

Holy Family Parish

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 13, 2025

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Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

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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

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.....

Herb Iverson, Mike Gasperich, Jean Way, Shelly Polaczyk

Jan Carter, Sue Boudreau, Michael Theoret

Brenda Chouinard, Denise Seymour, Annette Russell

Kristin Cutcher, Tim Kalishek

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

The Defeat of the Demons (Luke 8:26-39)

Last week we started with the miracle of Jesus who healed a demoniac. This we will go through the dramatic scenes taking place in the process of the healing and in no other miracles of Jesus we find such scenes in the process of healing somebody. To the question of Jesus what his name was, he said that his name is 'Legion.' The Legion is known as the group of 6000 soldiers in the Roman army. The man, thinking the demons were speaking through him, pleaded with Jesus not to send them into the abyss of hell to which they would be consigned in the final judgment. He would never have believed that he was cured unless he had a visible demonstration. Nothing less than the visible departure of the demons would have convinced him.

According to some Scripture Scholars what happened was this. The herd of swine was feeding there on the mountain side. Jesus was exerting his power to cure what was a very stubborn case. Suddenly the man's wild shouts and screams disturbed the swine and they went dashing down the steep place into the sea in blind terror. So they say that we should not conclude that Jesus intentionally sent the demons into the swine. Jesus said, "Look! Your demons are gone!" Jesus had to find a way to get into the mind of this poor man; and in that way he found it. Seeing the visible sign the man was quite sure that his demons left him.

We must look at the reaction of two sets of people, the local villagers who lost the swine and the man who was made clean.

(i) There were the Gerasenes. They asked Jesus to go away.

(a) They hated having the routine of life disturbed. Life went peacefully on till there arrived this disturbing rabbi, Jesus; and they hated him. More people hate Jesus because he disturbs them when he points out to their shortcomings and failures. Nobody wants to give up the things he/she enjoys to do. So Jesus becomes an intruder in their peaceful life.

(b) They loved their swine more than they valued the soul of a man. One of life's supreme dangers is to value things more than persons. That is what created slums and vicious working conditions. Nearer home, that is what makes us selfishly demand our ease and comfort even if it means that someone who is tired has to slave for us. Nothing in this world can ever be as important as a person.

(ii) There was the man who was cured. Very naturally he was excited and wanted to come with Jesus but Jesus sent him home. Christian witness, like Christian charity, begins at home. It would be so much easier to live and speak for Christ among people who do not know us. But it is our duty, where Christ has set us, there to witness for him. And if it should happen that we are the only Christian in the shop, the office, the school, the factory, the circle in which we live or work, that is not matter for lamentation. It is a challenge in which God says, "Go and tell the people you meet every day what I have done for you."

An only child is healed ([Luke 8:40-42](#); [Luke 8:49-56](#)): Here is the pathos of life suddenly turned to gladness. Very keenly Luke felt the tragedy of this girl's death. There were three things which made it so poignant.

(a) She was an only child. Only Luke tells us that. The light of her parents' life had gone out.

(b) She was about twelve years of age. That is to say, she was just at the dawn of womanhood because children in the East develop much more quickly than in the West.

(c) Jairus was the president of the synagogue. That is to say, he was the man who was responsible for the administration of the synagogue and the ordering of public worship. He had reached the highest post that life could give him in the respect of his fellow-men. No doubt he was well to do; no doubt he had climbed the ladder of earthly ambition and prestige. It seemed as if life--as it sometimes does--had given lavishly of many things but was about to take the most precious thing away. All the pathos of life is in the background of this story.

(We will continue)

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	July 14 th	<i>St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass - For all of our special intentions 1:00 P.M. - St. Vincent dePaul Society meets
Tues.	July 15 th	<i>St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Carl & Elvira Carlson
Wed.	July 16 th	<i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For all the souls in purgatory Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help ----- Parish Office Closed
Thurs.	July 17 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the Intentions of Catherine Becker ----- Parish Office Closed
Fri.	July 18 th	<i>Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Rudy Marcella ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	July 19 th	3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Glenn King
Sun.	July 20 th	<i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Dorothy Sylvester 10:00 AM - Mass – For the people of our parish

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

78 envelopes returned for Sunday, July 6th

Adults.....	\$4,037.00
Loose.....	171.00
General Maintenance.....	275.00
Fuel.....	-0-
Total.....	\$4,483.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense	\$4,594.23
Short.....	\$ 111.23

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	40.00
U.P. Catholic Services Appeal.....	462.00

The parish office will be closed from Wednesday, July 16 thru Monday, July 21st. Office hours will resume on Tuesday July 22nd.

NO ADORATION AT THE HOSPITAL

There will be NO adoration from Sunday June 22nd at 5:00 pm to Wednesday, July 16th at 9:00 AM
Adoration will be starting up on Wednesday July 16 at 9:00 am.

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

July 13th - If God is your Father through Jesus Christ, then you will know and feel that ALL of His children are your brothers.

July 14th - Study the Bible to be wise; believe it to be safe; practice it to be holy.

July 15th - With the kiss of the sun for pardon, And the song of the birds for mirth, One is nearer God's heart in a garden, Than anywhere else on earth.

July 16th - It's not what you eat that causes ulcers; it's what's eating you.

July 17th - Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off the goal.

July 18th - Peace of mind never comes to any home when someone is always handing out a piece of mind.

July 19th - In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy path. Prov. 3:6

College Campus Ministry Programs

Attn: High School Graduates: If you are college-bound, be sure to checkout the Campus Ministry at the college or university you'll be attending. It's a great way to meet people, have fun, and stay connected to your faith!

Northern Michigan University:

<https://nmucatholic.org/#CatholicCats>

University of Michigan: michigancatholics.org

@michigancatholics on Instagram

Michigan Tech:

www.involvement.mtu.edu/organization/stag

St. Vincent de Paul Corner

In today's Gospel, when Jesus asks "which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" the scholar of the law answered, "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus then said, "Go and do likewise."

This week you can also "treat the poor with mercy" by putting a gift in the St. Vincent de Paul monthly envelope.

For more info contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday

Ex 1:8-14,22
Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday

Ex 2:1-15a
Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

Ex 3:1-6,9-12
Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

Ex 3:13-20
Mt 11:28-30

Friday

Ex 11:10—12:14
Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

Ex 12:37-42
Mt 12:14-21

Sunday

Gn 18:1-10a Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42

Carmelite Fall Festival

September 13th & 14th from Noon to 3:00 PM

Carmel of the Holy Cross Monastery

Junction US2 and M95, Iron Mountain, MI

The Fall Festival is open to the public and all are welcome. Baked goods, arts, crafts, basket raffle, and plate lunch...including the Sisters' famous bread will be available for purchase. \$5.00 Raffle tickets are available for purchase at Holy Family Parish office.

PRAYER INTENTION CARD MAILING FROM THE BISHOP

Everyone should have received the annual "Prayer Intention Card" mailing from the Bishop's Office. Helping to fulfill one of his primary obligations; to pray for the people of the Diocese of Marquette.

To do this, Bishop John Doerfler invites parishioners to send personal prayer requests utilizing the mailing you will receive. Returned prayer cards are kept in his private chapel, where he will pray for the intentions over the next year.

Summer is a great time to plan a spiritual road trip. How about visiting one (or all) of the designated pilgrimage churches for the Jubilee 2025 Year in the Diocese of Marquette? Learn more: [Jubilee Year 2025 - Diocese of Marquette - Marquette, MI](#)

It's that time to start thinking about doing baskets for our annual BUCKET RAFFLE for our Harvest dinner which will be October 19th.