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# Baraga County Catholic Community

## *“Three Parishes In One Family”*

### • OUR VISION •

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”.



### Stations of the Cross During Lent

**Sacred Heart:** 12:10 pm on Fridays

**St. Ann:** 5:30 pm on Fridays

**Holy Name:** 11:30 am on Sundays

#### **First Reading:**

“This is what you shall tell the Israelites:  
I AM sent me to you.” (Ex 3:14)

#### **Psalm:**

The Lord is kind and merciful. (Ps 103)

#### **Second Reading:**

These things happened to them as an example,  
and they have been written down as a warning to us,  
upon whom the end of the ages has come. (1 Cor 10:11)

#### **Gospel:**

“But I tell you, if you do not repent,  
you will all perish as they did!” (Lk 13:5)

## Mass Schedules + Mass Intentions + Liturgical Ministers

(SH - Sacred Heart; SA - St Ann; HN - Holy Name)

### TUESDAY, 3/25/2025:

- ◆ 5:15 PM, SA, For Robert Velmer by Shirley Velmer

### WEDNESDAY, 3/26/2025:

- ◆ 8:15 AM, SH, For Jerry Bugni by Jeff and Cindy Hubbard

### THURSDAY, 3/27/2025:

- ◆ 8:15 AM, SH, For Robert and Catherine DesRochers by Jim and Jean DesRochers
- ◆ 12:10 PM, SA, For Arnoldine Basanese

### FRIDAY, 3/28/2025:

- ◆ 8:15 AM, SH, For Joanne Stiglich by Jeff and Cindy Hubbard

### SATURDAY, 3/29/2025:

- ◆ 4:00 PM, SA, For Janine Barrett by Joe and Janet Brisson

Lector: Knights of Columbus

EMC: (Body) Knights of Columbus

Altar Servers: Knights of Columbus

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

### SUNDAY, 3/30/2025:

- ◆ 8:00 AM, SA, For the People of the Parish

Lector: Louis Raiger

Ushers: Dave Massie, Volunteer

- ◆ 10:00 AM, SH, For the Deceased Members of the Busakowski Family by Rosie Van Wagner and Family

Lector: Laura Schneider

EMC: (Body) Wendy Hiltunen, Ted Rolof

Altar Servers: Don Perrow, Nate Sterbenz, Mason Stark, Edward Carmody

Hospitality: Karen Mansfeldt, Sharon Kunitz

- ◆ 12:00 PM, HN, For Tim Sturm by Debbie Hockings

Lector: Damon Paris

Scheduler: Lois Kempainen, 906-338-2488

The full Liturgical Schedule is on our website at [baragacatholic.org/liturgy-schedules](http://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:** Jacque Velmer (906)524-5307 or (906)201-4720

## Reconciliation

Saint Ann

6:00pm Tuesday (after Mass)

3:00pm to 3:30pm Saturday

Sacred Heart

11:00am to Noon Saturday

Holy Name

11:30am to Noon Sunday

There may be exceptions to these times. The calendar on our website, [baragacatholic.org/calendar](http://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 (3/20/2025—3/26/2025)

### SACRED HEART

Sacred Heart Statue: Eric Harjala by Diane Richard

Under the Crucifix: Pope Francis

### SAINT ANN

Blessed Mary Statue: Barbara Fish by Darlene Hansen

St. Joseph Statue: Our Parish Family

### HOLY NAME

For the Repose of the Soul of Maggie Mleko

## Parishioner Update

Please pray for the soul of Maggie Mleko.

## Prayer Corner

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Bill Joki, Dan Hochstein, Gerlinde Curtis, Jerry and Shirley Clisch, Rich Wickstrom, Michael Wagner, Eric Lally, Richard Columbe, Amy Delene, Joel Massie, Ken Soli, Amy Roy, Bobbie Owen, Alice Maki, Andre Soumis, Raphael Soumis, Eddie Clements, Patricia Knoll, Howard Soli, Jerry Dompier, Dan Danaher, Barbara Lusty, Louie Roy, Melinda Cieslinski

The full listing of all your prayer concerns is on our website,

[baragacatholic.org/prayer-requests](http://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:

**Fr. Douglas, Fr. Vantivelt, Fr. Breault, Fr. Neuhaus**



**Ed Clements Memorial Spaghetti Dinner**

The annual Ed Clements Memorial Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 5, at Sacred Heart Church in the parish hall. Tickets are available from any school family or at the school. See the flyer on page 5.

Donated items are needed for the silent auction and wine pull. Please bring the auction items to the school and the wine to the church office or basement.

Congratulations to our students who received the sacrament of First Reconciliation on March 15th, and who will receive First Communion on April 27th.

There will be no Faith Formation on March 25th/26th. It's SPRING BREAK! We hope you all have a wonderful vacation.



If you haven't already, please take a baby bottle from the entrance of the church, fill it with your donation (change, check or dollars), and return it to the church before Easter. This fund-raiser benefits the Life Outreach Center.



**When we give to our friends in need, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and through us into the hearts of those who need us.**

**Readings for the Week of 3/23/2025**

- Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
- Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
- Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
- Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14
- Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



**STEWARDSHIP RESULTS**

	Budget	Actual	
<b>For 3/9/2025</b>			
<u>Sacred Heart</u>	\$3,279.62	\$3,747.00	over
<u>Saint Ann</u>	\$2,104.81	\$2,236.00	over
<u>Holy Name</u>	\$761.35	\$555.00	under
<b>For Fiscal Year-to-Date</b>			
<u>Sacred Heart</u>	\$121,345.77	\$125,600.94	over
<u>Saint Ann</u>	\$77,877.88	\$89,316.16	over
<u>Holy Name</u>	\$28,169.81	\$26,523.74	under
(totals include envelopes and loose collection)			

Today's Gospel passage reminds us that life is precious and the gift of time on this earth is just that — a gift. None of us knows how much time will be granted to us, so we must use this gift intentionally to glorify God and serve our neighbor.

Jesus offers the parable of the fig tree to further illustrate this truth. The owner of the orchard came searching for fruit on a fig tree he had planted in his orchard. Finding no fruit on the tree after three years, he told the gardener to cut it down. But the gardener intercedes and asks for one more year to cultivate and fertilize the tree in hopes it would bear fruit in the future. The fig tree was not dying; it simply wasn't doing much of anything at all. Can this be said of us and our lives as well?

The season of Lent is a time to carefully reflect on the way we spend our time. Do we make God our first priority, tending to our spiritual growth and sacramental life with diligence? Do we give the next priority to our loved ones, focusing intentionally on them each day without distractions from phones, screens, or thoughts of work? If not, now is the moment to repent of our waste of time or of misplaced priorities on our use of time. God is merciful but just. Let's turn to Him and ask Him to make our lives fruitful while we still have time to do so.

— Stewardship Reflections by [Catholic Stewardship Consultants](#)

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*From Your Pastor*

**“Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.” — Matthew 4:4**

Dear Parish Family,

Fasting is a powerful spiritual discipline, not just an act of self-denial but a way to deepen our reliance on God. **When we fast, we empty ourselves of distractions to make more room for Christ.** The purpose of fasting is not just to give something up, but to allow God to fill the space we create with His grace.

Lent calls us to reflect on the meaning behind our fasting. Are we doing it out of habit, or are we seeking true spiritual growth? **Fasting should not only involve abstaining from food but also from anything that takes our focus away from God.** This can include negative thoughts, unhealthy habits, or anything that diminishes our ability to love others fully. **It is an opportunity to redirect our hunger toward the Bread of Life, Jesus Christ, who alone satisfies the deepest longings of our hearts.**

This week, let us reflect on our own fasting. Are we using it as an opportunity to grow in holiness? **Let us fast not just from food, but from gossip, negativity, and selfishness. Let us make space for acts of kindness, deeper prayer, and an awareness of God’s presence.** May our fasting be a sacrifice that leads us closer to Christ, who fasted in the desert to prepare for His mission. Let us offer our sacrifices with joy, knowing that they unite us with Him in a deeper way.

In Christ,

Fr Jins Joseph

*For Your Information*

Gentlemen, please join us for the March Catholic Man Breakfast, Monday March 24, starting at 7AM at Victoria's Kitchen in Houghton. We get Catholic guys together a couple times each month to foster fraternity, to build an essential Catholic community, and to grow in the spiritual life as Catholic men. We hope to see you there!

Doing early Spring cleaning? If you have items to donate (no clothing, please) to the St. Ann Women's Guild's rummage sale, please feel free to bring them to the church basement any day before or after Mass. The sale will be held May 17th from 9 AM - 1 PM.

In 2019, Pope Francis established the Sunday of the Word of God to be celebrated each year on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. As the Holy Father stated in his apostolic letter instituting the observance, “Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world” (Aperuit illus, no. 2). On Jan. 26, 2025, in observance of the Sunday of the Word of God, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, through a grant from the American Bible Society, released a “Sunday Seminar Series” of six videos about Sacred Scripture in the life of the Church. These videos, available in English and Spanish, feature bishops and biblical scholars and are accompanied by discussion/reflection questions. The videos are available at: <https://catholic.bible/sunday-of-the-word-of-god/>.

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:

**Sacred Heart Church, Attn: Novak Scholarship, 16 6th St., L’Anse, MI 49946 or Email: BCCC@UP.NET**

Please give us your **Easter Flower Memorial** requests before **April 5** so they can be included in the Easter bulletin. You can put them in the offering basket or bring them to the parish office.

*Upcoming Calendar Events*

Monday, 3/24/2025:

- ◆ 10:00 am — Rosary for Life, SVdP Pantry
- ◆ 6:00 pm — Flame of Love Holy Hour, Sacred Heart
- ◆ 7:00 pm — Prayer Meeting at Sacred Heart.

Tuesday, 3/25/2025:

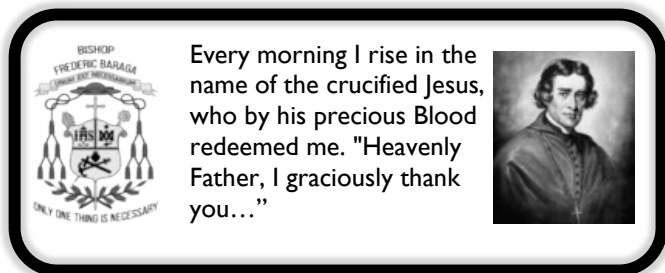
- ◆ 6:00 pm — Lenten Mission, The Search, St. Ann

Friday, 3/28/2025:

- ◆ 12:10 pm — Stations of the Cross, Sacred Heart
- ◆ 4:30 pm — Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, St. Ann
- ◆ 5:30 pm — Stations of the Cross, St. Ann

Sunday, 3/30/2025:

- ◆ 9:00 am — Sacred Heart Choir Practice
- ◆ 11:30 am — Stations of the Cross, Holy Name



### Holy Week Schedule

April 17: Holy Thursday, St. Ann, 7:00 pm  
 April 18: Good Friday, Sacred Heart, 1:00 pm  
 April 19: Easter Vigil, St. Ann, 9:00 pm  
 April 20: Easter Sunday  
     9:00 am St. Ann  
     10:30 am Sacred Heart  
     12:00 pm Holy Name

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For more information or to purchase tickets, call the school office at 906-524-5157

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**55th Annual Ed Clements Spaghetti Dinner**

April 5th at Sacred Heart Church

**5:00 - 7:00 pm**

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**Menu**

- Fried or Baked Fish
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- Mac & Cheese
- Coleslaw
- Dessert

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