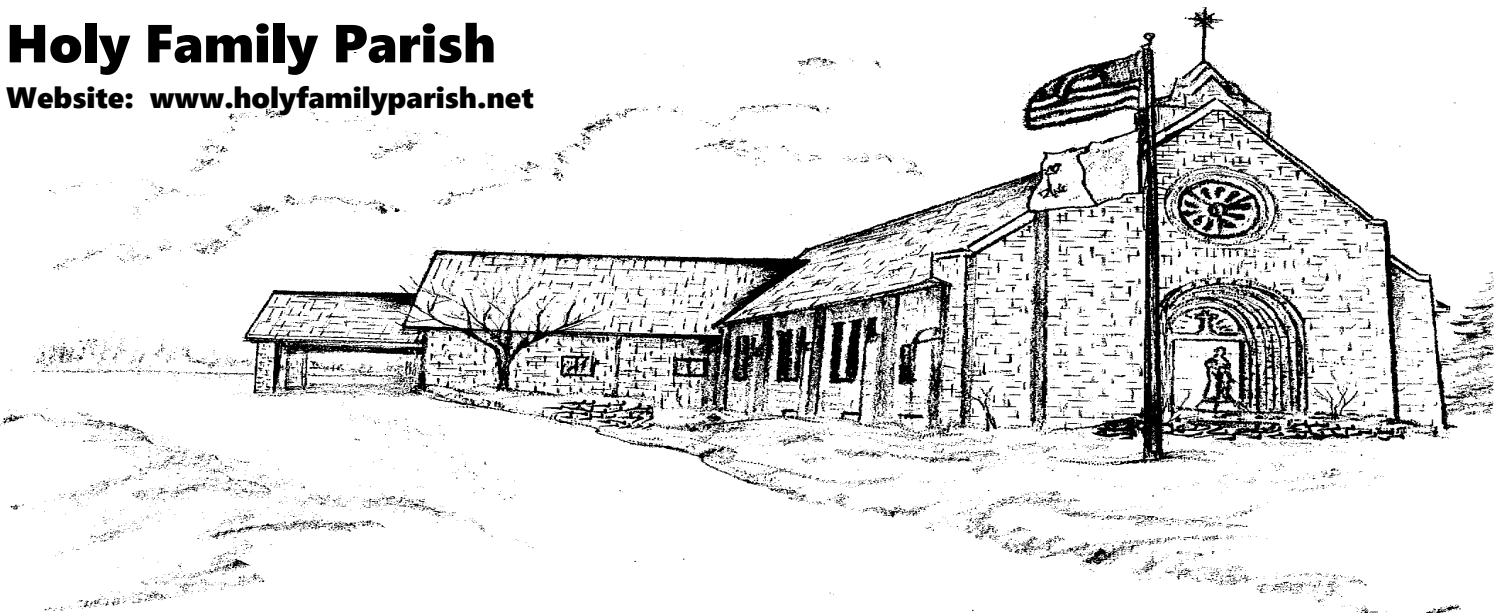


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The Exaltation of the Holy Cross – September 14, 2025

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Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

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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, Eric VanDamme

Steve Belongie, Sr.

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

LABOURERS FOR THE HARVEST ([Luke 10:1-16](#)):

This passage describes a wider mission than the first mission of the Twelve.

The number seventy was to the Jews symbolic. (Some translations mention the number 72).

(a) Seventy was the number of the elders who were chosen to help Moses with the task of leading and directing the people in the wilderness ([Numbers 11:16-17](#); [Numbers 11:24-25](#)). (

(b) It was the number of the Sanhedrin, the supreme council of the Jews. If we relate the Seventy to either of these bodies they will be the helpers of Jesus.

(c) It was held to be the number of nations in the world. Luke was the man with the Universalist view and it may well be that he was thinking of the day when every nation in the world would know and love his Lord.

There is an interesting sidelight here. One of the towns on which woe is pronounced is Chorazin. It is implied that Jesus did many mighty works there. In the gospel history as we have it Chorazin is never even mentioned, and we do not know one thing that Jesus did or one word that he spoke there. Nothing could show so vividly how much we do not know about the life of Jesus. The gospels are not biographies; they are only sketches of his life (compare [John 21:25](#)).

This passage tells us certain supremely important things about both the preacher and the hearer.

(i) The preacher is not to be cluttered up with material things; he is to travel light. It is easy to get entangled in the things of this life. Once Dr. Johnson, after seeing through a great castle and its policies, remarked grimly, "These are the things which make it difficult to die." Earth must never blot out heaven.

(ii) The preacher is to concentrate on his task; he is to greet no man on the way. This goes back to Elisha's instruction to Gehazi in [2 Kings 4:29](#). It is not an instruction to discourtesy; but means that the man of God must not turn aside or linger on the lesser things while the great things call him.

(iii) The preacher must not be in the work for what he can get out of it; he is to eat what is put before him and must not move from house to house seeking better and more comfortable quarters. There is a Book called The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles. It was written about A.D. 100, and is the church's first book of order. In those days there were prophets who wandered from town to town. It is laid down that if a prophet wishes to stay in a place for more than three days without working he is a false prophet; and if a prophet in the Spirit asks for money or a meal he is a false prophet! The laborer is worthy of his hire, but the servant of a crucified Master cannot be a seeker for luxury.

(iv) To have heard God's word is a great responsibility. A man will be judged according to what he has had.

I AM ON VACATION

It is already 3 years since I have taken a full vacation. So I will be taking a one month break starting on Sept 29th through November 4th 2025. The main intention is to join the family reunion where at least 150 of my close relatives will gather. The weekend Masses are taken care of; but there will be **no weekday Masses**. But starting from **Oct 13th through Nov 3rd there will be Mass on Mondays**. In case of Pastoral help, Pam will find a priest for you. But I don't want anyone to be sick, at least till I come back. I will be visiting the Church where Jesus' face appeared on the host and that host is intact still and after a long period of study Vatican has declared it as a real miracle and returned the host to the same Church where the miracle took place. I will pray for our Community as I stand before the Eucharist.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Sept. 15 th	<i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i> 8:00 A.M. - NO Mass
Tues.	Sept. 16 th	<i>Saint Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs</i> 8:00 A.M. - NO Mass
Wed.	Sept. 17 th	8:00 A.M. - NO Mass
Thurs.	Sept. 18 th	8:00 A.M. - NO Mass
Fri.	Sept. 19 th	<i>Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For Fr. Michael Chenier’s Intentions ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Sept. 20 th	<i>Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs</i> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Dorothy LaFave
Sun.	Sept. 21 st	<i>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the people of our parish 10:00 AM - Mass – Harold Chenier & the Youth of our Parish

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

67 envelopes returned for Sunday, Sept. 7th

Adults.....	\$2,763.00
Loose.....	404.00
General Maintenance.....	264.00
Fuel.....	440.00
Total.....	\$3,871.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense \$4,594.23

Short..... \$ 723.23

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	25.00
57 th U.P. Catholic Services Appeal.....	545.00

Religious Education Class KICKOFF!

This year our “Kick Off” for the CCD program will be Wednesday, September 24. Please mark that on your calendars to come and have dinner, play some games, gather in the church for a brief informational meeting, meet the teachers and check out the classrooms. Classed will be Wednesday, October 1st from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. If you have any questions please call Kathy Kohtala at 906-399-1676 or kkohtala@allsaintsgladstone.org.

YOUTH MASS The youngsters in a Parish are sign of the future growth of the Parish. Though our community is small, I am very glad to see quite a few young people in our Parish. So in order to honor and appreciate their presence with us I have planned a **special Mass on Sunday September 21st at 10 am. The Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Tim Ekaitis, the Vicar General of the Diocese.** I request and invite our adolescents, teenagers and youth to participate in that Mass and being honored. Please call the office or sign up on the paper by Sunday, Sept. 14th. Together with the youngsters everybody is invited to join the Luncheon thereafter.

Fr. Sebastian

There will be no Mass Monday, Sept. 15th thru Thursday, Sept. 18th. Fr. Sebastian will be at the annual Priest Convocation. In case of an emergency, please call Pam at 906-399-3058.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- 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.
- Sept. 17th** - He that will not command his thoughts will soon lose command of his actions.
- Sept. 18th** - the world has weary hearts That we may bless and cheer, And a smile for every day Makes sunshine all the year.
- Sept. 19th** - If you find it hard to say, "Thank you," make up your mind that there is something wrong with you.
- Sept. 20th** - Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.
Matthew 5:9

St. Vincent de Paul Corner

Today's Gospel reminds us of God's great love for each of, a love so great that He sent His son not to condemn the world, but to save it, so that we might have eternal life.

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!

For more info contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

Great News~~~~We have eight awesome baskets so far for our annual BUCKET RAFFLE for our Harvest dinner which will be October 19th. We would like to have many more! We will be serving a Chicken & Meatball Dinner!

Grandparents Day Mass on September 25, 2025 at 8:45 AM at the Holy Name Catholic School.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday

1 Tm 2:1-8
Jn 19:25-27

Wednesday

1 Tm 3:14-16
Lk 7:31-35

Friday

1 Tm 6:2c-12
Lk 8:1-3

Tuesday

1 Tm 3:1-13
Lk 7:11-17

Thursday

1 Tm 4:12-16
Lk 7:36-50

Saturday

1 Tm 6:13-16
Lk 8:4-15

Sunday

Am 8:4-7 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13

Catholic Answers

Life's Journey: There are times we need to be rescued. Whether you are someone or know someone, which category best describes that person?

- Anxious about everything
- Full of heartache/grief
- Loneliness
- Addictions
(alcohol/drugs/pornography/food/sports/gossip/etc.)
- Children no longer interested in Church
- Not sure if God is real

Does the Church provide real answers to life's challenges? Yes! Starting October 8th all are invited to find lasting solutions to life's journey. Each Wednesday, from 6-7p.m., in the Holy Name Grade School Multi-purpose Room. It will change your life! *Mike Cousineau is the presenter.*

St. Joseph & St. Patrick Parish will have breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 28th, from 9:00 am to 12:30 PM. Come and enjoy the best breakfast in town. Ages 13-adult is \$12; children 6-12 \$7; Family rate \$35 and children 5 and under are free.

St. Joseph & St. Patrick Parish will hold their 3rd Annual Chili Challenge on Saturday, Oct. 4th. Call the parish office 906-789-6244 if you would like to enter. There is no fee to enter but space is limited.