We the members of Baraga County Catholic Community are three parishes in one family. We seek daily for the grace of God poured out in prayer and the sacraments to be the best version of ourselves both as individual believers and as a fellowship of the Body of Christ. We seek the lost by our hands-on outreach and unwavering evangelization efforts. Our one aim is to advance the kingdom of God by living the motto of Venerable Bishop Frederic Baraga to do all we do for the greater glory of God, which is the “one thing necessary”.

First Reading:
“I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son.” (Gn 22:12)

Psalm:
I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116)

Second Reading:
He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? (Rom 8:32)

Gospel:
Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” (Mk 9:7)
OUR MISSION: Growing Disciples — Seeking the Lost — Advancing the Kingdom of God

MASS SCHEDULES † MASS INTENTIONS † LITURGICAL MINISTERS
(SH - Sacred Heart; SA - St Ann; HN - Holy Name)

TUESDAY, 2/27/2024:
♦ 5:15 PM, SA, For Al Goodreau by Barbara Kamarainen

WEDNESDAY, 2/28/2024:
♦ 8:15 AM, SH, For Patsy Lane by Barb Sirard and Family
♦ 12:30 PM, HN, For Jeff Maki by Joe and Maggie Mleko

THURSDAY, 2/29/2024:
♦ 8:15 AM, SH, For Sandy Tollefson by the Francois Family
♦ 12:10 PM, SA, For Ron Fedie by Dick and Mary Ann Guenthardt

FRIDAY, 3/1/2024:
♦ 8:15 AM, SH, For Dorothy Hafbauer by Mary Hofbauer Evans
♦ 5:30 PM, SH, First Friday, For Special Intention by Deborah Karvonen

SATURDAY, 3/2/2024:
♦ 8:30 AM, SH, First Saturday, For Luke Elliott by Mom and Dad
♦ 4:00 PM, SA, For Bernadine Skytya by Susie and Alan
  Lector: Vern Miron
  EMC: (Body) Vern Miron, Mary Brodbeck
       (Blood) Pat Spencer, Nancy Hammerberg
  Ushers: Greg Lazzari, Aaron Niemisto

SUNDAY, 3/3/2024:
♦ 8:00 AM, SA, For Ron Fedie by Helen Tikalsky
  Lector: Lois Kemppainen
  EMC: (Blood) Lois Kemppainen
  Ushers: Alan Kemppainen, Volunteer
♦ 10:00 AM, SH, For Patsy Lane by Darlene Hansen
  Lector: Truman Hagbloom
  EMC: (Body) John Mansfeldt, Karen Mansfeldt
       (Blood) Truman Hagbloom, Ted Rolof
  Hospitality: Karen Mansfeldt, John Mansfeldt
♦ 12:00 PM, HN, For the People of the Parish
  Lector: Stuart Francois
  EMC: (Blood) Volunteer
  Usher: Nick Lindemann

Please contact Lois at 906-338-2488 if you have any questions about the schedule.

The full Liturgical Schedule is on our website at baragacatholic.org/liturgy-schedules.

---

Eucharistic Adoration

Holy Name:
Noon—6:00 pm Monday
Saint Ann:
6:00 pm—11:00 pm Tuesday
6:00 am—5:00 pm Wednesday
Sacred Heart:
5:00 am Thursday—1:00 pm Friday

If you are interested in signing up for an hour of adoration, please call one of these contacts:
Holy Name: Agatha Cardinal (906) 201-4871
Saint Ann: Sue Massie (906)353-6349
Sacred Heart: Jacquelyn Velmer (906)524-5307 or (906)201-4720

---

Reconciliation

Saint Ann
6:00pm Tuesday (after Mass)
2:30pm to 3:30pm Saturday
Sacred Heart
11:00am to Noon Saturday
Holy Name
Wednesday After Mass, around 1:00 pm, until 1:30 pm

There may be exceptions to these times. The calendar on our website, baragacatholic.org/calendar, will show if there will be confessions. Please call Fr. Jins if you want to make an appointment for a different time.

---

Prayer Candles (2/22/2024—2/28/2024)

SACRED HEART
Sacred Heart Statue: the People in Israel and Gaza
Under the Crucifix: the People in Ukraine

SAINT ANN
Blessed Mary Statue: Bob Kissel by Pat Kissel
St. Joseph Statue: Tom Ross by Pat Kissel

HOLY NAME
For the People Who are in War Zones

---

Prayer Corner

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Jeannie, Sue Sullivan, Mike Cieslinski, Jordanne Pekkala,
Dan Verbanac, Roland Cieslinski, Louis McRae,
JoAnn Lindemann, Cheryl Marinich, Amy Roy, Kathy Erickson,
Madeleine Cieslinski, Jeanette Wirtz, Patricia Velmer, Bill Sikkila,
Janine Barrett, Robert Velmer, Brenda Velmer

The full listing of all your prayer concerns is on our website, baragacatholic.org/prayer-requests. Names rotate off this list due to space but they remain on the website indefinitely.

Please pray for Pope Francis and Bishop Doerfler. Also pray for our deceased priests and deacons whose anniversary of their death is this week. Please refer to our website for a list of their names.

---

February 25, 2024 2
On March 1 we will start accepting applications from new families for the 2024-2025 school year. Space is limited, and once the class is full we will start a waiting list. Interested families are encouraged to contact the school to meet with the principal and/or have a tour, as well as pick up an application for admission. Please call the office at 906-524-5157 to schedule an appointment or with additional questions.

The Ed Clements Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 30. We are looking for donations of bottles of wine for the wine pull and for gifts for the silent auction. Donations may be dropped off at the school during normal school hours. Thank you in advance!

Clifford and Pam Nankervis invite everyone to join them on the evenings of March 3, 4, and 5 to view videos by Fr. John Riccardo. This will be in the basement of Sacred Heart Church and will start at 6:00 pm.

Fr. Riccardo is the pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel parish in Plymouth, Michigan. In 2019, after 23 years in parish ministry, he founded Acts XXIX to proclaim the gospel in an attractive and compelling way to equip clergy and lay leaders for the age in which God has chosen us to live. He was one of the presenters at the Eucharistic Congress held last year in Marquette.

“The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth.”

“To be alone with Jesus in adoration and intimate union with Him is the Greatest Gift of Love—the tender love of Our Father in Heaven.”

—St. (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta

Today’s readings are a powerful testimony to God’s profound love for each one of us. It is a reminder for us, as Christian stewards, to surrender all that we have to the Gracious Giver.

The First Reading from Genesis is the infamous story of God putting Abraham to the test. God commands Abraham to offer his son, Isaac, to the Lord as a sacrifice. Abraham obeys the Lord. Yet, a messenger of the Lord cries out at the last moment to stop him. Because of Abraham’s faithfulness and surrender to the Lord, he is blessed abundantly.

We can only imagine how Abraham felt, offering the life of his son, not understanding why, but blindly obeying. Yet, Abraham’s response of total surrender to God’s plan is a testament to trust in God’s deep love for us. As Christian stewards, we are called to surrender all to the Lord — our time, our talents, and even our material possessions. We should willingly give God our entire lives with the confidence that He will take care of us.

St. Paul echoes this message so beautifully in our Second Reading. He says, “He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him?” God loves us so much that He gave us His only Son who suffered, died, and rose for us. He has given us His very best. Can we not entrust that He gave us His only Son who suffered, died, and rose for us. He has given us His very best. Can we not entrust everything else along with him?”

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Please support our sponsors
From Your Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

As we gather together in the spirit of community and faith, let us reflect on the profound virtue of humility—a quality that draws us closer to the heart of God and strengthens the bonds of love among us.

In a world often consumed by self-promotion and individual achievements, embracing humility becomes a counter-cultural act that aligns us with the teachings of Jesus Christ. Humility does not diminish our worth; instead, it allows us to recognize the inherent dignity in every person and fosters a spirit of unity.

Scripture reminds us in Philippians 2:3-4, "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility, value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others." Embracing humility challenges us to prioritize the needs of our brothers and sisters, cultivating a sense of compassion and understanding within our parish community.

Humility is not a sign of weakness, but rather a source of strength. It opens our hearts to God's grace, allowing us to receive His love more fully. As we embrace humility, let us seek opportunities to serve one another with selfless love, just as Jesus did when He washed the feet of His disciples.

Practicing humility requires a genuine examination of our hearts and a willingness to let go of pride. Let us approach each day with a humble spirit, recognizing that every person we encounter is a beloved child of God. In doing so, we build a parish community that reflects the love and humility of our Savior.

May the grace of humility guide our actions, deepen our relationships, and draw us ever closer to the heart of Christ. Let us support and uplift one another on this journey of faith, embracing the transformative power of humility.

In Christ's love,
Fr. Jins Joseph

For Your Information

Please save your returnables or can slips for the Steubenville Fund Raiser. And come to lunch at Holy Name on Sunday around 1:00 pm, the proceeds will benefit the Steubenville group.

St. Ann’s Women’s Guild will be holding their Treasures and Treats rummage sale April 27th from 9AM - 2PM. Please set aside any items you wish to donate, but please, no clothing. You can take your items to the storeroom on the back left-side of the chapel any day before or after Mass. Thank you for your help.

Gentlemen, please join us for the February Catholic Man Night, Monday February 26, starting at 6:30PM in the garage at 216 North Florida Street in Laurium.

Young adults in their 20s, 30s, and 40s: Please join us in building up Catholic culture and community in the Copper Country at First Saturday Mass at 9:00AM on March 2, 2024 at Church of the Resurrection, Hancock. The Mass will be a Novus Ordo Mass celebrated in Latin, with readings and homily in English. After Mass, please join us in the church hall for a potluck brunch. Coffee, water, plates, and utensils will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Jeremiah Mason at 906.281.0862. Families are also encouraged to attend!

There will be a five-session Bible Study presented by Kerry Pontis on Sunday nights in the Sacred Heart basement, starting on Sunday, March 10, at 7:00 pm. The theme is “A Biblical Walk Through the Mass”. Signup sheets will be in all three churches on the weekend of February 25th. The cost is $10 for each book ordered.

John & Marion Novak Memorial Scholarship. Applications are now being accepted until May 1 for the upcoming school year. Application forms and scholarship requirements can be obtained from the Parish Office.

Upcoming Calendar Events

**Monday, 2/26/2024:**
- 10:00 am — Rosary for Life, SVdP Pantry
- 6:30 pm — Adoration for Youth, Sacred Heart
- 7:00 pm — Prayer Meeting at Sacred Heart. All are welcome.

**Wednesday, 2/28/2024:**
- 6:00 pm — Faith Formation, Sacred Heart Basement

**Thursday, 2/29/2024:**
- 6:30 pm — Sacred Heart Choir Practice

**Friday, 3/1/2024:**
- 12:10 pm — Stations of the Cross, Sacred Heart
- 4:30 pm — Friday Fish Fry, KC’s, St. Ann
- 5:30 pm — Stations of the Cross, St. Ann

**Sunday, 3/3/2024:**
- 11:30 am — Stations of the Cross, Holy Name
- 1:00 pm — Holy Name Ladies Circle Meeting
- 3:00 pm — The Chosen at Holy Name
- 6:00 pm — Fr. John Riccardo Video, Sacred Heart

The greater the trouble in a good work, the greater the merit before God. If the work frightens you, think of the reward.

--Bishop Frederic Baraga
**Lenten Penance Services, 2024**

**Holy Name of Jesus Vicariate**

- **St. Ignatius Loyola, Houghton**
  6:00 pm — March 6, 2024
- **Sacred Heart, Calumet**
  6:30 pm — March 13, 2024
- **St. Joseph’s Church, Lake Linden**
  6:00 pm — March 20, 2024
- **St. Anne, Chassell**
  St. Ann, Baraga
  6:00 pm — March 22, 2024
  6:30 pm — March 25, 2024
- **St. Albert the Great, Houghton**
  7:30 pm — 9:00 PM March 26, 2024
- **Church of the Resurrection, Hancock**
  6:00 pm March 27, 2024

**Faith Formation:**

**Ash Wednesday and First Reconciliation**

**Welcome!!!**

**~ Friday Fish Fry ~**

February 23, 2024

* Dine In Dinners Includes: Fried or baked fish, homemade fries, coleslaw, side of mac & cheese and dessert
* From 4:30pm - 6:30pm
* St. Ann Church Hall
  ~ Superior Ave., Baraga ~

* Adults $12.00, children 5-12 $6.00, Add’l piece of fish $2.00

---

**Contact Information:**

- **Pastor:** Fr. Jins Joseph
  jinsnov62023@gmail.com
- **Bookkeeper:** Wayne Schwartz
  extension 4
  BCCC@up.net
- **Coordinator of Music:** Maddy Lusty
  906-201-0801
  mlustymusic@gmail.com
- **Secretary/Bulletin:** Karen Mansfeldt
  extension 3
  bulletin@up.net
- **Sacred Heart School:**
  906-524-5157
  Christy Miron—Principal
  principal@sacredheartlanse.org
  Emilia Liddle—Secretary
  secretary@sacredheartlanse.org
- **BCCC Website:**
  www.BaragaCatholic.org
- **School Website:**
  www.sacredheartlanse.org

---

Follow and like us on Facebook:

Sacred Heart School
[https://www.facebook.com/shcscardinals](https://www.facebook.com/shcscardinals)

Baraga County Catholic Community
[https://www.facebook.com/baragacountycatholiccommunity](https://www.facebook.com/baragacountycatholiccommunity)