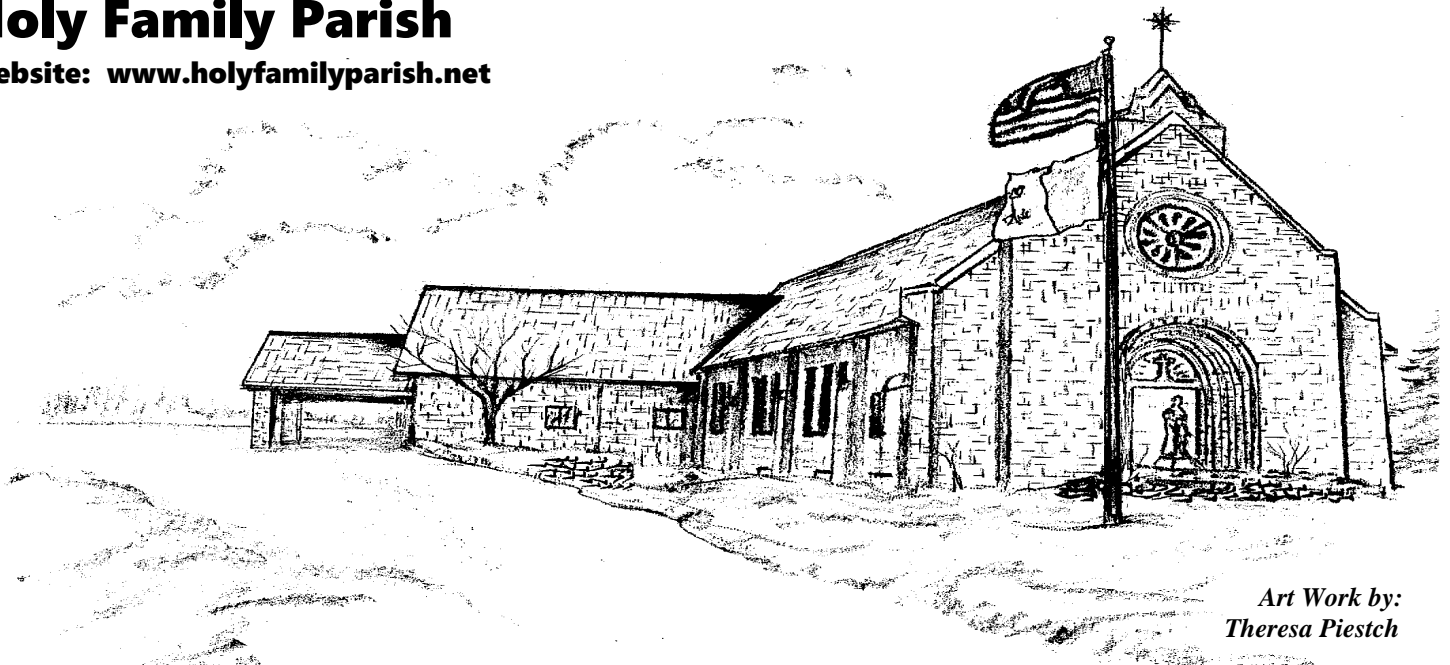


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Sacrament of Marriage

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

The Ten Commandments

Introduction: The Ten commandments, also known as the **Decalogue**, are a set of Biblical principles relating to ethics and worship, which play a fundamental role in Judaism and Christianity. They include instructions, to worship only God and to keep the Sabbath, and prohibitions against idolatry, blasphemy, murder, theft, dishonesty, and adultery. Different groups follow slightly different traditions for interpreting and numbering them.

The Ten Commandments appear twice in the Hebrew Bible, in the books of Exodus and Deuteronomy. According to the story in Exodus, God inscribed them on two stone tablets, which he gave to Moses on Mount Sinai. Modern scholarship has found likely influences in Hittite and Mesopotamian laws and treaties, but is divided over exactly when the Ten Commandments were written and who wrote them.

Religious interpretations: The Ten Commandments concern matters of fundamental importance in both Judaism and Christianity: the greatest obligation (to worship only God), the greatest injury to a person (murder), the greatest injury to family bonds (adultery), the greatest injury to law (bearing false witness), the greatest inter-generational obligation (honor to parents), the greatest obligation to community (truthfulness), the greatest injury to moveable property (theft).

The Ten Commandments are written with room for varying interpretation, reflecting their role as a summary of fundamental principles. They are not as explicit or detailed as rules or many other biblical laws and commandments, because they provide guiding principles that apply universally, across changing circumstances. They do not specify punishments for their violation. Their precise import must be worked out in each separate situation.

The Bible indicates the special status of the Ten Commandments among all other Old Testament laws in several ways. They have a uniquely terse style. Of all the biblical laws and commandments, the Ten Commandments alone were "**written with the finger of God**" (Exodus 31:18). And lastly, the stone tablets were placed in the Ark of the Covenant.

Christianity: Christians believe the Ten Commandments have divine authority and continue to be valid, though they have different interpretations and uses of them. Through most of Christian history, the Decalogue has been considered a summary of God's law and standard of behavior, and has been central to Christian life, piety, and worship.

References in the New Testament: During his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus explicitly referenced the prohibitions against murder and adultery. In Matthew 19:16-19 Jesus repeated five of the Ten Commandments, followed by that commandment called "the second" (Matthew 22:34-40) after the first and great commandment.

Catholicism: In Roman Catholicism, Jesus freed Christians from Jewish religious law, but not from their obligation to keep the Ten Commandments. In other words, the Ten Commandments are binding under the New Law. Jesus himself confirmed the Ten Commandments when he said: "*Do not think that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law, until all things have taken place*" (5:17-18). He brought the commandments to perfection in the Sermon on the Mount.

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church—the official exposition of the Catholic Church's Christian beliefs—the Commandments are considered essential for spiritual good health and growth, and serve as the basis for social justice. Church's teaching of the Commandments is largely based on the Old and New Testaments and the writings of the early Church Fathers. In the New Testament, Jesus acknowledged their validity and instructed his disciples to go further, demanding a righteousness exceeding that of the scribes and Pharisees. Summarized by Jesus into two "great commandments" that teach the love of God and love of neighbor, they instruct individuals on their relationships with both. Out of the Ten Commandments only three Commandments pertain to the love of God. They regulate our relation to God and express the fundamental obligations of religion. Amazingly enough, the rest of the Seven Commandments pertain to the love of neighbor. In other words, they regulate our relationship with our fellow beings and express the fundamental obligations of morality.

(We will continue next week).

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Feb. 6 th	<i>Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</i> 8:00 A.M. – No Mass
Tues.	Feb. 7 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass - Amy Chenier Kositzke 6:30 P.M. - Ladies Altar Society
Wed.	Feb. 8 th	<i>Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the Poor Souls in Purgatory Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help 6:30 P.M. - CCD Classes grades 1-7 & 10 th & 11 th grades
Thurs.	Feb. 9 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Jim Fassbender (8 th Anniv.) 7:30 P.M. - Smear League
Fri.	Feb. 10 th	<i>Saint Scholastica, Virgin</i> 8:00 A.M.- Mass – Kathy Marcella (10 th Anniv) ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Feb. 11 th	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Darlene Smith
Sun.	Feb. 12 th	<i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – For the People of our Parish 10:00 AM - Mass – Violet Therrien

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

72 envelopes returned for Sunday, January 29, 2023

Adult Offering.....	\$2,629.00
Loose.....	148.00
General Maintenance.....	45.00
Fuel.....	50.00
Total.....	\$2,872.00

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense...	\$3,980.50
Shortage.....	\$1,351.50

St. Vincent DePaul donations.....	\$ 467.00
Mission Collection.....	20.00
U.P. Catholic Newspaper.....	20.00
UPCSA pledges.....	200.00

Ladies meet this Tuesday at 6:30 PM. Gross/Carrolls Corner is in charge of snacks. We invite all women to come. Topic of discussion will be Bake Sales.

Escanaba Knights of Columbus Council #640

Brother Knights bring your Sweetheart to our Sweethearts Dinner. It is Sunday, February 12, 2023 at the KC Hall. Cocktails 4:00 to 5:00 with dinner at 5:00 p.m. Cost for dinner is \$15.00 each. Super Bowl fans, it will allow you to get home to watch the game. ☺ Please call to reserve, Tom or Piper Desy at 906 399-3138 for Tom and 906 399-3218 for Piper.

PASTY MAKING WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 24th AND FEBRUARY 25th. Please mark your calendars! The sheets are at the back of church for donations and for workers. Please stop to see where you can help out at!

You are cordially invited to an evening performance of "The Importance of Being Earnest" put on by Holy Name High School students. The event is next **Thursday (2/9) at 6pm in the Holy Name Catholic School multi-purpose room**. Entry is free, so please invite a guest to enjoy this classic comedy.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

Feb. 5th - To overlook the little things in life is to miss the biggest part of life itself.

Feb. 6th - "Cheerfulness and content are great beautifiers and are famous preservers of youthful looks."

Feb. 7th - The person who is always finding fault, seldom finds anything else.

Feb. 8th - We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust our sails.

Feb. 9th - Don't grumble because you don't have what you want; be thankful you don't get what you deserve.

Feb. 10th - Happiness is found along the way, not at the end of the road.

Feb. 11th - My abilities, however small are valuable because they are God's gifts.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, "You are the light of the world," he is calling us to live our Christian vocation in words and deeds.

Be a "light" to those living in poverty and in a world of darkness by giving a donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

Director of Escanaba Catholic Faith Formation

The Escanaba Catholic Faith Formation program is looking for a Part-time Director, mid-August through mid-May; 3 days/week; 15-19 hours/week.

Please apply in person to St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 1820 9th Avenue North, Escanaba.

Applications are due by February 16th.

You'll **LOVE Breakfast** at St. Thomas Church!

1820 9th Avenue North, Escanaba

This Sunday, February 5th 9am - 12:30pm

Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage, Potatoes, Toast

\$9 ages 13 & up \$6 ages 6-12

Ages 5 and under are FREE!

Please join us!

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday

Gn 1:1-19

Mk 6:53-56

Wednesday

Gn 2:4b-9,15-17

Mk 7:14-23

Friday

Gn 3:1-8

Mk 7:31-37

Tuesday

Gn 1:20—2:4a

Mk 7:1-13

Thursday

Gn 2:18-25

Mk 7:24-30

Saturday

Gn 3:9-24

Mk 8:1-10

Sunday

Dir 15:15-20 1 Cor 2:6-10 Mt 5:17-37

U.P. CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Our goal for this year is \$39,676

To date we have 114 returned cards with pledges of \$33,630. Leaving a balance of \$6,046. *There are still A LOT of OUTSTANDING PLEDGE CARDS. Please return as soon as possible.*

Holy Name Catholic School offers preschool and kindergarten students the opportunity to participate in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, an immersive experiential program that introduces children to the essentials of the Gospel and Catholic liturgical life. Right now there are 14 sessions offered Wednesday through Friday. Each Session is one hour long. Holy Name is seeking adult volunteers to help with the program, because the program benefits greatly when the children receive one-on-one guidance and assistance from adults. You could commit to whatever session fits your schedule. We especially need help on Wednesdays. All volunteers must be VIRTUS-trained, which we can assist with if needed. If you are interested, please contact Mickey at 906-786-7550 or office@holynamercrusaders.com.

St. Anthony of Padua Parish has a job opportunity for a Church Custodian! Responsibilities for this position include upkeep & preventative maintenance of all parish buildings and equipment, as well as sidewalk and entrance snow removal. A full job description and application are available at the parish office, located at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 1820 9th Avenue North, Escanaba.