

St. Joseph + St. Matthew + St. Teresa

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Mapleton

The Catholic
Diocese of
Winona

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. Joseph (1st, 3rd, 5th)
At St. Matthew (2nd, 4th)
Sunday 9:00 am at St. Teresa

Weekdays: Please see Inside Bulletin

Holy Days See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass

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September 3, 2017 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

Matthew 16:27

The Sacrament of Baptism

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

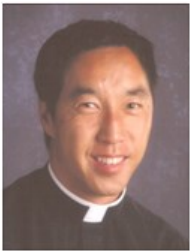
The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Please notify the office if you or a family member is in the hospital or homebound and would like a pastoral visit.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

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.



Yo, what's up?

Not much is going on this week. Wednesday, September 6th is our bishop emeritus, Bishop Harrington's 85th birthday. Next weekend (September 9-10), we will re-consecrate our parishes to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This is something that has been requested by Bishop Quinn. I know you did it at least last year, maybe even before that. What a blessing to consecrate our parishes to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Mary's heart experienced so much through the life, death, and resurrection of her Son, Jesus Christ. Just as she cared for and loved her Son, so she is our mother too. She cares about us and loves us. She intercedes for us. Her heart and Jesus's heart are in complete union and synchronization.

This week we hear Jesus rebuke Peter. This is just after Jesus promises to build His Church on Peter. Some would say this is evidence that Jesus wasn't speaking literally when He said He was going to build His Church on Peter. To me, this just affirms it. Peter is a fallen human being. But with the grace of God, Peter is able to be the rock that the Church needs for its first pope. It is not about Peter; it's about God. The same should be true of us. Our lives should not be about us, but about God working in and through us. Jesus even says, "Whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" Or as Saint Paul said, "I must decrease and He (Jesus) must increase." May this be true in our lives.

Peace of Christ,
Father Vogel

Friday, Sept. 8 is the Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

"Let us celebrate with joy the birth of the Virgin Mary, of whom was born the Sun of Justice.... Her birth constitutes the hope and the light of salvation for the whole world.... Her image is light for the whole Christian people" (From the Liturgy).



Birthday celebrations bring happiness to the celebrant as well as to family and friends. Next to the birth of Jesus, Mary's birth offers the greatest possible happiness to the world. Each time we celebrate her birth, we can confidently hope for an increase of peace in our hearts and in the world at large. (franciscanmedia.org)

Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, September 4

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Psalm 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Luke 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 5

St. Teresa of Calcutta

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14; Luke 4:31-37

Rosary for Vocations 8:30 a.m. at St. Joseph

Wednesday, September 6

Colossians 1:1-8; Psalm 52:10-11; Luke 4:38-44
4:15 p.m. Rosary for our country at St. Teresa

Thursday, September 7

Colossians 1:9-14; Psalm 98:2-6; Luke 5:1-11

7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Laura Denn*

Friday, September 8

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Micah 5:1-4 or Romans 8:28-30; Psalm 13:6; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH † *Florence Stenzel*

Saturday, September 9

St. Peter Claver

Colossians 1:21-23; Psalm 54:3-4, 6, 8; Luke 6:1-5

7:50 p.m. Mass at St. St. Matthew *People of the tri-parish*

Sunday, September 10

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 33:7-9; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Charlotte Hiniker*
12 noon Mass at St. Joseph † *Bernette Hollerich*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Tri-parish office closed Monday, Sept. 4

Wed., Sept. 6 6:00 p.m. St. Teresa Cemetery Board

Wed. Sept. 13 7:30 p.m. Confirmation meeting

Beginning Sunday, August 27, 2017, Ss. Peter & Paul Parish in Mankato will offer traditional Latin Mass every Sunday at 4:15 p.m., rather than on the first Saturday of each month, which had been the previous schedule.

Pro-Life Presentation — All are welcome!

MCCL will offer a pro-life presentation on Wed., September 13 at 7 p.m. at Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Mankato (in DeSmet Hall). You will learn about how to help pregnant women in need, MN abortion statistics, efforts to overturn our law against assisted suicide, and more. Discover how you can make a difference in protecting innocent human life. Enjoy fellowship at the free one hour gathering! For more information visit the Events—Fall Tour section at www.mccl.org



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

Emily Minkel, Craig Etherington, Don Shubert, Deanna Shanahan, Terry Hassing, Bill Barnard, Dorothy Lindemann, Don Landsteiner, Bill Fleming, *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

Youth Faith Formation for the new year will begin Wednesday, September 20th. Registration forms have been mailed out. If you did not receive one, please contact the tri-parish office.

Confirmation: This year Confirmation will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Casimir Church in Wells.

On Wednesday, Sept. 13 there will be a meeting for all 9th and 10th graders who are preparing for Confirmation. At least one parent and the student must attend. Information and expectations for the year will be presented. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

The Tri-parish Youth Faith Formation program is looking for more adult volunteers who are excited about passing on the teachings of the Church to the younger generations for this upcoming faith formation year! We are still in need of:

- 2-3 catechists
- 3-4 classroom assistants
- 3-4 substitute catechists

If you feel called to offer your time and your talents and serve the Church in this way, please talk to either Father Vogel or the faith formation director, Julia Bressler. Julia can be reached at (320)-266-8397.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
CGS Open House - Sunday, Sept. 10, 1-3 PM at St. Joseph's (during Festival in the Park).

CGS is in need of volunteers for wood working, hand work, crafting and sewing. We have several projects that need to be completed within the next month.

Please contact the following people if you are interested in helping with any of these projects.

- Wood Working - Neil Majeski, 507-327-3559
 - Crafting - Kim Kleven, 507-420-1866
 - Sewing or Hand Work - Karen Langworthy, 507-995-0988
 - Or contact the tri-parish office for any of the projects
- We are still in need of supplies for the Atrium. .

Additional supplies needed -
1 - box Borax ; 5 lb. bag Flour ; 1 container of Lemon Oil ; 1 container of Linseed Oil ; 1 box Q-tips ; 1 - 12 oz. Rubbing Alcohol ; 1 - 1 lb. Salt ; 1 qt. White Vinegar ; 1 - 6.4 oz. toothpaste

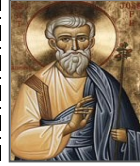
Please drop off donations to the box located in each church.

An updated list can also be found on the tri-parish website: sjsmst.org under the faith formation tab.

Parish News



St. Matthew will once again be having a Silent Auction and a Raffle in conjunction with the October 1 Turkey Dinner. If you are willing and able to make any donations to the auction or raffle please contact Cindy Young. All funds raised at the dinner, raffle, and auction go towards the faith formation expenses of St. Matthew youth.



Festival in the Park Sunday, September 10
at St. Joseph Church and park
Mass at noon—Family Fun until 3 p.m.

Food – pork tenderloin sandwich, potato salad
Live Music — Culture Bend Band (easy listening, country, pop) **Shopping** — Silent auction, bake sale
Kids' games Free will offering for lunch
Come Worship with us and then enjoy...
games, great food, relaxation and great conversation!
Invite your family and friends to join in the festivities.
All are welcome! All the time.

St. Teresa CCW will be having their fall meeting on Monday, September 11 in the church basement. There will be a light supper beginning at 6 p.m. with a short meeting to follow. Sr. Joyce Kolbet will be the featured speaker—*Planning for the End of Life: A Gift for Those You Love.* A resource booklet will be available for purchase at \$10 (A free will offering will be given to Sr. Joyce.) There are sign up sheets at both entrances of the church. Please sign up by Wednesday, September 6.

St. Teresa: We are in need of one or two families who would be willing to help with the scheduling and organizing of the donuts after Mass. Donuts after Mass during the school year benefits the youth and is a long standing tradition. It adds to hospitality and fellowship in our parish. Please consider helping to keep this going. If you have any questions or are willing to help, contact Doug or Tammy Schmidt, Butch Bach, or the office.



Please pray for the soul of Mary Breiter who passed to Eternal Life on August 28. Eternal Rest Grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

Please also pray for her family, that they know of God's love in this difficult time.

Community News



Open house Bridal Shower for MacKenzie Determan, fiancé of Ben Carey, on Sunday, September 10 at 1 p.m. at St. Teresa Church. The couple is registered at Farm and Fleet, Kohl's Target, and Walmart.

Cancer Benefit for the family of Laura Denn

Saturday, September 9 4—8 p.m. Free will offering
Protein Sources Shed (old Motel 22)
Pulled pork meal, silent auction, and bake sale
Matching Funds by the Catholic Order of Foresters

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa (August 27)

Weekly collection	\$2125.00
Amount collected year to date	\$20,658.25
Amount budgeted year to date	\$29,556.00

St. Matthew (August 26)

Weekly collection	\$1747.00
Amount collected year to date	\$6406.00
Amount budgeted year to date	\$11,043.00

St. Joseph (August 19)

Weekly collection	\$2153.00
Amount collected year to date	\$6479.00
Amount budgeted year to date	\$8776.00



Ministry Roles

September 9 St. Matthew 5 p.m.

Reader: Brad Lanoue

Ministers of Communion: Tony Wendlandt,
Wendy Bennett, Justin Davis

Hospitality: Jay Kienholz family

Servers: Layne Davis, Joseph Bennett

Money counters: Neil Majeski, Char Schuch

September 10 St. Teresa 9 a.m.

Reader: Jason Klein

Ministers of Communion: Jim Swanson,
Arleen Swanson

Hospitality: Owen and Theresa Dickey,
Dan and Alice Germa

Gifts: Karmen Bartholomew, Noah Germa

Servers: Evan Klein, Grant Klein, Jacob Rigdon,
Dalton Schmidt

Money counters: Gloria Langworthy, Sandy Miller

Ministry Schedules are available on the website:
sjsmst.org

Let us understand that God is a physician, and that suffering is a medicine for salvation, not a punishment for

Our Catholic World



Results so far for the
2017 Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal

	# of donors	Amount	Goal	% of goal
St. Joseph:	11	\$2425	\$4,770	51
St. Matthew:	10	\$2585	\$4,830	54
St. Teresa:	38	\$6290	\$13,900	45

Thank you to everyone who has given thus far for your generosity. Each year our goals must be met and any shortfall must be made up through general funds of the parish. If you have not yet given to this mission of helping our Diocesan family, it is not too late. Envelopes are available at each church..

SAVE THE DATE - Bishop John Quinn and Bishop Bernard Harrington invite you to join them in Detroit for the **Beatification of Father Solanus Casey**. The Diocese of Winona has organized a 3-night pilgrimage via deluxe motor coach bus to the Beatification Mass at Ford Field in Detroit, Michigan, November 17-20, 2017. Other highlights include the Fr. Solanus Casey Center, Sacred Heart Seminary, a tour of Detroit, and the Shrine of Christ's Passion. A full itinerary will be available soon on the diocesan web site, www.dow.org. For immediate questions, contact Ann Ringlien at aringlien@dow.org or at 507-858-1241.

Sunday Bible Reflections with Dr. Scott Hahn

Today's First Reading catches the prophet Jeremiah in a moment of weakness. His intimate lamentation contains some of the strongest language of doubt found in the Bible. Following God's call, he feels abandoned. Preaching His Word has brought him only derision and reproach.

But God does not deceive—and Jeremiah knows this. He tests the just (see [Jeremiah 20:11-12](#)), and disciplines His children through their sufferings and trials (see [Hebrews 12:5-7](#)).

What Jeremiah learns Jesus states explicitly in today's Gospel. To follow Him is to take up a cross, to deny yourself—your priorities, preferences, and comforts. It is to be willing to give it all up, even life itself, for the sake of His gospel. As Paul says in today's Epistle, we have to join ourselves to the Passion of Christ, to offer our bodies—our whole beings—as living sacrifices to God.

By His Cross, Jesus has shown us what Israel's sacrifices of animals were meant to teach—that we owe to God all that we have. God's kindness is a greater good than life itself, as we sing in today's Psalm. The only thanks we can offer is our spiritual worship—to give our lives to the service of His will (see [Hebrews 10:3-11](#); [Psalm 50:14, 23](#)).

Peter doesn't yet get this in today's Gospel. As it was for Jeremiah, the cross is a stumbling block for Peter (see [1 Corinthians 1:23](#)). This too is our natural temptation—to refuse to believe that our sufferings play a necessary part in God's plan.

That's how people think, Jesus tells us today. But we are called to the renewal of our minds—to think as God thinks, to will what He wills. In the Mass, we once again offer ourselves as perfect and pleasing sacrifices of praise (see [Hebrews 13:15](#)). We bless Him as we live, confident that we will find our lives in losing them, that with the riches of His banquet, our souls will be satisfied.