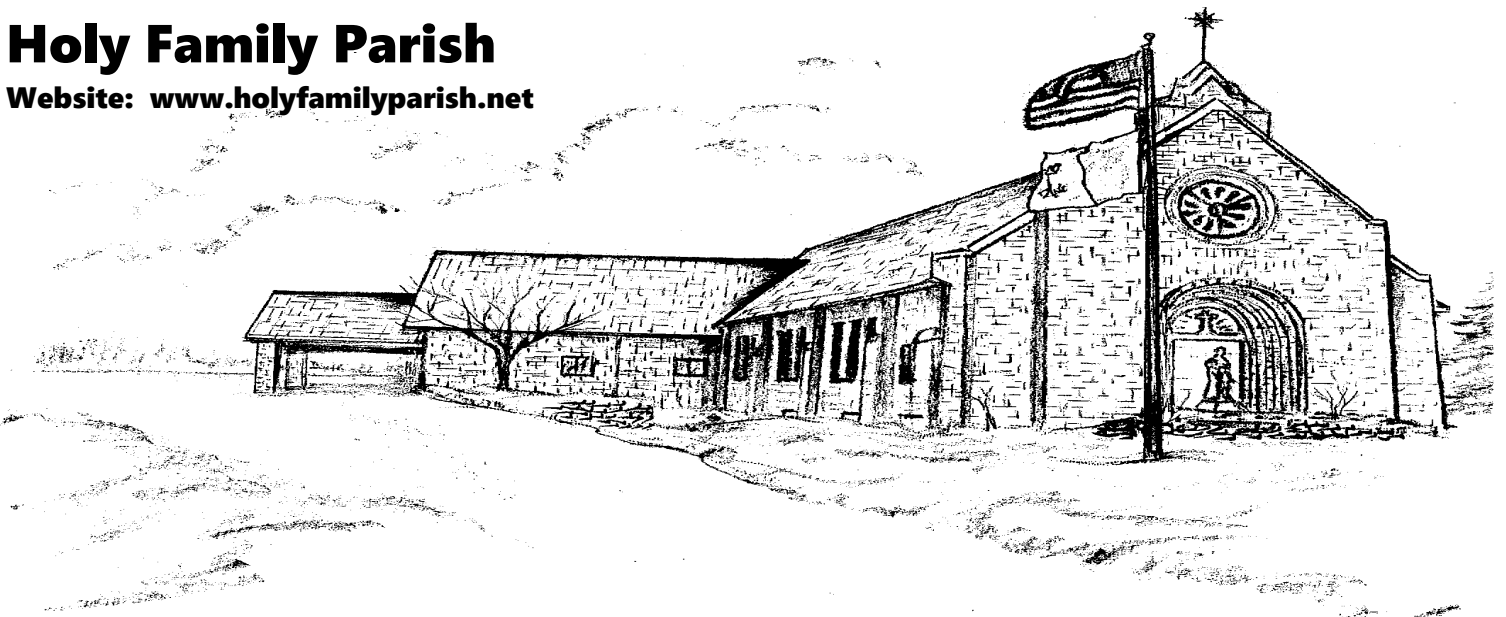


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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 10, 2023

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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.

Invitation To:

**Faith Formation Class – Adult/Young Adult*

When? Every Wednesday evening, starting September 13th

Where? Holy Name Grade School Commons Area (Time: 6:00-7:00p.m.)

Title: Why is Life so Hard

There are no exceptions, all families have broken pieces that we try to put back together. Many people can be heard saying something like this; “Jesus, where are you? Will I ever feel normal again...the hurt, the pain, the uncertainty, the grief, the loneliness, the depression, my children, my grandchildren, the anxiousness, I am a real person with real pain...is there an answer for me?”

The great news is, yes, there is an answer. We will be using what is called the “Lectio Divina” format to dig deep into scripture for both your individual answer and find out what God's collective answer is for our society today.

Lectio Divina is more than simply reading scripture. Using prayer and meditation principles, while reading Holy Scripture, the practice is intended to promote deeper communion with God and to increase our knowledge of God's word. St. Jerome said, “to be ignorant of Scripture is to be ignorant of Christ.” This class will intentionally ground each of us in Holy Scripture. Lectio Divina does not treat Scripture as simply 'text to be studied', but as the living word of God, which provides definitive answers to all of life's questions.

Please consider attending. You will not be disappointed! To borrow a quote from Bishop Fulton Sheen, “Far better it is for you to say I am a sinner than to say I have no need of Religion. Those who are empty can be filled but the self-intoxicated have no room for God.”

Sample size discussion point: “Money is an article which may be used as a universal passport to get you everywhere you want to go except heaven. It is also a universal provider of everything you desire except happiness.”

Finally, if you know anyone (don't we all) that needs to be encouraged in their own journey to eternity, please invite them as well. All are Welcome! Please call Julie @233-9566 to let her know you plan on attending. We will provide Bibles. See you in class: September 13th, 6:00-7:00p.m.

Don't forget to pick up your raffle tickets and start to sell them. Everyone was given ten tickets but we are hoping that parishioners will be able to sell more than 10 and sell all 2500 like last year!!!!

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.... 😊

ATTENTION MEN: An interactive men's program **THAT MAN IS YOU!** will start on Wednesday mornings at St. Josph & St. Patrick Parish Hall, 709 1st Ave. S., Escanaba beginning Sept. 13th. Schedule is 6 am breakfast, 6:30 am presentation, 7 am small group discussion and dismissal at 7:30 am. For more information, contact Tim Chouinard at 906-398-8083 or email at tchouinard84@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Sept. 11 th	8:00 A.M. – No Mass
Tues.	Sept. 12 th	<i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Pat Beauchamp 6:00 P.M. - St. Vincent de Paul Society meets
Wed.	Sept. 13 th	<i>Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Rob Leisner Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	Sept. 14 th	<i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i> 8:00 A.M.- Mass – For all who have or will receive a Prayer Shawl 8:30 A.M. - Prayer shawl ministry in the Fr. Matt Hall
Fri.	Sept. 15 th	<i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the Intentions of Mary Kudwa ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Sept. 16 th	<i>Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs</i> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – For the people of our parish
Sun.	Sept. 17 th	<i>Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Rudy Marcella 10:00 AM - Mass – Larry & Darlene Chouinard ----- BAKE SALE AFTER ALL THE MASSES

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

78 envelopes returned for Sunday, Sept. 3rd

Adult Offering.....	\$ 3,405.00
Loose.....	129.00
General Maintenance.....	240.00
Fuel.....	340.00
Total.....	\$ 4,114.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense... \$4,389.42
Short..... \$ 275.42

St. Vincent DePaul Society..... 55.00

End the Silence...A walk for Suicide Awareness and Prevention will take place on Sept. 16th at the Miracle of Life Building. 10:00 am registration To register: email: endthesilencewalk@hotmail.com; website: www.endthesilencewalk.com; facebook: End The Silence Walk or call 906-789-0003.

Escanaba Knights of Columbus Council #640

To provide warmth for children, Knights will accept donations of gently used kids and teens coats on the weekend of September 23rd and 24th after every Mass. The goal of coats for kids is to ensure that no child goes without a coat during winter. We appreciate your help.

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!** Piper's e-mail address is: piper_dc@hotmail.com or 906-399-3218**

If you will not be here during the picture taking, we ask that you please submit a photo for our directory.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

Sept. 10th - It is good to be saved and KNOW IT; But it's better to be saved and SHOW IT.

Sept. 11th - Those who walk with God always get to their destination.

Sept. 12th - Nothing we wear makes as much difference as the expression on our faces.

Sept. 13th - Good, better, best; never let it rest till your good is better and your better is best.

Sept. 14th - Help me overlook others faults in the hope that they will overlook mine.

Sept. 15th - ...we know that he hears us in whatever we ask. I John 5:14

Sept. 16th - The Christian faith is never a guarantee against trouble, but it is a guarantee against defeat when trouble comes.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we help them to know that indeed "God is in the midst of them."

For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

St. Thomas Breakfast

Sunday, September 10th

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

**Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage,
Potatoes, Toast, Coffee & Juice**
\$9 ages 13 & up; \$6 ages 6-12
Ages 5 and under are free

ST. THOMAS PASTY SALE

3:00 - 5:00 PM

Plain or rutabaga

Sept. 13th & 14th in the St. Thomas Parish Hall
No pre-orders necessary

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday

Col 1:24—2:3
Lk 6:6-11

Wednesday

Col 3:1-11
Lk 6:20-26

Friday

1 Tm 1:1-2,12-14
Jn 19:25-27

Tuesday

Col 2:6-15
Lk 6:12-19

Thursday

Nm 21:4b-9
Phil 2:6-11
Jn 3:13-17

Saturday

1 Tm 1:15-17
Lk 6:43-49

Sunday

Sir 27:30—28:7 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35

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.

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

The Life Chain this year will be a week earlier than usual because of confirmation on October 1st. So the Life Chain this year will be on Sunday, September 24, same time, 1:30-3:00, same place. We will pray along Lincoln Road from Advance Auto to Taco Bell. We will meet/park at the far end of Elmer's County Market, between Burger King and the bank at 1:15 to get signs and pray together, before we pray along Lincoln Road.