

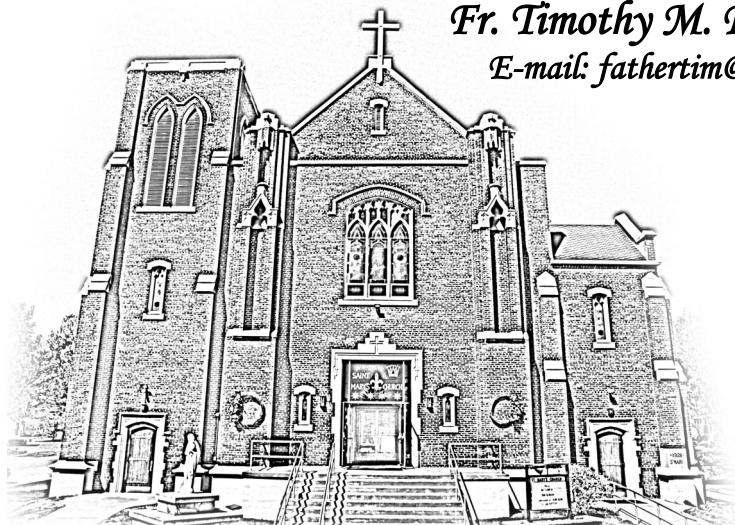
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 24, 2021

The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and believe in the gospel.
— Mark 1:15

Fr. Timothy M. Ekaitis, Pastor

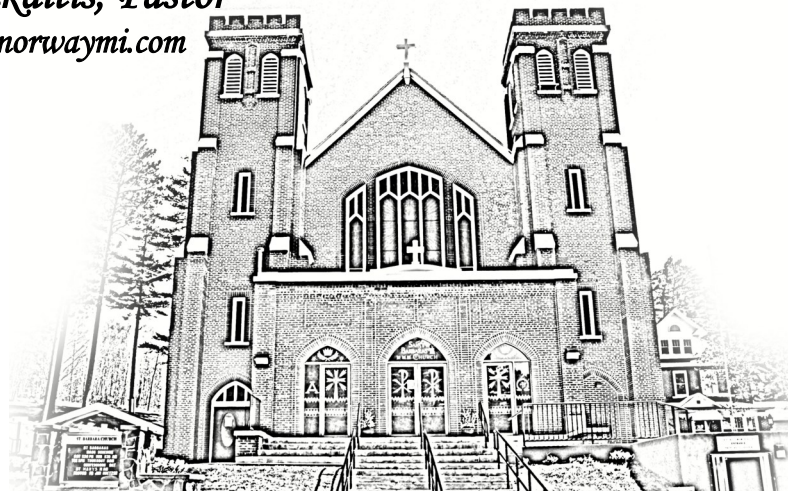
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18	Thursday:	Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
Tuesday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:31-35	Friday:	Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
Wednesday:	Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20	Saturday:	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
		Sunday:	Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

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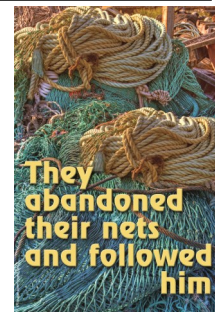
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Mass Intentions

1/25 MON No Mass
 1/26 TUE 5:00pm SM - Jerry Kelly
 1/27 WED 8:00am SM - Margaret LeBombard
 1/28 THUR 8:00am SB - Anton Opolka
 1/29 FRI 8:30am SM - Sally Krooks
 1/30 SAT 4:00pm SM - Bob Devine
 1/30 SAT 6:00pm SB - For the People of St. Barbara & St. Mary Parishes
 1/31 SUN 8:00am SB - Rita Reid
 1/31 SUN 10:00am SM - Dennis Meneghini

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

Sunday Mass will be recorded & available on our website.
 Correction to intention at last Saturday's 4pm Mass, it was intended to be booked by Glen for Lucille & Carrol Asp

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 563-9845 or email: saintmary@norwaymi.com.

Help with transportation: Sheri LeBombard can be called at 396-8336 to request a ride to Mass or to arrange for a driver for a local medical appointment or errand.

Confession: A confessional is set up in the entrance to the St. Joseph Center (Faith Formation entrance). Fr. Tim will be there on the other side of the glass door on Saturdays from 11:00am to noon.

To the WOMEN OF ST. MARY AND ST. BARBARA Churches - All women of both parishes are members of their respective women's groups, whether you are active or inactive, and it is time to pay your dues of \$5.00 for the year. We hope as many women of both parishes will participate since we were unable to host most of our fund raisers in 2020. We hope we will be able to become active again, and we will need funding to resume our works of charity. You may bring your dues to the parish office, mail them to the office, or drop them in the Sunday collection. PLEASE put the \$5.00 in an envelope with your NAME, PARISH, and the word DUES on the envelope. Thank you.

Spirit Lifters

Jan. 24th - To attain the highest good of true man and womanhood, simply do your honest best - God with joy will do the rest.
Jan. 25th - The secret of life is to know who you are and where you are going.
Jan. 26th - Where there is great love there are always great miracles.
Jan. 27th - Others, Lord, yes others, Let this my motto be, Help me to live for others, That I may live like Thee!
Jan. 28th - Happiness is not a station you arrive at, but a manner of traveling.
Jan. 29th - Humility is a strange thing - when you think you've gained it, you've lost it.
Jan. 30th - Bibles that are falling apart usually belong to people who are not.

Vocation View - Come after Me. Jesus called Andrew and Peter and James and John. He calls still in our day. Are you willing to drop your nets and follow? (Mark 1:14-20)

St. Mary's Collection - January 17, 2021	
Envelopes	\$2,740.00
Christmas	10.00
Loose	140.00
Children	6.00
Solemnity Of Mary	10.00
First Offering (for envelopes)	90.00
Maintenance	130.00
Total:	\$3,126.00
**Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom! Diocesan Collection \$40.00	

St. Barbara's Collection - January 17, 2021	
Envelope	\$1,696.00
Christmas	10.00
Loose	92.00
Children	3.00
Maintenance	175.00
First Offering	30.00
Total:	\$2,006.00
**Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom! Diocesan Collection \$5.00	

Thank you, to all who have continued to support your parish financially, either dropping your envelope in the mailbox by the office door, mailing it in, using online banking or tried our new e-Giving option <https://giving.stmarybarbara.org/give>

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

- **Wearing a mask is required** and please keep your mask on the entire time you are in Church. When receiving communion, keep your mask on, step to the side, lift your mask from the bottom enough to put the host on your tongue, then replace your mask to its normal position. Please do not take your mask off for your wellbeing and the wellbeing of others.
- Sanitize your hands upon entering church and before receiving Communion
- Sit only in the pews that are not taped off
- Sit with people from your own household, spread 6ft apart from the next family or individual
- Use the worship aid not the hymnal (dispose of your worship aid after Mass in the waste paper basket. They are not being used for another Mass)
- Refrain from entering the parish hall until further notice
- The holy water fonts, sign of peace, and distribution of the cup are suspended
- These measures are being done for the safety of our vulnerable parishioners.



To request Mass intentions for this year, you can mail in your requests, place them in the collection or drop them in the mail box by the church office. Include your payment and a phone number and Mary will call you to confirm the dates with you.

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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YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED



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 **Jordan Negro and Mary Gilbert** this week. 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 at 563-9845.

St. Mary's card sender is Rosemary Haepers - 563-5071

St. Barbara's card sender is Shirley LaValley - 563-5011

Bulletin Deadline: Please have all bulletin announcements to St. Mary Parish office by Monday noon. These announcements need to be typed, e-mailed or written. (saintmary@norwaymi.com). Thank You.

St. Mary and St. Barbara Conference of SVDP

We thank you for the generosity given throughout this past year to help those less fortunate. The ongoing monetary donations as well as keeping our pantry well stocked each month has truly been a blessing. This has been an unusual year due to the COVID virus as well as unexpected unemployment so your contributions have been able to make a difference in the lives of so many people.

Our Conference continues to help our friends in need with pantry items or other necessities on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 9-11 a.m. as in the past.

Pantry donations can be accepted at any time during the regular store hours Monday through Friday 9-4. Monetary donations may also be mailed to St. Mary/St. Barbara Conference of SVDP at 431 Main Street, Norway, Michigan 49870.

During January we would appreciate donations of toilet paper, Sloppy Joe mix such as Manwich, and Jell-o or pudding mix.

Our concern is for all our friends during these trying times and be assured you are in our prayers, especially those affected by the COVID virus. May the Infant Jesus continue to smile down on you and your loved ones and keep you safe. God Bless !



A NEW DAY DAWNS

Today we hear how Jonah, sent by God to warn the people, storms through the streets of Nineveh, scaring the citizens out of their wits. And it works! God has a change of heart, seeing "by their actions" how the people turn from evil (Jonah 3:10). A new day dawns.

Next we hear Paul telling the Corinthians, "The world in its present form is passing away" (1 Corinthians 7:31). He calls for a change of heart. Stopping short of telling them to stop carrying out their everyday activities, he urges them—rather mysteriously—to live "as though" they aren't doing the things they are doing. A new day has dawned.

Finally, Jesus stands on the shore and cries, "The kingdom of God is at hand!" (Mark 1:14). Simon and Andrew abandon their nets—and even their father—and follow him. A new day had dawned.

Everyone has to change when a new day dawns: the Ninevites, the Corinthians, the apostles, even Jesus! Didn't a new day dawn today for us as well?

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What's happening, this week

1/24 Sun. 11-1:00pm High School Faith Formation at St. Mary

1/26 Tue. 10:00am AA Meeting in St. Mary Classroom- Use

St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot

1/27 Wed. 3-4:30pm Faith Formation 1st-4th gr. at St. Mary

1/27 Wed. 6-7pm Faith Formation 5th-8th gr at St. Mary

1/28 Thur. 6:15pm Mark Bible Study Class -in person & on line

1/29 Fri. 6:00-6:45am Men's Prayer Group in St. Mary Church

1/30 Sat. 11-12pm Confessions at St. Mary, use the St. Joseph Center entrance

Our parishes' bulletin is on-line. To read or print it, go to www.stmarybarbara.org Hope you enjoy this and make use of it when you are out of town.

There are still pews for sale. If you would like one or two see Fr. Tim or call the parish office 563-9845.



Please remember to save your Econo Foods and Super One grocery slips



for the Youth Group. They can be dropped off at the parish office mail box or in the collection. Thank You!

FEAST OF FAITH

The Penitential Rite

Standing together in the presence of the Lord, we acknowledge our weakness, our sins and faults and failings. But the penitential rite is really less about our sins than it is about God's mercy. It is not a time for individual confession, like a mini-sacrament of reconciliation. It is, rather, a preparatory rite, preparing us to praise the mercy of Christ as we acknowledge our own weakness. When Simon Peter witnesses the miraculous catch of fish—when he realizes who is in the boat with him—he falls at Jesus' feet with the words, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man" (Luke 5:8). We are like Peter. The more aware of the Lord's presence we become, the more awareness we also have of our sinfulness, our weakness.

The penitential rite of the Mass takes several forms, from the traditional *Confiteor* or "I confess" to a litany, spoken or sung by the deacon or cantor with responses by the entire assembly. The penitential rite always includes the words *Kyrie, eleison; Christe, eleison*—Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy. This ancient Greek prayer came to the Roman liturgy from the East, and still echoes in many of the litanies of the Eastern Rite Churches. These words turn our gaze from our own weakness to the gentleness, the kindness, the forgiving love of Christ.

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

FAMILY INFLUENCE

Disorder in the society is the result of disorder in the family.

—St. Angela Merici

NOT WITHOUT LOVE

The soul cannot live without love.

—St. Francis de Sales

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