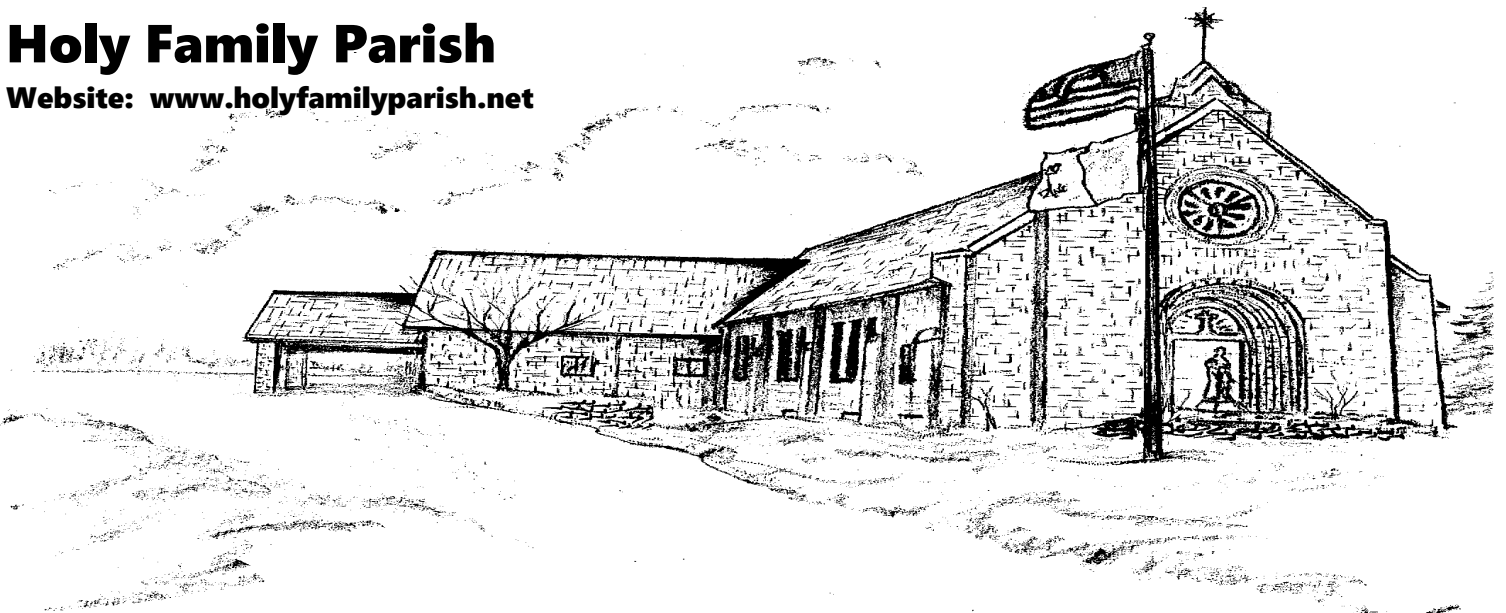


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Sacrament of Marriage

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, 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.)

Actual Grace: Actual Grace derives its name, 'actual' from the Latin word actualis (ad actum), for it is granted by God for the performance of salutary acts and is present and disappears with the action itself. Its opposite, therefore, is not possible Grace, which is without usefulness or importance, but Habitual or Sanctifying Grace, which causes a state of holiness, so that the mutual relations between these two kinds of Grace are relation between action and state, not those between actuality and potentiality. As to Actual Grace, we have to examine: **(1) its Nature; (2) its Properties.** Actual Grace is a supernatural help from God by which he enlightens a person's mind and moves the will to do good and avoid evil for the sake of eternal life. Unlike Sanctifying Grace, Actual grace is not a quality that dwells in the soul. It is rather a holy thought or holy desire from God that leads a person to perform a supernatural action that is naturally impossible to do.

Actual Grace is like little nudges from God. These nudges can take many different forms and come to us from many different places and people. Actual Grace could come in the form of our mother reminding you not to miss Mass on Sunday, or a friend telling you that you should get to confession. It could be a catastrophic event which leaves you on your knees before God, when before you wouldn't have gone near Him. It could be the promptings of your own conscience when confronted with your sins. It might be a class you took or a book you read which compelled you in the direction of justice or righteousness or humility. It could be the unexpected presence of a holy person or the feeling of awe you get when you look at a coastal sunset. It could be just about anything which moves you closer to the Lord.

Actual Grace can be acted on or it can be ignored; but just like a train, there will always be another nudge coming around soon. God never abandons anyone, and every human being on the planet receives as much Actual Grace as is necessary to prompt one to seek out salvation. Unlike Sanctifying Grace, Actual Grace does not touch the interior of a person, but only works from the outside. Actual Grace does not change the state of a person's souls, but is merely the agent that pushes a soul to seek out and receive Sanctifying Grace.

Just to fresh up our memory on Sanctifying Grace, please remember, Sanctifying Grace differs from Actual Grace in several ways. Actual Grace is a transient gift which lasts only during the action. Sanctifying Grace remains with us unless lost by mortal sin; Actual Grace is still communicated even if we do not possess Sanctifying Grace; if Sanctifying Grace is lost it cannot be recovered without Actual Grace, nor can Sanctifying Grace be preserved for any length of time without the assistance of Actual Grace. Sanctifying and Actual Grace are both supernatural, since both are far above the powers of unaided nature. They are directly given by God out of sheer love for us.

Division of Actual Grace: The logical division of Actual Grace should enumerate all kinds to which the definition is universally applicable. If we adopt different faculties of the soul as our principle of division, we shall have two kinds: **Graces of the Intellect and of the Will.** With regard to the consent of the will we distinguish two pairs of Graces; first, preventing and co-operating; then efficacious and merely sufficient Grace. It must be immediately shown that all these Graces are not arbitrarily invented entities, but actually existing realities.

Divine Illuminations of the Intellect: The illuminating Grace of the Intellect first presents itself for consideration. It is that Grace which in the work of salvation suggests good thoughts to the intellect. Divine Inspirations are, first of all, Actual Graces insofar they enlighten the mind to see what is already there. Illuminations also confer knowledge not yet possessed and that, except for Grace, the mind would not possess.

(We will continue).

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Aug. 28 th	<i>Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. – Mass – For all of our special intentions
Tues.	Aug. 29 th	<i>The Passion of Saint John the Baptist</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Ken Kelloniemi
Wed.	Aug. 30 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Henry, Sr. & Nora Menard and family Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	Aug. 31 st	8:00 A.M.- Mass – Pat Beauchamp
Fri.	Sept. 1 st	<i>First Friday</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – William Smith 6:30 P.M. - Adoration until 7:30 P.M. ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Sept. 2 nd	8:00 A.M. - First Saturday Mass – Carol LaFave 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Carl McGlynn
Sun.	Sept. 3 rd	<i>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the People of our Parish 10:00 AM - Mass – Kathy LaCosse (3 rd Anniv.)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

80 envelopes returned for Sunday, Aug. 20th

Adult Offering.....	\$ 3,527.00
Loose.....	189.00
Mass Stipends.....	230.00
General Maintenance.....	140.00
Fuel.....	90.00
Total.....	\$ 4,176.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense...	\$4,389.42
Short.....	\$ 213.42

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	5.00
Diocesan Collection.....	\$ 40.00

Through the waters of baptism we welcome into our parish family **Banks Wilder**, son of Kyle and Amanda (Mortl) Barron. Banks was baptized on Sunday, August 20th. Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents.

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****

*Our Parish Sympathy and Prayers
Are extended to the family and friends of
Betty Lou Tourangeau
May she rest in peace.*

SPIRIT LIFTERS

Aug. 27th - The ornaments of a house are the friends who visit it.

Aug. 28th - If life were a bed of roses, some people wouldn't be happy until they developed an allergy.

Aug. 29th - Trouble is usually produced by those who produce nothing else.

Aug. 30th - Love is never afraid of giving too much.

Aug. 31st - A parent cannot in simple justice demand from any child a standard of conduct which he does not himself fulfill.

Sept. 1st - The way you go must be your decision.

Sept. 2nd - It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

Like Peter in today's Gospel, we can find that when we open our eyes to see, our ears to hear and our hearts to experience Jesus' presence in our daily lives, God reveals himself to us.

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

Pregnancy Services of Delta County invites you **Sunday, Sept 17 from 1 pm -2pm** at 2501 1st Ave N. Escanaba. (The old UP State Credit Union building across from L&M Fleet) to:

- hear how Pregnancy Services of Delta County is helping all men and women choose life for their children.
- Tour our beautiful new facility
- Learn how you can help partner with us . We are a volunteer based and 100% donor supported ministry.
- Enjoy a time of fellowship during a brief social with light refreshments.
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Call **Mary Whitmer 906 280-8133** to find out more and /or come and join us on this mission of Hope, Care and Love. Donations are always welcomed.
Pregnancy Services of Delta County

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday

1 Thes 1:1-5,8b-10
Mt 23:13-22

Wednesday

1 Thes 2:9-13
Mt 23:27-32

Friday

1 Thes 4:1-8
Mt 25:1-13

Tuesday

1 Thes 2:1-8
Mk 6:17-29

Thursday

1 Thes 3:7-13
Mt 24:42-51

Saturday

1 Thes 4:9-11
Mt 25:14-30

Sunday

Jer 20:7-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27

Building a Future of Hope

Pregnancy Services has been busy helping men and women choose life in the new pregnancy center at 2501 1st Ave. North, Escanaba. In order to pay for the center and needed renovations, the capital campaign, *Building a Future of Hope*, has been underway with a goal of raising \$750,000. Please consider making a donation 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.

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.

LADIES OF THE PARISH

We will be having a parish bake sale after each mass of September 16 & 17, 2023. Please be generous to bring wrapped & priced items.

If you're willing to help during this sale, please contact Pam Marenger at 906.399.0782

ps....I heard we will have freshly baked bread & cinnamon rolls.... 😊

WOMENS ALTAR SOCIETY INFORMATION:

No September meeting - please focus on bake sale and church Directory. See you October 3, 2023