

ST. PETER CATHEDRAL

DIOCESE OF MARQUETTE

Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2023

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Venerable Frederic Baraga First Bishop of Marquette

Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00am 10:30am 6:00pm, Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00pm Weekdays Mon - Sat 8:00am (1st Saturday 10:00am)

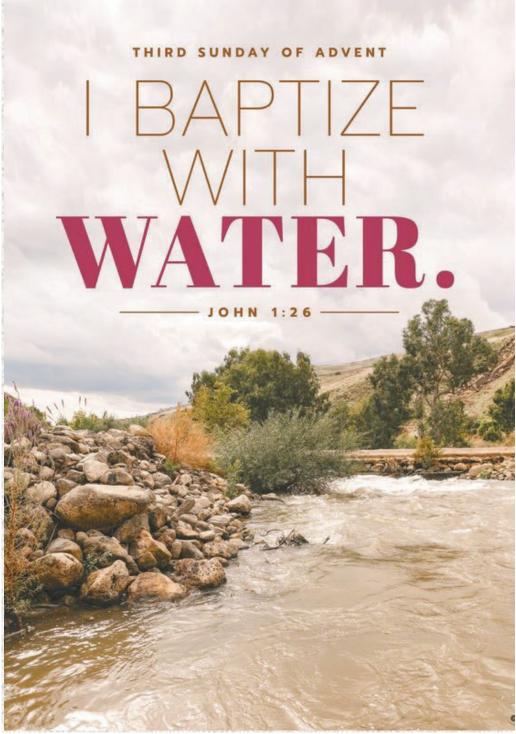
Mon - Fri; 5:15pm

Latin Mass: First Sunday of the Month at 1:00pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 11:00am & by appt. Sunday 5:00-5:45pm

First Friday of month 6:00-7:00 pm



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Cathedral and St Mary Mission Families,

This Sunday we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent, traditionally called "Gaudete Sunday" Remember the free copies of the Magnificat from the Latin in the Introit Antiphon "Gaudete" devotional in the Gathering Area, as well as a meaning "Rejoice." We are nearing the celebration special gift book "Beautiful Eucharist" that is free of our Savior's birth, so we rejoice... the use of for you in the Gathering Area, too. I think you will Rose colored vestments and lighting the Rose enjoy it and find it inspiring! candle in the Advent wreath is part of this joy. We've also had the joy of repentance and receiving God's mercy in Reconciliation at our Penance Services.

Thank you to all helping to decorate the Cathedral and St. Mary's for the full joy of Christmas! Also, great thanks to our Choirs and Music Director for

all your practicing for the Christmas Masses! I hope you have received the parish Christmas card with its listing of the Christmas Mass schedule. Next weekend will bring us into the Christmas Masses to celebrate the coming of our Savior... May any visitors to our parishes find a warm welcome and reverent, uplifting worship!

May all of you and your loved ones be drawn into the depth of God's love in sending us His Son, Jesus. God bless you all!

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,



Second Sunday in Advent

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. And this is the testimony of John.



When the Jews from Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to him to ask him, "Who are you?" He admitted and did not deny it, but admitted, "I am not the Christ." So they asked him,

"What are you then? Are you Elijah?" And he said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." So they said to him, "Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us? What do you have to say for yourself?" He said: "I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'make straight the way of the Lord," as Isaiah the prophet said." Some Pharisees were also sent. They asked him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ or Elijah or the Prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie."

This happened in Bethany across the Jordan, where *Todays Gospel In 1:6-8,19-28* John was baptizing.

MISSION STATEMENT: To encounter Christ through the Eucharist and answer His call to holiness.

To carry out our mission, we:

- follow in the footsteps of Saint Peter and Ven. Bishop Baraga in our commitment to proclaim the Gospel message of Jesus Christ and make disciples of all nations through evangelization and Catholic faith formation;
- are committed to prayerful lives and fostering participation in Eucharistic Adoration and other liturgical devotions;
- welcome and serve our community, especially the less fortunate and one another.

If you have announcements to put in the bulletin please turn them in to Lucy Dewitt at secretary@stpetercathedral.org or Katelyn Napier at katelyn.mckeen.youthministry@gmail.com by 5:00 pm on Monday.

Lily of the Mohawks

"I am not my own; I have given myself to Jesus. He must be my only Love." Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

St. Kateri Tekakwitha brought me full circle in my journey to the priesthood. When I was in high school, after having my major conversion at a Steubenville conference, my youth group leader told me about a book she was reading on St. Kateri Tekakwitha, who is the first Native American Saint. I asked her if I could read it after she had finished. I enjoyed St. Kateri's life story at my family's hunting camp in November of my freshman year of high school. This was



the very first Saint biography I had ever encountered and read. She was a Mohawk Indian, who embraced Catholicism at the age of 19. She struggled with scarring on her face from smallpox and was partially blind. Her name is in honor of St. Catherine of Siena, who she had a deep devotion towards. Sadly her family passed away from the smallpox outbreak that scarred her. She would then live with her uncle and aunt, who with her whole tribe would persecute and make her miserable life converting to Catholicism.

She later moved to Montrael, where it was more acceptable to be Catholic and Native American. She was eager to learn more about her faith, but would pass away, from illness, shortly after moving, at the young age of 24. The reason why I share all of this is not because she is the first Saint I learned about in depth after my conversion, but because it is clear to me that she wants to aid me in my journey homeward to God. Shortly after my ordination on a drive from one classmate's ordination to another classmate's ordination I found myself in Caughnawaga, Quebec, Canada. (just outside of Montrael) in the Church where St. Kateri is buried. Pictured above is her tomb. I was utterly awe struck at this moment. It wasn't planned, but I fell right into her. All I could think was she wanted me to remember that life changing moment of grace in high school and to see how far I had come. For as she said, "I am not my own; I have given myself to Jesus. He must be my only love." I pray that He is that for you, and that you have saints like St. Kateri, who will remind you of the grace and love He has blessed you with in your journey towards Him, Your One Love.

Know of my prayers and please keep me in yours.

God bless, Fr. Matthew

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Advent

The Last Penance Service:

Penance

Wednesday, December 20th St. Louis the King 6:30pm

Services



The Men's Ministry will be meeting In the Media Room On the following dates:

December 23, 2023 January 13, 2024 January 27, 2024

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Celebrate Christmas with these classics on FORMED: **Mary of Nazareth**- It is an epic motion picture that shares the beautiful and compelling story of Mary, Mother of God. Following her life from childhood to the Resurrection of Jesus.

O Holy Night- The Annie Moses Show brings together singers, players, actors, and creators to

declare the truth, beauty, and goodness of God, and to celebrate the Christmas season and glorify the Lord.



Daily Liturgy: Mass Intentions

Monday, December 18

8:00 am Bob Bittrolff \dagger 5:15 pm William Frazier \dagger

Tuesday, December 19

8:00 am Larry "Rocky" Calhoun ⊤ 5:30 pm Leslie Lasko & Family (Living)

Wednesday, December 20

8:00 am Larry James \dagger 5:15 pm Jeanne Burke \dagger

Thursday, December 21

8:00 am Larry "Rocky" Calhoun † 5:15 am Wachter Family (Living)

Friday, December 22

8:00 am Robert Fleming

5:15 pm Mary Ellen Washburne (Living)

Saturday, December 23

8:00 am Joseph Tryban \top 4:00 pm Mary Downey \dagger

Sunday, December 24

8:00 am Dec'd Members of the Vierling &

Huetter Families T

10:30 am John & Charlotte Wapienik +

5:00 pm Fr Francis Dobrzenski , & Mary Ellen

Washburne (Living)

Midnight Parish Family of St Peter Cathedral and

Mass St Mary Mission

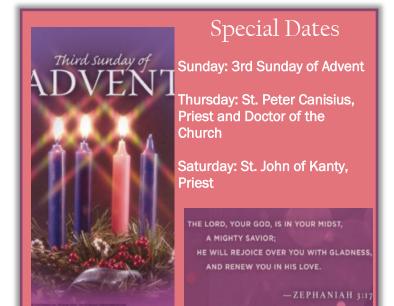
Monday, December 25

8:00am David Andrews 10:00am Special Intention



Please pray for those who are hospitalized and those sick at home: Shannon Doran, Jonah Hurley, Cheryl Paquette, Caleb Morrison, Shirley Burgess, Martha Murray, Madeleine Alderson, Ken LaCross, Carol Shook, Elizabeth Purcell, Daniel LaChance, Mary Novak, Maria Sossi, Robert Shimanek, Lynn Nelson, Marybeth Bell, Charlene Mullen, Steve Somers, Lucia Soderberg, Patty Ellison, Erik Salminen, Susan Vandresse, Marsha Johnson, Mick & Debbie Case, Gabriella Gingras, Robert Przykucki, Carol Carlson, Judith Wentarmini, Avelyn Moore, Jessica & Chris Dieter, Kelly Molino, Skarlett Swartz, Ryan Thomas, Peyton Thomas, Elaine Wasilewski, Aaron Pap, Gunnar John Zemski, Rose & Michelle Hosey, Mary Wilson, Andrea Miron-Koch, Raymond Anderson, Gary & Sharon Anderson, Lucy Lyngen, Jerry Garceau, Gerry Beck, Judy Jason, Terry Byron, Jim Constance, Anne Stumpf, Paulette Collins, Judy Meyers, David Wulffe, Ben Edwards, Moirres Holm, Kim Rotundo, Louise Jean, Lois Baker, Luke Williams, Sandy Jurkovich

Please remember our parishioners who are residents in nursing facilities and the Jacobetti Veterans Home. Please also pray for our relatives, friends and neighbors actively deployed in the Military.



Liturgical Ministry Schedule Saturday/Sunday Masses: December 23th, 24th, 25th

Saturday, December 23 4:00 pm

Altar Servers: Owen & Garrett Maskart

Lectors: Pat Brennen

Hospitality: Geoffrey Lasich, Guy Lasich, Mitchell Lasich &

Jim Ingle

Sunday, December 24 8:00 am Altar Servers: Ed Sanderson

Lectors: Steve & Pat Lynott

Hospitality: Pete LaRue, Ken & Suzette Hantz, John

Archambeault

Sunday, December 24 10:30 am Altar Servers: Calvin Hubbard

Lector: Laura & Michael Reilly

Hospitality: John & Phyllis Trudeau, Ken & Gerry Beck

Sunday, December 24 5:00 pm

Altar Servers: Calvin Hubbard, Owen & Garrett Maskart

Lectors: Pat Brennen

Hospitality: Phil Muck, Andy Wasilewski, Chris MacMaster

Sunday, December 24 Midnight Mass

Altar Servers: Rodney & Ray Modell Lectors: Denise Foye & Russ Modell

Hospitality: Quentin Graham, John Trudeau, Heather

Modell, Bob Jurkovich

Monday, December 25 8:00 am

Altar Servers: John Archambeault, Volunteer Needed

Lectors: Jacy Williams

Hospitality: Nancy Saundri, Volunteers Needed

Monday, December 25 10:00 am

Altar Servers: Volunteer Needed

Lectors: Vicki Morin

Hospitality: Mary Grace Olson, Volunteers Needed

Cathedral Events

Monday, December 18

1:00pm Rosary for Life, Cathedral

Tuesday, December 19

7:00pm Parish Council

7:00pm Hearts of Mercy Prayer Group, Media Rm

7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul, Frassati Rm

Wednesday, Wednesday 20

6:30pm Youth Group, Frassati Rm

6:30pm Adult Enrichment Bible Study, Media Rm

Thursday, December 21

8:00am School Mass

7:00pm OCIA

Friday, December 22

Office Closed in Observance of Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROCESSION

All youth are invited to participate in the procession at the begin-

ning of the 5:00 pm Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve. They will carry **electric candles**.

Children younger than 6 should be accompanied by an older sibling or quardian.

Children should meet in the Bishops' Room by 4:45 pm.

Catholic Radio WNOA airs the St. Peter Cathedral 10:30am Sunday Mass live each week at 103.9 FM.

For the Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage & Anointing of the Sick Please call the Parish Office at 226-6548.

Preparation for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation & Eucharist begins each fall. Please call Annalisa Ogle, Faith Formation, 226-6548. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please contact the Parish Office at 226-6548.

If you would like to join the St. Peter Cathedral parish family, call the Parish Office at 226-6548 or stop in during office hours to register. Please call if you have a change of address, new

Notes from VENERABLE FREDERIC BARAGA First Bishop of Marquette



About four o'clock in the morning, Baraga could be found kneeling on the cold, frozen ground, deeply engrossed in prayer. To talk thus to his Master rekindled his every burning missionary Zeal into a lambent flame



Help welcome in the New Year with prayer!

To thank God for the many blessings of 2023 and to ask Him for guidance in the New Year.

St Peter Cathedral will have a Holy Hour on New Year's Eve (Dec. 31) at 11:00PM, followed by Mass at Midnight, January 1, 2024.

To complete the celebration we will have snacks and refreshments in the Media Room!

Happenings at Father Marquette



1st Place in Innovation Project & 3rd Place Overall. No part was easy but

these kids excelled through the stress of the precision required for the robot coding and showed resilience in



Six Kids + 1 Robot + 15
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learning how to come up with ideas for, and then share an innovation idea on using technology in arts. The 22 teams were so fun to compete alongside, all encouraging each other as they strived for excellence in their performance.

St. Mary Mission

Big Bay, Michigan

Mass Schedule

Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Saturday 5:00 pm July 3 – Sept 4 Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass or by appointment

Clergy

MISSION STATEMENT: As a Eucharistic community, we are on a mission to serve our God by

serving each other and the world around us while we proclaim and live the Gospel.

If you would like to join the parish family of St. Mary Church, please call Sheila at 345-9845 to register, or Msgr. Steber at 226-6548.

Please call if you have a change of address, new phone number, or are leaving the area. Thank you!



Tabernacle Light requests can be sent to Sheila Leahy at 345-9845

St. Vincent de Paul Society

In today's Gospel John the Baptist says, "I am the voice of one crying in the desert; make straight the way of the Lord." Let us ask for the grace to help others to know the love of the Lord.

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving...please give to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessings of Christmas.

Please call John or Jan Keto at (906)-226-7366 for more information on joining us.



Word of Life December 2023



"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity.

Those whom man enslaves, let God set free." USCCB, "Prayer to St. Josephine Bakhita"

Prayer to

St. Josephine Bakhita

St. Josephine Bakhita, you were sold into slavery as a child and endured untold hardship and suffering. Once liberated from your physical enslavement, you found true redemption in your encounter with Christ and his Church.

O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. Those whom man enslaves, let God set free.

Provide comfort to survivors of slavery and let them look to you as an example of hope and faith. Help all survivors find healing from their wounds. We ask for your prayers and intercessions for those enslaved among us.

Amen.

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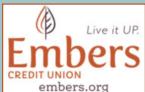


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