

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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October 5, 2014

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;
take care of this vine,
and protect what your right hand has planted...
Psalm 80:14-15

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 begin again our tradition of saying the rosary before the weekend masses during the month of October. It is a beautiful gift to pray the rosary but not just as a routine or words void of meaning, but with deep devotion and trust in God. The rosary meditates on the events and mysteries of the life of Jesus. Each decade (10 beads) meditates on a specific moment in salvation history in which Jesus brought about our redemption and often in which the Blessed Virgin Mary had a significant role in as well. She certainly would have been present to these events and pondered on them in her heart. We imitate Mary's own meditation on her Son when we pray the rosary as we reflect on what took place in history but also how even now God is at work as we recall what God has done for us and also when we unite our hearts to Jesus through Mary. Pray the rosary with devotion and faith—entrusting your worries, concerns, and also joys and thoughts to the Lord through this meditative prayer.

Along with October being the month of the rosary it is also a month where we are reminded of the pressing need to protect life in our world. In a culture that not only endorses abortion and abortion inducing drugs, as egregious as this is, we also live in a time where violence is becoming more commonplace on TV than not. This reality manifests itself in numerous ways but it does seem that we have become numb to way too many catastrophic events in our world done by our own fellow humans. As we pray for the protection of all human life from natural conception to natural death, let us remember our need to be witnesses to life in our day by making the extra effort to love even our enemy.

Finally, I would like to offer a special word of thanks to everyone who has pitched in to help with an extra event or parish function in recent weeks. Your service is valued and as your pastor I continue to be so inspired by the dedication and care at each event both collectively and by individuals. Thanks to each of you for your dedicated love in our parish community. We should especially thank Steve and Jodi Roelofs for opening their farmstead for us and welcoming us for the Tri-Parish Harvest Mass. We had a beautiful and warm Sunday afternoon. Also thanks to the pastoral councils for their work in parish festivals and picnics and St. Matthew for their efforts for the Turkey dinner this weekend. Thanks be to God for the grace and blessings He gives to these parishes and to each of us!

Mass Intentions, Readings, & Saints

Monday, October 6 **St. Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher**
Galatians 1:6-12; Psalm 111:1-2, 7-10; Luke 10:25-37
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Winifred Madsen*

Tuesday, October 7 **Our Lady of the Rosary**
Galatians 1:13-24; Psalm 139:1-3, 13-15; Luke 10:38-42
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph † *Bill Wendlandt*

Wednesday, October 8
Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14; Psalm 117:1-2; Luke 11:1-4
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew † *Charlene Wallace*
7:00 p.m. Confirmation Mass at St. Teresa

Thursday, October 9 **St. Denis and Companions;
St. John Leonardi**
Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 1:69-75; Luke 11:5-13
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Marcella Johnston*
3:30 p.m. Mass at MCH † *Larry Langworthy*

Friday, October 10
Galatians 3:7-14; Psalm 111:1-6; Luke 11:15-26
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa *Reparation for our sins*

Saturday, October 11
Galatians 3:22-29; Psalm 105:2-7; Luke 11:27-28
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Anna Breiter*
5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Teresa *People of the tri-parish*

Sunday, October 12 **Twenty-eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**
Isaiah 25:6-10; Psalm 23:1-6;
Philippians 4:12-14; Matthew 22:1-14
8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew † *Karolyn Schuch
Fitzpatrick*
10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph *Intentions of the
Conley Hiller family*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 1 p.m. Quilters group at St. Teresa
Thursday, October 9 7 p.m. St. Matthew Pastoral Council
Monday, October 13 7 p.m. St Teresa CCW



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, Chris Fitz-Simmons

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.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Classes No class Oct. 8th or 15th.

Please pray for the following young people of the parishes who will be Confirmed Wed., Oct. 8th at St. Teresa at 7 p.m.

St. Joseph:

Paul Schoneck, son of Brian and Pam Schoneck

St. Matthew:

Kellie Anderson, daughter of Linda Anderson

Kallie Majeski, daughter of Neil and Carrie Majeski

St. Teresa:

Luke Hawkinson, son of Greg Hawkinson

Kevan Jewison, son of Patrick and Gail Jewison

Chloe Michael-Teschendorf, daughter of Jenny Michael

Lukas Trio, son of John and Marla Trio

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 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.

Church History with Deacon Chris Wednesday 6:15 — 7:15 p.m. when Faith Formation classes are held at the St. Teresa gathering space classroom.

Parish News

Wednesday, Oct. 15th is the Feast of St. Teresa of Avila, the patroness of St. Teresa Parish. To honor her and pray for her continual intercessions for us there will be a special **Mass at 5:30 p.m. that day.** Please plan now to make the time to attend this Mass on the feast of our patroness.

St. Teresa CCW: If you have not yet paid dues for this year, please do so soon. Forms are available at church or in the tri-parish office. Thank you, we look forward to a great year.

Treats for Troops



St. Teresa is once again collecting items to use for baskets to send to the troops. Please be generous in your support. The boxes for the troops will be packed on Saturday, November 8, from 9—11 a.m. at St. John Lutheran Church, Mapleton. Anyone available to help that day is encouraged to come. There will be a second collection at all Masses the weekend of November 1 and 2. All funds collected will be used to buy items for the boxes and to mail them. For more information contact Dilly Langworthy.

**Classes begin Tuesday, October 7
7 p.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.

Area CCW meeting will be held Monday, Oct. 20 at St. Matthew in Vernon Center. All women of the tri-parish are invited. This is a great opportunity to connect with women in the area since this meeting is being held in one of our parishes! Plan to attend now.



**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.

Baby Bottle Campaign gives alternatives to abortion.



Assist Catholic Charities' Pregnancy, Parenting, and Adoption Program provide assistance to pregnant women and women with children through their Mother and Child Assistance Fund by taking a baby bottle home and filling it with your spare change. Please pick up a baby bottle from the back of church. Contact person for St. Joseph is Leah Davis, for St. Matthew is Mary Lewis, and for St. Teresa, Dilly Langworthy.

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.

Community News

Harvest Dinner, Sunday Oct 12, 10:00 – 1:30, T & C Leisure Center. Serving turkey, ham, potatoes & gravy, salad, dessert, beverage. Take outs available. Proceeds benefit The Well Youth Center.

Fall Turkey Dinner at St. John the Baptist in Minn Lake on Sunday, Oct. 5 from 4—7 p.m. Adults -\$9. children under 10 -\$5 Turkey, dressing, potatoes salad and dessert Also, enjoy shopping the COUNTRY STORE

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa: (September 27)

Weekly collection...	\$1400.72
Amount collected year to date...	\$35,264.83
Amount budgeted year to date ..	\$41,132.00

St. Matthew

Weekly collection.....	
Amount collected year to date...	\$9864.30
Amount budgeted year to date...	\$16,068.00

St. Joseph (September 28)

Weekly collection	\$718.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$9303.80
Amount budgeted year to date	\$14,690.00



Ministry Roles

October 11 St. Teresa 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Youth

Minister of Communion: Kevin Donovan,
Alice Germs

Hospitality: Youth

Gifts: Youth

Servers: Kole Wenner, Ethan Sindelir,
Nolan Braaten

Money Counters: Bob Bissonette,
Sandy Miller

October 12 St. Matthew 8:00 a.m.

Reader: Youth

Minister of Communion: Tony Wendlandt,
Maria Sanders

Hospitality: Youth

Servers: Henry Cooling, Thomas Cooling

Money Counters: Jodi Roelofs, Lee Corey

October 13 St. Joseph 10:00 a.m.

Reader: Youth

Minister of Communion: Connie Peters,
Christine Rahn

Hospitality: Youth

Gifts: Youth

Servers: Ella Sohre, Kelsey Sohre

Money Counters: Cassie Winters,
Maureen Hollerich

Ministry schedules are available on the web-site: 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

Come and See! A discernment retreat with the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus New Ulm Friday, October 17—Sunday, October 19 for single women ages 20—30 to register contact Sr. Maris Stella at handmaids1@gmail.com or 507-276-9128



Rosary Rally Please join us Sat., Oct., 11, at 12:00 Noon, at the Buffalo Statue, corner of Main St., & Riverfront Dr., across from the Blue Earth County Library, Mankato, for the 8th annual America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally, to be prayed in accordance with Our Lady of Fatima's message, to offer reparation for sin, blasphemy, outrages, and to jumpstart luke-warm Catholics. The America Needs Fatima Campaign is sponsoring Public Square Rosary Rallies in cities all over America. Their goal for this year is 12,000 rallies, and as I type this, there are 11,125 scheduled. Invite your friends and family and be included in this holy event. Please dress for the weather, and bring a lawn chair, if you'd like.

Theology on Tap

Attention Young Adults: Join Fr Tim and Fr Kern for an evening of "Grill the Priests" on October 9th at 9:15 p.m. at Jake's Pizza in Mankato.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. We will be praying the rosary before each Mass during the month. Please come to Mass 20 minutes early to pray this beautiful prayer to Our Lady while we meditate on the mysteries of Our Lord's life. If you would be able to help by leading the rosary one day, please contact the tri-parish office.

St. Anthony Catholic Gift Store Located in the hall at St. Teresa **Stop in for Rosaries, Rosary cases, and more!**

All proceeds from sales go to support the many initiatives for the youth of our parish that Father is promoting.

Tired of politics as usual? Frustrated by political parties and special interest groups just looking for more power? The Minnesota Catholic Conference (MCC), the public policy voice of the Catholic Church in MN, is offering you an opportunity to go beyond partisan politics and explore how we can all better "think with the Church" when considering the policy issues, decisions, and people we choose to support.

Join us on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at St. Joseph the Worker in Mankato at 6:30 p.m. The talk is free and open to everyone. Reflect on how to live as a faithful, Christ-filled citizen in a challenging culture.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE Everyone is invited to take part in the 40 Days for Life effort from September 25 through November 2. In addition to **40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in America**, please consider volunteering to pray outside of Planned Parenthood in Mankato for one or more hours during the 40 days. To get more information, or to volunteer to help, please contact: Dr. Joseph Eckert at 507-387-3544, or go to www.40daysforlife@gmail.com