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Twenty-Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 22, 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, Mike Mosher, 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

SAINTS

Fourth Step: Canonization (Cont): For the final Step towards Canonization the Congregation for Sainthood demands another miracle similar to the one required for the Beatification of the candidate. Again, the alleged miracle is studied scientifically and theologically in the local level and the report is then sent to the Congregation for consideration.

Congregation: After the diocesan process is concluded the proposed miracle is studied by the Congregation the same way scientifically and the theologically. The vote of this Commission is forwarded to the Episcopal members of the Congregation whose affirmative vote is communicated to the Holy Father.

Supreme Pontiff: The consent of the Holy Father to the decision of the Congregation results in a Decree of a Miracle. Canonization is now possible. The Canonization ceremony takes place in the Basilica of St. Peter in Vatican. Normally, there will be more than one candidate to be canonized by the Holy Father on that day. Perhaps, you have watched one of the Canonization ceremonies in your TV.

By the Rite of Canonization the Supreme Pontiff, by an act which is protected from error by the Holy Spirit, elevates a person to the Universal Veneration of the Church. By Canonization the Pope does not make the person a saint; rather, he declares that the person is with God and is an example of following Christ worthy of imitation by the faithful. A Mass, Divine Office and other acts of Veneration may now be offered throughout the Universal Church. If the saint has some Universal appeal he may be added to the general calendar of the Church as a Memorial or Optional Memorial. If the appeal is localized to a region of the world, a particular nation, or a particular religious institute, the saint may be added to the particular calendars of those nations or institutes, or celebrated by the clergy and faithful with a devotion to the saint with a votive Mass or Office.

<u>Veneration of the Saints:</u> Our Protestant brethren always accuse us for worshiping Mary and the saints. It is due to a big misunderstanding they do have. The reason is that they confuse between **worship and veneration**. Worship or adoration is due only to the Holy Trinity. Whereas, veneration is nothing but the tribute of honor we give to the saints. Devotion to saints takes the form of praise and imitation of their virtues, and of seeking their intercession before the throne of God. Once the meaning of the two terms Worship and Veneration is understood clearly, there is no need of any misunderstanding and accusation. Some of the heretical sects of the Middle Ages denied the intercession of the saints and the saints' knowledge of men's prayers.

The Catholic response to this came from the Council of Trent (1563). Appealing to the Apostolic Tradition and to the teaching of the Fathers and the preceding Councils, it directed that faithful should be instructed that the saints intercede for men, and that is good and useful to invoke them to obtain benefits from God, through Christ who is the sole Redeemer.

In the light of the above, we can understand why some non-Catholics suspect us of sinning against the First Commandment because of the honor we pay to the saints. This would be true if we paid them the divine worship that is due to God alone. But this we do not do. Even the special honor we pay to the Blessed Mother, surpassing as it does the reverence we pay to the angels and the other saints, is of an entirely different nature from the adoration we give to God alone. We have special place for Mary in the Church for the very reason that she is the Mother of Jesus the Son of God and as such she is given the honor of the Mother of God. Today her place in the Church is the second place after Jesus Christ.

At the same time for eternal salvation we don't have to intercede to the saints as salvation comes from Jesus alone. But saints are extra help for us to reach Jesus and salvation.

(We continue next week).

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Oct. 23 rd	Saint John of Capistrano, Priest 8:00 A.M. – Mass – For all of our Special Intentions
Tues.	Oct. 24 th	Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop8:00 A.MMass – Peggy Verbrigghe6:00 P.MSt. Vincent de Paul Society meets
Wed.	Oct. 25 th	 8:00 A.M Mass – 48th Wedding Anniv. of Harold & Cathy Flagstadt Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help 6:30 P.M CCD Class for grades 1-7
Thurs.	Oct. 26 th	8:00 A.M Mass – Pete & Willa DeMay 7:00 P.M Smear League
Fri.	Oct. 27 th	8:00 A.M Mass – 50 th Wedding Anniv. of Kevin & Charyl Dubord Parish Office closed
Sat.	Oct. 28 th	Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles3:00 P.MConfessions heard until 3:45 PM4:00 P.MMass – Darlene Smith
Sun.	Oct. 29 th	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time8:00 A.MMass – For the people of our parish10:00 AM -Mass – Joe Nolde11:00 AM -Bucket Raffle Drawing

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

85 envelopes returned for Sunday, Oct.15th

Adult Offering	\$ 3,223.00
Loose	144.00
Fuel	25.00
Total	\$ 3,392.00
Budgeted weekly Income & Expense Shortage	\$4,389.42 \$ 997.42
St. Vincent DePaul Society	-0-

The BUCKET RAFFLE will run from the weekend of October 7 & 8 thru Sunday October 29th with the drawings after the 10:00 AM Mass on that Sunday. Thanking everyone in advance for their generous support of this!!!

The Harvest Dinner report will be in next weeks bulletin.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following Harvest Dinner Raffle Winners:

 1^{st} Place - 2,000 – Jean Miron 2^{nd} Place - 500 – John Falkeis 3^{rd} Place - 100 – Russ Cryderman 4^{th} Place - 100 – Art LaFave 5^{th} Place - 100 – Alan Dupey 6^{th} Place - 100 – Teresa Meyette 7^{th} Place - 100 – Laurie Brunette

A huge **THANK YOU** to all who sold or bought tickets. We made a profit of \$6,080.00

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: There is an email scam using a fake email that looks like it came from Fr. Sebastian asking for help. Priests will never ask parishioners for money or gifts cards. Fr. Sebastians personal email is <u>skavumkal@yahoo.com</u>. Please check the email address before opening.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- Oct. 22nd No brain is stronger than its weakest think.
- Oct. 23rd There is a very good reason why God did not put eyes in the back of our head. He wants us to look AHEAD.
- **Oct. 24th** Whatever our race, creed, or background, we are all children of God.
- Oct. 25th Unless you can control yourself, you will never be able to control others.
- **Oct. 26th** An old man was asked what had most robbed him of joy in his life. His reply was "things that never happened."
- Oct. 27th O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!
- Oct. 28th Do not worry about whether or not the sun will rise. Be prepared to enjoy it.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In the Gospel today Jesus says: "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." When God is the center of our lives there is no problem with giving others their due.

Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are helping your neighbor who is hungry, hopeless and frightened to know that they belong to God. For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

Adult Faith Formation

Each Wednesday from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Title: Why is Life so Hard Where – Holy Name Grade School, Commons Area Live Stream or recorded class @ Facebook; Type in Escanaba Faith Formation in the search bar.

Please join us in our first annual *CHILI CHALLENGE on Tuesday, Oct. 24th at St.*

Joseph/St. Patrick Parish Escanaba. Call the parish office at 789-6244 to reserve your spot. Register your chili now for free. There will be prizes/trophies for the best chili and best booth decoration.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday Rom 4:20-25 Lk 12:13-21

Wednesday Rom 6:12-18 Lk 12:39-48

Friday Rom 7:18-25a Lk 12:54-59 **Tuesday** Rom 5:12,15b,17 19,20b-21 Lk 12:35-38

Thursday

Rom 6:19-23 Lk 12:49-53

Saturday

Eph 2:19-22 Lk 6:12-16

Sunday Ex 22:20-26 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40



The 56th Annual U.P. Catholic Services Appeal has started. Our goal for this year is \$41,006.97. Thank you to all who have returned their pledge cards. *To date we have received 66 pledges*

totaling \$18,225. Thank you! There are still 126 outstanding cards.

Fall Bazaar on Saturday, October 28th from 11 am to 3 pm at *St. Joseph Church in Perkins*. There will be a Soup, Salad, & Sandwich Luncheon. Adults \$10, 5-12 years \$5; and 4 and under are free. Many craft vendors & raffles.

Pasty Sheets are available at the back of church. Pasty making will be the weekend of Nov. 3rd & 4th!!!

<u>CATHOLIC YOUTH NIGHT AT</u> <u>ALL SAINTS PARISH</u>

Open to all High School students in the area, we will be meeting on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 6:30 pm starting October 15th. There is no cost to participate and snacks will be provided.