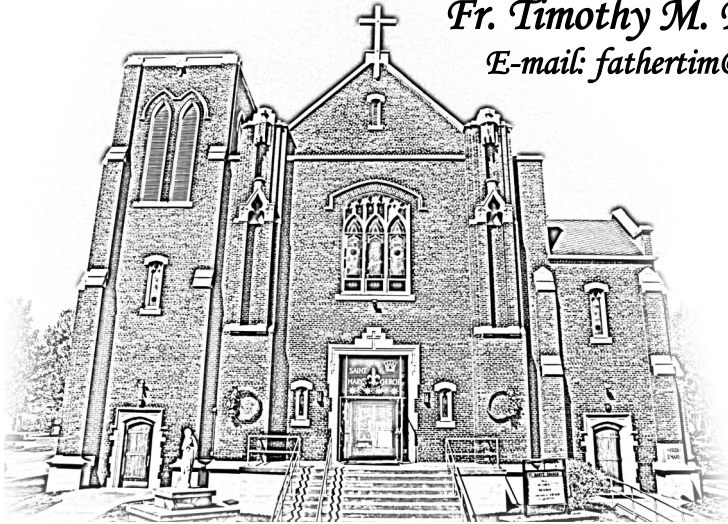


First Sunday of Lent February 21, 2021

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths.
— Psalm 25:4

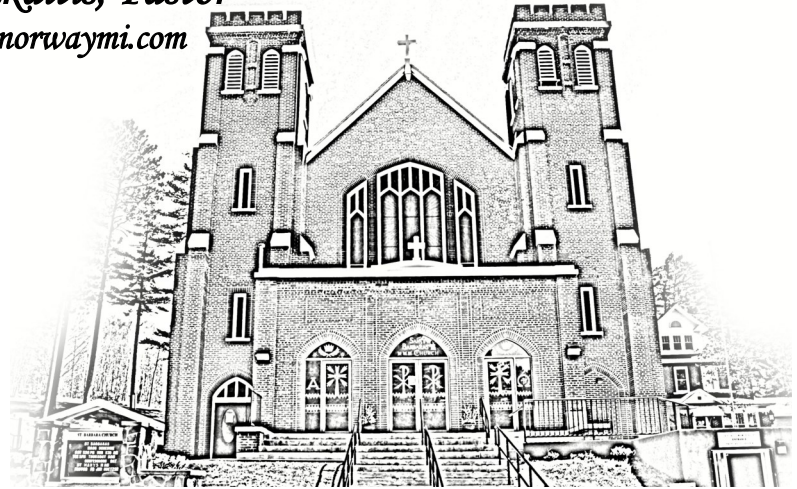
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;
Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10,
15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

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Mass Intentions

2/22 MON No Mass
 2/23 TUE 5:00pm SM - Bob Sklander
 2/24 WED 8:00am SM - Patrick Ray
 2/25 THUR 8:00am SB - Clyde Chiesa
 2/26 FRI 8:30am SM - Elsie Arnoldi
 2/27 SAT 4:00pm SM - Gail Zanon
 2/27 SAT 6:00pm SB - For the People of St. Barbara & St. Mary Parishes
 2/28 SUN 8:00am SB - Jack Campbell
 2/28 SUN 10:00am SM - Marilyn 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.

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

THE QUALITY OF CHANGE

To change and to change for the better are two different things.
 —German proverb

BEAUTY IN FORGIVENESS

Humanity is never so beautiful as when praying for forgiveness, or else forgiving another.
 —Jean P. F. Richter

Spirit Lifters

Feb. 21st - Real love begins where nothing is expected in return.
 Feb. 22nd - While some books inform and others reform, only the Bible transforms.
 Feb. 23rd - The world is full of beauty when your heart is filled with love.
 Feb. 24th - Christianity is bread for daily use, not cake for special occasions.
 Feb. 25th - The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even touched, they must be felt with the heart.
 Feb. 26th - Take time to live because the world has so much to give.
 Feb. 27th - No atheist can hinder the Bible's influence more than a Christian who disregards it in his life.

Vocation View- *This is the time of fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand. Let us reform our lives and believe in the Good News. (Mark 1:12-15)*

St. Mary's

Collection - February 14, 2021

Envelopes	\$4,301.00
Loose	90.00
Children	25.00
UP Catholic Paper	10.00
Easter Flowers	65.00
Fuel	370.00
Maintenance	268.00
Total:	\$5,129.00

****Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom! Diocesan Collection \$35.00**

St. Barbara's

Collection - February 14, 2021

Envelope	\$3,035.00
Loose	51.00
Children	4.00
Fuel	320.00
Easter Flowers	85.00
Maintenance	400.00
Total:	\$3,895.00

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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:

Ortman Funeral Home 906 563-5700

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

During February we would appreciate donations of canned pork n beans, cake mixes, and chicken noodle or cream of mushroom soup



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 !

What's happening, this week

2/23 Tue. 10:00am AA Meeting in K of C room Use St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot

2/23 Tue. 6:15pm Bible Study-Gospel of Mark - In class or on line

2/24 Wed. 3-4:30pm Faith Formation 1st-4th gr. at St. Mary

2/24 Wed. 6-7pm Faith Formation 5th-8th gr. at St. Mary

2/26 Fri. 6:00-6:45am Men's Prayer Group in St. Mary Church

2/27 Sat. 11-12pm Confessions at St. Mary

2/28 Sun. 11:00am-1:00pm High School Faith Formation

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 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!

REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL

Lent is the time of year we devote to scrutinizing our lives in the light of our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus. Today's readings are a nice shorthand catechism of what our baptized lives mean. As Noah passed through the waters of the flood to a covenant with God, so did we enter into a covenant, a promised relationship with God through our baptism.

Peter's letter gives an explicit explanation of what our baptism means: it is an appeal we make to God for a clear conscience. How do we obtain this clear conscience? The words proclaimed by Jesus immediately following his temptation show us the way: "Repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15). It might be a good spiritual exercise to keep these readings before us throughout the entire season of Lent, a means to help us return to a life lived by our baptismal promises.

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Take note and mark your calendar!



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Dine in or carry out

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Choice of baked potato or french fries

Fish dinners include roll and coleslaw

Cheese ravioli dinner with garlic bread

½ 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

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