

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

Pastor

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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: 11:00am-Noon, with Adoration

Sunday: 9:30-9:45am, before 10:00am Mass

Tuesday: 4:30-4:50pm, before 5:00pm Mass

Office Contact Details

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday
9:00am-4:00pm

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OCTOBER 4, 2026

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A LANDOWNER
PLANTED A
VINEYARD.

— MATTHEW 21:33 —



Weekly Readings

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Gal 1:6-12/ Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/ Lk 10:25-37	Gal 1:13-24/ Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/ Lk 10:38-42	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/ Ps 117:1bc, 2/ Lk 11:1-4	Gal 3:1-5/ Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/ Lk 11:5-13	Gal 3:7-14/ Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Lk 11:15-26	Gal 3:22-29/ Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Lk 11:27-28	Is 25:6-10a/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/ Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/ Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

MASS INTENTIONS

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

10/6 TUE - 5:00pm SM - Nancy Bal
 10/7 WED - 8:00am SM - Loren Poquette
 10/7 WED - 1:00pm Evergreen - Bob Hoheisel
 10/8 THUR - 8:00am SB - Anton & Irene Opolka
 10/9 FRI - 8:30am SM - Joanne Rohde
 10/10 SAT - 4:00pm SM - George Servia
 10/10 SAT - 6:00pm SB - Roland "Buck" Johnson
 10/11 SUN - 8:00am SB - For the People of St. Barbara and St. Mary Parishes
 10/11 SUN - 10:00am SM - Charlotte and Edward Jasonowicz

****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: **Mary Pontbriand, Richard LaValley, Russell Whitens, Theresa DeGroot, Grace Gurgall, Michael Dapoz, 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 families of **Teresa Moraska** (daughter of Carol Moraska), **Sister Ancy Mary** (Father Abraham's Aunt), **Loretta Schultz** and **Gerald Gauthier**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. AMEN



ST. MARY MEMORIAL | MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

Each month we list the names of those in whose name gifts have been made to the Memorial Fund at St. Mary Parish. 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 SEPTEMBER:

Carol Gauthier

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH



2026 Carmelite Fall Festival Winners

1st prize, Diamond Earrings: *Debra Leemon*

2nd prize, \$500 Kwik Trip and Borderland Meats Certificates: *Dick Pilon*

3rd prize, Vizio TV: *Holy Family Church, South Range*

4th prize, Handmade Charcutier board/Coasters/Hand turned bowls: *Barb Rook*

5th prize, Baseball Pitching Set: *Michelle Breen*



COMING TO ST. MARY'S OCTOBER 10TH



PROJECT Seven



Eucharistic Adoration ✠ Fellowship
 Praise & Worship ✠ Live Music by The Well

Saturday October 10th | 7:00 pm

St. Mary's + Norway, Michigan

info@uahwehsuooopers.org

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

9:30-9:45am: Confession, SM
11am: Coffee / Doughnut Social, SM



MONDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

6pm: SM Adult Choir Practice
8pm: Adoration for Cari Domini at I.C.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

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

5:30pm: Women of St. Mary Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for workshop in Marquette

3:30-4:30pm: Faith Formation, Grades 1-6

4:30-5:00pm: Youth Choir Practice, SM

6-7pm: Faith Formation, Grades 7-11

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

6am: Men's Prayer Group, SM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

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

7pm: Project Seven Event, SM

Sanctuary Lamp Intention

Week of Oct 4TH - 10TH

Saint Mary:

Charlotte Jasonowicz

Saint Barbara:

Ray & Sharon Hewlett

60th Wedding Anniversary

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.



St. Mary's Collection SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Envelopes	\$3,426.00
Loose	251.00
U.P. Catholic Newspaper	5.00
Maintenance	175.00
Total:	\$3,857.00

St. Barbara's Collection SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Envelopes & Holy Day	\$2,601.00
Loose	225.00
Christmas Flowers	120.00
Maintenance & School	220.00
Total:	\$3,166.00

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

FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FAITH IS BACK

Join Father Abraham at St. Mary Parish Hall on Wednesday, **October 14 at 5:30pm**. Everyone is invited to join. Please sign up in the back of the church so we know how much food to prepare. All Faith Formation students grades 7-11 are required to attend (instead of class). Bring your families!

SCHOOL GARDEN PROJECT THANK YOU!



Holy Spirit Catholic School would like to thank Scott Hansen, Brutus Kiser, Paul Linsmeyer, Nick Mellon and Kyle Butler for their generous support for our school garden project. They donated their time and labor to build the fence that will deter deer and allow our students to plant and harvest next season's crops! Thank you, gentlemen!

HSCS 50/50 Raffle Ticket
Feeling Lucky?

There's still time to buy a 50-50 raffle ticket to support the Holy Spirit School!

TOP PRIZE IS \$10,000 WE GIVE AWAY A TOTAL OF **\$20,000**

TICKETS ARE \$20 EACH

Contact Paula Land
906-458-8847
OR
purchase tickets from the Parish Office.

FALL FESTIVAL
American Martyrs Catholic Church

Annual Fall Festival
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

Parish Hall
908 W. Sagola, Kingsford, MI

Famous Chicken Dinner
with all the trimmings

Served 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
& 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Dinner: Adults \$10 • Children 6-12 \$5
Children 5 & Under Free

VOCATIONAL VIEW

Dismiss all anxiety from your minds. Let us present our needs to God in the form of prayer and petitions full of gratitude. Let us pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life.
(Philippians 4:6-9)

PRAY

OCTOBER Rosary

Please join us every Thursday for the month of October at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish (Iron Mountain) for Exposition, Rosary, Litany, Benediction along with confessions.

SPIRITUAL LITERS

Oct. 4th - If a care is too small to be turned into a prayer, it's too small to be turned into a burden.

Oct. 5th - An atheist cannot find God for the same reason that a thief cannot find a policeman.

Oct. 6th - I will do my best and trust my Heavenly Father for the rest.

Oct. 7th - Waste of time is the most extravagant and costly of all expenses.

Oct. 8th - True obedience neither procrastinates nor questions.

Oct. 9th - It requires moral courage, Christian maturity, And spiritual strength To show others our weakness.

Oct. 10th - The man who pays an ounce of principle for a pound of popularity gets badly cheated.

GENERAL UPDATES & REMINDERS

PLEASE RETURN YOUR UPCSA PLEDGE CARDS

Thank you to everyone who turned in a pledge card! If you have not already done so, please complete and return your pledge card. Your help is needed. Second mailings were sent this week.

St. Mary: 36% pledge cards returned, 2nd mailings sent: 202

St. Barbara: 39% pledge cards returned, 2nd mailings sent: 110

St. Mary Parish Goal: \$43,215.14 (increase of \$2,962.16 from 2025)

St. Barbara Parish Goal: \$24,642.54 (increase of \$1,088.40 from 2025)

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.

OCTOBER PANTRY NEEDS:

- Stuffing Mix
- Men's Shampoo
- Flour



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.



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA) CLASSES BEGIN OCTOBER 15th!

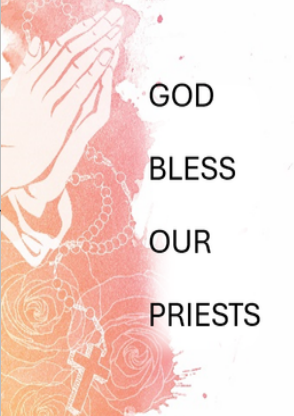
A faith journey for those desiring to enter the Catholic Church or for those who wish to complete their initiation into the Church. If you would like to join, please contact Fr. Abraham at 906-369-0028 or smuppara@hotmail.com.

It Pays to Advertise ~ Our parishes benefit significantly from the ads placed in this bulletin. The advertising dollars pay for our bulletin service. Many thanks to those who have continued to renew, and the new advertisers that joined us this past year. When patronizing those businesses that advertise with us, please let them know you saw their ad on our bulletin. This week's feature ad is:

PELLEGRINI FARMS
906.396.5728



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