

WELCOME TO SAINT MARY & SAINT BARBARA PARISHES

We're blessed to have you worship with us today. If you're visiting, may God guide and bless you on your journey. If you're seeking a church home, we warmly invite you to consider joining our church family. Please reach out to us to learn more about our faith community.



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Saint Mary Parish

401 Main Street | Norway, MI 49870

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm Sunday: 10:00am

Saint Barbara Parish

W5058 Main Street, Vulcan

Mail: 401 Main St | Norway, MI 49870

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 6:00pm Sunday: 8:00am

Confessions at St. Mary (*8/29 & 8/30)

Saturday: 11:00am-Noon

Sunday: 9:30-9:45 am (Before 10am mass)

Office Contact Details

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9:00am-4:00pm

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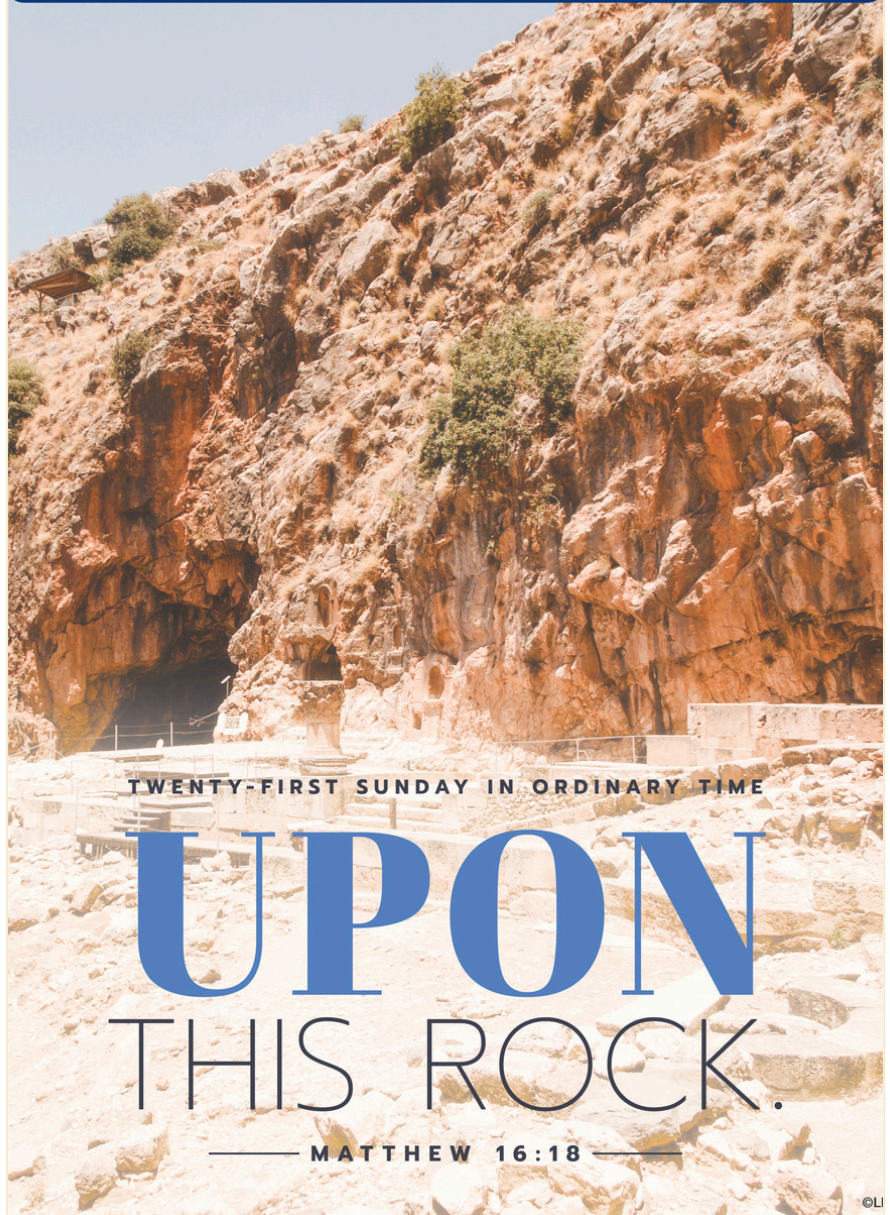
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AUGUST 23, 2026



WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mk 6:17-29

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

MASS INTENTIONS

**When there is a funeral, daily Mass will NOT be cancelled*

8/25 TUE - 5:00pm SM - Louie & Pat Pellegrini
 8/26 WED - **8:30am** SM - In Thanksgiving, Darlene & Bill Asselin
 8/27 THUR - **8:00am** SB - Donna Jensen
 8/28 FRI - 8:30am SM - Edward and Larry Bolek
 8/29 SAT - 4:00pm SM - George Servia
 8/29 SAT - 6:00pm SB - For the People of St. Barbara and St. Mary Parishes
 8/30 SUN - 8:00am SB - Joseph and Tom Haferkorn
 8/30 SUN - 10:00am SM - Celia & Lloyd Franceschini



**Please join in praying the rosary 30 minutes before Mass.*

PARISHIONER PRAYERS

Please pray for our parishioners in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living, are homebound and those who suffer in silence. Special prayers for healing were requested for: **Michael Dapoz, Lottie Bjornson, Kindy Gingrass, Bob Chartre and Duane Lombardini.** If you need continued prayers or would like to request prayers for someone else, please email or call the parish office.



Saint Mary and Saint Barbara Parish Families extend their sympathy to the family of **Konrad Testwuide III**, (father of James Testwuide). May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. AMEN

YOUTH & ADULT CHOIR NEWS

Choir Rehearsals Begin Soon! **Adult Choir will kick off rehearsals on August 31 at 6:00 p.m. Children's Choir, open to students in 3rd-11th grade, will begin rehearsals on September 30 from 4:30-5:00 p.m.,** with children singing at Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month. All rehearsals will be held in the Choir Loft at St. Mary's. For questions, please contact Kelli McGeehan at smmusic1878@gmail.com.



GARDEN SALAD LUNCHEON

The Women of St. Mary's wish to thank all those who helped us with our Garden Party salad luncheon by assisting us with setup, decorating, food prep and all those who contributed food items for our use. Many wonderful comments were received from attendees about our beautiful "garden" setting and having so many delicious salads & desserts to choose from. We are very proud of this special event and thank all of you who supported us in any way.



QUEEN OF HEAVEN RETREAT | OCTOBER 2-4, 2026 | GARDEN, MI

Join us for "How to Imitate the Virtues of Mary", a spiritually enriching weekend retreat directed by Fr. Corey Litzner at the beautiful Garden Grove Retreat Center (formerly Marygrove Retreat Center).

Retreat Fee: \$165.00 per person (Includes: 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 1 dinner)

Space is limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please register by September 18, 2025.

To register or for more information contact: Vicky Ricketts | 906-869-2137 |

vricke411@gmail.com



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25TH

10am: AA Meeting, SM
 St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26TH

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH

6am: Men's Prayer Group, SM
 5pm: HSCS Fundraiser at Sandstone Terrace

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH

11am - 12pm: Confession/Eucharistic Adoration, SM

Sanctuary Lamp Intention

Week of August 23rd-29th

Saint Mary:
Stephen Amond

Saint Barbara:
Betty & Leonard Bal



Anyone wishing to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit in memory or honor of a loved one, or for any of your special intentions, at either of our Parishes, may contact the Parish Office at 906-563-9845. Donation of \$20 for 1 week, listed in the bulletin weekly.

MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you'd like to serve in ministry, we'd love to help you find the right place.

Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister, Server and/or Lector. Please call the Parish Office to sign up. Thank you

St. Mary's Collection AUGUST 16, 2026

Envelopes & Holy Day	\$3,448.01
Loose	281.00
Maintenance	384.00
Total:	\$4,113.01
Diocese \$20.00	

St. Barbara's Collection AUGUST 16, 2026

Envelopes & Holy Day	\$2,071.00
Loose	350.00
Maintenance	307.00
Total:	\$2,728.00

Thank you for sharing your time, talents and treasure in building God's Kingdom. Your generosity strengthens our parish community. To support financially, you may drop envelopes at Mass or the church mailbox, mail it in or give online through our website e-Giving option:

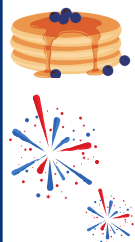
<https://giving.stmarybarbara.org/give>

SPECIAL EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS



JOIN US THIS FRIDAY - AUGUST 28TH

We're doing it again on Friday, August 28, 5pm: Fundraiser for the HSCS at the Sand Stone Roof Top! It's our German Food Fest with all homemade food & desserts! Belle's Brewery is doing a tap takeover and there will be live music from our very favorite Norton & Chartier & Co. We'll be serving up some very tasty food for you. Remember...it's for the KIDS! 50/50 raffle tickets will be available. You could be the lucky one!



AMERICAN LEGION BREAKFAST - NORWAY

American Legion Post 145 will be hosting an all you can eat breakfast, **Sunday, August 30th, from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m.** Menu includes eggs, sausage, pancakes, french toast, hash brown potatoes, toast, fruit salad, coffee, milk and juice. Cost is \$10.00 per person with children 6 and under free. Everyone is welcome.



REGISTER FOR FAITH FORMATION CLASSES



Registration is now open for the upcoming Faith Formation year for students in Grades 1-11.

Whether your family is continuing in our program or considering Faith Formation for the first time, we warmly invite you to join us. Faith Formation provides children and teens with the opportunity to grow in their relationship with Christ, learn about the Catholic faith, and become part of a supportive parish community. We especially welcome young families as we partner with parents in nurturing the faith of the next generation.

Registration forms are available at the back of the church. The registration deadline is August 24.

If you have any questions or would like a registration form emailed to you, please contact Jen Murvich at faithformation1878@gmail.com.

VOCATIONAL VIEW

Peter received his special call when he acknowledged Jesus as Messiah. We who believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior also receive a special call. Ask the Lord to direct your heart. (Matthew 16:13-20)



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Mary & St. Barbara Parishes will have adoration on **Friday, September 4th** at St. Mary Parish starting at **9:00am with Benediction at 3:00pm**. Please sign-up in back of St. Mary Parish.

SPIRITUAL LIFTERS

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.

Aug. 28th - If life were a bed of roses, some people wouldn't be happy until they developed an allergy.

Aug. 29th - Trouble is usually produced by those who produce nothing else.

GENERAL UPDATES & REMINDERS



UPCSA KICKOFF COMING SOON

The Upper Peninsula Catholic Service Appeal (UPCSA) will kick off in September. More information will be shared in upcoming bulletins.

St. Mary's card sender is Rosemary Haepers: 906-563-5071
St. Barbara's card sender is Shirley LaValley: 906-563-5011

Communion Call Visits: If you are home bound or know someone who is and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the parish office at 906-563-9845, so you may be added to our Communion Call list.

ST MARY & ST BARBARA CONFERENCE OF SVDP

Thank you for your generosity throughout the year in supporting those less fortunate. Your prayers, monetary donations, and monthly pantry contributions have been a true blessing and have made a meaningful difference in many lives.

The Conference Office will continue assisting those in need on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9-11 AM, or by special appointment. Pantry and monetary donations are accepted Monday-Friday, 9AM-3:30 PM, or may be mailed to 421 Main Street, Norway, MI.

Thank you, and please be assured of our prayers and gratitude. God bless.

AUGUST PANTRY NEEDS:

- Sugar
- Canned Corn
- Toothpaste



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906.563.8817



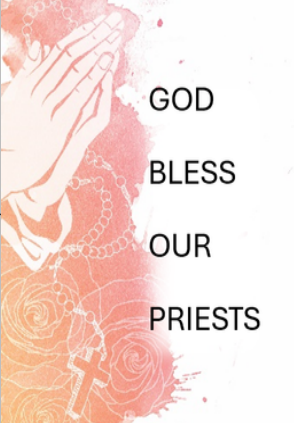
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906.786.2385

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