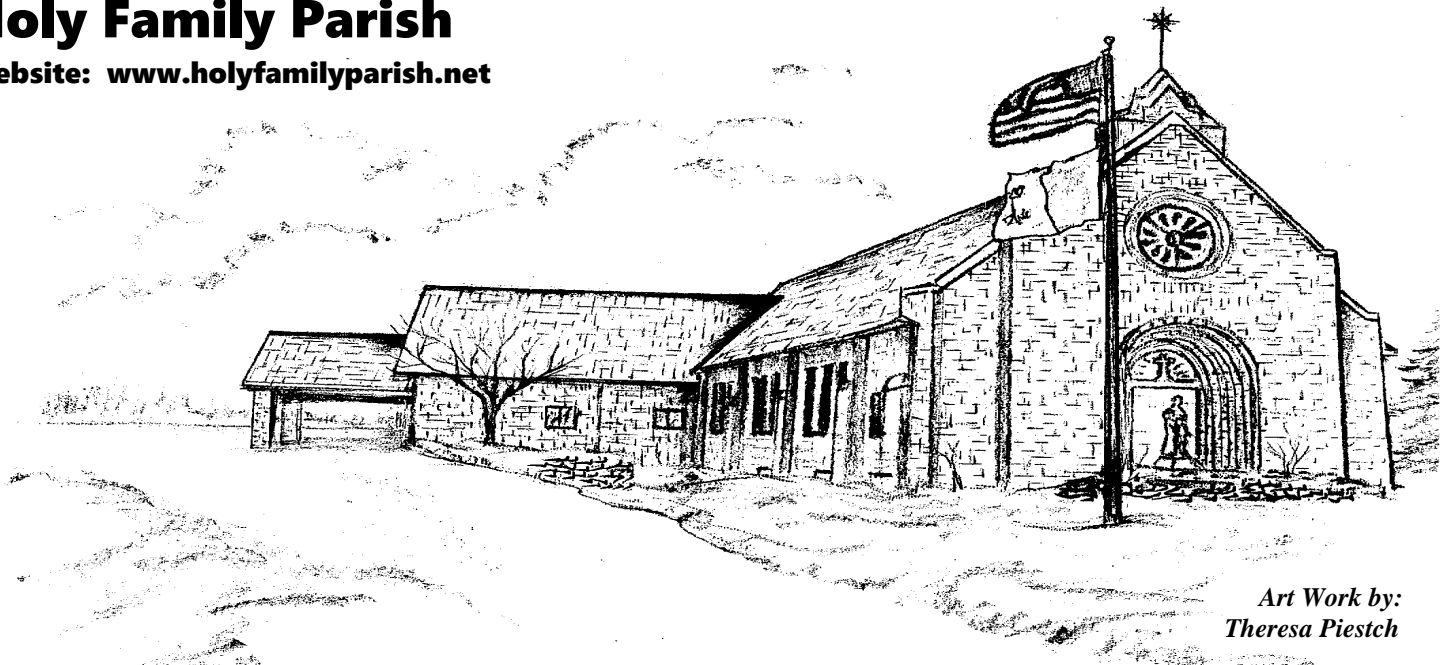


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Sacrament of Marriage

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

MARY'S CO-REDEMPTION

God seeks the cooperation of other persons in **applying** to mankind the graces won by His Son; but Mary, the Mother of Christ, had the special privilege of cooperating with Christ (in total dependence on Him) in the very **acquiring** of those graces.

Mary's co-operation in Christ's redemption began with her "yes" to the Archangel Gabriel at the moment of the Incarnation, and reached its climax on Calvary. Her consent to become Mother of the Redeemer, and her total surrender to the will of God throughout life, found its final fulfillment in her consent to her Son's redeeming death. Thus she acquired certain rights - over and above those coming to her as Christ's Mother - in the distribution of the fruits of the redemption.

For Mary, the sorrowful mysteries of her life did not begin with the passion and death of her Son. Through the whole of her life - after the Incarnation - there remained in the background of her mind the tragic end of her Divine Son. Because of her fullness of grace, she had a clear insight into the Scriptures. She knew that the Promised Messiah would be a "man of sorrows" (Is. 53:3), that she was being asked to bring into the world a Child who, by His suffering and death, would redeem the whole of mankind. And as time went on, it became clearer to her that she had been called not merely to be the Mother of the Redeemer, but that God had called her to a mission of Redemptrix along with her Son.

While the Child of her womb was truly her Son, He was also from all eternity the Son of the Eternal Father, who would dictate the circumstances of His life. Hence, in Mary's association with her divine Child, she renounced every motherly right she had on Him. It was the Father's will, not hers, that would prevail. She made this renunciation when she offered Him in the temple 40 days after his birth. And in later years during His public life, as painful as it was for Mary when Jesus became the object of hatred and persecution by the religious leaders for pointing out their errors and mistakes, she would never have Him do otherwise than His divine mission required.

Devotion to Mary

Mary's Mediation: St. Paul wrote in his first Epistle to Timothy: "*There is one God and one mediator of God and men, the Man Jesus Christ.*" (2:5) In regard to St. Paul's statement, St. Thomas Aquinas points out that while Christ alone is the perfect mediator, nothing prohibits Christ from associating others (angels and men) with himself in his work of mediation, i.e. in raising man's offerings to God, and bringing God's gifts to men. (III, 26, 1) We, as members of the Mystical Body of Christ, are called to share in the work of bringing the redeeming fruits of His Passion to souls. This we do by our prayers, penances and good works.

But since, as we have seen, Mary's **redeeming role** was coextensive with that of Christ her Son, but subordinated to it. Her mediation, while subordinate to that of Christ, is universal - extending to all men and all graces, as Pope Pius X explains in his encyclical on the Immaculate Conception "Ad Diem Illum". However as theologians point out:

"This does not mean that our redemption is partly the work of Christ and partly the work of Mary. Our redemption is entirely from God, the first cause of grace; it is entirely from Jesus, the principal and perfect mediator; and it is entirely from Mary, a mediator fully subordinated to Christ. The position given to Mary is both an honor conferred upon her, which gives her a share in divine causality, and a concession to our weakness . . . Mary's mediation adds nothing necessary to the universal, infinite mediation of Christ. It is, however, of great help to us." (Christ, and His Sacraments, Priory Press, p. 276).

While it does not appear in our present day calendar, in 1921 the Holy See approved for the Universal Church the feast of Our Lady, Mediatrix of All Graces. She is Mother of us all. Her mediation is universal, extending to all men and to all graces that God grants to mankind. It follows that every grace or gift we receive from God, whether we pray to Mary or not, come to us through her.

If while on earth Jesus performed his first public miracle at the plea of His Mother, her power of intercession in heaven is far greater. As universal Mother, she knows and is concerned about our every need.

We are now in a better position to answer the question posed in the beginning: DO WE WORSHIP MARY? We do not offer her the homage of adoration, which is reserved for God alone; nor do we pray to her as if she alone could grant the graces and favors we seek.

(We will continue next week).

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Aug. 15 th	<i>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 8:00 A.M. – NO MASS – Not a Holy Day of Obligation
Tues.	Aug. 16 th	<i>Saint Stephen of Hungary</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Marjorie VanDamme
Wed.	Aug. 17 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Joanne Fassbender Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
Thurs.	Aug. 18 th	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Prayer Shawl Ministry
Fri.	Aug. 19 th	<i>Saint John Eudes, Priest</i> 8:00 A.M.- Mass – Intentions of Mary Kudwa ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Aug. 20 th	<i>Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church</i> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 P.M. 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Doug Moss and Judy Belcher
Sun.	Aug. 21 st	<i>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Gilbert VanDrese 10:00 AM - Mass – For the People of our Parish

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

83 envelopes were returned for Sunday, Aug. 7th

Adult Offering.....	\$3,450.00
Loose.....	140.00
Fuel.....	409.00
General Maintenance.....	280.00
Donations for Kneeler/Cushion Pro..	400.00
Harvest Dinner Raffle Donation...	200.00
Reimbursement.....	46.72
Total.....	\$4,925.72

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense... \$3,980.50
Overage..... \$ 945.22

St. Vincent DePaul Society..... 135.00

Knights of Columbus Escanaba Council #640



Plan to attend the Annual Family KC Picnic on Sunday, August 21, 2022, at the Escanaba Township Pavilion in Flat Rock. We will be eating at noon. Please bring a dish to pass. Meat and beverages will be provided. Come enjoy some fellowship with our families. Rain or shine.

Mark Your Calendars.....On Wednesday, September 14th we will join with All saints Parish in Gladstone for our Religious Education KICKOFF! We will post more information once it becomes available.

Just a little note.....Because the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on a Monday, this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation

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

SPIRIT LIFTERS

Aug. 14th - We flatter those we scarcely know, And please our fleeting guest, But render many a heartless blow, To those we love the best.

Aug. 15th - The light of God is more desirable than the greatest treasures owned in darkness.

Aug. 16th - The size of your troubles generally depends on whether they are coming or going.

Aug. 17th - A SMILE - It creates happiness in the home, fosters goodwill in business, and is the countersign of friends.

Aug. 18th - One of the beautiful surprises of middle age is the discovery that mature love is not only richer and deeper, but every bit as breathtaking as it was in the beginning.

Aug. 19th - Casting our burden on the Lord frees us to help carry another's burdens.

Aug. 20th - Sitting and wishing won't change your fate; God provides the fishing, but you've got to dig the bait.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In today's Gospel Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it be accomplished!"

Your gift to the Society to assist those suffering in poverty will help set the earth on fire with the of God's love.

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

Monday
Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab
1 Cor 15:20-27

Tuesday
Ez 28:1-10
Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday
Ez 34:1-11
Mt 20:1-16

Thursday
Ez 36:23-28
Mt 22:1-14

Friday
Ez 37:1-14
Mt 22:34-40

Saturday
Ez 43:1-7b
Mt 23:1-12

Sunday
Is 66:18-21
Heb 12:5-7,11-13
Lk 13:22-30

FIRE STARTERS CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT GROUP.....Upcoming meeting will be held on 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!

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