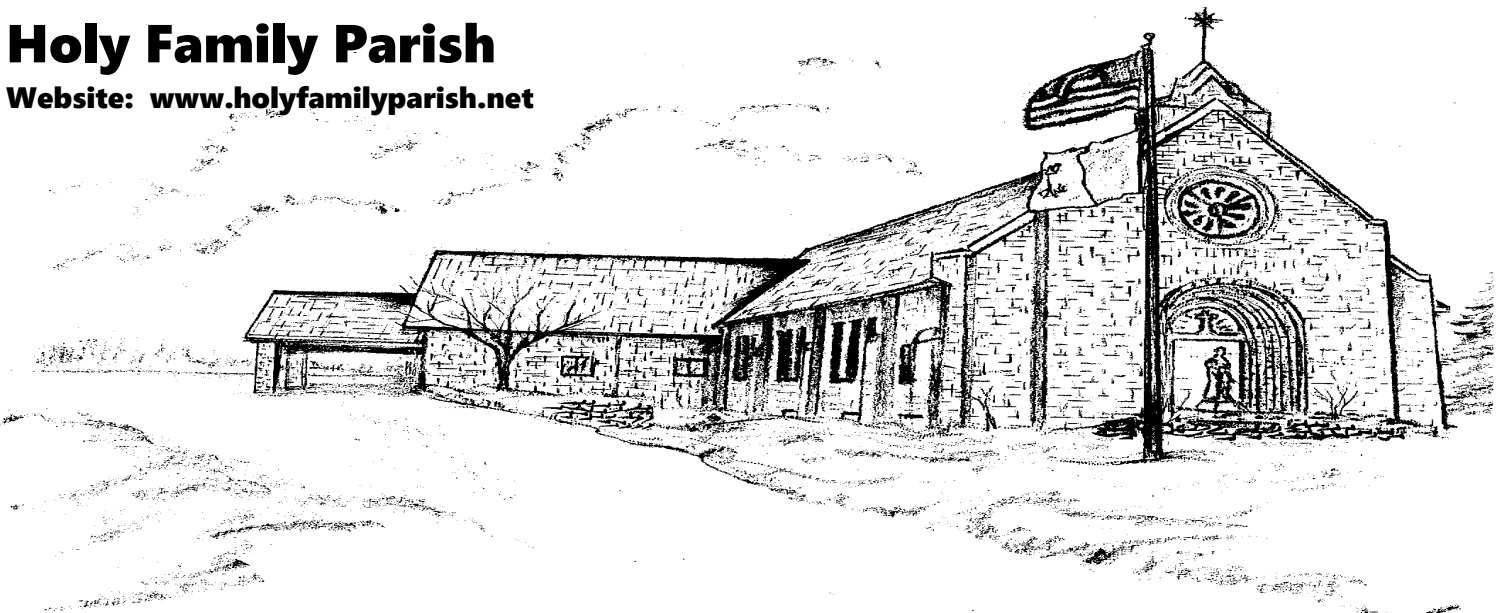


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Sacrament of Marriage

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.....

*Mike Gasperich, Joan, Jean Way, Shelly Polaczyk
Herb Iverson, Michael Theoret, Brenda Chouinard
Sue Boudreau, Jan Carter, Baby Hubbard, Denise Seymour*
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.

THE BIBLE STUDY

The Gospel of Luke

Luke 7: 36-50: The Sinful woman

(i) The story of the sinful woman approaching Jesus with the ointment is so vivid that it makes one believe that Luke may well have been an artist. The scene is the courtyard of the house of Simon the Pharisee. The houses of well-to-do people were built round an open courtyard in the form of a hollow square. Often in the courtyard there would be a garden and a fountain; and there in the warm weather meals were eaten. It was the custom that when a Rabbi was at a meal in such a house, all kinds of people came in--they were quite free to do so--to listen to the pearls of wisdom which fell from his lips. That explains the presence of the woman.

When a guest entered such a house three things were always done. The host placed his hand on the guest's shoulder and gave him the kiss of peace. That was a mark of respect which was never omitted in the case of a distinguished Rabbi. The roads were only dust tracks, and shoes were merely soles held in place by straps across the foot. So always cool water was poured over the guest's feet to cleanse and comfort them. Either a pinch of sweet-smelling incense was burned or a drop of attar of roses was placed on the guest's head. These things of good manners are mandatory, and in Jesus' case not one of them was done.

In the east the guests did not sit, but reclined, at table. They lay on low couches, resting on the left elbow, leaving the right arm free, with the feet stretched out behind; and during the meal the sandals were taken off. That explains how the woman was standing beside Jesus' feet.

(ii) Simon was a Pharisee, one of the separated ones. Why should such a man invite Jesus to his house at all? There are three possible reasons.

(a) It is just possible that he was an admirer and a sympathizer, for not all the Pharisees were Jesus' enemies (compare [Luke 13:31](#)). But the whole atmosphere of discourtesy makes that unlikely. For he didn't give Jesus the kiss of peace and sprinkled

the perfume on Jesus; his slaves didn't wash the feet of Jesus which was customary.

(b) It could be that Simon had invited Jesus with the deliberate intention of enticing him into some word or action which might have been made the basis of a charge against him. Simon may have been an agent provocateur. Again it is not likely, because in [Luke 7:40](#) Simon gives Jesus the title, Rabbi.

(c) Most likely, Simon was a collector of celebrities; and with a half-patronizing contempt he had invited this startling young Galilean to have a meal with him. That would best explain the strange combination of a certain respect with the omission of the usual courtesies. Simon was a man who tried to patronize Jesus.

(iii) The woman was a bad woman, and a notoriously bad woman, a prostitute. No doubt she had listened to Jesus speak from the edge of the crowd and had glimpsed in him the hand which could lift her from the mire of her ways. Round her neck she wore, like all Jewish women, a little phial of concentrated perfume; they were called alabasters; and they were very costly. She wished to pour it on his feet, for it was all she had to offer. But as she saw him the tears came and fell upon his feet. For a Jewish woman to appear with hair unbound was an act of the gravest immodesty. On her wedding day a girl bound up her hair and never would she appear with it unbound again. The fact that this woman loosed her long hair in public showed how she had forgotten everyone except Jesus.

The story demonstrates a contrast between two attitudes of mind and heart.

(i) Simon was conscious of no need and therefore felt no love, and so received no forgiveness.

Simon's impression of himself was that he was a good man in the sight of men and of God.

(ii) The woman was conscious of nothing else than a clamant need, and therefore was overwhelmed with love for him who could supply it, and so received forgiveness.

(We will continue)

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	June 9 th	<i>The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For all of our special intentions
Tues.	June 10 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Joe Nolde
Wed.	June 11 th	<i>Saint Barnabas, Apostle</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the Souls in Purgatory Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	June 12 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass - Leda Chenier
Fri.	June 13 th	<i>Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Jim Fassbender ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	June 14 th	3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – For the people of our parish
Sun.	June 15 th	<i>The Most Holy Trinity</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Cameron Delveaux 10:00 AM - Mass – Harold Chenier

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

88 envelopes returned for Sunday, June 1st

Adults.....	\$7,647.00
Loose.....	260.00
General Maintenance.....	376.00
Fuel.....	10.00
Total.....	\$8,293.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense	\$4,509.61
Overage.....	\$3,783.39

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	115.00
U.P. Catholic Services 57 appeal.....	520.00
Priest Retirement.....	15.00



Knights of Columbus

The Fourth Degree Knights will conduct a flag retirement ceremony at their June 18th monthly meeting. Drop off your worn and tattered flags at the K.C. Hall, 1812 9th Ave. N. in Escanaba. Please place the flag in the tote located by the flagpole. These flags will be disposed of in a respectful and proper manner.

Foster Parents Needed

Foster parenting can be the most gratifying work you will ever do but it is not for everyone. It requires opening yourself and your home to children who have experienced loss and need someone to love, nurture, advocate and protect them. Foster care involves partnering with social workers, schools, family court and community resources to meet an infant, child, or young person's needs. All types of people make good foster parents as we all have our own special talents. If your family is thinking of foster care, contact Kaitlyn Beurjey with Catholic Social Services at 906-280-0843 and begin the discussion.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- June 8th** - Children are the only people wise enough to enjoy today...without regretting yesterday or fearing tomorrow.
- June 9th** - If a thought comes to you of doing a kindness to someone, do it that very minute! Don't put it off; don't wait! What's the use of doing kindness if you do it a day too late?
- June 10th** - Father, we are blind to so many things, especially the inner needs of others. Improve our vision.
- June 11th** - When saving for old age, be sure to lay up a few pleasant thoughts.
- June 12th** - Jesus has said: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40
- June 13th** - Prayer is the key to heaven, and faith unlocks the door.
- June 14th** - Many a man who is offered the chance of a lifetime for a song, can't sing.

St. Vincent de Paul Corner

Today as we celebrate Pentecost the Holy Spirit wants to make us advocates of God's presence to bring new life to others, especially those who do not know the love of God in their lives.

Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul envelope will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.

For more info contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

SUMMER HOURS

The Baraga Educational Center is back and in full swing for the summer! Come and visit Bishop Baraga's house Monday-Friday noon to 5 p.m., and evenings and weekends by appointment. Group tours are welcome! Contact us to schedule at (906) 227-9117. *Our prayer gardens and votive house are open daily 7 a.m.-7 p.m.*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday Gn 3:9-15,20 Jn 19:25-34	Tuesday 2 Cor 1:18-22 Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 Mt 5:17-19	Thursday 2 Cor 3:15—4:1,3-6 Mt 5:20-26
Friday 2 Cor 4:7-15 Mt 5:27-32	Saturday 2 Cor 5:14-21 Mt 5:33-37
Sunday Prv 8:22-31 Rom 5:1-5 Jn 16:12-15	

Ask Bishop John Doerfler to Pray for You

A direct mailing will be sent to all registered households from Bishop John 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 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.

MEIJER'S SIMPLY GIVE DOUBLE MATCH DAY SATURDAY, JUNE 14th!

Support the Escanaba St. Vincent de Paul Pantry and stretch your \$10 gift card donation. Take advantage of Meijer's Simply Give Double Match Day next Saturday, June 14th! The Pantry uses the cards to purchase food only items for our neighbors in need. For every \$10 donation card you purchase on Saturday June 14th, Meijer's will provide the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry with a contribution of \$20, which brings the total to \$30 for a single \$10 customer purchase. Purchases resulting from the Double Match Day will be matched by Meijer up to a maximum amount of \$10,000 for this campaign. If you don't see "Simply Give" donation cards at the checkout, please ask a cashier. Thank you.