

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

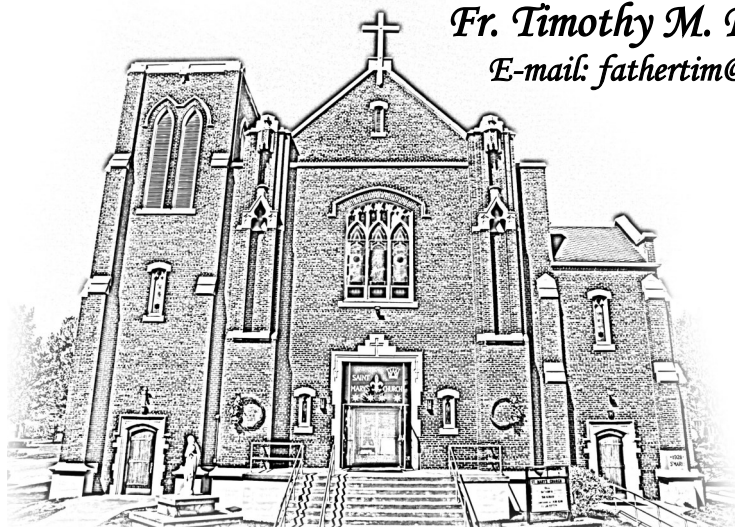
April 5, 2020

God greatly exalted [Christ]
and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

— *Philippians 2:9*

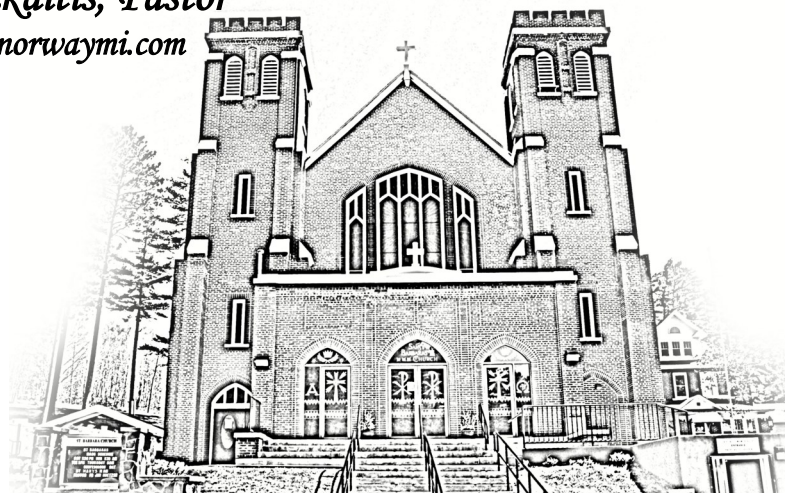
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;
Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;
Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,

12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
Mt 28:1-10
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9
or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon
or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

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Mass Intentions

No public Masses and Saturday Confessions until after April 13th.

All Sunday and Easter Triduum

Masses will be videoed and 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

Apr. 5th - When we depend on man, We get what man can do,
When we depend on prayer, We get what God can do.

Apr. 6th - People are often the carpenters of their own crosses.

Apr. 7th - Satan trembles when he sees the weakest Christian on his knees.

Apr. 8th - When a man begins to amass wealth, it is a question whether God is going to gain a fortune or lose a man.

Apr. 9th - Blessed are the hard-of-hearing for they miss much small talk.

Apr. 10th - The only true beauty found in us is that beauty which comes by letting Jesus live His life through us.

Apr. 11th - He who merits praise he never receives is better off than He who receives praise he never merits.

HOSANNA!

"Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest" (Matthew 21:9). With these words the Church enters the holiest of weeks, commemorating the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ. When the people of Jerusalem cried out with their "hosannas," they were using an ancient Hebrew shout of acclamation that meant "Pray, save us." The king to whom they were shouting eventually would save them, but in a way that would be far from what they expected. Salvation would come from the wood of the cross as Jesus hung there to bring freedom from sin and life through death, opening the gates of heaven for all who put their faith and trust in him. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



The Harvey Moore Volleyball Fundraiser for the HSCS will be postponed. Later date to be determined. Please use this extra time to get your baskets ready and recruit players for the tournament. Any fun, new ideas are welcomed. Stay tuned for updates as things evolve.

St. Mary's

Collection-March 29, 2020

Envelopes	\$2,973.00
Maintenance	10.00
School	20.00
Easter Flowers	55.00
Total:	\$3,058.00

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

St. Barbara's

Collection March 29, 2020

Envelopes	\$2,448.00
Maintenance	755.00
School	225.00
Easter Flowers	75.00
Total:	\$3,503.00

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

Prayer Group for Men: On Friday mornings at 6am, St. Mary Church will be open for men to assemble and pray. The format will be simple. We can take this time to pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet or other prayer ritual depending on how this group wants to pray and/or study in the future.

Canceled

Vocational View - Blest are they who come in the name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? (Matthew 21:1-11)



St. Mary Memorial

Each month we list the names of those in whose name gifts have been made to the Memorial Fund at St. Mary Church. 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 March are: **Anthony "Tony" DeBemardi, Herman and Julian Morosini and Rita Calliari.**

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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. Improved health and healing prayers were requested this week for **Cheryl McConnell**. 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.

*Happy Birthday to
Fr. Tim
on April 9th*



THE CROSS

We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

—Entrance Antiphon, Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, *The Roman Missal*

The parish office is closed until April 14th. If you need to reach Fr. Tim please call the parish office and press #1.

YES WE STILL HAVE - Missal Memorial - A \$25.00 donation entitles you to memorialize the name of one loved one or one couple on the inside cover of the new missal.

You may drop an envelope with the name of your "loved one or couple" printed clearly on the outside, in the collection basket or bring them to the rectory. Envelopes are still available in back of church.

HOLY WEEK AND THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM Sunday, April 5th - Sunday April 12th

"The days of Jesus' life-giving death and glorious resurrection are approaching, the hour he triumphed over Satan's pride, the time we celebrate the great event of our redemption" (Preface of the Lord's Passion II, *Sacramentary*). Thus the Church begins the one week of the year that we formally designate as "Holy." Simple rituals can link the domestic church to parish church and Church universal. Enthronement Sunday's palms where you pray, behind the family crucifix, even as part of front door decorations: "Christ reigns here," they proclaim; "all are welcome!" During the first three days of Holy Week, ready Easter clothes, prepare festal foods, clean the house, beautify the yard. Late Holy Thursday afternoon, share Lent's final meal before the Lord's Supper Mass. Pitcher, bowl, and towel make a fitting centerpiece; perhaps conclude the meal by washing each other's feet. On Good Friday, observe the paschal fast from food—from TV and computer, too! Then come to Holy Saturday's Vigil with mind clear, stomach empty, and heart full of "holy anticipation" that bursts into living flame when the new fire is kindled.

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**St. Mary's card sender is Rosemary Haepers - 563-5071
St. Barbara's card sender is Shirley LaValley - 563-5011**

Stop by the parish office door, Saturday-Monday to pick up Blessed palms, bulletins and a Word Among Us book.

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.

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>

St. Mary and St. Barbara Conferences of SVDP

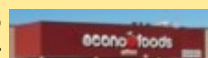
During this time of concern due to the Coronavirus, the retail portion of our SVDP store is not open for shoppers, nor are we accepting donations of clothing or other items until further notice. However, we will still assist with pantry items or other needs on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 9-11 a.m. using alternative procedures. Please knock at the front door of the store and someone will assist you. Our concern is for our friends in need during these trying times and be assured all are in our prayers. God Bless!



St. Mary and St. Barbara Parish Family extend their sympathy to the family of **Joseph "TaTa" Bal and Julio Thaler**. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. AMEN



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 or placed in an envelope in the Sunday collection. Thank You!



Important note: If you are an adult & no longer in college you will need to register in your own name, you are no longer registered under your parents name in the church. Also, if you have been away for some time and have come back, and do not have envelopes you may need to re-register or update your information. Please contact Mary (563-9845) in the parish office to check on your status. Thank you.

Thirty Days' Prayer to Saint Joseph

Ever blessed and glorious Joseph, kind and loving father, and helpful friend of all in sorrow! You are the good father and protector of orphans, the defender of the defenseless, the patron of those in need and sorrow. Look kindly on my request. My sins have drawn down on me the just displeasure of my God, and so I am surrounded with unhappiness. To you, loving guardian of the Family of Nazareth, do I go for help and protection.

Listen, then, I beg you, with fatherly concern, to my earnest prayers, and obtain for me the favors I ask.

I ask it by the infinite mercy of the eternal Son of God, which moved Him to take our nature and to be born into this world of sorrow.

I ask it by the weariness and suffering you endured when you found no shelter at the inn of Bethlehem for the holy Virgin, nor a house where the Son of God could be born. Then, being everywhere refused, you had to allow the Queen of Heaven to give birth to the world's Redeemer in a cave.

I ask it by the loveliness and power of that sacred Name, Jesus, which you conferred on the adorable infant.

I ask it by that painful torture you felt at the prophecy of holy Simeon, which declared the Child Jesus and His holy Mother future victims of our sins and of their great love for us.

I ask it through your sorrow and pain of soul when the angel declared to you that the life of the Child Jesus was sought by His enemies. From their evil plan you had to flee with Him and His Blessed Mother to Egypt. I ask it by all the suffering, weariness, and labors of that long and dangerous journey.

I ask it by all your care to protect the Sacred Child and His Immaculate Mother during your second journey, when you were ordered to return to your own country. I ask it by your peaceful life in Nazareth where you met with so many joys and sorrows.

I ask it by your great distress when the adorable Child was lost to you and His Mother for three days. I ask it by your joy at finding Him in the Temple, and by the comfort you found at Nazareth, while living in the company of the Child Jesus. I ask it by the wonderful submission He showed in His obedience to you.

I ask it by the perfect love and conformity you showed in accepting the Divine order to depart from this life, and from the company of Jesus and Mary. I ask it by the joy which filled your soul, when the Redeemer of the world, triumphant over death and hell, entered into the possession of His kingdom and led you into it with special honors.

I ask it through Mary's glorious Assumption, and through that endless happiness you have with her in the presence of God.

O good father! I beg you, by all your sufferings, sorrows, and joys, to hear me and obtain for me what I ask.
(make your request)

Obtain for all those who have asked my prayers everything that is useful to them in the plan of God. Finally, my dear patron and father, be with me and all who are dear to me in our last moments, that we may eternally sing the praises of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

For any Special Intention

**This prayer can be said any 30 days of the year*

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