

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

Jesus said "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." (Jn 10:11)

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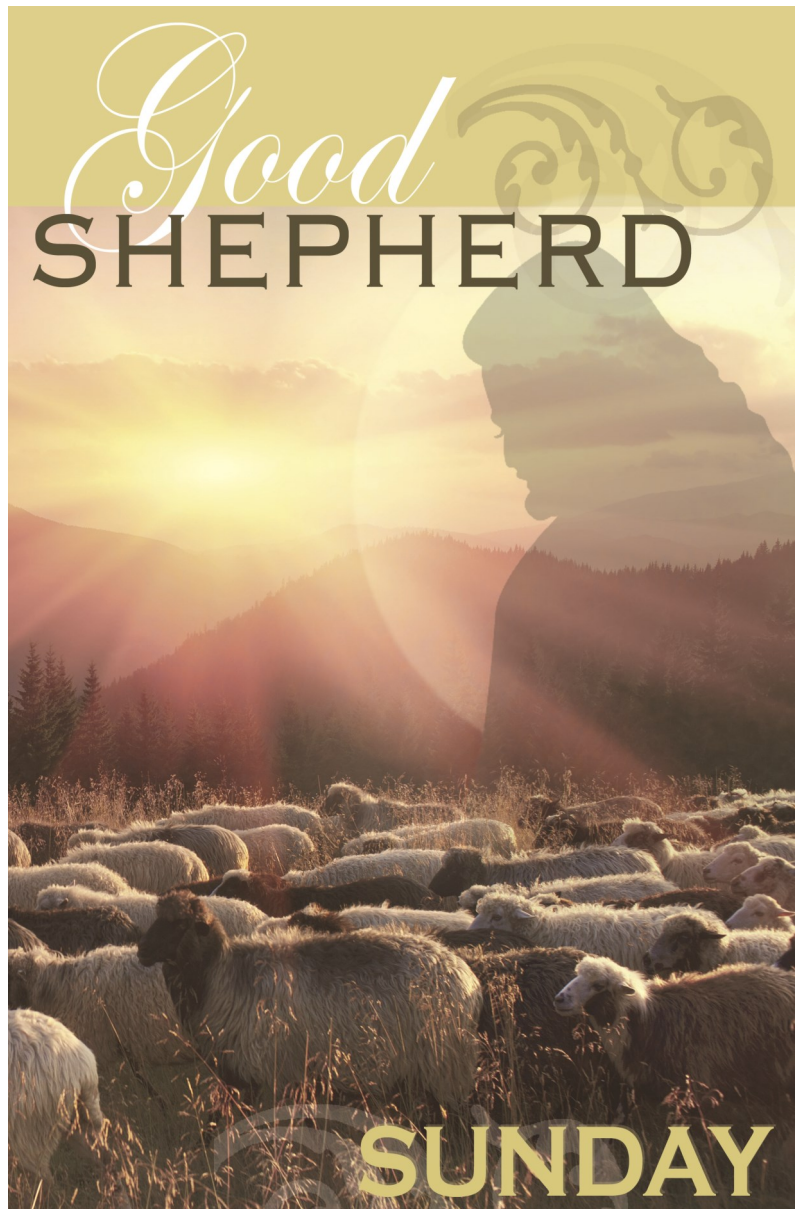
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3, 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14
Sunday:	Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

Mass Intentions

WORLD DAY OF
Prayer

4/22 MON - No Mass
4/23 TUE - 5:00pm SM - Jan Wickman
4/24 WED - 8:00am SM - Donna & John Smith
4/25 THUR - 8:00am SB - Hank & Rose Bray
4/26 FRI - 8:30am SM - Linda Depew
4/27 SAT - 4:00pm SM - Diane Palmcook
4/27 SAT - 6:00pm SB - For the People of St. Barbara &
St. Mary Parishes
4/28 SUN - 8:00am SB - James DeRoek
4/28 SUN - 10:00am SM - Joseph & Charlotte Kos
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 - On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. May God raise up good shepherds in our midst. (1 John 3:1-2)

Spirit Lifters

- Apr. 21st** - We may find God's priorities difficult - but they are true wisdom.
- Apr. 22nd** - Blessed is he who has learned to admire but not to envy, to follow but not to imitate, to praise but not to flatter, and to lead but not manipulate.
- Apr. 23rd** - Truth doesn't hurt unless it ought to.
- Apr. 24th** - If Christ is the way, why waste time traveling some other way.
- Apr. 25th** - Don't feel bad about growing old. Some people never get the chance.
- Apr. 26th** - Believing Christ died, that's history. Believing Christ died for you, that's salvation.
- Apr. 27th** - It's bad to have an empty purse, but an empty head is a whole lot worse.

Prayer of the Good Shepherd

Dear Lord,
You are my Shepherd, a Good Shepherd, who leads in ways beyond my understanding. Guide me in the paths You would have me go.
Amen

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 - April 14, 2024	
Envelopes	\$5,341.00
Loose	269.00
School Support	60.00
Children's Collection	\$5.00
Total:	\$5,675.00

Diocesan Collection \$30.00

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

St. Barbara's Collection - April 14, 2024	
Envelopes	\$1,865.00
Loose	151.00
Total:	\$2,016.00

Diocesan Collection \$125.00

***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>

Good Shepherd Collection

This weekend all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Marquette are holding a Good Shepherd Sunday special collection to support our priests' retirement fund, called the St. Joseph Association. This collection directly benefits priests of the Diocese of Marquette and is separate from the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which supports retired clergy and sisters of religious orders across America.

Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best help support our own priests' retirement and return your envelope in today's collection or donate to the St. Joseph Association online by visiting osvhub.com/dioceseofma.



MAY CROWNING at ST. BARBARA'S PARISH on Sunday, MAY 12th



All girls from preschool through high school are invited to participate in the May Crowning procession on Sunday, May 12, before the 8:00am Mass. A sign up sheet is in the vestibule of the church. Rehearsal will be on Saturday, May 11 at 11:00am.

Let's have as many girls as possible participate as we honor Mary as the Mother of our Lord.



St. Mary's card sender is Rosemary Haepers: 906-563-5071
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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: **Terri Goble, Audrey Nowak, 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.

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:

- 4/21 Sun. 10am Mass, First Communion at St. Mary
- 4/21 Sun. 3:30pm EST, St. Peter Cathedral Confirmation
- 4/23 Tue. 10am, AA Meeting in classroom, use St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot
- 4/26 Fri. 6am, Men's Prayer Group
- 4/26 Fri. 5pm, Koinonia Retreat, Holy Spirit Catholic School
- 4/27 Sat. All Day, Koinonia Retreat, HSCS
- 4/27 Sat. **NO Confessions**
- 4/28, Sun. All Day, Koinonia Retreat, HSCS

American Legion Post 145 will be hosting an all you can eat breakfast, Sunday, April 28th 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



CPR / AED Training

Training for our new AED Equipment is Tuesday, April 30th at 6:00pm, St. Mary's Parish Hall.

We invite everyone who signed up to please be there. Anyone else who is either medically trained OR interested in attending training to become familiar with our new AEDs to please attend also. Thank you.



Dear Yoopers for Seminarians,

Thank you for your support for vocations! At 3:30 pm Eastern on Friday, May 31st, you have a unique opportunity to support our very own **Zack Mazurek**, from St. Sebastian's in Bessemer, on the day he is ordained a transitional deacon!

The Ordination Mass is a uniquely beautiful, joyful, and solemn liturgy! Especially if you have never been to one, please come on May 31st! Please pray for Zack! God-willing, we will be inviting you again to his priestly ordination in the spring of 2025!

God Bless, Fr. Ben Hasse,
Vocations Director yoopersforseminarians.org

St. Peter Cathedral
Marquette, MI

Community Blood Drive hosted by Bishop Baraga Knights of Columbus Council #1585 in Kingsford

Tuesday, April 23rd at the KC Hall
520 West Breitung Avenue, Kingsford, MI
2:30pm-6:00pm

Call UP Regional Blood Center, 906.449.1450 for an appointment, Walk-In's Welcome!

American Martyrs Parish has a job opening for a Secretary (30-35 hours per week).

The Secretary is the administrative assistant for the church with bookkeeping responsibilities. Great people to work with & training provided. If interested or you would like to know more information, please call the American Martyrs Parish Office at 906-774-0630.



Celebrate the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ in EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION, Sunday, June 2nd

Starts shortly after the 10:00am Mass
St. Mary Catholic Church, Norway, MI 49870

Join St. Mary & St. Barbara Parishes in a Eucharistic Procession as we share witness to our communities of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. This is a visible way to express our belief in what the Second Vatican Council called the "source and summit" of the Church's life. Now, more than ever, our world needs the light of Christ!

No need to register, just show up!

This is a fun, family friendly event. Don't forget to wear your walking shoes and appropriate clothing for the weather.

If you can't walk with us, remain at the church to pray.

Everyone is invited to a light luncheon in the St. Mary Parish Hall after.

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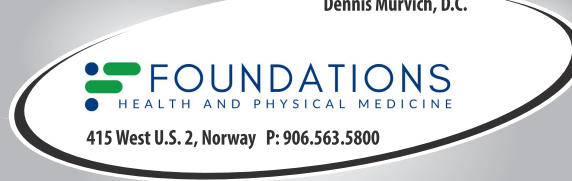


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