

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

Saturday: 11:00am-Noon

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

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

Office Contact Details

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9:00am-4:00pm

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MAY 24, 2026



PENTECOST SUNDAY

**"Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink."
- Jn 7:37b**

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WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52

Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

MASS INTENTIONS

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

- 5/26 TUE - 5:00pm SM - Daniel P. Ball & the living & deceased members of the Ball & Beitel Families
- 5/27 WED - 8:00am SM - Donald & Joe Laskowski
- 5/28 THUR - 8:00am SB - Steve Krueger
- 5/29 FRI - 8:30am SM - Cory Groeneveld
- 5/30 SAT - 4:00pm SM - Diane Palmcook
- 5/30 SAT - 6:00pm SB - For the People of St. Barbara & St. Mary Parishes
- 5/31 SUN - 8:00am SB - Jim & Judy Ritzenhein
- 5/31 SUN - 10:00am SM - Those Enrolled in St. Mary Memorial



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: **Bob Hoheisel, Dan VanWolvelaere, Michael Dapoz, Lee Dallapiazza, Richard Wetthuhn, Christopher Zanon, Amelia Adams, Everly Schewe, Jerry & Carol Gauthier, Mary Margaret Zanoni, Bill Falk, Bob Chartre, David Hoheisel, Sharon Harder and Gina Zanon.** If you need continued prayers or would like to request prayers for someone else, please email or call the parish office.



A NOTE FROM FATHER ABRAHAM

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Happy Pentecost!!!



Saint Augustine (354-430) created this poetic prayer to the Holy Spirit:

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, That my thoughts may all be holy.
Act in me, O Holy Spirit, That my work, too, may be holy.
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, That I love but what is holy.
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, To defend all that is holy.
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, That I always may be holy.

May God continue to bless our parishes, families, friends and the community and may He keep all of us in His loving care.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

With love and prayers,
Fr. Abraham MCBS



MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

St. Mary's Summary Report for April 2026

Total Receipts:	\$ 26,584.75
Total Expenses:	\$ 26,498.06
Receipts Over (Under) Expenses:	\$ 86.69

St. Barbara's Summary Report for April 2026

Total Receipts:	\$ 12,155.73
Total Expenses:	\$ 11,315.51
Receipts Over (Under) Expenses:	\$ 840.22

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 24TH

9:30-9:45am: Confession before Mass, SM
9:30: KofC Rosary before Mass, SM

MONDAY, MAY 25TH

Parish Office Closed ~ Have a safe and blessed Memorial Day!

TUESDAY, MAY 26TH

10am: AA Meeting, SM
St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot
4:30-4:50pm: Confession, SM before Mass

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH

6pm: Women's Book Club, SM
7pm: "The Chosen", Youth Room at I.C. in Iron Mountain

FRIDAY, MAY 29TH

6am: Men's Prayer Group, SM
8:30am: Last School Mass at St. Mary & Last day of school for HSCS

SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

11am-12pm: Confession/Eucharistic Adoration, SM
7-9pm, Cari Domini HS Youth Groups (First Youth Group for incoming Freshman!)

Sanctuary Lamp Intention

Week of May 17 - May 23

Saint Mary:

Wayne Hulce

by Sue Bouchey

Saint Barbara:

Edward Rozine



St. Mary's Collection

MAY 17, 2026

Envelopes	\$3,270.00
Loose	241.00
School	30.00
Maintenance	251.00
Total:	\$3,792.00

Diocesan Collection \$110.00

St. Barbara's Collection

MAY 17, 2026

Envelopes	\$2,355.00
Loose	253.00
School	20.00
Fuel	10.00
Youth Retreat	30.00
Financial Aid	10.00
Maintenance	502.00
Total:	\$3,181.00

Diocesan Collection \$50.00

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

2026 ST. BARBARA SPRING CLEAN UP

It is with sincere appreciation to the following parishioners who recently came out to support St. Barbara's Spring yard cleanup: **Bill Palmcook, Sid Bray, Jim Burklund, Paul, Michelle & Paige Chartier, Donnie Curran, Rose Gianunzio, Keith Laroche, Peg Mendina and John Zanon**

As a result of these individuals' hard work, dedication, and use of their personal equipment and tools, we were able to gather six large trailer loads and two truck loads of debris in a matter of a few hours.

The cleanup effort also included the removal of debris from around each of the three outside air conditioner units once the covers were removed & stored. In addition, those grassy areas that had damage from snow removal were raked, leveled, fertilized and new grass seed was planted.

When finished, the church yard was restored to a fresh and thriving environment, further complementing the aesthetics of our country church. A big thanks again to these volunteers for their unwavering support and dedication in maintaining and sustaining St Barbara's cherished grounds.

Thank you 

VOCATIONAL VIEW

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your spirit, and we shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth! Blow, strong winds of spirit, stir the fire of your love; encourage our response.

(Acts 1:15-17, 20-26)

JOIN OUR PRAYER CHAIN

We are in the process of updating our Prayer Chain Warrior List. If you are interested in being part of this beautiful ministry to pray for those in need (Health/Healing, End of Life), please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.



AMERICAN LEGION BREAKFAST

American Legion Post 145 will be hosting an all you can eat breakfast, **Sunday, May 31, 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. Post is located at 612 Main Street, Norway



Cari Domini High School Youth Group

Saturday, May 30th 7-9PM
(First youth group for incoming freshman!)

W8803 Langsford Dr. Iron Mtn.

Stay in touch & learn about additional events

Join the Youth Group Remind Group (Remind App)

Students: @caridom to 81010

Parents: @caridompar to 81010

SPIRITUAL LIFTERS

May 24th - O keep me sweet, and let me look Beyond the frets that life must hold, To see the glad eternal joys; yes, keep me sweet, in growing old.

May 25th - With Jesus at my side I have nothing to fear, even on the heights.

May 26th - If you cannot make light of your troubles, keep them in the dark.

May 27th - I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess.

May 28th - Prayer should be the key of the day and the lock of the night.

May 29th - Don't wait for something to turn up. Get a spade and dig for it.

May 30th - Lord, may the scorching sun remind me of my need for the dew of your Spirit.

GENERAL UPDATES & REMINDERS

FEEDING AMERICA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Volunteers for the Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry are needed for unpacking and distribution, **Thursday, June 4th**, at the Grace United Methodist/Bethany Lutheran Facility. Please arrive at 2pm to assist. Thank you.

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.

MAY PANTRY NEEDS:

- Ladies shampoo
- Stuffing mix
- Boxed elbow macaroni



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.



SANCTUARY LAMP AVAILABLE

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.

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:

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BULLETIN DEADLINE: Please have all bulletin announcements to St. Mary Parish Office by Tuesday at Noon. Announcements need to be typed, emailed or written out. Thank you.

Congratulations



ST. MARY GRADUATES

Front (left to right): *Ella Wojtowicz, Adeline Demers, Payton Paquette and Will Murvich*
 Back (left to right): *Norah Edwards, Father Abraham and Fischer Campbell*



ST. BARBARA GRADUATES

JT Dunn, Father Abraham and Tessa Pellegrini



Congratulations Mary (Sparapani) and Corky DeRoeck on your marriage May 16th. May God pour out his richest blessings to you both!



The Knights of Columbus recognized two local state champions in the annual Free Throw Competition. Norway's **Kamden Kraemer** won the 10-year-old division for the second year in a row, while Felch's **Sam Rossi** captured his first state title in the 14-year-old division in his final year of eligibility. Both athletes will now represent Michigan at the national competition. Presenting the awards were Knights Tony Edlebeck (Organizer for Dickinson county and Mike Prokopwicz (State Deputy Diocesan Representative). Special thanks to Knight Scott Rybarczyk for coordinating the Norway program. **Congratulations to Kamden and Sam!**

SUMMER LOVIN'

Rekindle your romance and your faith at a Catholic Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience! Apply today at wwme.org. June 15-17 Center for Ministry - Saginaw Twp.; July 24-26 Augustine Center - Petoskey; Aug. 7-9 St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center - Detroit; Oct. 2-4 Augustine Center - Petoskey. For more information, contact Amy and Joe at (517) 667- 0433 or visit wwme.org.



MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS



Teens and families are invited to participate in several Catholic youth opportunities happening this summer across the U.P.

- **Give, Serve, Love Mission Week** (Grades 7-12): June 15-18 in Negaunee/Marquette
- **Catholic Summer Camp** (Ages 7-16): July 13-16 at Clear Lake Education Center
- **Baraga Youth Fraternity Camping Trips** (Boys Ages 12-16): Multiple summer dates available

For registration details and more information on all events, visit yoopercatholic.org.

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EMMAUS RETREAT FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

A Catholic spiritual retreat for parents that have lost a child, no matter how long ago. Saturday, June 13 at St. Michael Parish from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. The event includes lunch and dinner. Emfgap.org or contact Tiffany Ampe for more information and registering. tampe@dioceseofmarquet (906) 236-4654. emfgp.org/O6-13-26-mar



CORPUS CHRISTI

Corpus Christi Procession June 7

Processing from St Mary & St Joseph Church to Immaculate Conception in Iron Mountain - approximately 1 mile. Start time 12:45pm. Concludes with benediction & reception at IC. We need altar servers & volunteers to serve water along the way. Please contact Fr Greg, Fr Mike or Fr Abraham if you can help with serving. Please contact Barry Voss (906-396-0887) to help in other ways.

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The Carmelite Nuns are selling CDs (this was professionally recorded). Proceeds will go towards their window funds.



Honor Our Fallen Norway Memorial Day Ceremony
Monday, May 25th, 2026
11am

Norway Township Cemetery

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" John 15:13



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