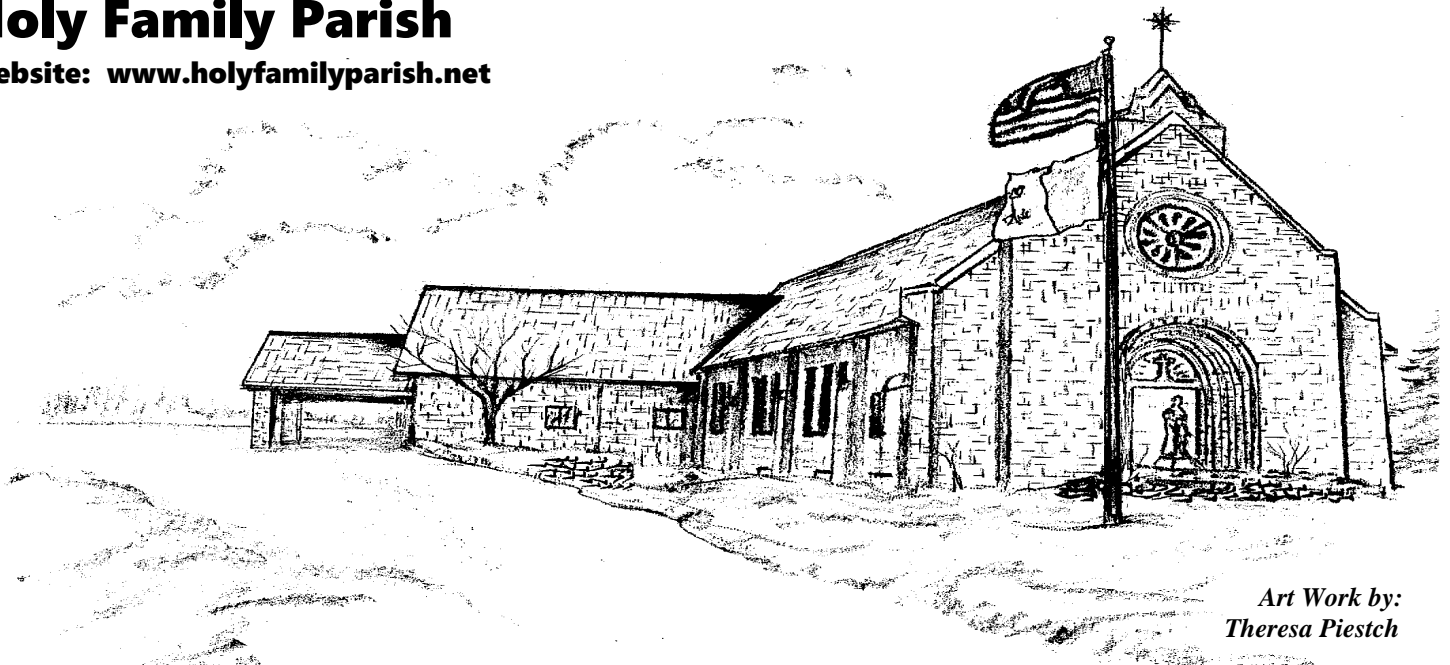


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Sacrament of Marriage

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

Devotion to Mary (Cont.)

MARY MOTHER OF GOD

On January 1st we celebrate the Feast, "Mary Mother of God." This doctrine raises a lot of doubts even in the minds of Catholics too. Many raise the question, "How can Mary be the Mother of God?" For the first time, the objection to the title "*Mother of God*" arose in the fifth century, due to confusion concerning the Mystery of the Incarnation. Nestorius, Bishop of Constantinople (428-431), incited a major controversy. He stated that Mary gave birth to Jesus Christ, a regular human person, period. To this human person was united the person of the Word of God (the divine Jesus). This union of two persons--the human Christ and the divine Word-- was "sublime and unique" but merely accidental. The divine person dwelt in the human person "as in a temple." Following his own reasoning, Nestorius asserted that the human Jesus died on the cross, not the divine Jesus. As such, Mary is not "Mother of God," but simply "Mother of Christ"--the human Jesus. Thus Nestorius divided Jesus into two persons; divine and human against the doctrine of the Church, Jesus – one person and two natures, divine and human.

The controversy became confusing to the faithful. So on June 22, AD 431, the Council of Ephesus convened to settle this argument of Nestorius. The Council declared, "**If anyone does not confess that the Emmanuel is truly God and therefore that the holy Virgin is the Mother of God (*Theotokos*) (since she begot according to the flesh the Word of God made flesh), *anathema sit.*" Therefore, the Council officially recognized that Jesus is one person, with two natures--human and divine--united in a true union. Secondly, the Council affirmed that our Blessed Mother can rightfully be called the Mother of God. Mary is not Mother of God, the Father, or Mother of God, the Holy Spirit; rather, she is Mother of God, the Son--Jesus Christ. For we believe that Jesus Christ, the Second Person of God is truly God. In that case, Mary can be called the Mother of God.**

GRACE

What is Grace? – In both popular language and Ecclesiastical language we hear the word Grace being used in different senses. We are familiar with the saying, 'Let us begin the meal with saying the grace.' Sometimes people speak about the elegant and beautiful appearance of person using the phrase, 'graceful look.' Very often we invite people with the request, 'to grace the occasion with your valuable presence.' Sometimes the students are given extra time to pay their student loan, known as 'grace period.' These are some of the common/popular uses of the word 'grace.'

In Ecclesiastical language the word 'Grace' has got divine and deeper meaning. In the definition of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "grace is favor, the free and undeserved help that God gives us to respond to his call to become children of God, adoptive sons, partakers of the divine nature and of eternal life." Divine grace is a theological term present in many religions. It has been defined as the divine influence which operates in humans to regenerate and sanctify, to inspire virtuous impulses, and to impart strength to endure trial and resist temptation; and as an individual virtue or excellence of divine origin.

Grace is a supernatural gift that, through the merits of Jesus Christ, God freely bestows on human beings in order to bring them to eternal life. Nature is what we are born with and into, when we enter this world; grace is what we still need to enter heaven in the world to come. Grace is a participation in the life of God, which is poured unearned into human beings, whom it heals of sin and sanctifies. The means by which God grants his grace are many. They include the entirety of revealed truth, the Sacraments and the hierarchical ministry. Among the principal means of grace, are the Sacraments (especially the Eucharist), prayers and good works.-The Sacramental also is means of grace.-The Sacraments themselves, no matter how unworthy is the person who administers it, are "the means of grace", - although lack of the required dispositions on the part of the recipient will block the effectiveness of the Sacrament in him/her.

The Catholic Church holds that "by grace alone, in faith in Christ's saving work and not because of any merit on our part, we are accepted by God and receive the Holy Spirit, who renews our hearts while equipping and calling us to good works. The Council of Trent declared that "none of those things which precede justification — whether faith or works — merit the grace itself of justification. (*Justification is the passing from a state of sin to the state of grace and adoption as children of God. "Now you have washed clean," says St. Paul, "and sanctified, and justified through the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and through the Spirit of our God"*) (1Cor:11). (We will continue next week).

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY

Mon.	Aug. 22 nd	<i>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 8:00 A.M. – NO MASS
Tues.	Aug. 23 rd	<i>Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin</i> 8:00 A.M. - NO MASS 6:00 P.M. - St. Vincent DePaul Society meets
Wed.	Aug. 24 th	<i>Saint Bartholomew, Apostle</i> 8:00 A.M. - NO MASS
Thurs.	Aug. 25 th	<i>Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest</i> 8:00 A.M. - NO MASS
Fri.	Aug. 26 th	8:00 A.M.- NO MASS ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Aug. 27 th	<i>Saint Monica</i> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 P.M. 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Jack & Rose Lynch
Sun.	Aug. 28 th	<i>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Bobby Tourangeau 10:00 AM - Mass – For the People of our Parish

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

70 envelopes were returned for Sunday, Aug. 14th

Adult Offering.....	\$3,004.00
Loose.....	140.00
Fuel.....	70.00
General Maintenance.....	65.00
Mass Stipends.....	180.00
Votive Lights.....	157.88
Donations for Kneeler/Cushion Pro..	575.00
Harvest Dinner Raffle Donation...	<u>100.00</u>
Total.....	\$4,291.88

Budgeted weekly Income & Expense... \$3,980.50
Overage..... \$ 311.38

St. Vincent DePaul Society.....	20.00
Diocesan Collection.....	370.00

NO MASS

There is no Mass from Aug. 22nd thru Aug. 26th as Fr. Sebastian is out in Pittsburgh attending the gathering of his Congregation.



ANNUAL RAFFLE

OCTOBER 16TH

This year the price of our **RAFFLE TICKET** is **\$5.00** with the top prize of \$2,000, 2nd prize \$500.

We are asking that every family sell 20 tickets and return them as soon as possible since we only have two months to sell.

If we sell all 2,000 tickets we will make a profit of \$7,000. We are asking for everyone's participation!

We are also 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. 21st** - He who forgives, ends the quarrel.
- Aug. 22nd** - It's the little things that bother us, And keep us on the rack; We can sit upon a MOUNTAIN, But not on a TACK.
- Aug. 23rd** - Kindness is becoming at any age.
- Aug. 24th** - Are your troubles causing you to lose your religion or USE your religion?
- Aug. 25th** - Those who won't mind their own business, soon have no business to mind.
- Aug. 26th** - Feed your faith, and your doubts will starve to death.
- Aug. 27th** - The ornaments of a house are the friends who visit it.

St. Vincent DePaul Corner

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us to "strive to enter through the narrow gate." Our call to be disciples and to follow Jesus demands that we learn to live for the sake of others.

This week, as you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are realizing that in giving you indeed receive. 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

You should be receiving a registration packet in the mail by August 21st. If you have students in Grades 1 thru 12 and did not receive the packet, please contact Kathy Kohtala at 906-428-3199 or 906-399-1676.

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.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday 2 Thes 1:1-5,11-12 Mt 23:13-22	Tuesday 2 Thes 2:1-3a,14-17 Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51	Thursday 1 Cor 1:1-9 Mt 24:42-51
Friday 1 cor 1:17-25 Mt 25:1-13	Saturday 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 25:14-30
Sunday Sir 3:17-18,20,28-29 Heb 12:18-19,22-24a Lk 14:1,7-14	

Eucharistic Revival Congress

We are looking for an individual willing to be a volunteer coordinator for our parish for the Eucharistic Revival Congress next year.

The responsibilities of the coordinator include:

- Ordering and sharing promotional materials with pastor/principal
- Promoting the Eucharistic Congress as approved by the pastor/principal
- Encouraging volunteer registration – ideally at least 3 volunteers from each parish/school
- Arranging transportation to the Congress
- Provide a banner to participate in the procession

If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 906-786-1209.

Knights of Columbus Escanaba Council #640

Plan to attend the Annual Family KC Picnic THIS Sunday, August 21, 2022, at the Escanaba Township Pavilion in Flat Rock. We will be eating at noon. Please bring a dish to pass.

The KC Council #640 will sponsor PILGRIM ICON PRAYER SERVICE in honor of St. Joseph.

The service will be held at St. Joseph/St. Patrick's Parish in Escanaba on Tuesday, August 23rd at 5:30 PM. Please come to honor the protector of the Holy Family, Saint Joseph.