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

5th Sunday of Easter | May 2, 2021

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." - Jn 15:1-2

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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 - 3:00 pm

Holy Spirit Office Hours:
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Monday - Thursday
7:00 am - 11:00 am Friday
Office is located in parish basement.

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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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St Mary's, Silver Bay

Parish News:

May Crowning of Mary & Mother's Day Breakfast
Be sure to join us next Sunday, May 9.

Bible Study
We meet on **Sundays, 6:30-8:00 pm**. The sessions consist of prayer, a 45 minute video presentation and time for discussion. Tonight's lesson will be on G.K. Chesterton, whom Bishop Barron calls an evangelist for our time. By the sheer exuberance of his life and writing, Chesterton gives an articulate defense of Christianity. Please consider joining us as we learn and grow deeper in our faith together.

Family Faith Formation
We will meet this **Wednesday, May 5 at 6:15 pm**. We are excited to have Fr. Steve's Dad joining us as our guest speaker.

Youth Bible Study for All Ages
Join us **Friday mornings at 8:45 am** (after morning Mass). Parents are welcome to join us too. If you have questions, call Jeff at 220-9720.

Finance Council Meeting
We will meet **Wednesday, May 5 at 10 am** in the Social Hall.

Rosary
The Rosary is prayed **before daily Mass at 7:50 am** and **before Saturday evening Mass at 6:50 pm**. Please join us.

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Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday 9 am - 3 pm.
All are invited to stop in to spend some time with the Lord in prayer. For those who can devote an hour, we have a sign-up sheet in the back of the church to assure that there is always someone present during the time of Exposition.

Weekly Collection

General.....$2,060.10

Please Keep These People In Your Prayers

✝ **Parishioners**: Don Stadler, Lyle Shepersky, Carol Youngberg, Don Seipke, Marge Jorgenson, Joe & Elaine Rollins, Gale Fredrickson, George Asmussen, Greta Stefanich, Lino Rauzi, Marge Swindlehurst, Jerry Downey, Mary Ann Stebbins, Elwood Youngberg.

✝ **Clergy***:* Deacon Fred Wright.

✝ **Relatives & Friends:** Justin Bullis, Robert Martinsen, Marc Huss Sr., Tammy Carter, Bill Crandall, John Grahek, Johnny Jerabek, Dennis Topp, Andy McBride, Mike Hartfiel, Jerry Pybas, Brad Hove, Dan Moudry, Crecentia Wolkenhauer.

✝ **Military**: Mason McClellan, Logan Scallen, Todd Curry, John Ferguson, Karen McGrane, Michael Seipke, Chris Grensing, Kris Topp.

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday — **MAY 1**

6:30 p.m. **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
7:15 p.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Sue Gelatic* ✝
Cantor..... Tom Palen
Reader ..... A.J. LeGeault
Server ..... Zack Fredrickson

Sunday — **MAY 2**

7:50 a.m. **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
8:30 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for All Parishioners*
Cantor..... Tom Palen
Reader ..... Laura Swartz
Plate……Evan Swartz
Server ..... Valerie & Wade Melander

Monday — **MAY 3**

No Mass

Tuesday — **MAY 4**

8:15 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Rev. Fred Method* ✝

Wednesday — **MAY 5**

8:15 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Special Intention*
9:00 a.m. **Adoration**
3:00 p.m. **Benediction**

Thursday — **MAY 6**

8:15 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Sarah & Craig Miller*

Friday — **MAY 7**

8:15 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Sue Gelatic* ✝

Saturday — **MAY 8**

6:30 p.m. **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
7:15 p.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Pastor Stew Carlson* ✝
Cantor..... Terri Frericks-Blood
Reader ..... Tom Frericks
Server ..... Lucas Stadler & Lillian Hoffman

Sunday — **MAY 9**

7:50 a.m. **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
8:30 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for All Parishioners*
Cantor..... Andy Buell
Reader ..... Sue Bahar
Plate……Gerry Bahar
Server ..... Brooke & Addison Velcheff

From the Desk of Father Steve:

As we continue to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead and the gift of new life that His victory over sin and death brings to us, His people, I want to share with you something that has been on my heart recently. My friends, I think it is *critically* important, especially during these turbulent times in our world, that we remember what the goal of our human life must be: cooperating with God's grace in order to share with Him in the gift of eternal life in Heaven after we die. In other words, to put it bluntly, we need to ask ourselves: do I live my current day-to-day life with eternal life in view? Or is life after death something that I rarely, if ever, consider or think about? Do I take time, in prayer, to review my current life and ask whether it is in accord with what God asks of me as His disciple, or do I simply go from task to task with little or no accounting for the fact that one day this life will end, and I will face an eternal destination based on how I lived this life? Do I at least occasionally remind myself with all seriousness that I will die one day, and that eternal life must hold greater priority in the decisions that I make than this earthly life?

What weighs on my heart as a concern is this: that many, many people- including Christians- are not keeping eternal life in the proper focus. Gaining eternal life, getting to Heaven, is supposed to be like the lens through which we view everything in this earthly life. It is to color and shape the decisions that we make, the activities we get involved in, the priorities that we set- everything. So much depends on the choice that we make to either cooperate with God's gift of grace and live our lives for Jesus Christ in this world or not. My concern, as I watch what has happened, especially in our society in the last several years, is that many people, including many Christians, have lost that eternal perspective. Let me give you an example.

The pandemic has ruled our society's decisions, policies and events for the last year. Much of those protocols and policies made sense, especially at the beginning when we did not know what we were dealing with when it came to the COVID-19 virus. Many actions have been taken to slow the spread of the virus and to protect and preserve the health, and life of people in our communities. This is most certainly a good objective. But, my concern is that in our passion to preserve and protect health and life, we have allowed it to become our *primary* concern, even over and above our spiritual health and life.

Brothers and sisters, let me be clear- there is no more important concern in this earthly life than to protect and preserve our *spiritual* health and life, and to safeguard the gift of eternal life that God has gifted us with. This is why the martyrs could readily offer their lives and suffer physical death for their faith in Jesus- they knew and believed that preserving eternal life was infinitely more important than preserving their physical life. They were not afraid to suffer death if that was what was necessary to defend their faith in Jesus and remain faithful to Him. They simply could not imagine life without Jesus at the center.

My friends, I think each of us, in our own way, needs to take time to reflect on this reality: one day, each of us will die. We do not know the day or the time, but it will happen. My concern is that this pandemic has focused our attention so much on physical health and well-being, that it has often eclipsed a much more important need to keep our attention fixed on our spiritual health and well-being. So, what to do about this?

The answer is *not* to simply ignore the precautions for physical health that make good, common sense. We do have an obligation, as Christians, to take *reasonable* steps to protect our health and the health of others. But, we have a much greater obligation to preserve the spiritual health and life of ourselves and others! And, these two do not need to be opposed to one another! We can take reasonable steps to preserve physical health while also remembering that our spiritual health and eternal life are the most important considerations in this lifetime.

And so, brothers and sisters, I would encourage us all, including myself, to conduct a bit of a self-examination. Is the goal of eternal life in Heaven the primary goal of my actions, beliefs and decisions? Have I allowed fear about my physical health to overwhelm the needs of my spiritual health? Do I need to take steps to put my life back into proper priority so that my spiritual life and the gift of eternal life are the lens through which I look at everything else in my life? The Easter Season is the perfect time for such reflection, as we celebrate and look forward to the new life in Christ that He has won for us!

God bless you! ~ *Fr. Steve*

Special Collection on May 15 & 16 for our sister Diocese, St. Vincent & The Grenadines: They are in the midst of terrible volcanic eruptions. Please be generous, so we can assist our brothers and sisters in this vulnerable area.

Holy Spirit, Two Harbors

Parish News

Family Faith Formation
May 5 & 19 are the last two Faith Formation classes for the year! We'll see you this Wednesday at 6:15 pm.

Activity Bags
There are now bags available in the vestibule for your children to use for quiet play during Mass. Each of the items in the bag were made or selected to help them enter into the church even when their attention spans are still short. Simply take a bag before Mass and return it afterwards. Items will periodically be switched out.

Military Bulletin Board
Just a reminder that we have a bulletin board in the vestibule as a visual prompt to pray for parishioners and family members who are in the military. In addition to praying, we need your help keeping the board updated. If you know of parishioners who are serving that we don't have on the board, please, ask their family for a picture, their branch and rank, and where they are stationed. If anyone on the board is no longer serving, please, let us know that as well. All updates can be made through the office or through Linda Hoffman directly.

Celebrating 100 years in our church
Throughout this year, our parish is celebrating being in this building for 100 years. The year of celebration began with the renovations and will continue with various events and commemorations each month. Our first big celebration will be an open house on May 23rd, our parish feast of Pentecost, following the 11:00 Mass. We will have guided and self-guided tours which will highlight many aspects of our beautiful space. There will also be cake and coffee served in the social hall. Please plan to be a part of this celebration and invite your friends and neighbors to come see the church. The open house will run from 12:30—2:30.

Mater Dei registration for high school courses now open
2021-2022 registration is now open for 9th—11th grade for the Catholic high school education program at Mater Dei. For more information and to register, visit *materdeiapostolate.org*. To schedule a visit contact Marie at 210-563-8859 or *contact@materdeiapostolate.org*.

Touring the Church—the high altar continued
Our new high altar that we received from St. John's Church in Virginia, MN came with three statues: Christ the King who is prominently in the center, and two small statues way up on top which are of Sts. Peter and Paul. The remaining two statues are St. Benedict and St. Patrick. We chose those two saints in particular because, from what we could tell in studying the pictures of our church's original high altar, statues of these two saints were present.

Please Keep These People In Your Prayers:

† **PARISHIONERS**: Lyle Shepersky, Phyllis Mealey, Florian Burger, Don Cavallin, William Fosness, Ed Gudowicz, Joan Hungerford, Noreen Jackson, Fran Magnuson, Bonnie McGregor, Verna Rafn, Joe Seeber.

† **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Julie Burns, Daniel Guiney, Rose Mascarenas, Dick Eimer, Luci Mischel, Jean Frank, Fr. Ben Hadrich, Brian Hoffman, Joseph Hoffman, and Robert Linn.

† **MILITARY PERSONNEL**: Samantha Kempfert, Nate Berger, Christopher Uremovich, Brandon Madsen, James Mickle, Maddison Zavoral and Sophia Zavoral.

SACRED HEART CANDLE: All Parishioners.

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday — **MAY 1**

3:30 p.m. **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
4:30 p.m. **Mass** - *Intention for All Parishioners*
Lector: Linda H.
Server: TBD
Usher: Mike A. & Deanne T.

Sunday — **MAY 2**

11:00 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Virgil Jasmer* ✞
Lector: Louis B.
Server: Ethan B. & Rachel B.
Usher: Tom S. & Nancy O.

Monday — **MAY 3**

No Mass

Tuesday — **MAY 4**

5:30 p.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Rev Bede Marcy*

Wednesday — **MAY 5**

No Mass

Thursday — **MAY 6**

8:15 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Joseph Carlson*

Friday — **MAY 7**

7:30 a.m. **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
8:15 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Bishop Elect Daniel Felton*
9:00 a.m. **Adoration**
3:00 p.m. **Benediction**

Saturday — **MAY 8**

3:30 p.m. **Sacrament of Reconciliation**
4:30 p.m. **Mass** - *Intention for All Parishioners*
Lector: Melissa G.
Server: Brody & Ben G.
Usher: Jayme U. & Scott R.

Sunday — **MAY 9**

11:00 a.m. **Mass** - *Intention for Jo Jasmer*
Lector: Mike H.
Server: Joseph & Jude C.
Usher: Curt A. & John S.

Weekend Collection

General.....$3,319.00
Building Fund.....$568.00
UCA.....$100.00

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH
Open House
Celebrating 100 years in our church building
May 23, 2021
12:30—2:30 pm
227 3rd Street, Two Harbors, MN
Come see the new renovations, take a historic tour,
and enjoy cake & coffee.
100 Years
Holy Spirit Church

The Knights of Columbus invite you to join us in
CELEBRATING
MOTHER'S DAY!
SUNDAY, MAY 9
Join us at St. Mary's for
Mother's Day Breakfast after 8:30 am Mass.

Camp Survive 2021
Calling all 6th - 8th Graders
Mark your calendar
Camp Survive will be Monday, August 2 – Friday, August 6.
Registration for campers will open on Tuesday, May 18 at 6 pm. Camp fills up fast so be ready to register!
Contact Cindy Rowlee at 218-220-1582 for more details or if you know you want to attend camp.