

Saint Mary Catholic Church 32 1st St. NE Winnebago, Minnesota



Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church 214 S. Holland Blue Earth, Minnesota

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Summer Office hours: Mon., 8 a.m. – noon., Tues., 8 a.m. – noon, Wed., 8 – noon, Thurs., 8:00 – noon.

Sunday, August 9th, 2020 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, 5:15 p.m., SS. Peter & Paul Sunday, 8:00 a.m., St. Mary Sunday, 10:00 a.m., SS. Peter & Paul

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 8:30 a.m., St. Mary Wednesday, 8:30 a.m., SS. Peter & Paul Thursday, 8:30 a.m., SS Peter & Paul Friday, 8:30 a.m., SS. Peter & Paul (1st Friday Mass is followed by Holy Hour)

<u>Please check page 2 of bulletin for</u> any changes to the schedule

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

SSPP – Saturday at 4:00 PM St. Mary's : Sunday at 7:30 AM

Sacrament of Baptism

Arrangements are made by contacting the pastor in advance of the date.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements for preparation & the date are made by contacting the pastor at least 6 months before.

Pastoral Care of the Elderly/Sick

Please contact the pastor when someone is hospitalized or homebound.

Prayer Network

Anyone wishing to have the prayerful support of our parish community may relay your prayer request to Ruth Kastner (943-3478) or Jeanette Verdoorn (526-2333) to initiate the calling tree.

For prayers requests for St. Mary's, call Mary Franta (893-4326) or Chris Rockers (893-3729).

Faith Formation

We have resources & activities for growth & formation of faith in all members of all ages. For our young people, we have programs & youth ministries coordinated by Angie Nagel at SS. Peter & Paul (526-5626) & Pat Salic at St. Mary (236-2195).

Joining or Returning to the Catholic Church

The rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process for adults to become members of the Catholic Church. For additional information, please contact the pastor.

To rent the Social Hall of SS Peter & Paul

To schedule activities/events, please contact Pat Boettcher(526-5626)

Bulletin notices Contact Pat by Wednesday afternoon at the office (<u>patsspp@bevcomm.net</u>) or by phone (526-5626).

May the peace of Christ be with you, In our reflection on the Commandments in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we move on to the eighth commandment: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. According to the Scriptures, God is the source of all truth, since he is the creator of all that is. Truth is the conformity of our minds to reality, and God is the source of reality. Therefore to speak against the truth is to speak against God himself. Also, Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth and the life" (John 14:6). He identifies himself as the truth since he is God, the creator of all and the one who determines what is true. As human beings we do not create the truth, we discover or come to know the truth that already is. We are called to bear witness to the truth, not only in how we speak, but in how we live our lives. The supreme witnesses to the truth are martyrs who would rather give their lives rather than deny the truth of the faith. When Pontius Pilate questioned Jesus about his mission, he responded, "I have come to testify to the truth," to which Pilate replied, "What is truth?" (John 18:38). St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians calls us to put away all falsehood, by avoiding "all malice and all guile and insincerity and envy and all slander" (1 Pet 2:1, Eph 4:25). Directly contrary to this command is bearing false witness against our neighbor, which is a public statement contrary to the truth. When it is made under oath it is perjury, which gravely compromise the exercise of justice and contributes to the condemnation of the innocent, the exoneration of the guilty, or the increased punishment of the accused. Thus perjury when committed with full knowledge and consent of the will is a deadly or mortal sin.

In next week's gospel, Matthew 15:21-28, we have the Canaanite woman who approaches Jesus to ask for healing for her daughter who is tormented by a demon. Jesus states that he was sent only for the lost sheep of the house of Israel. She insists on asking for help as she kneels before the Lord in homage. Jesus says, "It is not right to take the food (literally "bread") of the children and throw it to the dogs." He is not intending to insult the woman but is drawing an

analogy. We do not feed our dogs expensive steaks and fine wine, since they do not appreciate it any more than ordinary dog food. The people of Israel have been given a gradual revelation of the salvation that God brings by means of the law and the prophets and the ultimate fulfillment of God's revelation with God himself becoming man in Jesus Christ. Someone who is not aware of this history and who does not have the gift of faith or understanding of the Lord, would not appreciate the grace of salvation and what God has done in offering himself in the sacrifice of the cross. The Canaanite woman shows that she has this faith by her response, "even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." She exhibits an understanding that Jesus is the Lord and that he has power and authority over demons and illnesses. Because of this faith, Jesus heals her daughter.

The Eucharist in the Catholic Church is more than ordinary bread and the Mass is more than a meal. In order to receive communion, one must demonstrate the gift of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord, that Jesus has given his life for us in the sacrifice of the cross and an understanding of the Eucharist as truly and substantially the body and blood of Jesus Christ, that it is really Jesus the Lord whom we receive in communion. To receive Jesus in communion means that one is in substantial communion with everyone else who receives communion, that is, one has made a profession of faith in all that the Catholic Church teaches and believes with the intention of being a member of the Church.

God bless you,

Fr. Andrew Beerman

Even though we may not be able to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, we can make an act of spiritual Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

MASS SCHEDULE for 8/11-8/16

Tues., 8/11- St. Mary's – 8:30AM – Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Society Wed., 8/12 - SS PP - 8:30 AM - Dick Maher ♥ Thur., 8/13-SSPP-8:30AM - Irene Bassett & Fri., 8/14 – SSPP 5:15 PM – Assumption

Vigil - Catholic Daughters

Sat., 8/15 – SSPP – 5:15 PM – Dolores Engesser ♥ Sun., 8/16 – St. Mary's – 8:00 AM – For the People Sun., 8/16 - SSPP - 10:00 AM - John & AnnMaria Schimek decendents

Until further notice, Mass at SS Peter & Paul will be in the main church. The chapel will not be used. Please use the carport entrance at SSPP. Please follow the Safety & Hygiene protocol at both churches. The churches will be cleaned and sanitized before and after each Mass. Some pews will be taped off to allow for distancing. There will be hand sanitizer at the church entrance to use when arriving and when departing the building. The Bishop's dispensation for Mass attendance is still in place. If you are unable to attend, Mass can be viewed on the St. John Vianney website. SJV website http://sjvhf.org/ -Masses, bulletins, etc. SJV Youtube Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFd580M Wt1MVvgNl8NnWguA. SJV – Facebook https://www.facebook.com/St-John-Vianney-Catholic-

SS Peter & Paul if you are planning on attending the daily or weekend Mass please note the following: According to the safety protocols of the diocese and the state of MN, there will be a sign-in sheet at the entrance of the social hall so we know who was attending.. On the next table the hand sanitizer will be available to use when you enter and leave church. Please remember to social distance. Families can sit together in a pew, but there needs to be **6 feet between occupants in all other pews.** The carport door will be the only open door at this time. It will be open from 8-5 each day. If you are coming in during the week to pray, please wipe down the pew you used with sanitizer. Thanks

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St. Mary's – Sign up for all Masses by calling Lola Baxter at 525-4053 or 893-3765. Thank you

Masks are now required by state and diocesan mandate for those over the age of 2 attending Mass. We only have a limited supply of masks available, so please bring your own mask if possible.

Repairs to stained glass windows: The courtyard windows at SS Peter & Paul are the last windows that need the protective covering added to prevent water seeping into the church. At this time we will be updating the 5 smaller windows at a cost of \$\$19,786. If you are able, could you please help donate to the cost of this project? Thank you for your generosity.

Dr. Edward Sri is doing a virtual bible study for our parishes! This has been specifically arranged just for us. This will be done on Zoom on Wednesday, August 26th at 7pm. There will be time at the end to ask questions, too! Dr. Sri is a well-known author and speaker, and he appears regularly on EWTN. This is a great opportunity for us, so don't miss out! More information will be coming out soon! **You** must register in advance for this meeting. Contact Bridget at 235-2451 or bbecker@sjvhf.org for the registration link. This study is filling up, so call soon if you are

interested.

Readings for the week of August 9, 2020

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

[8]/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131

[103a]/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [4b]/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62 [cf. 7b]/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [1c]/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28. Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Do you have one hour a week to spare for prayer?

The Seven Sisters group in Winnebago and Blue Earth are looking for additional pray-ers for our parish priests. You pick the day, you pick the time. Now more than ever, our Diocesan priests are in need of our prayers. Janette Howe, the foundress of the Seven Sisters Apostolate started seven groups of seven women in St. Paul, after experiencing a nudge from the Holy Spirit in 2010. Seven Sisters groups are now active in 48 states, six continents and 18 countries. Seven women, Seven days a week, one holy hour per day is dedicated to cover our priests, retired priests, Parochial Vicars, missionaries, priests in religious orders, and Bishops in prayer. For more information on how you can become involved, please contact Lola Baxter. 507-525-4053

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul:

Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$21,010.00 Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$18,875.00

Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary:

Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$5,725.00 Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$6,299.00

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry:

Contact info: Angie Nagel – 526-5626(office), 507-276-5114(cell #), or angieyouthministry@bevcomm.net

Fall Rummage Sale

Our annual Youth Rummage Sale is scheduled to be September 11-13 with drop off dates being September 9 & 10. As of right now, we are still planning on having the Rummage Sale with guidelines in place. For example, only a certain number of shoppers would be allowed at one time and hand sanitizing would be required when entering and leaving. With things changing almost on a daily basis, we may end up having to cancel the sale as the date gets closer. With that being said, we will not be able to accept any early donations. I have started a pile in my home in anticipation that the sale will happen. I encourage you to do the same:) Please feel free to email or call me anytime with questions or suggestions!

Phone Book Delivery help needed!

I am looking for some help to deliver Northland Phone Books. Some areas of town are already done. The phone books are in plastic bags and just need to be hung on a door or put on the front step of homes. If you and your family are willing to help. please let me know! Even if you can commit to just delivering to one or two streets, that would be very helpful!

Catechists needed for the 2020/2021 Faith Formation year!

Our parish Faith Formation program is in need of catechists for the coming year. There are currently openings in Grades K-5 (2:30-4:00pm) and Grades 6-10 (Wednesday evenings). Please prayerfully consider sharing your faith and your time with our parish children and youth. Lesson plans are provided for catechists of all grades as well as supplemental materials like videos. books, hands on activities, and information on Saints and liturgical seasons. Classes begin on October 7th and end on April 28th. Pray about it and see if God is calling you to be a part of this important ministry. If you hear God calling you, make sure to call me too!