

# Holy Family Parish

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## 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 27, 2025

### Pastor

(906) 786-1209 Ext. 3 or (906) 440-4193

### Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

### Deacon

Deacon: Robert Berbohm 786-9082

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### Parish Secretary

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*Bulletin articles should be submitted*

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### Faith Formation Coordinator

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### Maintenance

906-786-1209

### Pastoral Council Members

Pam Marenger – President Diane Danhoff

Harold Flagstadt Tina Cryderman

Kevin Dubord

Pam Marenger – Liturgy Committee

Bob Berbohm – Evangelization Committee

### Finance Council Members

Gerald Miron Piper Desy

Mary Kay Nolde Frank Chenier

### 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

One thing which stands out about the ministry which Jesus laid upon the Twelve is this—that they should give emphasis to preaching and healing. It joins concern for men's bodies and men's souls. It was something which was not to deal only in words, however comforting; but also in deeds. It was a message which was not confined to news of eternity; it proposed to change conditions on earth. It insisted that health to men's bodies was as integral a part of God's purpose as health to their souls.

Nothing has done the Church more harm than the repeated statement that the things of this world do not matter. In the middle thirties of this century unemployment invaded many respectable and decent homes in Europe and America. The father's skill was rusting in idleness; the mother was trying to make a penny do what a dollar ought to do; children could not understand what was going on except that they were hungry. Men grew bitter or broken. To go and tell such people that material things make no difference was unforgivable, especially if the teller was in reasonable comfort himself.

Of course, it is possible to overstress material things. But it is equally possible to neglect them. The Church will forget only at her peril that Jesus first sent out his men to preach the kingdom and to heal, to save men in body and in soul.

### **FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY (Luke 9:10-17)**

This is the only miracle of Jesus related in all the four gospels (compare Matthew 14:13; Mark 6:30; John 6:1). It begins with a lovely thing. The Twelve had come back from their tour. Jesus knew how tired and stressed out his disciples were and they needed a good rest. So he took them to the neighborhood of Bethsaida, a village on the far side of the Jordan to the north of the Sea of Galilee. When the people discovered where he had gone

they followed him in big groups--and he welcomed them.

There is all the divine compassion here. Seeing the crowd Jesus totally forgot about the disciples' rest. Most people would have resented the invasion of their hard-won privacy. How would we feel if we had sought out some lonely place to be with our most intimate friends and suddenly a clamorous mob of people turned up with their insistent demands? Sometimes we are too busy to be disturbed, but to Jesus human need took precedence over everything.

The evening came; home was far away; and the people were tired and hungry. Jesus, astonishingly, ordered his disciples to give them a meal. But the disciples expressed their helplessness showing the five loaves and two fish they had. Jesus wanted them to give him what they had; in other words looked for their co-operation.

Before Jesus distributed the food he blessed it; he said grace. There was a Jewish saying that "he who enjoys anything without thanksgiving is as though he robbed God." The blessing said in every home in Palestine before every meal ran, "Blessed are thou, God, King of the world, who causes bread to come forth from the earth." Jesus would not eat without giving thanks to the giver of good gifts.

**So they all ate and were filled:** Jesus miraculously multiplied the loaves and fishes, until far more than 5,000 were fed. No doubt the miracle was worked by Jesus but with the loaves given by the disciples. It is clear that even to work a miracle Jesus needs our contribution to be given first. The assurance that Jesus can provide – even miraculously – for all of our needs gives us comforts. On the walls of the catacombs, and other places of early Christian art, loaves and fishes are common pictures.

**(We will continue)**

### **THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY**

Mon.	July 28 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. - Mass - For all of our special intentions 1:00 P.M. - St. Vincent dePaul Society meets
Tues.	July 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Martha, Mary, and Lazarus</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Amy Chenier Kositzke
Wed.	July 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Harold Chenier Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	July 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b><i>Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Linda Roberts
Fri.	Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b><i>Saint Alphonsus, Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i></b> <b><i>First Friday</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Jill Young <b><i>6:30 P.M. - Adoration until 7:30 P.M.</i></b> ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Aug. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b><i>Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i></b> <b><i>8:00 A.M. - First Saturday Mass – For the intentions of Fr. Sebastian</i></b> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – For the people of our parish
Sun.	Aug. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b><i>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Marvin Nelson (11 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.) 10:00 AM - Mass – Dec. members of the St. Vincent de Paul Conferences

### **STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**66 envelopes returned for Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>**

Adults.....	\$2,982.00
Loose.....	255.00
General Maintenance.....	-0-
Fuel.....	-0-
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$3,237.00</b>

<b>Budgeted weekly Income &amp; Expense</b>	<b>\$4,594.23</b>
<b>Short.....</b>	<b>\$1,357.23</b>

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	15.00
U.P. Catholic Services Appeal.....	70.00
Mass Stipends.....	165.00
Donations.....	200.00
Reimbursements.....	845.00

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

### **Carmelite Fall Festival**

September 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> 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.***

## **SPIRIT LIFTERS**

**July 27<sup>th</sup>** - Salvation is given....not gained!

**July 28<sup>th</sup>** - There are hundreds of languages in the world, but a smile speaks all of them.

**July 29<sup>th</sup>** - The surest way to go broke is to sit around waiting for a break.

**July 30<sup>th</sup>** - A Christian is one who makes it easier for others to believe in God.

**July 31<sup>st</sup>** - Instead of waiting upon the Lord, some people want the Lord to wait upon them.

**Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>** - God often entrusts us with a little to see what we will do with a lot.

**Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>** - A retentive memory may be a good thing, but the ability to forget is the true token of greatness.

### **College Campus Ministry Programs**

Attn: High School Graduates: If you are college-bound, be sure to check out 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](http://michigancatholics.org)

@michigancatholics on Instagram

Michigan Tech:

[www.involvement.mtu.edu/organization/stag](http://www.involvement.mtu.edu/organization/stag)

### **St. Vincent de Paul Corner**

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that God is our "Father" and just as a parent's love for their children is unlimited, so is God's love and care for us unlimited.

In the month of July, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families by providing food, money for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

For more info contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

## **THIS WEEK'S READINGS**

### **Monday**

Ex 32:15-24,30-34

Mt 13:31-35

### **Tuesday**

Ex 33:7-11;34:5b-9,28

Jn 11:19-27

### **Wednesday**

Ex 34:29-35

Mt 13:44-46

### **Thursday**

Ex 40:16-21,34-38

Mt 13:47-53

### **Friday**

Lv 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34b-37

Mt 13:54-58

### **Saturday**

Lv 25:1,8-17

Mt 14:1-12

### **Sunday**

Ecc1 1:2; 2:21-23 Col 3:1-5,9-11

Lk 12:13-21

### **Kids Fishing Contest**

**Sponsored by the Brother Felix Council, Escanaba Council 640 and Bark River Council of the**

**Knights of Columbus**

Saturday, August 9, 2025 - Ludington Park near the Yacht Harbor

Registration 11 am - Fishing 12 pm - 2:00 pm

Lunch will be provided

Open to all children from ages 0-16 years

(Kids will be divided into two separate groups by age)

### **FREE EVENT**

**COME JOIN US FOR A FUN TIME ON  
AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>!!**

The Knights of Columbus will be at Elmers County Market Friday August 1<sup>st</sup> for a brat fundraiser. Hours are from 10 am to 4 pm. Please come down to get lunch and support the Knights of Columbus.

### **\$95 BRICKS IN HONOR**

### **OF THE BBA'S 95TH ANNIVERSARY**

In honor of the Bishop Baraga Association's 95th Anniversary, we are offering a limited-time brick special for \$95! Learn more and start designing your brick today at <https://bishopbaraga.org/bba-brick-program/>. Please note that this offer is good through Sept. 30, 2025.