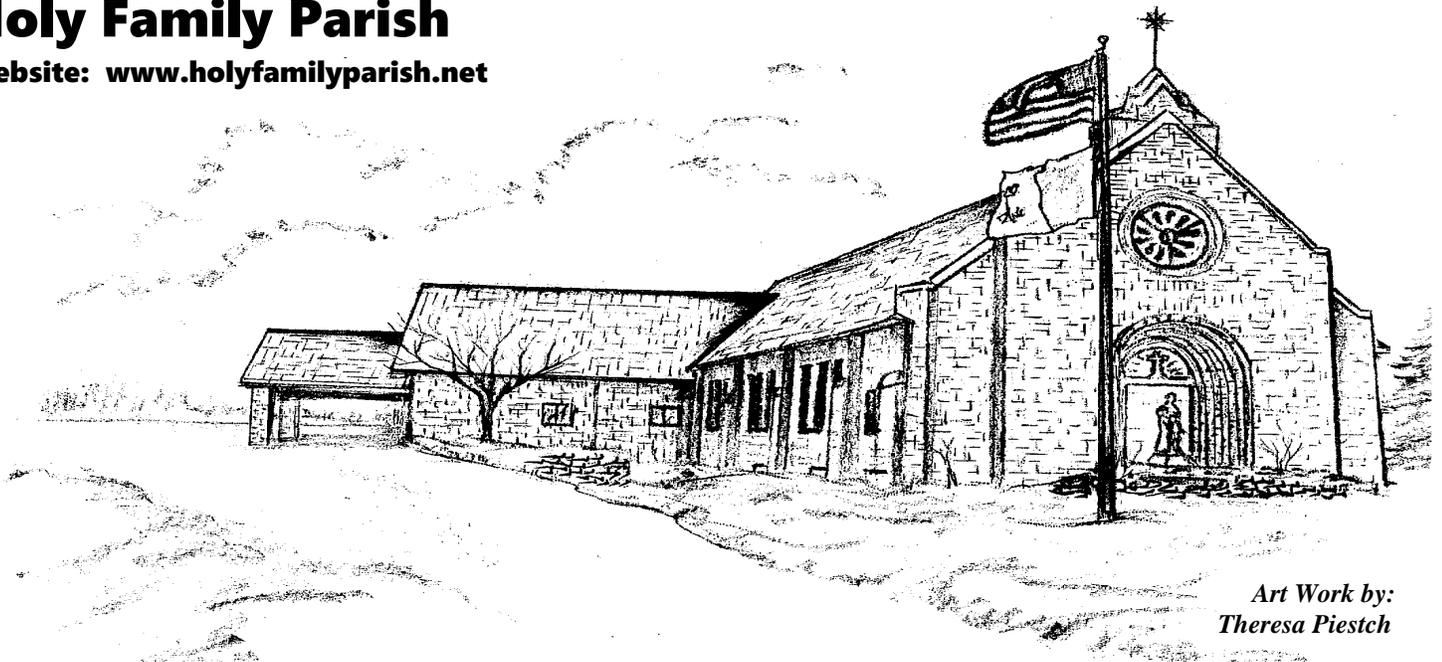


# Holy Family Parish

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## First Sunday of Advent – November 27, 2022

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### Faith Formation Coordinator

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### Maintenance

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### Pastoral Council Members

Pam Marenger – President Diane Danhoff  
Wanda Chenier – Secretary Harold Flagstad  
Kevin Dubord Tina Cryderman  
Pam Marenger – Liturgy Committee  
Bob Berbohm – Evangelization Committee

### Finance Council Members

Gerald Miron Piper Desy  
Mary Kay Nolde Frank Chenier

### 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, Joan Shelly Polaczyk, Jan Carter, Becky, Jean Way Roger Tourangeau, Amanda, Duane, Dan Chouinard*

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

## Devotions

**Stations of the Cross (Cont.):** The object of the Stations is to help the faithful to make a spiritual pilgrimage of prayer, through meditating upon the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death. It has become one of the most popular devotions for many Christians, especially among Catholics, Anglicans, and Lutherans, and "is often performed in a spirit of reparation for the sufferings and insults that Jesus endured during His Passion. Out of the fourteen traditional Stations of the Cross, only eight have clear scriptural foundation. Stations 3, 4, 6, 7, and 9 are not specifically attested to in the gospels (in particular, no evidence exists of station 6 ever being known before medieval times) and Station 13 (representing Jesus' body being taken down off the cross and laid in the arms of His mother Mary) seems to embellish the gospels' record, which states that Joseph of Arimathea took Jesus down from the cross and buried him. To provide a version of this devotion more closely aligned with the biblical accounts, Pope John Paul II introduced a new form of devotion, called the Scriptural Way of the Cross on Good Friday 1991. He celebrated that form many times but not exclusively at the Colosseum in Rome. In 2007, Pope Benedict XVI approved this set of stations for meditation and public celebration: They follow this sequence: *1. Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. 2. Jesus is betrayed by Judas and arrested. 3. Jesus is condemned by the Sanhedrin. 4. Jesus is denied by Peter. 5. Jesus is judged by Pilate. 6. Jesus is scourged and crowned with thorns. 7. Jesus takes up his cross. 8. Jesus is helped by Simon to carry his cross. 9. Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem. 10. Jesus is crucified. 11. Jesus promises his kingdom to the repentant thief. 12. Jesus entrusts Mary and John to each other. 13. Jesus dies on the cross. 14. Jesus is laid in the tomb.*

Although not traditionally part of the Stations, the Resurrection of Jesus is sometimes included as a fifteenth station. Usually the Stations of the Cross are conducted during the Lenten season especially on Fridays. The devotion may be conducted personally by the faithful, making their way from one station to another and saying the prayers, or by having an officiating celebrant move from cross to cross while the faithful make the responses. The stations themselves must consist of, at the very least, fourteen wooden crosses, pictures alone do not suffice, and they must be blessed.

## The Sacramental

We have already learned about what the Sacraments are. In short the seven Sacraments are outward signs of inward grace given by Jesus Christ. When we receive a Sacrament with right disposition, we receive the full grace. But many may not be familiar with the word 'Sacramental', though they use them in their day today Christian practices. In addition to the Sacraments, they are in use in the Church which are lesser signs or visible rites, not as important as the Sacraments, yet based on the same principles and sanctioned by the blessing of the Church. ***The Sacramental can be defined as any objects set apart and blessed by the Church to excite good thoughts, to increase devotion and thus to remit venial sin.*** They are like the Sacraments, because they only produce grace indirectly through the suffrage of the Church and by causing devotion in the mind of the user. They are holy objects or visible signs. Let us see some of the Sacramental which we use in our Catholic faith.

**The Sign of the Cross:** We Catholic often make the sign of the cross, but may not have understood it as a Sacramental. In the Catholic Church the most frequently used Sacramental and one of the most important signs is the *Sign of the Cross*. It takes various forms, all having the common gesture of tracing two lines intersecting at right angles to indicate symbolically the figure of Christ's cross. But most usually, the Sign of the Cross means the Cross made upon oneself from forehead to chest and shoulder to shoulder while the words, **"In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, Amen" are said.** Such a gesture is also obviously a profession of faith. It reminds us of the Blessed Trinity by the words that are used. It reminds us of the death of Christ by the very form that used. So it indicates belief in the most basic doctrines of Christianity – the unity and Trinity of God.

(To be continued)

**UPDATE ON DAN CHOUNARD AND HOW YOU CAN HELP IF YOU WOULD LIKE:** The following is from Dan's sister-in-law: Dan recently suffered a stroke and is currently in St. Vincent hospital in Green Bay. He has a very long road ahead of him and could use prayers. He'll be in the hospital for at least 4 weeks and it will be several months of recovery after that. He is self-employed and won't be working so your financial support is very much needed and greatly appreciated by the family. There is a donation account set up at Peninsula Federal Credit Union in his name. If anyone would like to help just go to PFCU and deposit in Dan Chouinard's account. Thank you to all as he and his family needs our support and prayers.

**THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY**

Mon.	Nov. 28 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. –	Mass – For all of our special intentions
Tues.	Nov. 29 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. -	Mass - Stephen Pach
Wed.	Nov. 30 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Saint Andrew, Apostle</i>	
		8:00 A.M. -	Mass – Amy VanDrese
			Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
		6:30 P.M. -	CLASS – Family Advent Night
Thurs.	Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 A.M. -	Mass – Gerald & Lorraine Nelson
		7:30 P.M. -	Holy Family Men’s Meeting & Smear League
Fri.	Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	8:00 A.M.-	Mass – Nick Nolde
		<b>6:30 P.M. -</b>	<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 7:30 PM</b>
		-----	<b>Parish Office closed</b>
Sat.	Dec. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Saint Francis Xavier, Priest</i>	
		<b>8:00 A.M -</b>	<b>First Saturday Mass – Pete &amp; Willa DeMay</b>
		3:00 P.M. -	Confessions heard until 3:45 P.M.
		4:00 P.M. -	Mass – Lela Dubord (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)
Sun.	Dec. 4 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	
		8:00 A.M. -	Mass – Don Anderson
		10:00 AM -	Mass – For the people of our parish

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

77 envelopes were returned for Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>

Adult Offering.....	\$3,699.00
Loose.....	128.01
General Maintenance.....	-0-
Fuel.....	25.00
Votive Lights.....	290.00
Mass Stipends.....	185.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$4,327.01</b>

**Budgeted weekly Income & Expense... \$3,980.50**  
**Overage..... \$ 346.51**

St. Vincent DePaul donations.....	\$ 40.00
Kneeler/Cushion Project donations.....	25.00
The Word Among Us.....	378.00

Please return to the church all gifts unwrapped and in bags with the tree tag taped to it by Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.  
 Thank you and God Bless You

**ATTENTION LADIES OF THE PARISH!**

We will have our annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:30 PM. This will be a catered meal at a cost of \$9.00. If you plan to attend a fun evening, the signup sheet is at the back of Church.

There will also be an exchange gift in the amount of \$10 if you would like to participate.

**Knights of Columbus Council #640**

The Women's Auxiliary of Escanaba Council #640 is hosting a Christmas party for all Knights and their families on Sunday, December 4, 2022 at the KC Hall. Cocktails at 5:00 with dinner at 6:00. Please call Cathy Flagstadt at 906-786-5034 or Sally Young at 906-384-6929 to register. The meal will be potluck but we need to know a number for seating purposes. If you would like to donate a gift to be used as a door prize, it would be greatly appreciated. We hope you will join us.

## SPIRIT LIFTERS

Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> - Thank God for dirty dishes, they have a tale to tell; While others may go hungry We've eaten very well. With home, health, and happiness I shouldn't want to fuss, By the stack of evidence God's been very good to us.

Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> - "...Be thankful unto Him and bless His name, for the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations."

Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> - I used to censure everyone, I was a Pharisee; Until, quite unexpectedly, I got a glimpse of me.

Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> - God doesn't do for us what He has given us power to do for ourselves.

Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> - Prayer is not an attitude attained, but an attitude maintained.

Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> - What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part, Yet what can I give Him; give my heart.

Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> - You cannot possess a richer treasure than that of the loyalty of a friend.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

### **Monday**

Is 4:2-6  
Mt 8:5-11

### **Wednesday**

Rom 10:9-18  
Mt 4:18-22

### **Friday**

Is 29:17-24  
Mt 9:27-31

### **Tuesday**

Is 11:1-10  
Lk 10:21-24

### **Thursday**

Is 26:1-6  
Mt 7:21,24-27

### **Saturday**

Is 30:19-21,23-26  
Mt 9:35—10:1,5a,6-8

### **Sunday**

Is 11:1-10 Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

### Adult Faith Formation Class

What – New class begins Nov. 30, 2022  
Where – Holy Name Commons Area  
Who – All are invited (come when you can)  
When – Each Wednesday from 6 to 7 pm

Please drop off your pledge card at the parish or mail it to the parish at 4011 County 416-20<sup>th</sup> Road. If you did not receive a card, please contact the parish office and I can send you one. We need 100% participation to make our goal. Thanking you in advance

**Our goal for this year is \$39,676**

To date we have 102 returned cards with pledges of \$30,050. Leaving a balance of \$9,626. *There are still A LOT of OUTSTANDING PLEDGE CARDS. Please return as soon as possible.*



St. Anthony / St. Thomas

**Annual Dinner Bazaar 2022**

St. Thomas Parish Hall

1820 9th Ave North, Escanaba

Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> 11 AM - 3 PM

The Knights of Columbus will be selling "Keep Christ in Christmas again this year at the back of church. The cost will be \$6.00.

Bay de Noc Community Choir presents Joy to the World, a Christmas Concert on Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at Bethany Lutheran Church. All are welcome – Free will offering.

### St. Vincent DePaul Corner

There is an Advent spirit in the heart of every human person. It is one of longing, of yearning for a fulfillment that somehow lies beyond ourselves; for we long for the coming of the Lord.

As you put your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul envelope, your heart will discover the true meaning of Christmas as you help those who are suffering and poor to long for the coming of the Lord.

For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.