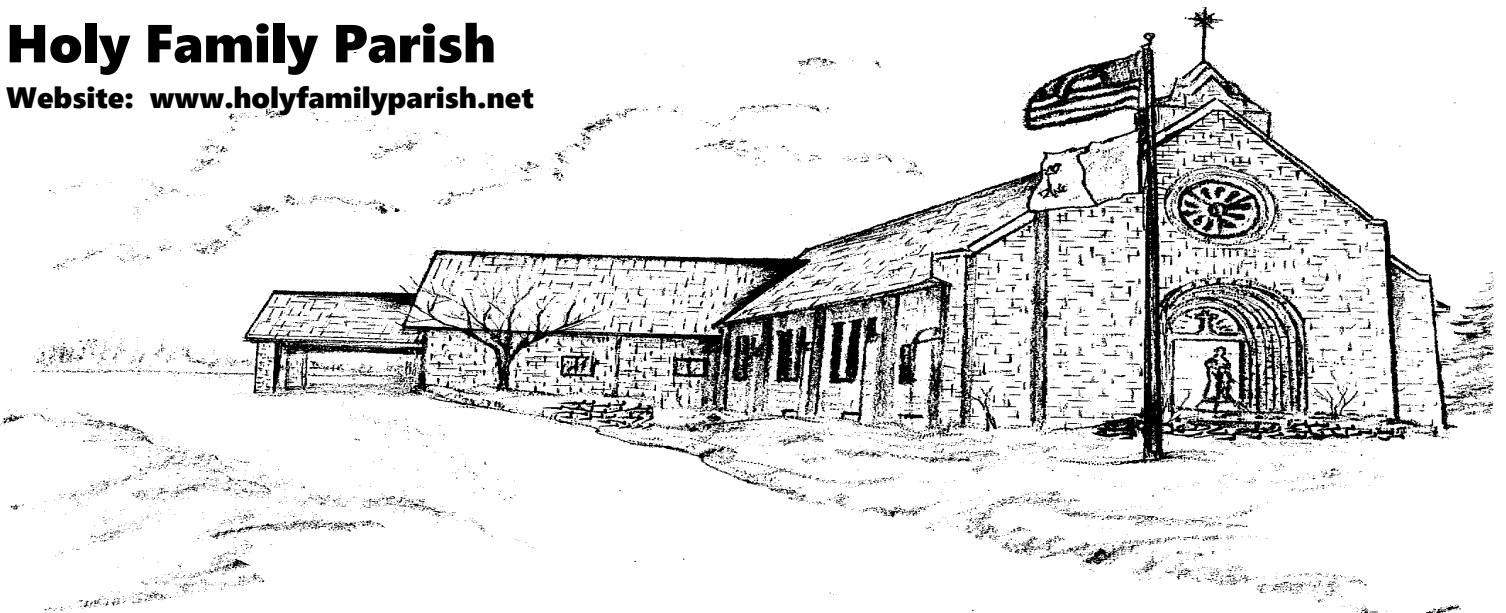


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Sacrament of Marriage

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.....

*Diane, Barb, Eric, Pat, Betty Lou, Joan
Roger Tourangeau, Jan Carter, Jean Way
Amanda, Judy Hubert, Shelly Polaczyk*

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

GRACE (Cont.)

Last week we started with the explanation of **Sanctifying Grace**. Let us continue with the same.

What are the chief effects of Sanctifying Grace? The chief effects of Sanctifying Grace are:

1. It makes us holy and pleasing to God. When we are in possession of Sanctifying Grace, we are free from mortal sin; the two cannot dwell together. The fire of the Holy Spirit sears away all that God abhors, so that we acquire God's friendship. However, although free from mortal sin, we do not become free from remains of sin, though we have Sanctifying Grace in us. So even the saints feel the inclination to sin, against which the struggle is life long, and from which we should gain merit. This human frailty is imbedded in our flesh, and is present in our souls as a result of original sin. Sanctifying Grace, however, although it does not cure us of the weakness of the flesh, strengthens our will, so that for us the war against sin becomes easier. The charity accompanying Sanctifying Grace makes us more prone to good works, more attracted to God, with minds illuminated as to the folly of sin.
2. It makes us adopted children of God. With Sanctifying Grace, the Holy Spirit enters our soul; we are then led by His Spirit, and are therefore His children. Paul says, *"For whoever is led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. Now you have not received a Spirit of bondage so as to be again in fear, but you have received a Spirit of adoption as sons, by virtue of which we cry, "Abba! Father!" the Spirit himself gives testimony to our spirit that we are sons of God"* (Rom 8:1-16).
3. It makes us temples of the Holy Spirit. Sanctifying Grace brings the Holy Spirit to dwell in us as in a temple. St. Paul says, *"For you are the temple of the Living God"* (2Cor 6:16). *Paul continues, "Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys the temple of God, him will God destroy; for holy is the temple of God and this temple you are"* (1Cor 3: 16, 16).
4. It gives the right to inherit heaven. When we are in Sanctifying Grace, we are inspired to do good works. The Holy Spirit does not sleep within us, but expands our heart with His Grace, and urges our will to do good. And as we are adopted children of God, such actions become meritorious for heaven. If we are children of God, we are at the same time heirs, and therefore have a right to his Kingdom. St. Paul says, *"We are the sons of God. But if we are sons, we are heirs also; heirs indeed of God, and joint heirs with Christ"* (Rom 16-17).

Why is Sanctifying Grace necessary for salvation? Sanctifying Grace is necessary for salvation because it is the Supernatural life, which alone enables us to attain the supernatural happiness of heaven. The presence of God in the soul gives it life. When the Holy Spirit is dwelling in the soul, it is enables to know and love God, to do supernatural works. Speaking of the 'gift of God,' our Lord said it "shall become in him a fountain of water, springing up unto life everlasting" (John 4:14). Without Sanctifying Grace, the soul is without God; and without God, the soul becomes the devil's possession.

One cannot gain any merit for heaven as long as he is not in Sanctifying Grace, what is termed 'in the state of grace.' For without Sanctifying Grace one is an enemy of God, and cannot enter His Kingdom.

(We will continue).

Please notice the new signs posted on the back pew in the gathering space is reserved for mothers and babies and the two half pews at the back of church are reserved for the handicap. (Mothers with babies are most welcome to sit with the congregation.)

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Aug. 21 st	<i>Saint Pius X, Pope</i> 8:00 A.M. – Mass – For all of our special intentions
Tues.	Aug. 22 nd	<i>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Dwaine Berbohm
Wed.	Aug. 23 rd	<i>Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For all souls in purgatory Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	Aug. 24 th	<i>Saint Bartholomew, Apostle</i> 8:00 A.M.- Mass -For the Intentions of Theresa Kudwa
Fri.	Aug. 25 th	<i>Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – 50 th Wedding Anniv. Of Chuck & Emily Moreau ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Aug. 26 th	3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Joe Nolde
Sun.	Aug. 27 th	<i>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the People of our Parish 10:00 AM - Mass – Nancy Marenger

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

87 envelopes returned for Sunday, Aug. 13th

Adult Offering.....	\$ 3,771.00
Loose.....	128.00
General Maintenance.....	15.00
Fuel.....	40.00
Total.....	\$ 3,954.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense...	\$4,389.42
Short.....	\$ 435.42

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	-0-
Diocesan Collection.....	\$ 265.00
Donations to Door & Cement Project.	\$ 200.00

The Knights of Columbus Council 640 will be having their Family Picnic TODAY Sunday August 20th at the Escanaba Township Pavilion starting at Noon. Please bring a dish to pass and the meat will be provided.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

From Monday, August 21st thru Friday August 25th you will have to use the door opening from the driveway of Fr. Sebastian on the West side of church while they are working on the concrete pad. That will be the only door available to access the Church.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Photo Dates: **Tue. Sept 19, Wed., Sept. 20th, Thurs., Sept. 21st, and Friday Sept 22, every day from 2:00 - 8:00 pm Saturday Sept 23 from 10 am-4 pm. ON LINE SCHEDULING: www.ucdir.com church id: mi1746 password: photos, **MAKE SURE TO LOGOUT!** In-person scheduling starting Mid-august after each mass **Piper's e-mail address is: piper_dc@hotmail.com or 906-399-3218****

SPIRIT LIFTERS

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?

Aug. 25th - Those who won't mind their own business, soon have no business to mind.

Aug. 26th - Feed your faith, and your doubts will starve to death.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

The Gospel today announces that the kingdom and salvation are for all people. It is our persistent calling out to Jesus and our faith that count, for Jesus always responds.

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 information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

St Vincent de Paul needs your HELP!!

We are looking for volunteers. HELP US HELP OTHERS! Call Loretta at 906-399-4907.

Carmelite Monastery Fall Festival

Carmelite Monastery Fall Festival (formerly known as the Silver Tea) Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 9th & 10th from Noon to 3:00 PM at the Carmel of the Holy Cross Monastery, Junction US2 and M95, Iron Mount, MI Everyone is welcome to attend!

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday

Jgs 2:11-19
Mt 19:16-22

Wednesday

Jgs 9:6-15
Mt 20:1-16

Friday

Ru 1:1,3-6;14b-16,22
Mt 22:34-40

Tuesday

Jgs 6:11-24a
Mt 19:23-30

Thursday

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

Saturday

Ru 2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17
Mt 23:1-12

Sunday

Is 22:19-23 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20

Building a Future of Hope

Pregnancy Services has been busy helping men and women choose life and become better parents in the new pregnancy center at 2501 1st Ave. North, Escanaba. In order to pay for the center and the needed renovations, the capital campaign, *Building a Future of Hope*, has been underway with a goal of raising \$750,000. Thanks to generous donors, they have raised 49% toward the goal. Please consider making a generous donation or pledge to help reach the goal; donations may be mailed to 2501 1st Ave. N, Escanaba, MI 49829. For more information, please visit psdcpartners.org or call Jamie at (906) 786-7474, ext. 105 or email her at directorofpsdc@gmail.com.

Together, we can provide a *Future of Hope* to men, women, and their children for many years to come!

Annual Milestone Wedding Anniversary Celebration is Sunday, Sept. 17th at 3:30 PM at St. Peter's, Marquette. Call parish office for a registration form.

*Our Parish Sympathy and Prayers
Are extended to the family and friends of
Roger Guenette
May he rest in peace.*

Just a reminder to parent to let the parish office know if you have a child/ren that will be attending the CCD program for the first time to make sure you receive a registration packet.