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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 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, Betty Lou, Joan Shelly Polaczyk, Roger Tourangeau, Jan Carter, Becky, Jean Way Amanda, Duane, Dan Chouinard, Judy Hubert

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 Purgatory (Cont.)

<u>The Pains of Purgatory</u>: We are all eager to know what sort of pain we may have to undergo in Purgatory. We hear a lot about the fire of Hell and popularly believe that the same is found in Purgatory too. The Church does not teach officially that both these places have material fire. But it is the doctrine of the Church that the souls detained in Purgatory make atonement through suffering. But at the same time the souls know that their eternal happiness is secured. The Cannon of the Mass, indeed, describes them as "resting in Christ" and "sleeping in peace."

Nevertheless, because they are separated from God for a time, these Holy Souls have to endure **the pain of loss.** In their case, this is the most severe, for they desire God with all their being. The greater the good one desires and the more vehemently one desires it, the greater the pain when that desire is frustrated. The souls in Purgatory are free from the temptations of life on earth; they have only one desire, to be with God in Heaven. The temporary frustration of that desire is for them the cause of most intense suffering. Moreover, they know that their separation from Infinite Love has been caused through their own fault, and they understand what increase of bliss they might have enjoyed had they avoided sin or made more satisfaction on earth for the sins they had committed.

On the other hand, the suffering souls have far less to bear than those damned in Hell, for they are conscious that their torment will end in due course, and they will then begin to enjoy the direct vision of God; moreover, they suffer patiently and generously, fully aware that their present sufferings are the necessary prelude to a glorious reward. One should not forget the fact that the detained souls love God most ardently, that they will never cease to love him, and that knowledge alone brings them immense consolation.

BIG THANKS!

Dear Parish Family Members,

As this is the month of January, the statement of your financial contribution is available in the office. As I notice, not all of you take the statement, for whatever reasons. But this is the opportunity for me to appreciate and thank you very sincerely for your generosity and goodwill. Had you not opened your hearts and hand generously, we would not have been able to complete a few of our projects and keep up our day today administration. And also compared to the last fiscal year, this year so far we are doing well. I don't think that the mere words will be good enough to express my gratitude to you. But still I say, **BIG THANKS** to all of you! I also thank you not only for your financial support but also for your volunteer work in our events like pasty making and so on. Many come forward, forgetting the age and physical weakness; many of you open the wallet/purse for the church, not out of your surplus but out of sacrifice. When you support the House of God, no doubt, He will support your household matters. "Consider this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2Cor. 9: 6-7)

As you are aware, though it is already the third week of January, we have not yet achieved our UPCSA goal which is \$33,380. So far we are short of \$6,296. As I thank and appreciate sincerely those of you have made pledges, it is my appeal to those of you who have not pledged an amount, please, do so at your earliest convenience. Whatever is affordable for you will help the goal. And also I will appreciate any extra amount anyone would like to contribute, though you have already pledged an amount.

With Regards and Love

Fr. Sebastian

We are still in need of a COORDINATOR for the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress taking place at the Superior Dome in Marquette on June 9th & 10. You will be given all the material to help promote this event celebrating our faith and devotion to Christ in the Eucharist.

		THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY
Mon.	Jan. 23 rd	8:00 A.M. – Mass – For all of our Special Intentions
Tues.	Jan. 24 th	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church 8:00 A.M Mass - Mike Emmons 5:00 P.M St. Vincent DePaul Society meets
Wed.	Jan. 25 th	The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle 8:00 A.M Mass – Don Anderson Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help 6:30 P.M CCD Classes grades 1-7
Thurs.	Jan. 26 th	Saint Timothy & Saint Titus, Bishops 8:00 A.M Mass – Gail Verbrigghe 7:30 P.M Smear League
Fri.	Jan. 27 th	Saint Angela Merici, Virgin 8:00 A.M Mass – For Dan Chouinard and his family Parish Office closed
Sat.	Jan. 28 th	Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church 3:00 P.M Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M Mass – Jim Deno (1 st Anniv.)
Sun.	Jan. 29 th	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 A.M Mass – For the People of our Parish 10:00 AM - Mass – Cecile Meyette (1 st Anniv.) 4:00 P.M Venison Supper

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

71 envelopes returned for Sunday, January 15, 2023

Adult Offering Loose General Maintenance	\$2,624.00 76.00 -0-
Total Budgeted weekly Income & Expense	\$2,760.00 \$3,980.50
St. Vincent DePaul donations\$	\$1,220.50 30.00

2022 Contribution Reports

If you would like a copy of your contributions for 2022 please sign up at the back of church. We will mail them out the last week of January.



The **Venison Supper** will be held on Sunday, Jan. 29th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Set up will be on Sat. Jan 28th. Asking for a donation of \$9 for adults; ages 6-12 \$5.00, and 5 & under free. Ladies: please don't forget the bars. The meal is not complete unless we have your

delicious bars. ~ Thank You! TAKE OUTS WILL BE AVAILABLE by calling 906-789-0307.

THROUGH THE WATERS OF BAPTISM.....We welcome into our parish community, Saul Gabriel, son of Adam & Heidi (Nolde) Swanson. Saul was baptized here at Holy Family on Saturday, January 14th. Congratulations



May God Bless Saul and his family!

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- **Jan. 22nd** Let me give so much time to the improvement of myself that I shall have not time to criticize others.
- Jan. 23rd I asked of life: "What have you to offer me?" And the answer came: "What have you got to give?"
- **Jan. 24**th To attain the highest good of true man and womanhood, simply do your honest best God with joy will do the rest.
- **Jan. 25**th The secret of life is to know who you are and where you are going.
- **Jan. 26**th Where there is great love there are always great miracles.
- **Jan. 27**th Others, Lord, yes others, Let this my motto be, Help me to live for others, That I may live like Thee!
- **Jan. 28**th Happiness is not a station you arrive at, but a manner of traveling.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In this Sunday's Gospel, we find that Jesus "... went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people."

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to proclaim the good news of the kingdom to the poor, by assisting families with food, gifts, and money for utility and rent bills.

For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

BREAKFAST IS BACK!

Join us today **Sunday, January 22nd** from 9 am—12:30 pm in the St. Joseph parish hall. 13 yrs to Adults—\$10.00 Children 6-12—\$7.00 Children 5 & under are FREE!

Special Family rate—\$30

PASTY MAKING WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 24th AND FEBUARY 25th. Please mark your calendars!

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

MondayTuesdayHeb 9:15,24-28Heb 10:1-10Mk 3:22-30Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday Thursday

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5

Mk 16:15-18 Mk 4:21-25

Friday Saturday

Heb 10:32-39 Heb 11:1-2,8-19 Mk 4:26-34 Mk 4:35-41

Sunday

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 5:1-12a

U.P. CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

We still have 88 outstanding cards *Our goal for this year is* \$39,676

To date we have 113 returned cards with pledges of \$33,380. Leaving a balance of \$6,296. There are still A LOT of OUTSTANDING PLEDGE CARDS. Please return as soon as possible.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Looking for financial assistance with your college education? Applications are now being accepted for the 2023 Bibianne Bessette Scholarship Fund. Applicants **must complete** the on-line application found at https://dioceseofmarquette.org/awards-scholarships and either mail an **Official Transcript and ACT/SAT scores** (via postal mail) to: Bessette Scholarship Fund, Diocese of Marquette, 1004 Harbor Hills Drive, Marquette, MI 49855 or email transcripts to Irene McCauley at imccauley@dioceseofmarquette.org. Applications must be received no later than March 15, 2023.

The Diocese will be sending out tax receipts to anyone who made a onetime donation of \$250 or more by the end of January. If you do not receive one and need one, you may contact Wendy Negri at wnegri@dioceseofmarquette.org.