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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.....

Torvinen Family, Diane, Barb, Eric

Pat, Betty Lou, Shelly Polaczyk, Jan Carter, Becky Roger Tourangeau, Harper, Amanda, Terry

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

<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 so.

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 the saints takes the form of **praise and imitation** of their virtues, and of **seeking their intercession** before the throne of God. A failure to distinguish between the honor given to God **directly**- by adoration, and that given H im **indirectly**- by veneration of the saints and invoking their intercession—has led to confusion and error. Some of the heretical sects of the middle ages (e.g. Cathari and Waldenses) denied the intercession of the saints and their 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 the faithful should be instructed that the saints intercede for men, and that it 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 in the special honor we pay to the Blessed Mother, surpassing as it does the reverence we pay to the angels and all the other saints, is of an entirely different nature from the adoration we give to God alone.

Devotion to Mary

The Protestant denominations always accused Catholic Church for the great importance and honor she gives to Mary. Of course, they have reason to argue. For instance, we celebrate three major feasts on Mary as Holy Day of obligation and besides there are several feasts we celebrate in a calendar year. Catholics have a special devotion to the Virgin Mother of God, because of her unique role in the divine scheme of things because of her extraordinary fullness of grace - greater than that of all the other saints of heaven combined - and because of her great powers of intercession before the throne of God. If she has been exalted far above all others in the gifts that God has bestowed upon her, she is also the most humble, the most grateful, and the most submissive to the divine will. Apart from the sacred humanity of Christ, the pure soul of Mary gives God more glory than all of the rest of creation combined. All that she is, is God's creation, God's masterpiece; and in honoring her, we are honoring the God who made her. All her graces on earth and her glory in heaven stem from the unique privilege of her divine motherhood.

MARY IN GOD'S PLAN

From all eternity God not only foresaw the fall of our first parents, and the consequences of that fall, He foresaw the way in which He would repair the damage done. He would send His only Son - begotten from all eternity - to become a member of the human race, and to offer sufficient reparation for the whole human race to satisfy divine justice. But to fulfill that plan, He would seek the co-operation of a woman in whose womb the Divine Son would be conceived, and who would be His Mother in the fullest sense of the word. He would prepare that woman from the first moment of her conception with a fullness of grace and freedom from sin that would set her apart and above all other members of the human race. And what is especially significant, she would in a unique way be associated with her Divine Son in the redemption of mankind. She would be so intimately and so fully one with Him in the offering of that sacrifice and in winning for mankind its redeeming graces, that she would become the channel through which those graces would flow to individual souls.

In the light of this the Roman Pontiffs have not hesitated to refer to Mary as **Co-Redemptrix** with Christ, as redeeming the whole human race with Christ.

(We will continue next week).

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY		
Mon.	Aug. 8 th	Saint Dominic, Priest 8:00 A.MMass – For all of our special intentions
Tues.	Aug. 9 th	Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr 8:00 A.M Mass – Gerald & Lorraine Nelson 6:00 P.M St. Vincent DePaul Society meets
Wed.	Aug. 10 th	St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr 8:00 A.M Mass – Larry Beauchamp Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	Aug. 11 th	Saint Clare, Virgin 8:00 A.M Mass – Gilbert VanDrese
Fri.	Aug. 12 th	Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious 8:00 A.M Mass – Larry & Darlene Chouinard Parish Office closed
Sat.	Aug. 13 th	Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs 3:00 P.M Confessions heard until 3:45 P.M. 4:00 P.M Mass – Lela & Kent Dubord
Sun.	Aug. 14 th	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 A.M Mass – Amy Chenier Kositzke 10:00 AM - Mass – For the People of our Parish

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

77 envelopes were returned for Sunday, July 31st

Adult Offering	\$3,464.00
Loose	108.00
Fuel	15.00
General Maintenance	20.00
Total	\$3,607.00
Budgeted weekly Income & Expense	\$3,980.50
Short Fall	\$ 373.50
St. Vincent DePaul Society	413.00
St. Three Ber auf Society	113.00

NATIONAL CHURCH COMBINED COLLECTION - AUGUST 13-14, 2022

This collection combines four special causes that aid the Church in America.

MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th, 45th, 50th or above anniversaries, as well as newlyweds are invited along with their families to the annual Milestone Wedding Anniversary Celebration. Golden anniversary couples are additionally invited to submit information and photos for publication in The U.P. Catholic newspaper. The celebration will be at St. Peter Cathedral in Marquette on Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022, beginning with Mass at 3:30 p.m. ET. Please contact the parish office for a registration form.

We are looking for donations again for the RAFFLE BUCKETS. If you would like to donate please contact the parish office. This would be for Oct. 16th.

SPIRIT LIFTERS

- **Aug. 7**th No man has absolute privacy; God and angels constantly behold him.
- **Aug. 8th** If you can laugh at your troubles you will never run out of something to laugh about.
- Aug. 9th The torch of Christianity may be lit in the church, but it does its best burning in the shop and in the street.
- **Aug. 10th** If we appreciate what we have, it always becomes more. If we belittle what we have, it always becomes less.
- **Aug. 11th** Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.
- Aug. 12th The early morning has gold in its mouth.
- **Aug. 13**thWe know that all things work together for good to them that love God...Romans 8:28

FIRE STARTERS CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT

GROUP......Upcoming meetings will be held on August 7th and August 21st. For more information, contact Megan Hansen at 906-280-2665, Olivia Theut at 906-203-6677 or The Fire Starters on Facebook. Events are family friendly!

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In this Gospel, Jesus says "Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy."

Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will indeed find "an inexhaustible treasure in heaven!"

For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

Annual Silver Tea

Saturday, Sept. 17th – Sunday, Sept. 18th, 2022 Noon – 300 PM CST

Benefit for the Carmelite Nuns at the Monastery of the Holy Cross. Tickets can be purchased in the parish office at any time

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

MondayTuesdayEz 1:2-5,24-28cEz 2:8—3:4Mt 17:22-27Mt 18:1-5,1-,12-14

 Wednesday
 Thursday

 2 Cor 9:6-10
 Ez 12:1-12

 Jn 12:24-26
 Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday Saturday

Ez 16:1-15,60,63 Ex 18:1-10,13b,30-32 Mt 19:3-12 Mt 19:13-15

19:3-12 Mt 19:13-15

Sunday

Jer 38:4-6,8-10 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53

FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED IN DELTA COUNTY:

Foster parenting can be the most gratifying work you will ever do but it is not for everyone. It requires opening yourself and your home to children who have experienced loss and need someone to love, nurture, advocate and protect them. Foster care involves partnering with social workers, schools, family court and community resources to meet an infant, child or young person's needs. All types of people make good foster parents as we all have our own special talents. If your family is thinking of foster care, contact Kaitlyn Beurjey with Catholic Social Services at 906-280-0843 and begin the discussion.

This year's Luminary Event sponsored by the Delta County Cancer Alliance is scheduled for Wednesday, August 17, 2022. This annual event allows those who have lost a loved one to cancer and those who are experiencing the challenges of cancer an opportunity to purchase a luminary bag for \$5.00 that will be displayed at the Escanaba City Band Concert on: Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 7:00 PM Ludington Park Band Shell.

Bags can be purchased and decorated starting at 5:30 at the designated table by the band shell.

For more information on the luminary event, how to make a contribution or to sign-up to volunteer call Stephanie Viau @ 906.280.3864 or Gayle DeShambo @ 906.241.6689