

Sunday of Divine Mercy

April 7, 2024

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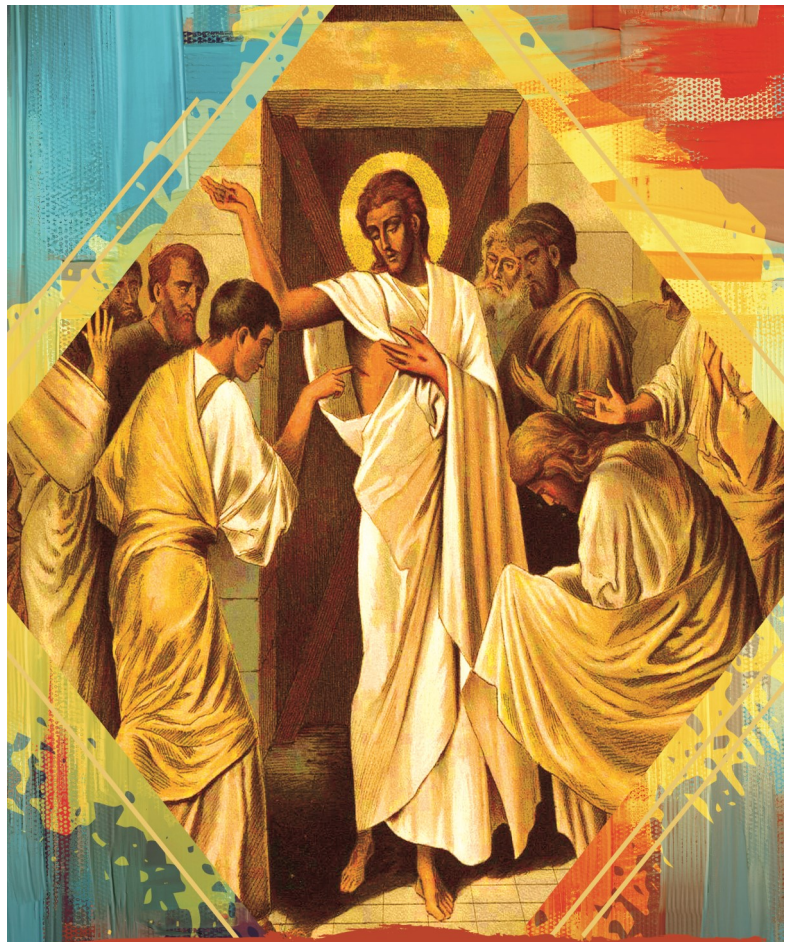
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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

"Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your
hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving,
but believe." - Jn 20: 27

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Mass Intentions



4/8 MON - No Mass
 4/9 TUE - 5:00pm SM - Ron & Peggy Baciak
 4/10 WED - 8:00am SM - Paul Cieslak, Jr.
 4/11 THUR - 8:00am SB - Anton & Irene Opolka
 4/12 FRI - 8:30am SM - Donna Van Goethem
 4/13 SAT - 4:00pm SM - Arlene Bolak
 4/13 SAT - 6:00pm SB - Geraldine Zychowski
 4/14 SUN - 8:00am SB - For the People of St. Barbara &
 St. Mary Parishes
 4/14 SUN - 10:00am SM - Ann VanWolvelaere
When there is a funeral, daily Mass will NOT be cancelled

WELCOME TO

ST. MARY & ST. BARBARA PARISHES

We are happy that you decided to worship with us. If you are visiting just for today, we pray that God will be with you on your journey. If you are seeking a church to be part of, we would be honored to welcome you into our parish community. If you are interested in joining our parish family, call the parish office at 906-563-9845 or email: saintmary@norwaymi.com

Vocational View - Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for me to respond to God's call? (John 20:19-31)

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

Spirit Lifters

- Apr. 7th - Satan trembles when he sees the weakest Christian on his knees.
- Apr. 8th - When a man begins to amass wealth, it is a question whether God is going to gain a fortune or lose a man.
- Apr. 9th - Blessed are the hard-of-hearing for they miss much small talk.
- Apr. 10th - The only true beauty found in us is that beauty which comes by letting Jesus live His life through us.
- Apr. 11th - He who merits praise he never receives is better off than He who receives praise he never merits.
- Apr. 12th - We will praise Him for all that is past, and trust Him for all that is to come.
- Apr. 13th - Friendship is a commitment. A trust that consists of not letting a person down when they need you. It is rare and should be treasured.

Food, Fellowship & Faith at St. Mary's, starting at 5:30pm with a meal, followed by faith discussion with Father Marty. All are welcome.

Thursday, April 18th - Sign up in the back of church so we know how much food to prepare.
 ~ Thank you

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's

Collection - March 31, 2024

Envelopes	\$4,570.00
Loose	468.00
Easter Flowers	10.00
School Support	90.00
Fuel/Utility	20.00
Maintenance	30.00
Total:	\$5,188.00

Diocesan Collection \$187.48

***Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom!**

St. Barbara's

Collection - March 31, 2024

Envelopes	\$3,135.00
Loose	228.00
Easter Flowers	50.00
School Support	55.00
Maintenance	75.00
Total:	\$3,543.00

Diocesan Collection \$25.00

***Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom!**

THANK YOU
 for your generosity

and continuing to support your parish financially, either dropping your envelope in the collection basket at Mass or mailbox by the office door, mailing it in, using online banking or tried our new e-Giving option:

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

Coffee Doughnut Social
 Join us on **Sunday, April 7th** after the 10am Mass in St. Mary's Parish Hall. All are welcome!

St. Mary Memorial



Each month we list the names of those in whose name gifts have been made to the Memorial Fund at St. Mary Church. They are remembered at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on the First Sunday of each month for one year. The names are inscribed in our Memorial Book, which is on display in the vestibule. Contact the parish office for more information. Inscribed for the month of **March** are:

John Degan, William "Mac" and Dolores McCarthy, Anthony "Tony" DeBernardi, Herman & Julian Morosini

St. Barbara 50/50 Raffle Winners for March

\$25 - Mike Decker \$25 - Mike Decker
 \$25 - Dave Ivey \$25 - Rachel Moreau \$20 - Jim Bilski



The Women of St. Mary's Parish will meet **Tuesday, April 9th** (rescheduled from 4/2), following the 5pm Mass. All women of the parish are invited to join us.

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This week's feature ad is:

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PRAYER REQUESTS

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: **Clifford Renier, Tammy Hulce, Cory Groeneveld and Chris Bratta**. If you need prayers or would like to request prayers for someone else in next week's bulletin, please email or call the parish office, 906-563-9845. Thank you and God Bless!

St. Mary and St. Barbara Conference of SVDP

We thank you for the generosity given throughout the year to help those less fortunate. The ongoing prayers, monetary donations, and keeping our pantry well-stocked, etc. each month has truly been a blessing. Your contributions have made a difference in the lives of so many people.

Our Conference will continue to help those in need on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9-11 a.m., or by special appointment if needed.

Pantry or monetary donations can be accepted anytime during regular store hours, Monday through Friday.

During April we would appreciate donations of **shampoo for women or men**. Be assured you are in our prayers. God Bless!



What's happening this week:

- 4/7 Sun. 11am, Coffee Doughnut Social, St. Mary
- 4/7 Sun. 1-3:30pm, Divine Mercy Sunday, S.M. & S.J.
- 4/8 Mon. 6:30pm, St. Mary Adult Choir Practice
- 4/9 Tue. 10am, AA Meeting in classroom, use St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot
- 4/9 Tue. 5:30pm, Women of St. Mary Meeting, SM
- 4/9 Tue. 7:00pm, Knights of Columbus Meeting, SM
- 4/10 Wed. 3:30-4:30pm, Faith Formation 1st-4th grade, SM
- 4/10 Wed. 4:30-5:00pm, Youth Choir Practice, St. Mary
- 4/10 Wed. 6:00-7:00pm, Faith Formation, 5-8th grade, SM
- 4/11 Fri. 6am, Men's Prayer Group
- 4/11 Sat. 11am-12pm, Confessions at St. Mary

The Knights of Columbus will meet on Tuesday, 4/9/24 at 7:00pm. St. Mary, St. Joseph Center



Easter Vigil 2024: Welcome to Christopher Jakel and Karen Kallenbach. Christopher is pictured above being received into full communion at the Easter Vigil on March 30th. Karen will be received into full communion on April 26th in Florida. Congratulations to both of you and may you continue to grow in your faith.

St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish

Divine Mercy Sunday



Come and Celebrate
The Feast of Mercy

Sunday, April 7th, 2024
From 1:00-3:30pm

- 1:00 Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament
- 1-3:00 Sacrament of Penance
- 1:10 Rosary: Joyful Mysteries
- 1:30 Rosary: Luminous Mysteries
- 1:50 Rosary: Sorrowful Mysteries
- 2:10 Rosary: Glorious Mysteries
- 2:30 Silent Mediations
- 3:00 Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Litany of Trust in Divine Mercy
Benediction & Reposition

Prayer for the 2nd Sunday of Easter

Dear Jesus,
As you greeted your disciples after you rose, fill us too, with your peace.
As you breathed your spirit on them, breathe on us, too.
As your presence was known to Thomas, make it known to us too.
Help us to live in your peace, power, and presence.
Amen.

Good Shepherd Collection

The Diocese of Marquette is blessed with many senior (retired) priests (those who are no longer assigned to a parish). These men make present Christ, the Good Shepherd, and continue to give of themselves in countless ways of service for which we are grateful.

As is the case with many pension plans in today's world, our priests' retirement program is not fully funded. On Good Shepherd Sunday, April 20-21, our Diocese will take up a special collection to support our priests' retirement and help remedy the shortfall in the St. Joseph Association.

I hope you will consider using the envelope provided in your packets to support this important collection. Parishioners can also donate to the St. Joseph Association online by visiting osvhub.com/dioceseofma.



News from the Women of St. Mary's:

A huge thank you to all those who baked for us for our annual Easter Bakesale - we had such a wonderful variety of baked items and pies this year! Unfortunately the wet and heavy snow Saturday morning prevented many people from coming out, but we successfully sold out all items at our two Easter Masses. We also received an astounding amount of financial support from those who do not bake. Thank you for helping us keep this Easter tradition alive at St. Mary's Parish. Our proceeds get used to help support many needed items and programs of our parish. God Bless you all!

2024 Basket Raffle Winners

- Rosemary Kmiec: Yooper Through and Through
- JoAnne Rohde: Colorful Kitchen
- Betty Bal: A LATTE Sunshine
- Joelle Baumler: Rav'ishly Delicious
- Jordy Groeneveld: Pamper You
- Cory Groeneveld: It's Cool to...Bee Kind
- Rosemary Kmiec: Easy, Peasy, Squeezy

Norway-Vulcan Women's Club Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser



April 13th at the Crossroads Methodist Church
4:30 to 6:30pm

Menu: spaghetti, meatballs, salad, dessert,
and beverages.

Adults: \$12, Children ages 11- 6: \$6, Ages 5 & younger: free

THANK YOU to everyone who made **St. Barbara's Easter Egg Hunt** another great success. We truly appreciate all of our volunteers and those who donated prizes. But we especially thank the parents who made this event a joyful celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord for their children.

Grand prize winner: Emm Schomer

Door prize winners: Lance and Mason Cayemberg,
Olivia Dal Santo and Rosaria Pellegrini

See you next year!



EASTER 2024



Carmelite Fall Festival

Responsibility for hosting the Carmelite Fall Festival (formerly called the Silver Tea) rotates among the two Iron Mountain churches (combined), two Kingsford parishes (combined), and Norway/Vulcan parishes (combined). Each "turn" is for two years. Our turn starts this year and the event is scheduled for September 21-22nd.

The event is a combination craft and bake sale, monetary raffle, basket raffle, and luncheon - with all proceeds to benefit the Carmelite Sisters of the Holy Cross and maintaining the monastery located in Iron Mountain. There are many things we will be needing as we prepare for this important event over the summer. We will be soliciting new craft items, bakery, jams, jellies & other canning, and workers for the event. We will welcome the sponsorship of a gift basket or gift certificates to be included in a gift basket. We will consider new and gently used items of interest that you may wish to donate.

Co-chairs for the event are Rose Gianunzio & Georgia Chounard of St. Barbara's, and Diane Westrich & Sheri LeBombard of St. Mary's. If you have anything to offer to us to assist with this, please reach out. And please continue to watch the bulletin for news of our efforts this summer to make and gather items to sell. We hope you will prayerfully consider ways to participate and assist us in some way with this huge undertaking.

Our women's groups can only be successful with help and participation from other parishioners. We appreciate all the interest and support we receive!

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**ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!
HE IS RISEN!**

*Come to the Chapel.
Adore Him. Praise Him. Thank Him.*

*The time you spend with Jesus in the
Blessed Sacrament is the best
time that you will spend on earth. --
Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

The Adoration Chapel is in need of a permanent adorer for **Fridays 2-3 a.m.**

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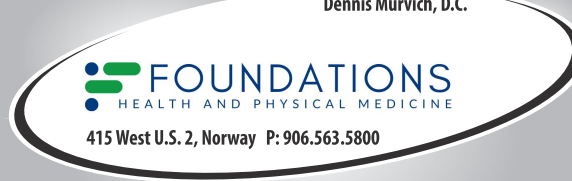


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