



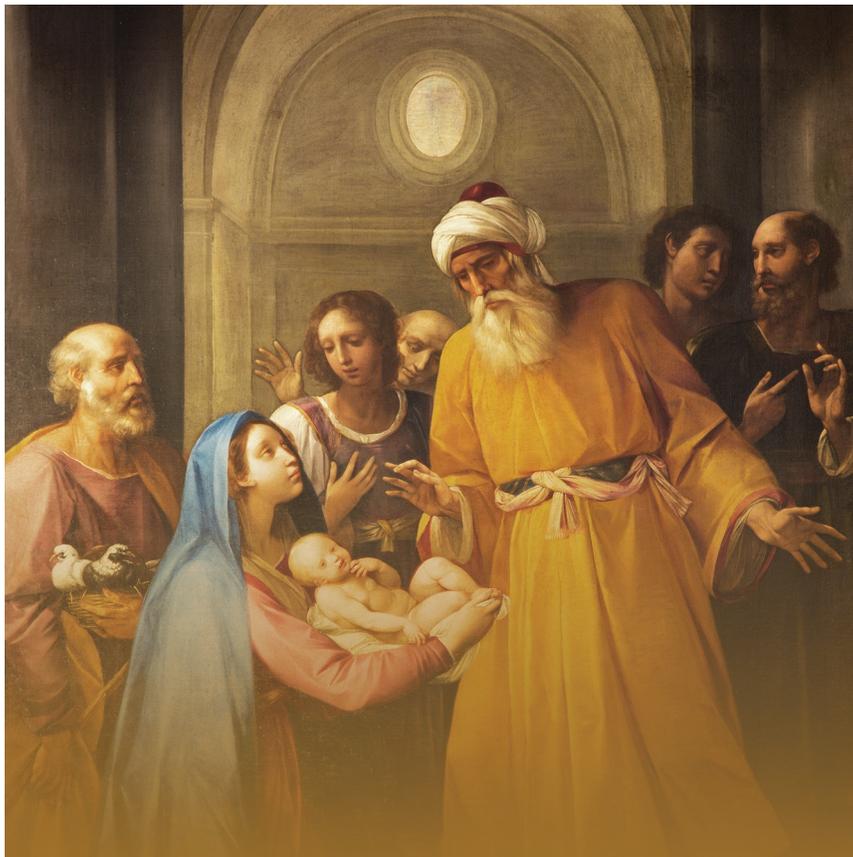
Holy Spirit Parish
227 Third St.
Two Harbors, MN

St. Mary's Parish
57 Horn Blvd.
Silver Bay, MN



WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF
HOLY SPIRIT & ST. MARY'S

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph | December 31, 2017



THE HOLY FAMILY

“For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.”

- Lk 2:30-31

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SACRAMENTS OF MARRIAGE, BAPTISM, ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please contact your parish office.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

Bulletin Announcements must be submitted to your parish office
before 4:30 pm on Mondays.

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 11:00 am

Confession Schedule

Friday: 7:30 - 8:00 am
Saturday: 3:30 - 4:15 pm
Or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Holy Spirit Office Hours:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Monday - Thursday
7:00 am - 11:00 am Fridays

Office is located in parish basement.

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Prayer Intentions (218) 834-4659
Birthright..... (800) 550-4900

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 7:15 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am

Confession Schedule

Saturday: 6:30 - 7:00 pm
Sunday: 7:50 - 8:15 am
Or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesdays 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

St. Mary's Office Hours:

8:00 am - 2:00 pm Monday - Thursday
Office is located in St. Mary's Rectory.

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Pastor: Rev. Steven Laflamme

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Parish News:

THANK YOU

A big **thank you to EVERYONE** who generously shared their time & talent to make our Christmas celebration so beautiful and special; from those who decorated the church to all who came to the Celebration of Our Savior's Birth.

Bible Study

We will resume our study on *Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God* on **Sunday, January 7 at 6:30 pm**. The Bible Study Group meets Sunday evenings, 6:30 - 8 pm, in the Social Hall. **New members are always welcome.**

SAVE THE DATE - St. Mary's Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Our dinner will be held on **Wednesday, January 31**. The spaghetti dinner is hosted each year by our Religious Education Department to raise money to feed the poor. This is a great opportunity for us all to work together, having fun while we are helping those in our community.

MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for Snow Removal

Thank you to the amazing group of snow angels who have already volunteered, but we need more volunteers. We are looking for more volunteers to **adopt a weekend** where you are willing to keep an eye on the weather and be sure our sidewalks are safe; free of snow and ice before people arrive for Mass on the weekend. We are very blessed to have the City plow our parking lot, so we only need to clear our walkways. The church has ice melt/sand mix, shovels and a snow blower on site but volunteers are needed to do the work. Please consider this opportunity to give back by offering up a weekend for this important task. Please sign up for a weekend that works for you and/or your family. If you are unable to commit to a weekend but would like to help when someone needs a replacement, please add your name to the volunteer list located next to the calendar. If you have any questions, please call the parish office. Thank you for your consideration in sharing your time to care for your church.



FREE Dynamic Catholic Resources

Please check out these amazing resources and help yourself to the wonderful books & CDs. Once you have read or listened to them, pass them on to a friend or family member. What a great, easy way to share the faith!

Help is needed to take down the Christmas Decorations next Sunday, January 7 immediately after Mass.

Please Keep These People In Your Prayers

- † **Parishioners:** Joe Rollins, Elwood Youngberg, Mary Wright, Rick Scheradella, Lino Rauzi, Gale Fredrickson, Greta Stefanich, Ted Youngberg, Tim Downey, Joan Scallen, Deanna Larson.
- † **Clergy:** Deacon Fred Wright, Fr. Francis Paquette.
- † **Relatives & Friends:** Jeremy Tedrick, Michelle Stebbins, Cyndi Correll, Mae Dehnhoff, Jeff Mitchell, Mark Rollins, Jan Hardel, Brad Hove, Dan Moudry, Johnny Jerabek.
- † **Military:** Todd Curry, John Ferguson, Karen McGrane, Michael Seipke, Sam West, Chris Gensing, Sean Stebbins.

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed – just call the church office to let us know.

Family Faith Formation

We will meet next on **Wednesday, January 3 at 6 pm**. We'll start our night with dinner at 6 pm, followed by classes at 6:30 pm. Remember, our Faith Formation program is not just for the kids, the parents will meet in the Social Hall so they can also grow in their faith. All parishioners are invited to join the parents on this Adult Faith Formation journey. There is child care available for those who have children younger than kindergarten.

Thrivent Choice Dollars

A reminder from Thrivent to designate your 2017/2018 Thrivent Choice Dollars to the organization of your choice. For your funds to go to the charity of your choice you need to call in twice a year and it is that time of year again. Make a call to 800-847-4836 today and state "Thrivent Choice" to designate your dollars. If you have questions, contact Greg Hanson at 218-226-3442.

Thank you to Thrivent Financial members who have designated St. Mary's Church as your charity for your Thrivent Choice Dollars. **Your generosity is greatly appreciated!**

Upcoming Diocesan Events:

Men's Conference

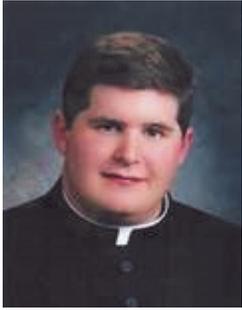
February 17 at Marshall School in Duluth. This year's theme is "Men of the Spirit." The guest speaker is Peter Herbeck.

Women's Conference

February 24 at Marshall School in Duluth. This year's theme is "Beyond Me," and the speakers are Teresa Tomeo and Father Jim Sichko.

Go to our parish website for more details and to register for these events.

Fr. Steve's Prayer for Consideration:



“O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of your house, delight one day in eternal rewards. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son...”
-Collect from the Feast of the Holy Family

This weekend, the Church celebrates the great feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. We have just celebrated the great solemnity of Christmas Day on Monday, and now we focus more specifically on the supreme model of Christian family life shown to us by Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Undoubtedly, there are a lot of nuggets for prayerful reflection in this collect for the Mass of the Feast of the Holy Family given above, but I would like to focus on just two this weekend.

First, notice how the collect speaks in the first half of the prayer of the “shining example” of the virtues of family life given to Christians by the Holy Family. This is the first and perhaps most obvious piece of reflection from this prayer- our human family is made up of millions of nuclear families. And for Christians, the Holy Family is to be a model for the way in which Christian families live their lives at home. The Holy Family is to be our goal, our source of inspiration. Mothers in families should strive to be like Mother Mary. Fathers should strive to be like St. Joseph. Children should strive to be like the child Jesus who was obedient and submissive to his parents, even while being God Himself. And notice further that the prayer speaks of the “virtues” of family life, and especially the “bonds of charity.” Family members have a unique obligation, “bonds,” to one another: to love each other. This of course does not mean that we *feel* overwhelming affection for our family members at all times- we all probably know that that is not the case! Rather, that we *choose to love* our family members; in other words, we make an act of the will to desire and work for each other’s good, to help one another to live holy lives, to grow in virtue and goodness, and to ultimately help each other on the road to Heaven.

And that is the ultimate thrust of the second half of the collect above: we ask God to help us to live holiness in the home so that we may one day enjoy the eternal rewards of our heavenly home with our heavenly Father, God, our divine Brother, Jesus, and all of our brothers and sisters in the faith, the saints, with whom we will be united through the power of the Holy Spirit. In other words, just as Christian marriage between a man and a woman is a sign of the greater, eternal marriage of Jesus Christ with His Bride, the Church, so family life of parents and children is a sign of the greater, eternal family in Heaven, a family not united just by bloodlines, but by a connection which is even deeper- unity of the Spirit. I’d like to leave you with a brief portion of a homily by Blessed Pope Paul VI that he gave on the Feast of the Holy Family while he was visiting the childhood home of Jesus, Mary and Joseph in Nazareth in the year 1964.

God bless you! ~ Fr. Steve

“Nazareth is a kind of school where we may begin to discover what Christ’s life was like and even to understand His Gospel ... Here we can learn the importance of spiritual discipline for all who wish to follow Christ and to live by the teachings of His Gospel ... Here we learn about family life. May Nazareth serve as a model of what the family should be. May it show us the family’s holy and enduring character and exemplify its basic function in society: a community of love and sharing, beautiful for the problems it poses and the rewards it brings; it sum, the perfect setting for rearing children – and for this there is no substitute.”

Please Note: Father Steve will be out of town from Monday, January 1st through Monday, January 8th. If you are in need of a priest during this time due to a sacramental emergency (i.e. Last Rites), please contact Fr. Michael Lyons at (218) 830-1600.



Mass schedule for The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God: Fr. Michael will be offering Mass at St. Mary’s at 9 am on Monday, January 1. The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year, since it falls on a Monday.

Parish News:

Men's Conference:

The seventh annual Men of Faith Conference will be held Feb. 17, at Marshall School in Duluth. This year's theme is "Men of the Spirit." The guest speaker is Peter Herbeck, vice president and director of missions for Renewal Ministries. He is a co-host of the weekly EWTN television programs "The Choices We Face" and "Crossing the Goal." He also hosts the daily radio show "Fire on the Earth." Registration and information is available at www.duluthcatholicmen.org.

Women's Conference:

The sixth annual diocesan Women's Conference will be held Feb. 24 at Marshall School in Duluth. This year's theme is "Beyond Me," and the speakers are Teresa Tomeo and Father Jim Sichko. More details to be announced.

Rosary:

Our Blessed Mother Mary is pleading with all of us to pray the Rosary—a very powerful prayer. Besides praying the Rosary prior to weekday Masses, we also pray the Rosary at 4:00 pm before the 4:30 Saturday evening Mass and at 10:30 am before the 11:00 am Sunday morning Mass. Please join us in praying the Rosary. If you are interested in leading the Rosary prior to one of the weekend Masses, please call Linda at 834-3568.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Prayer shawls and lap robes are made in prayer by volunteers to be given to someone with a prolonged or serious illness, in hospice, as a comfort after a loss of a loved one or in times of stress. If you know someone who could benefit from a prayer shawl or would like more information, please call Liz Scheidt at 834-6492 or Linda Hoffman at 830-0605. The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 9 am. New people are always welcome to join.



**Don't forget to check out FORMED.org:
THE BEST CATHOLIC CONTENT.**

Register at FORMED.org
Parishioners, enter code: RYGYFN

You should see the registration box for parishioners. Type in the parish code. Now set up a username and a password. Now you are all set to use all the great programs on FORMED.org anytime by simply logging in.

Please Keep These People In Your Prayers:

- † **PARISHIONERS:** Deel Hoffman, Arthur Barthman, John Erickson, Ron Kor, Bonnie McGregor, Mary Murphy, JoAnn Payment, Verna Rafn and Joe Seeber.
 - † **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Cathy Brewster, Bill Carlson and Patty Harrison-Isakson.
 - † **MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Garrett Aho, Nate Berger, Jacob Kearin, James Mickle, Christopher Uremovich, Maddison Zavoral and Sophia Zavoral.
- SACRED HEART CANDLE:** Margaret Mockler.

Family Faith Formation

We will meet next on **Wednesday, January 10**. The families will start with dinner together at 6 pm, followed by classes at 6:30 pm. For the Adult Faith Formation, Father Steve will continue his series on the Mass. **All parishioners are invited to attend the Adult Faith Formation with the parents in the Church at 6:30 pm.** There is child care available for those who have children younger than kindergarten. If you would like to know more about our program, contact Cindy at 226-3100.

Eucharistic Adoration:

We have Eucharistic Adoration every Friday 9:00 am until noon. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church to be certain that someone is always in attendance during the time of Exposition. If you are available during this time, please consider signing up to spend an hour with the Lord in prayer.

Coming Home Basket:

The basket located in the vestibule (Church entrance) on the right side is a "Coming Home Basket." Anyone who knows of someone who has drifted away from their Catholic faith is encouraged to write the name of the person on a sheet of paper located in front of the basket and place the paper inside the basket. As a faith community we are encouraged to pray for the people whose names have been placed in the Coming Home Basket as well as to encourage those who have drifted away to return.

Parish Contribution Envelopes

Your assigned packet of envelopes is available at the back of Church for the coming year. Envelope usage is very important as it helps support intentional stewardship by everyone. We urge you to use your envelopes, it makes our record keeping much easier when you do. If you need envelopes, please let us know.

St. Mary's Mass Schedule

Saturday	<i>6TH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD</i>	12/30/17
	6:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:15 p.m. Mass - Intention for Barbara Haynes (mother of Joe Haynes) ☩ Reader.....Gerry Bahar Cantor.....Sue Bahar Plate.....Lanay Frericks Chalices....Jeff Asmussen & Gerry Bahar Servers.....Giovanni & Corinna Marolt	
Sunday	<i>THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH</i>	12/31/17
	7:50 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:30 a.m. Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Reader.....Jim Frericks Cantor.....Tom Palen Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris Chalices....Judy Zupancich & Mike Rowlee Servers.....Lucas & Jake Stadler	
Monday	<i>SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD</i>	1/1/18
	8:15 a.m. Rosary 9 a.m. Mass - Reader.....Jeff Asmussen	
Tuesday	<i>ST. BASIL THE GREAT AND ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN</i>	1/2/18
	7:50 a.m. Rosary 8:15 a.m. Mass - Intention for Marilyn Melone ☩	
Wednesday	<i>THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS</i>	1/3/18
	7:50 a.m. Rosary 8:15 a.m. Mass - Intention for Ted Youngberg	
Thursday	<i>ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON</i>	1/4/18
	7:50 a.m. Rosary 8:15 a.m. Mass - Intention for Carl Hofschulte ☩	
Friday	<i>ST. JOHN NEUMANN</i>	1/5/18
	7:50 a.m. Rosary 8:15 a.m. Mass - Intention for Lyle Shepersky Birthday	
Saturday	<i>ST. ANDRE BESSETTE</i>	1/6/18
	6:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:15 p.m. Mass - Intention for Christopher Glog ☩ Reader.....Tom Frericks Cantor.....Terri Frericks-Blood Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Jeff Asmussen & Leanne Buell Servers.....Jason Blood & April Velcheff	
Sunday	<i>THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</i>	1/7/18
	7:50 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 8:30 a.m. Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Reader.....Sue Bahar Cantor.....Kim Josephson Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Gerry Bahar & Mary Wright Servers.....Carter Zabrocki & Zack Fredrickson	

Holy Spirit's Mass Schedule

Saturday	<i>6TH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD</i>	12/30/17
	3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30 p.m. Mass — Intention for All Parishioners Reader.....To be assigned Cantor.....Mary Simonsen Chalices....Liz Scheidt & To be assigned Servers.....Kate Thomasen & To be assigned	
Sunday	<i>THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH</i>	12/31/17
	11:00 a.m. Mass — Intention for All Parishioners Reader.....Louis Button Cantor.....Judy Fleischer Chalices....Shari Hendren & Joanne Button Servers.....Livy & Sid Hendren	
Monday	<i>SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD</i>	1/1/18
	No Mass	
Tuesday	<i>ST. BASIL THE GREAT AND ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN</i>	1/2/18
	No Mass	
Wednesday	<i>THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS</i>	1/3/18
	No Mass	
Thursday	<i>ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON</i>	1/4/18
	No Mass	
Friday	<i>ST. JOHN NUEMANN</i>	1/5/18
	No Mass	
Saturday	<i>ST. ANDRE BESSETTE</i>	1/6/18
	3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30 p.m. Mass — All Parishioners Reader.....Gloria Uremovich Cantor.....Mary Simonsen Chalices....Carol Anderson & To be assigned Servers.....Ava Fosness & To be assigned	
Sunday	<i>THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</i>	1/7/18
	11:00 a.m. Mass — Intention for ☩ Ann Anderson Reader.....Mike Hoffman Cantor.....Mary Simonsen Chalices....Linda Hoffman & Nancy Olsen Servers.....Hattie & Kaden Edlund	

Parish Office Hours:

The Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, January 1st, in observance of New Year's Day.

Last Week's Contributions:

Due to the fact that this weekend's bulletin had to be submitted much earlier than usual because of Christmas, contribution amounts from the weekend of December 23-24 were not available before the printing deadline.