

## Welcome!

We're here to help you begin or continue your faith journey, so you can find true peace, happiness and purpose in life. If you would like to join one of our parishes, contact any staff member and we will be honored to officially welcome you home!

## Tri-Parish Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 p.m. at St. Teresa  
Sunday 8:00 am at St. Matthew  
Sunday 10:00 am at St. Joseph

Weekdays: Please see Inside Bulletin

Holy Days See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass

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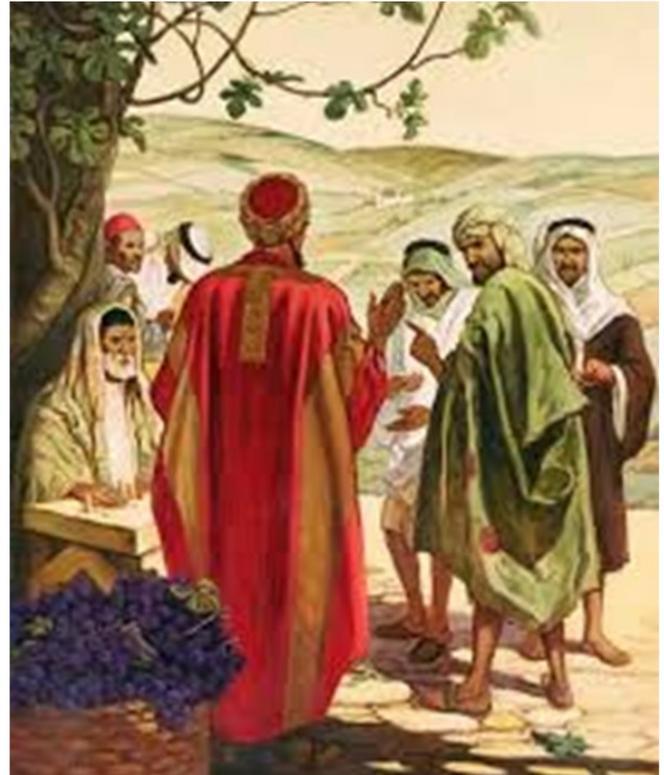
Connie Peters, St. Joseph Faith Formation

Cindy Young, St. Matthew Faith Formation

Karen Langworthy, St. Teresa Faith Formation

September 21, 2014

## Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Are you envious because I am generous?  
Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.

Matthew 20: 15-16

### The Sacrament of Baptism

Pre-Baptism preparation is required. Please contact the office at least one month before the desired date.

**The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick** Please notify the office if you or a family member is in the hospital or homebound and would like a pastoral visit.

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

One half hour before each weekend Mass, 8a.m. Thursday at St. Teresa or by private appt. with Fr. Kern

### The Sacrament of Marriage

All Catholics need to meet with the priest or deacon at least 6 months before being married. Contact the office at least 6 months in advance of your wedding.



## From the Heart - by Fr. Kern

This weekend we celebrate Catechetical Sunday which both celebrates those who have given their time and energy to hand on the faith to our children as well as we request the Father's blessing upon them as they teach and instruct the faith. We also pray for their own strength to witness to Jesus by how they live their lives each day. I am always inspired by those who willingly give up a night each week to teach the faith and who come despite their own demands of life with a smile on their face and ready to love the youth and engage them with the message of salvation. I am particularly excited about offering a new Confirmation program to our 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders in hopes that this program will aid in engaging them with the teachings of the Church so that they might live for Jesus amidst the many societal pressures that are placed on them each day. Thank you for everyone who has helped in this transition and continues to help as we now prepare our youth group activities for the coming year. It takes a lot of planning and preparations for ministries to prosper but by God's grace we can help each young person to have a personal relationship with Jesus and be ready to open their heart to faith while they live in the modern world.

This week Monday through Wednesday I will be away at our annual Presbyteral Days in Okoboji, IA. Every year this gathering is a wonderful time of fraternity with brother priests and a time of refocus and rededication to our resolve to serve as one under the bishop. It is a unifying experience to gather with all the priests of the diocese and share in both prayer and ordinary conversation together. This year the topics we will discuss will be Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, on the Joy of the Gospel, as well as some continued conversations on Pastoral Planning where we will be informed of the next steps and timeline for the planning process in our diocese. These two topics serve well together as though it is difficult to see a decline in Church attendance, the mission of the Church has never changed—we are called to invite people to encounter Jesus Christ and to follow Him. In our modern world, this need is ever more urgent as many people no longer look to Jesus for fulfillment but instead look to the things of the world to satisfy. Jesus is ever relevant to our contemporary culture, but our approach in bringing people to realize that might need to be altered!

Please keep us priests in prayer this week as we seek to reflect on the ways that Jesus Christ is at work in our ministries and be renewed in our trust in the plan of the Holy Spirit to lead the Church through the ages. You will remain in my intentions at mass as well as prayers throughout the days we are gathered.

## Mass Intentions, Readings, & Saints

### Monday, September 22

Proverbs 3:27-34; Psalm 15:2-5; Luke 8:16-18

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**

**8:30 a.m. Communion Service at St. Teresa**

### Tuesday, September 23      **St. Pius of Pietrelcina**

Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13; Psalm 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44; Luke 8:19-21

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**

**8:30 a.m. Communion Service at St. Joseph**

### Wednesday, September 24

Proverbs 30:5-9; Psalm 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Luke 9:1-6

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**

**8:30 a.m. Communion Service at St. Matthew**

### Thursday, September 25

Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Psalm 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Luke 9:7-9

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**

**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** † *Joe Adams*

**3:30 p.m. Mass at MCH** † *John Breiter*

### Friday, September 26      **Sts. Cosmas and Damian**

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Psalm 144:1-4; Luke 9:18-22

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**

**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** † *Lillian Pfeffer*

### Saturday, September 27      **St. Vincent de Paul**

Ecclesiastes 11:9—12:8; Psalm 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Luke 9:43-45

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**

**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** † *Ruth Daly*

**5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Teresa** † *Theresa Healy*

### Sunday, September 28      **Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Psalm 25:4-9;

Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

**10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph** *People of the tri-parish*

**12 noon Mass Harvest Mass** *Reparation for our sins*

### Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

**Quilter Group will begin** for the year on Wed., October 1 at 1 p.m. The group meets at St. Teresa. All are welcome to come and help. You do not need to sew, just tie knots!

Thursday, October 2    6:15 p.m. St. Teresa Pastoral Council



**God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities who have requested our prayers:**

Mavis Treanor, Maureen Springer, Kathleen Abrahamson, Yolande Abrahamson, Charles McColl, Jerry Etherington, Chris FitzSimmons, Cathy Pluym, Carol Gregor, Richard Nowak, Tiffany Sonnek

*If you or a member of your family would like our prayers, please call 524-3127 and ask to be put on this prayer list. Each name will remain on the list for eight weeks unless the office is notified to leave the name for a longer amount of time.*

**Due to the Harvest Mass on September 28th, there will be NO 8 a.m. Mass that day at St. Matthew. Please plan to attend the Harvest Mass at noon.**

## Faith Formation

### Faith Formation Classes

Classes will meet on Wednesday at the following times and locations:

<b>St. Joseph:</b>	K-8	6:30p.m.-7:30p.m.
<b>St. Matthew:</b>	K-8	6:30p.m.-7:30p.m.
<b>St. Teresa:</b>	K-6*	6:15p.m.-7:15p.m.
	7-8	7:30p.m.-8:30p.m.

### Tri-parish Confirmation classes held at St. Teresa

9th	7:30—9 p.m.
10th	7:30—9 p.m.

### Teachers for St. Joseph:

5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> combo – Jody Trio (another person needed to share)

**Confirmation for the 11th graders will take place on Wednesday, October 8 at St. Teresa Church.** Please pray for them as they prepare for this Sacrament.

**Tri-parish High School Youth Group-**  
first meeting of the year Sunday, October 5 at 7 p.m.  
At St. Teresa All youth in 9—12 grade are invited and encouraged to attend. Come find out what we're all about!

### Adult Faith Formation Opportunities



**Thursday morning Bible Study** will begin on September 25. We will meet after the 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa. We have a light breakfast and usually end around 10:30 a.m. This fall we will be using Pope Francis and the Joy of the Gospel: Rediscovering the Heart of a Disciple by Dr. Edward Sri.

**Church History with Deacon Chris** Wednesday 6:15 — 7:15 p.m. beginning September 17 at the St. Teresa gathering space classroom. This will be a guided exploration of Church history.

*Please consider joining us at either or both of these times for an enjoyable time and a chance to learn and grow in Faith.*



### Tri-parish Women's Book Club

The book club will meet every other month and be in contact by emails in between the meetings. Anyone interested in being a part of the book club but could not attend the informational meeting is still encouraged to join. Please call Carol at the tri-parish office, 524-3127, or Stephanie Stencel at 995-2227 to sign up.

**Classes begin Tuesday, October 7  
7p.m.—8:15 p.m. at St. Teresa**

**Join Fr. Kern as he teaches a course on the Catholic Faith that will enhance your understanding of Christ and His Church. This course will be for all those interested in the RCIA process as well as any one interested in growing closer to Jesus. Questions?-please contact the tri-parish office or Fr. Kern.**

## Parish News



### Harvest Mass September 28, Noon Mass

St. Matthew will once again sponsor the Harvest Mass ; it will be held at the Steve and Jodi Roelofs farm, 14715 534th, Vernon Center. Please bring lawn chairs and a dish to pass. All are welcome!



### St Matthew Annual Turkey Dinner Sunday, October 5th

Serving Family Style 4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.  
Turkey and Dressing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Coleslaw, Rolls, and HOMEMADE Pie.  
There will also be a Raffle and silent auction. Raffle tickets are \$2 and can be obtained from CCW members. Carry outs are available. -549-3004  
The Turkey Dinner benefits the Faith Formation program and is given a matching grant by Catholic United Financial.

### Our churches will be producing a new pictorial directory with Lifetouch. Our photo dates are:

**St Joseph,** Wednesday, Oct 29 2:00-9:00  
**St Teresa,** Tuesday- Friday, Nov 4-7 2:00-9:00  
Saturday, Nov 8 9:00-4:00  
**St Matthew,** Tuesday, Nov 11 2:00-9:00

You will receive a complimentary portrait session, 8x10 portrait, and directory for participating. If you would like to bring in a personal item to photograph with such as sporting equipment, an instrument, a medal, jewelry, a Bible or pet that is encouraged and will be incorporated into your portrait session. Should you know anyone that has or would like to attend our church, every family is welcome to invite others at this special time and they too would receive the benefits of the portrait session.

Sign up for a session beginning October 4-5 at each church.

**St Teresa: Potluck Supper**  
Please plan to attend a potluck supper after the 5 p.m. Mass on **Saturday, September 27.** Beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass. After supper we will show the first episode of the Catholicism Series by Fr. Robert Barron. Everyone is invited to stay for this inspirational video. (It is 50 min. long)

### Church of St. Peter, St. Peter, MN Parish Festival

September 27: begins at 3 pm, Mass at 5 and Café from 6-8  
Wine and Beer Garden 6-9  
September 28: breakfast of French toast, eggs, and sausage 8:30 am— 12:30 pm

## Stewardship of Treasure



God's generosity will never be outdone by our own.

### St. Teresa:

Weekly collection...	\$736.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$29,791.61
Amount budgeted year to date ..	\$34,804.00

### St. Matthew (September 14)

Weekly collection.....	\$1265.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$9335.50
Amount budgeted year to date...	\$14,729.00

### St. Joseph (September 14)

Weekly collection .....	\$473.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$7429.55
Amount budgeted year to date	\$12,430.00



## Ministry Roles

### September 27 St. Teresa 5:00 p.m.

**Reader:** Ann Langworthy

**Minister of Communion:** Butch Bach,  
Judy Bach

**Hospitality:** Alice and Dan Germa,  
Noah Germa, John Hengel

**Gifts:** John and Marla Trio

**Servers:** Andrew Hoppe, AJ Kunkel,  
Samantha Kunkel

**Money Counters:** Kay Proehl, Ann Walters

### September 28 St. Matthew 12 Noon

**Reader:** Art Schuch

**Minister of Communion:** Denise Peterson,  
Dave Weir

**Hospitality:** Dave Sanders family

**Servers:** Jeff Lewis, Joseph Bennett

**Money Counters:** Wendy Bennett,  
Linda Anderson

### September 28 St. Joseph 10:00 a.m.

**Reader:** Kevin FitzSimmons

**Minister of Communion:** John FitzSimmons,  
Paul FitzSimmons

**Hospitality:** Jay and Cassie Winters

**Gifts:** Jay and Cassie Winters

**Servers:** April Klecker, Ethan McGregor

**Money Counters:** Rachel Depuydt,  
Leah Davis

**Ministry schedules are available on the web-site: [sjsmst.org](http://sjsmst.org)**

## Our Catholic World



**Please pray for our country!:**



**"The Rosary is the 'weapon' for these times."**

--Saint Padre Pio **Every Wednesday at 4:15 p.m.**

**St. Teresa Church**

### **Anyone volunteering to work with youth in the Diocese of Winona must have attended a VIRTUS training class.**

This includes catechists, youth group volunteers, parents, grandparents or any one else who may drive or chaperone the youth of our parish during the year. The next VIRTUS training in our tri-parish will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 23 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Teresa. If you think you may be volunteering in any capacity please contact the office 524-3127 or [sjsmst@hickorytech.net](mailto:sjsmst@hickorytech.net) or go on line to <http://www.virtus.org/virtus/> to register for a class. You may attend a class offered anywhere in the Diocese.

### St. Anthony Catholic Gift Store

Located in the hall at St. Teresa

Come and check out new items: beautiful new rosaries and many sacred pictures.

Cards and gifts for many occasions. Books for youth and adults.

**All proceeds from sales go to support the many initiatives for the youth of our parish that Father is promoting. Stop by the store to support our youth and aid your personal devotions.**



### Ecclesia Domestica Men's Retreat October 10th-12th

Ecclesia Domestica is Latin for "The Domestic Church" or "the church in the home" referring to the Christian family as the first cell of the life of the Universal Church. The men's retreat will be held at Prairie River Camp in Bricelyn, MN and will begin at 9 a.m. October 10<sup>th</sup> and end at 2 p.m. October 12<sup>th</sup>.

There will be Mass, Confession and other forms of prayer available such as Rosary, Liturgy of the Hours, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and more. There will be large group and small group sessions and ample time for individual prayer and reflection. Each retreatant is offered one hour of spiritual direction each day. It will be a wonderful opportunity to grow in your Catholic faith! For more information or to register please call the Tri-Parish office at 524-3127 or visit [www.ecclesiadomestica.net](http://www.ecclesiadomestica.net).

### All parish women are invited to a Mini Convention hosted by the Winona Diocese Council of Catholic Women (WDCW)

**"Rediscovering Your Council of Catholic Women".**

#### Guest Speakers:

Theresa Martin-Endow Coordinator and Columnist in Courier  
Father Tom McQuaid-"Animating Your Parish in Global Solidarity"

**Date:** Saturday, October 11

**Registration:** 8:00/Mass: 8:30

**Location:** Sacred Heart Catholic Church

810 S. Cedar Ave Owatonna, MN

**Cost:** \$25.00