

Holy Family Parish

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The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – November 9, 2025

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Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

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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., Christina Theoret Zion

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

The Sins of the Legalists ([Luke 11:45-54](#)): Three charges are leveled against the scribes.

(i) They were experts in the law; they laid upon men the thousand and one burdens of the ceremonial law; but they did not keep them themselves, because they were experts in evasion. Here are some of their evasions.

The limit of a Sabbath day's journey was 2,000 cubits (1,000 yards) from a man's residence. The scribes had a lot of irrational precepts and laws about Sabbath.

One of the forbidden works on the Sabbath was the tying of knots, sailors' or camel drivers' knots and knots in ropes. But a woman might tie the knot in her girdle. Therefore, if a bucket of water had to be raised from a well a rope could not be knotted to it, but a woman's girdle could, and it could be raised with that!

To carry a burden was forbidden, but the codified written law laid it down, "he who carries anything, whether it be in his right hand, or in his left hand, or in his bosom, or on his shoulder is guilty; but he who carries anything on the back of his hand, with his foot, or with his mouth, or with his elbow, or with his ear, or with his hair, or with his money bag turned upside down, or between his money bag and his shirt, or in the fold of his shirt or in his shoe, or in his sandal is guiltless, because he does not carry it in the usual way of carrying it out."

It is incredible that men should ever have thought that God could have laid down laws like that, and that the working out of such details was a religious service and the keeping of them a matter of life and death. But that was scribal religion. Little wonder that Jesus turned on the scribes, and that the scribes regarded him as an irreligious heretic.

(ii) The attitude of the scribes to the prophets was paradoxical. They professed a deep admiration for the prophets. But the only prophets they admired were dead; when they met a living one, they tried to kill him. They honored the dead prophets with tombs and memorials, but they dishonored the living ones with persecution and death.

"Your new moons," said Isaiah, "and your appointed feasts my soul hates." "He has showed you, O man, what is good," said Micah; "and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?" That was the essence of the prophetic message; and it was the very antithesis of scribal teaching. No wonder the scribes, with their external details, hated the prophets, and Jesus walked in the prophetic line. The murder of Zachariah is described in [2 Chronicles 24:20-21](#).

(iii) The scribes shut the people off from scripture. Their interpretation of scripture was so fantastic that it was impossible for the ordinary man to understand it. In their hands scripture became a book of riddles. In their mistaken ingenuity they refused to see its plain meaning themselves, and they would not let anyone else see it either. The scriptures had become the perquisite of the expert and a dark mystery to the common man.

None of this is so very out of date. There are still those who demand from others standards which they themselves refuse to satisfy. There are still those whose religion is nothing other than legalism. There are still those who make the word of God so difficult that the seeking mind of the common man is bewildered and does not know what to believe or to whom to listen.

GREAT APPRECIATION AND THANKS!

By the providence of God and your prayers, my vacation went well. The big point was that, despite hectic travelling I never got sick even a single day. So I could enjoy the vacation to the maximum. I sincerely thank you for your love and concern for me.

With Love,

Fr. Sebastian

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Nov. 10 th	<i>Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For all of our special intentions 1:00 P.M. - St. Vincent dePaul Society meets
Tues.	Nov. 11 th	<i>Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Rudy Marcella
Wed.	Nov. 12 th	<i>Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Lester (Moe) & Helen Ness, Jr. Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	Nov. 13 th	<i>Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the intentions of Clare Becker 7:00 P.M. - Smear League
Fri.	Nov. 14 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – For all the souls in purgatory ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Nov. 15 th	<i>Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Bill Schultz
Sun.	Nov. 16 th	<i>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Peggy Verbrigghe 10:00 AM - Mass – For the people of our parish

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

80 envelopes returned for Sunday, Nov. 2nd

Adults.....	\$3,912.00
Loose.....	239.00
General Maintenance.....	200.00
Fuel.....	<u>243.00</u>
Total.....	\$4594.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense \$4,594.23

Short..... \$.23

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	75.00
Donation.....	\$ 100.00
58 th UPCS Appeal.....	\$1,522.00

GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS

To those in uniform serving today and those who have served in the past, to all who put their lives on the line in defense of our nation, we thank you. Let us never forget to pray for our veterans and their families.

Christmas Wreath Sale

The Knights of Columbus Council 640 will be holding a Christmas wreath sale starting Nov 1st and ending Nov 23rd. The wreaths will be made by Roger Chenier. Quantity is limited so order yours as soon as possible. There will be order forms at Escanaba area churches. Cost per wreath is \$30. For more information contact Tom Desy at 906-399-3138.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE

We extend our sincere appreciation and thanks on Veterans Day to all those who served in the Military. For information on joining the Knights, please contact Harold Flagstadt at hflagstadt@gmail.com

Welcome Home
Fr. Sebastian

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- Nov. 9th** - Faults are thick when love is thin.
- Nov. 10th** - Christianity is the highest perfection of humanity.
- Nov. 11th** - Great occasions for serving God come seldom, but little ones surround us daily.
- Nov. 12th** - My grandfather once told me that there are two kinds of people; Those who do the work and those who take the credit. He told me to try to be in the first group; there was much less competition there.
- Nov. 13th** - Ideas are funny little things, They won't work unless you do.
- Nov. 14th** - And when in the mansions above, The saved all around me appear, I'd like to hear somebody say; It was you who invited me here.
- Nov. 15th** - Jesus' timing is always perfect, regardless of our limitations and expectations.

St. Vincent de Paul Corner

In today's Gospel, Jesus promises that if the temple is destroyed, He will raise it up again in three days. This is the true hope He offers.

When you give the furniture, household items and clothing you no longer use to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you give a sign of hope to your neighbors who have nothing.

For more info contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

The annual (UPCSA) is underway. Holy Family Parish has a parish goal of \$44,521.15. We have received 67 pledge cards back out of 166. To date we have \$24,802.00 in pledges. That leaves us with a balance of \$19,719.15 to achieve.

Fr. Ryan Ford will lead this year's **Wise Men's Retreat** December 5-7 at Fortune Lake Camp in Crystal Falls. This is perfect for men desiring spiritual growth, connection with other men, and time for rest, reflection, and prayer. Cost is \$150. Register online at yoopercatholic.org/retreats

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday

Wis 1:1-7
Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday

Wis 2:23—3:9
Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday

Wis 6:1-11
Lk 17:11-19

Thursday

Wis 7:22b—8:1
Lk 17:20-25

Friday

Wis 13:1-9
Lk 17:26-37

Saturday

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9
Lk 18:1-8

Sunday

Mal 3:19-20a 2 Thes 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19

It's that time again to renew THE WORD AMONG US. If you would like a subscription, please contact the parish office. It will still be \$20 for the year.

GUADALUPE PILGRIMAGE

Young adults are invited to join our pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe for the feast day Dec. 11-13. The trip includes carpooling from Iron Mountain, hotel lodging, Mass and prayer and festivities at the Shrine, fun and meals. Cost is \$100. Visit yoopercatholic.org/guadalupe to register!

Youth Adoration

Adoration with Worship Music for
our youth (Steubie Style)!

Where: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Catholic Church

When: Sunday,

November 30, 2025

at 7:00 p.m. (about an hour).

EVERYONE is welcome, young & old
alike, please join us!