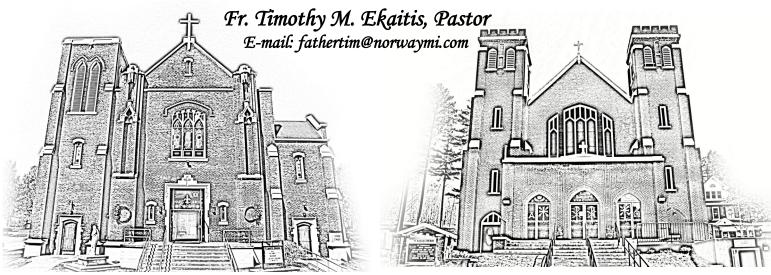
Second Sunday of Lent February 28, 2021

If God is for us, who can be against us?

— Romans 8:31b



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16;

Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11;

1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7;

Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

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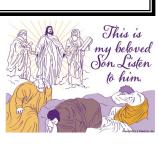
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Mass Intentions

3/1 MON No Mass

3/2 TUE 5:00pm SM - Tony Kowalewski

3/3 WED 8:00am SM - Louis Dallapiazza

3/4 THUR 8:00am SB - Ron Ball

3/5 FRI 8:30am SM - Marjorie Nicholas

3/6 SAT 4:00pm SM - Julio Thaler

3/6 SAT 6:00pm SB - Donna Winters

3/7 SUN 8:00am SB - For the People of St. Barbara & St. Mary Parishes

3/7 SUN 10:00am SM - Those enrolled in St. Mary Memorial

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.

Confessions - Fr. Tim will be in the confessional on Saturdays from 11:00am to noon.

Lenten Penance Services

Sun., Feb. 28th at 3pm - Guarding Angels Church - Crystal Falls Thur., Mar. 4th at 6pm - St. Rose Church - Channing Sun., Mar. 14th at 3:00pm - Holy Spirit School - Norway Thur., Mar. 18th at 6:30pm - Immaculate Conception Church Iron Mountain

Sun., Mar. 21st at 3:00pm - American Martyrs Church - Kingsford Sun., Mar. 28th at 3:30pm - St. Agnes - Iron River

All Invited to Virtual Parish Mission March 7-8

All parishioners across the U.P. are invited to join the members of St. Michael Parish, Marquette for a free virtual parish mission. Dominick Albano, Catholic author, speaker and consultant, will present "Choosing Hope: A Lenten Parish Mission on Making Godly Choices" Sunday and Monday, March 7 and 8, at 6:30 pm ET/5:30 pm CT. The live-streaming link, "St. Michael Parish Mission," will be posted at: StMichaelMqt.com and Facebook.com/ • Refrain from entering the parish hall until further notice StMikesMqt. Those without Internet access are invited to view the live-stream at St. Michael's parish center by calling (906) 228-8180 before March 5 to reserve your space at the parish, which is located at 401 W. Kaye Ave. in Marquette. Masks must be worn.

Spirit Lifters

Feb. 28th- Only those who see the invisible can do the impossible.

Mar. 1st - You can't control the length of your life, but you can control its' width and depth.

Mar. 2nd - The mind like a parachute functions only when open.

Mar. 3rd - The world crowns success, but God crowns faithful-

Mar. 4th - Don't look down on anyone; only God sits that high.

thanks - you'll soon have an ocean to swim in.

their place.

Vocation View- Peter, James, and John saw the Lord transfigured before their eyes and heard, "This is my son, my beloved, listen to him." Are you listening? (Mark 9:2-10)

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Collection - February 21, 2021						
Envelopes	\$3,080.00					
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Children	8.00					
UP Catholic Paper	349.00					
Easter Flowers	245.00					
School	5.00					
Fuel	90.00					
Maintenance	105.00					
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Loose	57.00				
Children	4.00				
Fuel	5.00				
UP Catholic Paper	110.00				
Easter Flowers	45.00				
Maintenance	5.00				
Total:	\$1,676.00				

**Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom! Diocesan Collection \$562.30

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)
- 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 Mar. 5th - If you find that your praying is shallow, begin to give our bulletin service. Many thanks to those who have continued to renew, and the new advertisers that joined us this past year. Mar. 6th - Instead of putting others in their place, put yourself in 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. 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

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

MEN

Conference of SVDP at 431 Main Street, Norway, Michigan 49870.

During March we would appreci- CORN ate donations of paper towels, cornflakes, FLAKES and shampoo (men's and women's).

Our concern is for all our friends during these trying times and be assured you are in our prayers, especially those af-

fected by the COVID virus. May the Lord smile down on you and your loved ones and keep you safe. God Bless!

What's happening, this week

3/2 Tue. 10:00am AA Meeting in K of C room Use St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot

3/2 Tue. 6:30pm Women of St. Mary Meeting in Parish Hall

3/2 Tue. 7:00pm Matt Chartier Zoom class called Forgiven

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

3/3 Wed. 6-7pm Faith Formation 5th-8th gr. at St. Mary

3/5 Fri. 6:00-6:45am Men's Prayer Group in St. Mary Church

3/5 Fri. 9:30-3:00pm Adoration at St .Mary

3/6 Sat. 11-12pm Confessions at St. Mary

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.

PANTENE

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 of-

fice mail box or in the collection. Thank You!

St. Mary & St. Barbara Parishes will be updating our **Prayer Chain calling list.** Please indicate change on sheet in back of church or call the parish office (563-9845) with changes. . Please let me know if your phone number has changed, you need to be removed from the calling list or if you would like to be added to the list of people we call to pray for others.

Please take care of this as soon as possible because a new list will be mailed out soon.

Mark your Calendar - Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Easter Sunday following the 8:00 Mass at St. Barbara's Church. All children from preschool through Grade 5 are invited to attend. The event will be hosted by the Youth Group. More details will follow.



FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY Friday March 19th

AT ST. MARY CHURCH ~ DINNER SERVED FROM 4:30 PM TO 7:00 PM Dine in or carry out

> Choice of baked or batter fried cod Choice of baked potato or french fries Fish dinners include roll and coleslaw Cheese ravioli dinner with garlic bread

1/2 order for kids 12 and under \$7.00 ½ pound of cod or ravioli regular meal \$10.00 Double order -1 pound of cod or double ravioli \$15.00

Coffee, milk, Kool-Aid and dessert come with dine in dinner

BEER AND SODA WILL BE AVAILABLE

Holy Name Catholic High School in Escanaba will informational have an meeting on March 4th from 7:00-8:00pm in the Holy Spirit School Gym.

The Catholic High School will open the fall of 2021. For more information, contact: Principal Joseph Carlson (906) 786-7550

Watch for more information when ticket sales start!

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Masses	1	2	3 Faith Formation	4	5	6 Confessions
Tue. 5pm St. Mary	Matt Chartier	_	1st-4th 3-4:30 PM at St. M		Men's Prayer Group	11am-12pm
Wed. 8am St. Mary	online class	Women of St. Mary	FF 5-8th 6-7pm at St. Mary	1 MA	6:00-6:45am	at St. Mary
Thur. 8am St. Barbara	called Forgiven	Meeting 6:30pm	11 3-0th 0-7pm at 3t. Mary	Carl Ball	at St. Mary	at St. Mary
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REGULATIONS FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT

- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. Abstinence is also to be observed on the Fridays of Lent.
- 2. Fasting is required of all the faithful in good health from the age of 18 to the beginning of their 60th year. Abstinence binds everyone over the age of 14.
- FAST AND ABSTINENCE
- 3. Fasting usually is interpreted to mean one full meal and, if necessary, two other small meals. One should not eat between meals, but milk, fruit juices, and other liquids are permitted.
- 4. Abstinence means no meat should be eaten during the day.
- 5. Anyone unable to observe the fast or abstinence obligations because of health or other serious reasons should substitute another penance.

"The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel." (Mark 1:15) The Kingdom announced by Christ can only be entered by a change of heart, a renewal of the whole person. Following the way of the Master, we cannot escape the necessity of prayer and fasting in order to be renewed individually and socially.

TOP 10 REASONS TO FAST

- 10. Fasting is a reminder that we do not live by bread alone. Satisfaction and fulfillment in life come from our relationship with God. Fasting is one way to nurture that relationship.
- 9. Fasting helps us appreciate the little things. After your fast, you will find new joys in the simplest pleasures of life.
- 8. Fasting reinforces self-discipline. Use this fast as an opportunity to step away from the usual self-indulgence we find in our culture.
- 7. Fasting is a way to follow Christ and the Apostles. Jesus prayed and fasted many times to enhance spiritual decision-making and calls us to do the same.
- **6. Fasting is good for the soul.** Many people who fast report spiritual renewal, increased insight, deeper commitment and clarity of purpose.
- 5. Fasting creates more time for other things. Put to good use the time you would have spent preparing, eating and cleaning up from meals
- **4. Fasting is a conscious protest against materialism.** Contrary to most media campaigns, fasting shows that we do not need external things to keep us happy in life.
- 3. Fasting can help others. Practically speaking, the money saved by not eating can be shared with others.
- 2. Fasting can enlighten others. Fasting is a powerful mechanism to raise the consciousness of others about particular issues. Research modern-day fasters and the reasons why they fast.
- 1. Fasting expands compassion. The experience of fasting in solidarity with the poor provides us with a better understanding of what being hungry really feels like.

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