

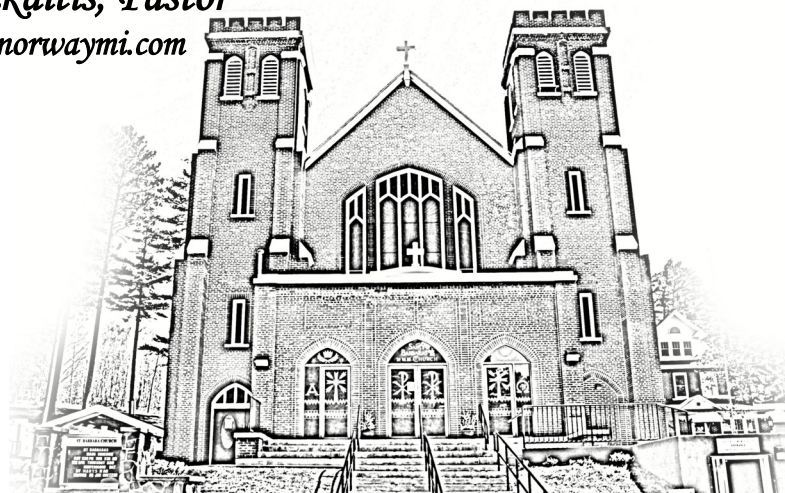
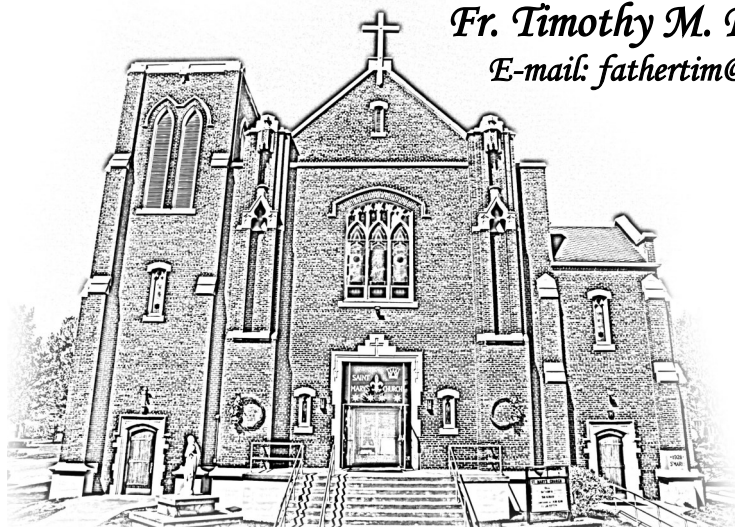
Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021

It was not you who chose me, but I
who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit.
— John 15:16

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14;
Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or
Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for
Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8;
Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10;
Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2,
11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; or,
for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;
Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13];
Mk 16:15-20

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Mass Intentions

5/10 MON No Mass
 5/11 TUE 5:00pm SM - Henry Groeneveld
 5/12 WED 8:00am SM - Asselin & Massa Families
 5/13 THUR 8:00am SB - Ann Giuliani
 5/14 FRI 8:30am SM - Alice Simonetti
 5/15 SAT 4:00pm SM - Arlene Bolek
 5/15 SAT 6:00pm SB - For The People of St. Barbara
 & St. Mary Parishes
 5/16 SUN 8:00am SB - Darrell Carter
 5/16 SUN 10:00am SM - John Radlinger

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

Sunday Mass will be recorded & available on our website.

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.

Spirit Lifters

May 9th - There is nothing human so dependable, so irresistible, so unselfish as true mother love.
May 10th - The mother's heart is the child's school-room.
May 11th - You may have tangible wealth untold; Caskets of jewels and coffers of gold; Richer than I you can never be - I had a mother who read to me.
May 12th - Who we are, who we become, is determined by those who love us.
May 13th - You are young only once, but you can stay immature for life.
May 14th - Some things may come to us with rough wrappings, but there is gold inside.
May 15th - When God puts a burden upon you, He also puts His own arm under you.

Vocation View- *As the Father has loved me so I have loved you. Live on in my love. Bask in the love of God; ask how to respond. (John 15:9-17)*

St. Barbara 50/50 Winners for March

\$20 - Anthony Vivio, \$20 - John Geline,
 \$20 - Zak Laskowski, \$10 - Luke Laskowski, \$10 -
 Zac Pellegrini & Johnathon Vivio

St. Barbara 50/50 Winners for April

\$20 - Larry Jensen, \$20 - Nancy Haferkorn,
 \$10 - Pat Spera & \$10 - Dick Zanon

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's

Collection - May 2, 2021

Envelopes	\$4,491.00
Loose	169.00
School	66.00
Maintenance	20.00
Total:	\$4,746.00

**Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom! Diocesan Collection \$42.00*

St. Barbara's

Collection - May 2, 2021

Envelope	\$2,495.00
Loose	102.00
Children	2.00
School	107.50
Maintenance	160.00
Total:	\$2,866.50

**Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom! Diocesan Collection \$130.00*

Thank you, to all who have continued 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>

Confessions - Saturdays from 11:00am to noon in St. Mary Church.

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.

LITTLE THINGS

Faithfulness in little things is a big thing.

—St. John Chrysostom

- **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**
- **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)**
- **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, 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:

Fireplace North & Spa 774-2021

YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED



Please pray for our parishioners in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living, are homebound and those who suffer in silence. 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

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.

St. Mary and St. Barbara Conference of SVDP

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 May we would appreciate donations of: canned corn, canned green beans, and canned mixed vegetables



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 Lord smile down on you and your loved ones and keep you safe. God Bless!

Please remember to save your Tadych's Family Market 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 Creed

Following the readings and the homily, we stand together and say or sing the Creed, our profession of faith. The Creed is a solemn statement of belief, a "rule of faith" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 67). It states the core of what we believe about God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The language of the Creed is knotty and difficult at times, precisely because its purpose is to express with precision what we believe about God. The Creed that we pray most often, the Nicene Creed, came out of the earliest ecumenical councils: Nicea in 325 and Constantinople in 381. It originated in a time of great controversy about the divinity of Christ, and thus the longest section of the Creed relates to Christ, truly human and truly God.

The Creed is both communal and personal: it is "we," but it is also "I." In the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, it is only after listening to the teaching of the Church and professing faith in the Holy Trinity that the candidate is admitted to the sacraments. So it is every Sunday. We listen to the word, we profess our faith, and then we come to the altar.

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

DEEP DEBT

My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual, and physical education I received from her.

—George Washington

What's happening, this week:

5/11 Tue. 10:00am AA Meeting in classroom room use St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot

5/11 Tue. 7:00pm K of C Meeting

5/14 Fri. 6:00-6:45am Men's Prayer Group in St. Mary Church

5/15 Sat. 11-12pm Confessions at St. Mary

Online Ongoing Education

Got a computer, tablet, or smartphone? Then why not learn from the comfort of your home?

We will be studying the Acts of the Apostles and Evangelization starting in April via Zoom video conference. There is no better place to look for guidance in the New Evangelization than the Acts of the Apostles. This chronicle of the Church in action gives us the blueprint for the life and mission of the Church today. Check out our schedule below for class dates.

- May 18 - Class 5
- May 25 - Class 6
- Jun 3 - Class 7
- Jun 8 - Class 8
- Jun 15 - Class 9
- Jun 22 - Class 10

THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have a unique episode in the Acts of the Apostles today. A whole roomful of people are baptized with the Holy Spirit before they are baptized with water! The verb used—"the Holy Spirit 'fell' on them" (Acts 10:44)—is characteristic of the way the Spirit works throughout the book of Acts: powerful and surprising. Though this "baptism" is not the normative way the New Testament describes baptism, it is still a good reminder today that the Holy Spirit is not controlled by whether or not we pour water, but rather that our sacramental signs reveal the presence of the Spirit at work among us. And we have a double reinforcement of how this work is accomplished from a Letter and a Gospel bearing John's name. It is love, self-sacrificing and self-giving love, that manifests the Spirit of Jesus in our midst. It is love that is the greatest of commandments. The Spirit is manifested equally through those who live in that love.

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Memorial Masses that have be scheduled:

Jerold Kelly's is May 28th at St. Mary

Ann VanWolvelaere's is June 12th at St. Mary

Micki Bilski's is June 19th at St. Barbara

Lee Meneghini's July 9th at St. Mary



The Knights of Columbus will be participating in the May 22nd Norway Garage Sale. Anyone who would like to donate items can call 563-8173 for information where to drop off or to be picked up. Fundraiser benefits both St. Mary and St. Barbara Churches along with Holy Spirit School. Thank you - Holy Spirit Council 9523.

Mark your calendar: Parish Outdoor Mass, Picnic & Thank You/Good Luck party for Fr. Tim & Fr. Michael will be Sunday, June 27th. More information to come!

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