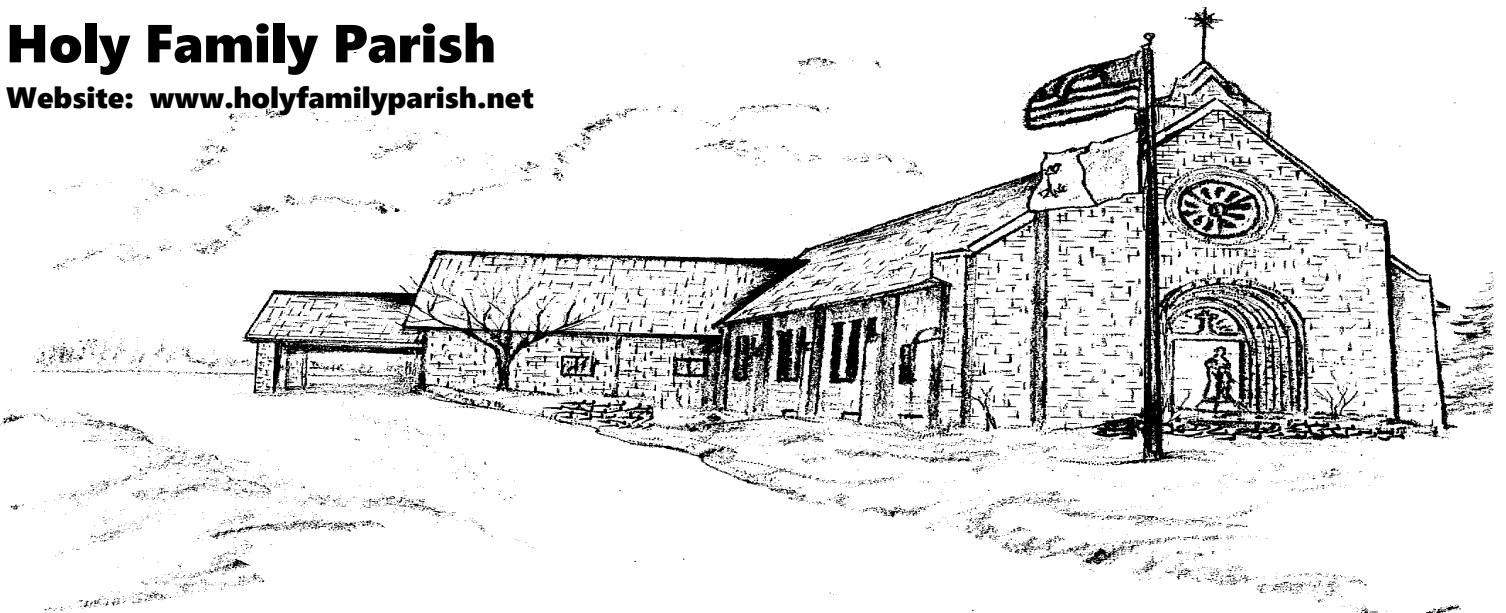


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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 18, 2024

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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.....

*Mike Gasperich, Joan, Jean Way, Shelly Polaczyk
Brenda Chouinard, John King, Mike Mosher
Clifford Marcella, Michael Theoret, Herb Iverson*

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 Boy of Jesus in the Temple; Luke 2:46 - 52 (Cont.)

It took Joseph and Mary **three days** to find Jesus. Luke says that the parents had journeyed one day before they found Jesus was missing. It is sure that they took another day to travel back. If they found him on the third day, it seems that they searched for Jesus one day elsewhere. When they finally found Jesus, He was **in the Temple**.

Luke also records what Jesus was doing in the Temple. He was **sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions**. This does not suggest that Jesus is lecturing or teaching the religious leaders. Rather, it simply shows that He was fully engaged in the theological discussions of the teachers. It was the custom of the teachers to meet in public in the Temple courts during the Feasts to discuss religious and theological questions where everyone could listen and learn.

2:47: Those who heard Jesus were **astonished at His understanding and answers**. This foreshadows the future reactions of the crowds to the teaching and miracles of Jesus (e.g., 4:32; 5:9; 8:56; 9:43). Such amazement indicates that He is gaining honor in their eyes. At twelve years old, his wisdom and understanding of the Scriptures were on par with that of the religious leaders of the day. Through reading and study, Jesus had gained such great knowledge and insight into the Scriptures that He was able to converse with the most learned teachers.

2:48. However, in contrast to the amazement of the crowds, when Joseph and Mary found Jesus, they also were **amazed**, but for different reasons. They were amazed that Jesus had been in the Temple for quite some time. Mary even chastises Jesus by saying, "**Son, why have you**

done this to us? Look, your father and I have sought you anxiously." Joseph and Mary were understandably a little upset at Jesus. She calls Him *son*, which might be better translated "child." She still views him as a child, but he corrects her in his reply. The word *anxiety* indicates "deep mental pain or trauma." The reader is reminded of Simeon's words in 2:35 that a sword would pierce Mary's heart. The inner trauma she has experienced here foreshadows the future pain she will suffer. She has been frantically looking for him, and now, when they find him, he is calmly sitting in the Temple, studying Script

ATTENTION

BISHOP'S SPECIAL MASS

This is to bring to your kind attention that Bishop Doerfler will be coming to our Parish on Sept. 22nd to celebrate 10 am Mass. **The special occasion is that we will be honoring our members who have reached the age of 85 and above and also the couples who are married for more than 50 years.** Our purpose is not to expose them as very old, rather; appreciate the long years of their faithful service to the Community. A luncheon will follow the Mass and you are cordially invited to that. A sign-up sheet will be available for you up to September 15th. I request and encourage everybody to be there for that Mass and luncheon, as the Bishop will be here only for one Mass.

Fr. Sebastian

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Aug. 19 th	<i>Saint John Eudes, Priest</i> 8:00 A.M. - NO Mass
Tues.	Aug. 20 th	<i>Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Betty Lou Tourangeau (1 st Anniv.) & Bobby
Wed.	Aug. 21 st	<i>Saint Pius X, Pope</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Harold Chenier Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	Aug. 22 nd	<i>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For all who have or will receive a prayer shawl 8:30 A.M. - Prayer shawl ministry meets in the church basement
Fri.	Aug. 23 rd	<i>Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Kevin Pearson ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Aug. 24 th	3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Dec. members of the Gascon/Schultz Families
Sun.	Aug. 25 th	<i>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the people of our parish 10:00 AM - Mass - Dwaine & Joy Berbohm

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

72 envelopes returned for Sunday, Aug. 11th

Adult Offering.....	\$2,921.00
Loose.....	105.00
General Maintenance.....	25.00
Fuel.....	<u>25.00</u>
Total.....	\$3,076.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense...	\$4,509.61
Short.....	1,433.61

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	10.00
U.P. Catholic Services Appeal Pledges..	125.00
Donations.....	700.00
Diocesan Collection.....	230.00

Just a reminder to pick up your packet of raffle tickets. Our Harvest Dinner will be on Sunday, October 20, 2024. More details will follow in the weeks to come. We are also having our BUCKET RAFFLE.

ALL CHURCH MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO VISIT OUR LADY OF CHAMPION SHRINE

Signup no-later than August 25 (after 10 mass) for a visit to **Our Lady of Champion** 17 miles northeast of Green Bay. We'll leave the church parking lot on Wednesday September 4 at 7 am....returning at 8 pm. Cost:(depending how many sign up – if we get 50, cost will be approx. \$35, if less, cost goes up) Sign up sheet is in the gathering area.

2024 CARMELITE FALL FESTIVAL

Each year, the Sisters of the Discalced Carmelite Monastery of the Holy Cross in Iron Mountain, Mich., sponsor the Carmelite Fall Festival (formerly the Silver Tea), Craft and Bake Sale which is scheduled this year on Sept. 21-22 from noon- 3 p.m. CST.

This year, the Sisters' homemade bread will be sold, as well as additional fall favorite baked goods, Italian turkey lunch plates and other items from their gift shop such as crafts and miscellaneous items. A basket raffle, and other raffle prizes will be available.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

Aug. 18th - One of the beautiful surprises of middle age is the discovery that mature love is not only richer and deeper, but every bit as breathtaking as it was in the beginning.

Aug. 19th - Casting our burden on the Lord frees us to help carry another's burdens.

Aug. 20th - Sitting and wishing won't change your fate; God provides the fishing, but you've got to dig the bait.

Aug. 21st - He who forgives, ends the quarrel.

Aug. 22nd - It's the little things that bother us, And keep us on the rack; We can sit upon a MOUNTAIN, But not on a TACK.

Aug. 23rd - Kindness is becoming at any age.

Aug. 24th - Are your troubles causing you to lose your religion or USE your religion?

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." As we know, our loving God cannot be seen by our eyes, but only experienced through loving people.

With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use...and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. For more info contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th, 45th, 50th or above anniversaries, as well as newlyweds are invited along with their families to the annual Milestone Wedding Anniversary Celebration. Golden anniversary couples are additionally invited to submit information and photos for publication in *The U.P. Catholic* newspaper. The celebration will be at St. Peter Cathedral in Marquette on Sunday, Sept. 8, 2024, beginning with Mass at 3:30 p.m. ET. See the parish office for a registration form.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday
Ez 24:15-23
Mt 19:16-22

Wednesday
Ez 34:1-11
Mt 20:1-16

Friday
Ez 37:1-14
Mt 22:34-40

Tuesday
Ez 28:1-10
Mt 19:23-30

Thursday
Ez 36:23-28
Mt 22:1-14

Saturday
Rv 21:9b-14
Jn 1:45-51

Sunday
Jos 24:1-2a,15-17,18b
Eph 5:21-32
Jn 6:60-69

BARAGA DAYS 2024

The annual Baraga Days celebrating the life and labors of Venerable Bishop Frederic Baraga will be held Sept. 13-14, 2024, in Gaylord, Mich. The event is hosted by the Bishop Baraga Association and the Diocese of Gaylord. This is an opportunity for those who know this saintly man to celebrate his work and provides an opportunity for all to learn about Bishop Frederic Baraga. For more information, the full schedule of events or to purchase banquet tickets please visit our website at www.bishopbaraga.org or contact the Bishop Baraga Association.

October 11-13, 2024, Queen of Heaven Retreat, titled "*Mary Help of Christians – God's Simple Answer to Our Overwhelming Problems*," will be directed by Fr. Corey Litzner. It will take place at the Beautiful Garden Grove Retreat, formerly known as the Marygrove Retreat Center. We have reserved the entire building for our use. THE RETREAT FEE IS \$165.00 PER PERSON, which includes two breakfasts, two lunches, and one dinner. Special requirements can be accommodated. Space is limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Please contact Vicky Ricketts at 906-869-2137 or vricke411@gmail.com for information to register no later than September 25, 2024.