

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.

YOU ARE
Welcome Here

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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

Saturday: 3:00pm-3:50pm*

**Change due to Father Abraham August travels*

Office Contact Details

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9:00am-4:00pm

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AUGUST 16, 2026

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A CANAANITE WOMAN **CALLED OUT.**

— MATTHEW 15:22 —



WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

MASS INTENTIONS

**When there is a funeral, daily Mass will NOT be cancelled
*Please join in praying the rosary 30 minutes
before Mass.*

8/18 TUE - 5:00pm SM - Ben & Mollie Peterson
8/19 WED - **8:30am** SM - Ann Van Wolvelaere and Glen Halloran
8/20 THUR - **8:30am** SB - Jim & Judy Ritzenhein
8/21 FRI - 8:30am SM - John "Zeke" and Bill Zanona
8/22 SAT - 4:00pm SM - John & Eulalie Guzzonato
8/22 SAT - 6:00pm SB - Donna Jensen
8/23 SUN - 8:00am SB - Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Holy Spirit Council #9523
8/23 SUN - 10:00am SM - For the People of St. Mary and St. Barbara Parishes



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: **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 **Fionn Wood** (*grandson of Walt & Kathy Werden*). May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. AMEN



Knights of Columbus Rosary

Join the Knights of Columbus in praying the Holy Rosary on **Saturday, August 22nd at 5:30pm**, before the 6pm Mass at Saint Barbara Parish.



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA) | CLASSES BEGIN IN OCTOBER

A faith journey for those desiring to enter the Catholic Church or for those who wish to complete their initiation into the Church. If you would like to join, please contact Fr. Abraham at smuppara@hotmail.com. Classes begin in October.

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

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18TH

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21ST

6am: Men's Prayer Group, SM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND

3pm-3:50pm: Confession, SM before the 4pm mass

Sanctuary Lamp Intention Week of August 16th-22nd

Saint Mary:
**In loving memory of
Glen Halloran**

Saint Barbara:
**In honor of all Veterans & those
currently serving our nation**



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.

Koinonia Pot Luck Gathering

Sunday, August 16
2:00pm EST
Bark River



St. Mary's Collection AUGUST 9, 2026

Envelopes	\$5,225.00
Online Giving	710.00
Loose	344.75
School	25.00
Financial Aid	10.00
Total:	\$6,314.75
Diocese \$620.00	

St. Barbara's Collection AUGUST 9, 2026

Envelopes	\$2,670.00
Online Giving	700.00
Loose	254.00
School & Youth Activity	35.00
Maintenance	180.00
Total:	\$3,839.00
Diocese \$456.00	

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>



Congratulations
Grace (Cole) and Austin Gurgall
on your marriage August 8th.
May God pour out his richest blessings to you both!



SPECIAL EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS



SANDSTONE TERRACE FUNDRAISER

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!



ANNUAL MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Annual Milestone Wedding Anniversary Celebration on **Sunday, September 20, at 3:30 p.m. ET at St. Peter Cathedral in Marquette**. Registration forms are available in the vestibules of both parishes and **must be returned by August 28**.



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

My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. As a church; let us pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
(Isaiah 56:6-7)



YOOPECATHOLIC.ORG
STAY CONNECTED

Visit Yoopecatholic.org for upcoming events, faith resources, and news from around the Diocese of Marquette. Discover new ways to grow in your faith and stay connected with our Catholic community!

SPIRITUAL LIFTERS

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.

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.

GENERAL UPDATES & REMINDERS

Carmelite Fall Festival (September 12-13, 2026)

Mark your calendar now to attend this beautiful & worthwhile annual event. Raffle prize drawing is on Sunday, September 13 at 3:00pm. All prizes **MUST** be picked up at the monastery.

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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WE ARE ENROLLING NOW FOR THE FALL

KINDERGARTEN - 8TH GRADE

201 Saginaw Street | Norway, MI

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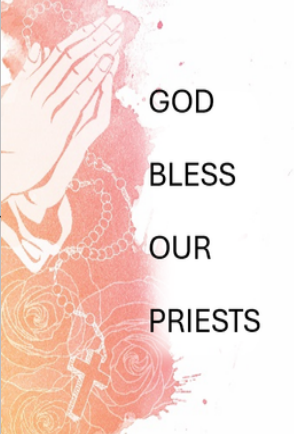
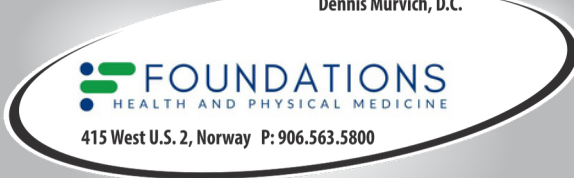
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Holy Spirit Council #9523

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