

March 16, 2025

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Saturday from 11:00am-Noon

Sunday from 9:15-9:45am, before 10:00am Mass

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***"Nothing gives me greater joy than to hear that
my children are walking in the truth." 3 John 1:4***



2nd Sunday OF LENT

While he was praying his face changed in appearance
and his clothing became dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/
Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-
51a

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-
21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1Cor
10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2,
6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15,
19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Mass Intentions



- 3/17 MON - No Mass
- 3/18 TUE - 5:00pm SM - Bill Asselin
- 3/19 WED - 8:00am SM - Ramon & Nancy Rossi
- 3/20 THUR - 8:00am SB - Clifford Renier
- 3/21 FRI - 8:30am SM - Todd & Mary Glanville
- 3/22 SAT - 4:00pm SM - Diane Palmcook
- 3/22 SAT - 6:00pm SB - For the People of St. Barbara and St. Mary Parishes
- 3/23 SUN - 8:00am SB - Michael & Margaret Mastie
- 3/23 SUN - 10:00am SM - George Menard

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

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 906-563-9845 or email: saintmary@norwaymi.com

Vocational View - This is my beloved Son, hear him. Take some time to hear the beloved Son speaking to you. What does he say? (Luke 9:28-36)

Spirit Lifters

- Mar. 16th** - Service is the rent we pay for the space we occupy in life.
- Mar. 17th** - The toughest kind of mountain climbing is to get out of a rut.
- Mar. 18th** - True patience means waiting without worrying.
- Mar. 19th** - When alone, we have our own thoughts to watch; When in family, our tempers; When in society, our tongue.
- Mar. 20th** - It is natural to love them that love us, but it is super-natural to love them that hate us.
- Mar. 21st** - Money will buy a fine dog, but only love will make him wag his tail.
- Mar. 22nd** - He who cannot forgive others breaks the bridge over which he himself must pass.

Lenten Penance Service

- Friday, March 21, 6pm: Immaculate Conception Parish (School Building), Iron Mountain
- Wednesday, March 26, 5:00pm: St. Rose Church, Channing
- Friday, March 28, 5:30pm: Guardian Angels Church, Crystal Falls
- Sunday, March 30, 3:00pm: St. Mary, Norway**
- Sunday, April 6, 3:00pm: American Martyrs Church, Kingsford

St. Mary's card sender is Rosemary Haepers: 906-563-5071
St. Barbara's card sender is Shirley LaValley: 906-563-5011

Communion Call Visits: If you are home bound or know someone who is and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the parish office at 906-563-9845, so you may be added to our Communion Call list.

St. Mary's Collection - March 9, 2025	
Envelopes & Holy Day	\$5,070.00
Loose	259.36
Easter Flowers	265.00
School	364.00
Maintenance	25.00
Total:	\$5,983.36
<i>Diocesan Collection \$296.00</i>	
*Thank you for sharing your Time, Talent, and Treasure in Building God's Kingdom!	

St. Barbara's Collection - March 9, 2025	
Envelopes	\$2,411.00
Loose	129.00
Easter Flowers	60.00
School	225.00
Total:	\$2,825.00
<i>Diocesan Collection \$581.00</i>	
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and continuing 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 e-Giving option:

<https://giving.stmarybarbara.org/give>

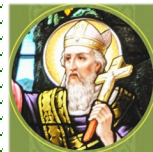


Saint Mary and Saint Barbara Parish Families extend their sympathy to the family of **George Servia**. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. AMEN



Pray the Holy Rosary with the Knights of Columbus before the 8a.m. Mass on **Sunday, March 23rd** at St. Barbara, starting at 7:30 a.m.

Please join Dr. Patrick Richardson on Thursday, March 20th at 6:30pm, St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish Hall as he presents a talk on: "The Psychology of Suffering Well"



THREE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THE REAL ST. PATRICK

- 1.) He was not IRISH! St. Patrick was born in Rome Britain then kidnapped and sold into slavery in Ireland when he was 16.
- 2.) His birth name was Maewyn Succat. He changed his name to Patricius after becoming a priest.
- 3.) After escaping slavery in Ireland and becoming a priest, he willingly returned to the country to promote Catholicism. He is now the PATRON SAINT OF IRELAND.

Prayer of Listening

Attune the ears of my heart, Lord, to the soft and still ways You are inviting me today. And then give me the strength and courage to respond to what You say. Amen.

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This week's feature ad is:

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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: **Emma Geldmeyer, Don Solda, Janelle (Trudeau) Darragh, Rodney Cayemberg, Danielle Ball, Rosemary DeRidder, Wayne Hulce, Georgeanne Van Wolvelaere, Ron Matonich, Mary Ann Bronzyk, Ginger Moore and Cathy Grenier.** If you need continued prayers or would like to request prayers for someone else in next week's bulletin, please email or call the parish office at 906-563-9845.

St. Mary and St. Barbara Conference of SVDP

We thank you for the generosity given throughout the year to help those less fortunate. The ongoing prayers, monetary donations, and keeping our pantry well-stocked each month has truly been a blessing! Your contributions have made a difference in the lives of so many people.

The conference office will continue to help those in need on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 9-11 a.m., or by special appointment if needed.

Pantry or monetary donations can be accepted anytime during regular store hours, Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monetary donations may be mailed



to St. Mary/St. Barbara Conference of SVDP located at 421 Main Street in Norway.



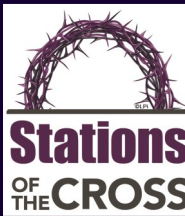
During **March** we would appreciate donations of **Stuffing Mix, White Rice or Toothpaste.**

Thank you and be assured you are in our prayers with gratitude. God Bless!



MOTHERS and WOMEN of the COMMUNITY

The holy rosary this month will be prayed on Sunday, March 16th after the 10am Mass at St. Mary, Norway. Join us in prayer/rosary for our children and all the children of the world.



St. Mary: Wednesdays after the 8am Mass and Fridays at 6am

St. Barbara: Thursdays after the 8am Mass

Catholic Trivia - Just for Fun

Do you know the definition of the word "Bible"?

A collection of books.

What's happening this week:

- 3/16 Sun. 9:15-9:45am, Confession before 10am Mass, SM
- 3/16 Sun. 11pm, Holy Rosary for Children, SM
- 3/16 Sun. 6:00pm, Speaker John Beaulieu at 6pm, SM, Attendance required for Faith Formation, 7th-11th Grades.**
- 3/17 Mon. 6pm, St. Mary Adult Choir Practice, SM Choir Loft
- 3/18 Tue. 10am, AA Meeting in classroom, use St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot
- 3/18 Tue. 4:30-4:50pm, Confession before 5pm Mass, SM
- 3/19 Wed. 3:20-4:30pm, Faith Formation, 1st-6th Grades, SM
- 3/19 Wed. 4:30-5pm, Children's Choir Practice, SM Choir Loft
- 3/20 Thu. 5:30pm, Food, Fellowship & Faith, St. Barbara
- 3/21 Fri. 6:00am, Stations of the Cross followed by Men's Prayer Group, St. Mary
- 3/22 Sat. 11am-12pm, Confessions & Adoration at St. Mary

Food, Fellowship & Faith at St. Barbara's starting at 5:30pm with a meal, followed by faith discussion with Father Marty. All are welcome.

Thursday, March 20th - Please sign up in the back of church so we know how much food to prepare. Thank you.

Norway High School Proudly Sponsors the **Norway Blood Drive**



Wednesday, March 19th, 8:30am-2:00pm

For an appointment visit www.redcrossblood.org or call the High School Office at 906-563-9542. Breakfast and lunch will be served! Every 30 donations raises \$250 toward Student Scholarships! Thank you for your support!!



The next RCIA class will be Thursday, **March 27th** at 6:30pm, Saint Mary's, St. Joseph Center.



St. Mary's Summary Report for February 2025

Receipts:	
Assessable (Sunday, Loose, Fuel, etc.)	\$ 19,119.00
General (Memorial Fund, Bulletin, Special Project Income, Donations, Reimbursement for expenses from St. Barbara, Youth Income, Misc. etc.)	\$ 5,088.59
Fund Raising	.00
Total Receipts:	\$ 24,207.59
Expenses:	
Administrative Salary & Expenses	\$ 6,442.07
Religious Education (Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, MSM & Programs)	\$ 520.00
Other Parish Administrative Expenses (Music, Office Supplies, Bulletin, Catholic News Paper, Church Supplies, Flowers, etc.)	\$ 2,973.53
Benefits & Insurances	\$ 1,784.32
Plant Operation (Cleaning, Utilities, Maintenance, Property Ins., Inspection Fees & Supplies)	\$ 5,874.26
Fund Raising Expenses & Picnic	\$ 0.00
Capital Outlays	\$ 1,834.60
Other Expenses (School Subsidy Payment)	\$ 5,507.20
Total Expenses:	\$ 24,935.98
Receipts Over (Under) Expenses:	(\$ 728.39)

St. Barbara's Summary Report for February 2025

Receipts:	
Assessable (Sunday, Loose, Fuel, etc.)	\$ 10,726.00
General (Flower Fund, Women's League, Special Project Income, Misc. etc.)	\$ 1,398.49
Fund Raising	\$.00
Total Receipts:	\$ 12,124.49
Expenses:	
Administrative Salary & Expenses	\$ 3,423.17
Religious Education (Faith Formation, Youth Ministry)	\$ 227.03
Other Parish Administrative Expenses (Church Supplies, Office Supplies, Catholic News Paper, Flowers, etc.)	\$ 1,532.55
Benefits & Insurances	\$ 789.72
Plant Operation (Cleaning, Utilities, Maintenance, Property Ins. & Supplies)	\$ 4,278.84
Fund Raising Expenses & Picnic	\$ 60.00
Capital Outlays	\$ 1,834.60
Other Expenses (School Subsidy Payment)	\$ 3,326.14
Total Expenses	\$ 15,472.05
Receipts Over (Under) Expenses:	(\$ 3,347.56)



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