

First Sunday of Lent March 9, 2025

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Confessions at St. Mary

Saturday from 11:00am-Noon

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

Tuesday from 4:30-4:50pm before 5:00pm Mass

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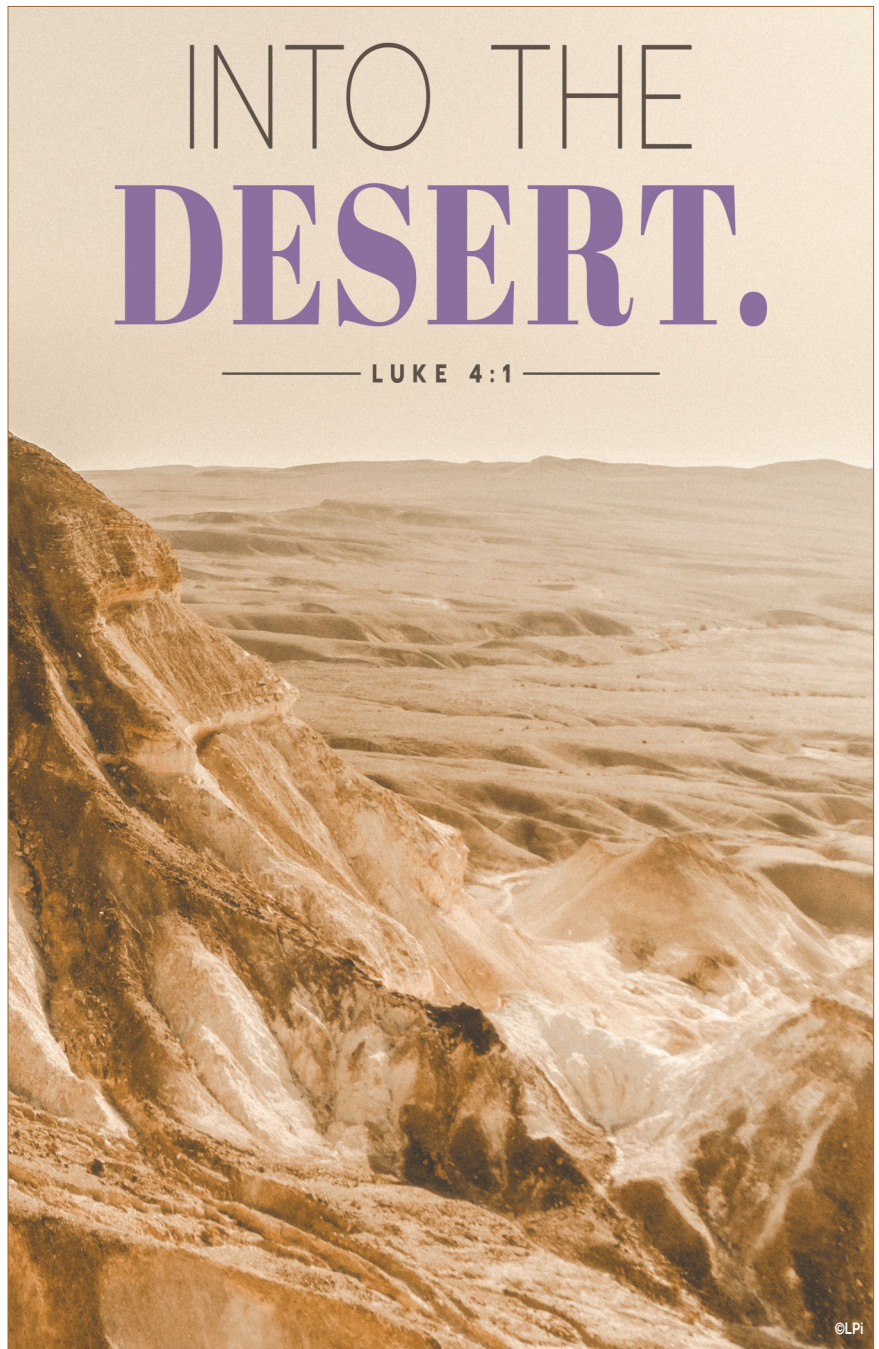
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/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 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Mass Intentions



3/10 MON - No Mass
 3/11 TUE - 5:00pm SM - Clara VanPeymbroeck and Robert Luypen
 3/12 WED - 8:00am SM - John Radlinger
 3/13 THUR - 8:00am SB - Adolph Rossato
 3/14 FRI - 8:30am SM - Robert Sharkey
 3/15 SAT - 4:00pm SM - Charlotte Jasonowicz
 3/15 SAT - 6:00pm SB - For the People of St. Barbara and St. Mary Parishes
 3/16 SUN - 8:00am SB - Steve Krueger
 3/16 SUN - 10:00am SM - Eva Tarr

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 - What tempts us away from the reign of God? Try this week to live as an example for the young people in your life. Let them see the rewards of living by the Good Spirit. Encourage them in their discernment with your prayers and support. (Luke 4:1-13)

Spirit Lifters

- Mar. 9th** - We need not fear the perils AROUND US as long as the eye of the Lord is UPON US.
- Mar. 10th** - There is not limit to how much good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit.
- Mar. 11th** - Nightfall should remind us to forgive the hurts of the day.
- Mar. 12th** - Some people grin and bear it. Others smile and change it.
- Mar. 13th** - It is a greater thing to obey the Word of the Lord than to preach it.
- Mar. 14th** - Don't let your mind become so busy that your heart can't respond.
- Mar. 15th** - If you have Jesus on the inside, you can stand any kind of trouble on the outside.



The next RCIA class will be Thursday, March 13th at 6:30pm, Saint Mary's, St. Joseph Center.

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 2, 2025

Envelopes & Holy Day	\$5,152.00
Loose	241.50
Easter Flowers	90.00
U.P. Catholic News	10.00
School	100.00
Maintenance	10.00
Total:	\$5,603.50

Diocesan Collection \$160.00

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

St. Barbara's

Collection - March 2, 2025

Envelopes	\$2,506.00
Loose	309.00
Fuel	30.00
Easter Flowers	345.00
U.P. Catholic News	20.00
School	50.00
Maintenance	110.00
Total:	\$3,370.00

Diocesan Collection \$30.00

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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 **Alex Biolo**. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. AMEN

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.

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



HELP WANTED - The Carmelite Nuns are looking for help in caring for two of their elderly Sisters. Healthcare background is not necessarily required, but helpful. The position may be part-time or long-term. Please call the Monastery for details and ask for Mother Jacinta. (906) 774-0561

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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!

CATHOLIC SISTERS' WEEK, March 8-14, 2025

Presented By Serra Club of Iron Mountain-Kingsford, MI
Catholic Sisters' Week SHINES a light on the spirituality, mission, and community building of women religious. It is celebrated every March 8-14th during Women's History Month.

Every day, women religious stand with the poor and immigrants, guide and instruct children, fight injustice, heal the sick, share their faith, promote peace, created community, and offer hope, building the church by being the love of Christ for others.

We take time to honor our sisters and nuns especially during this week. Catholic Women religious orders, active in the Diocese of Marquette are: Discalced Carmelite Nuns, Sisters of St. Paul de Chartres, Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, Adrian Dominican Sisters, and Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Please pray for them, encourage, and thank them for their selfless service and love for Christ.

St. Barbara 50/50 Raffle Winners for February



- \$25 - Dave Ivey \$25 - Larry Jensen
- \$25 - John Geline \$25 - Diane Westrich
- \$20 - Dave Ivey

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



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!!

What's happening this week:

- 3/9 Sun. 9:15-9:45am, Confession before 10am Mass, SM
- 3/9 Sun. 10a-12:30p, Faith Formation, 7th-11th Grades, SM
- 3/9 Sun. 1:00pm, Holy Rosary to the Holy Face of Jesus, SM
- 3/10 Mon. 6pm, St. Mary Adult Choir Practice, SM Choir Loft
- 3/11 Tue. 10am, AA Meeting in classroom, use St. Joseph Center entrance in parking lot
- 3/11 Tue. 4:30-4:50pm, Confession before 5pm Mass, SM
- 3/11 Tue. 7:00pm, Knights of Columbus Meeting, SM
- 3/12 Wed. 8:00a, Daily Mass followed by Stations of the Cross
- 3/12 Wed. 3:20-4:30pm, Faith Formation, 1st-6th Grades, SM
- 3/12 Wed. 4:30-5pm, Children's Choir Practice, SM Choir Loft
- 3/13 Thu. 8am, Daily Mass followed by Stations of the Cross
- 3/13 Thu. 6:30pm, RCIA, St. Mary's St. Joseph Center
- 3/14 Fri. 6:00am, Stations of the Cross followed by Men's Prayer Group, St. Mary
- 3/14 Fri. 4pm, Live Stations of the Cross
- 3/14 Fri. 4:30pm-7:00pm, Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, SM
- 3/15 Sat. **NO Confessions/Adoration**
- 3/15 Sat. 8:30am-Noon, MEN'S RETREAT at St. Barbara
- 3/16 Sun. 6:00pm, Speaker John Beaulieu at St. Mary

LIVE Stations of the Cross with Holy Spirit School Students - Friday, March 14th before the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, ~4:00pm, St. Mary Parish



 **Knights of Columbus 12th Annual Fundraiser Friday Night Fish Fry - Friday, March 14th, Norway Saint Mary Parish Hall, Dinner 4:30 to 7:00pm. Tickets available in the back of both parishes, at the Parish Office (M-TH 9am-4pm) or at the door the night of the dinner.**

MORNING MEN'S RETREAT

Catholic Men's Retreat at **St. Barbara's** on **Saturday, March 15th from 8:30am to Noon** with speaker **John Beaulieu**

Additional talk on Sunday, March 16th, 6pm at St. Mary's. All are invited to join.

****Attendance for 7th-11th grade Faith Formation is your required class time.****

Looking for something to enhance your Lenten experience? Sign up for Matthew Kelly's Best Lent Ever at BESTLENTEVER.com and/or Bruce Downes, the Catholic Guy website at BruceDownes.org/Lent

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB will begin on Wednesday, **March 12th at 6:00pm**, Saint Mary Parish Hall. We will be following the **Magnify Workbook Edition: Pursuing Virtue as a Feminine Genius**, (a book of reflections on virtues to deepen a woman's interior spiritual life), which can be purchased on Amazon anytime before we meet. We will discuss at this meeting how often we plan to meet.



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