

# St. Joseph + St. Matthew + St. Teresa

Good Thunder

Vernon Center

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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## November 19, 2017 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



'Well done, my good and faithful servant.  
Since you were faithful in small matters,  
I will give you great responsibilities.  
Come, share your master's joy.'

Matthew 25:21

### The Sacrament of Baptism

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

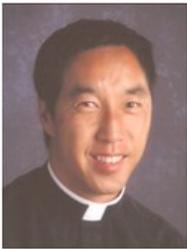
**The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick** Please notify the office if you or a family member is in the hospital or homebound and would like a pastoral visit.

### 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.



Dear People of God,

Can you believe we are already at Thanksgiving? My parents are coming for Thanksgiving so I'll try and embarrass and introduce them. Isn't that what children are suppose to do? Get back at their parents for all the times they embarrassed them?

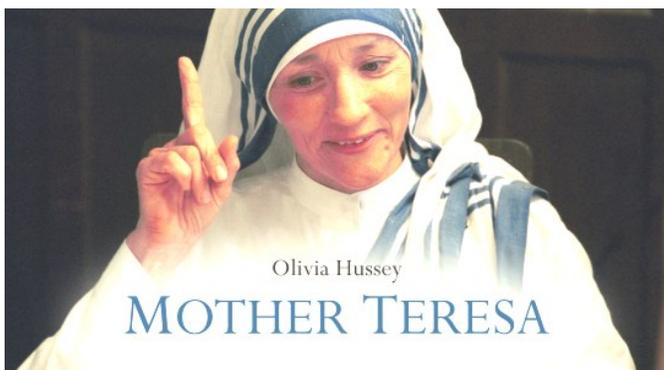
This coming Saturday, one of the IVE priests are filling in for me at St. Matthew's. Way back in the early 2000's I started to help out with the youth ministry at Resurrection parish in Rochester, long before I became a priest, several years before I even entered seminary. We had an awesome youth group. I just hung out as a chaperone and good friend. If it weren't for this group, I'm not sure if I would have found my vocation. God used them to help me discern that I might just be called to be a priest. I would go to these youth events as a 20+ year old. They would ask the teenage boys if they have ever thought about being a priest. Sometimes they would even have an altar call, where the young men would come down near the front so that they could be prayed over for their discernment. I often stood in the back and looked as cool (as I could). However, the questions got to me too. So God used this youth group to help me find my vocation. So this coming Saturday, we are having a reunion. That is why I'll be gone. But I'll be back for the Sunday Masses.

This week we hear Jesus tell the parable of the master who entrusted his possessions to his servants while he was away. Jesus has given us many talents, material, but even more so, spiritual talents and gifts. Jesus loves us enough to give us the talents and gifts we need to do what He asks of us. What are we doing with our talents and gifts, both material and spiritual? Are we using them for good? Are we using them for building up the Kingdom of God? Are we taking risks for the Kingdom of God? Or are we playing it safe? Do we just bury our God-given talents and never use them for the good of others? Carpe Diem for the Kingdom of God!

Pax,  
Father Vogel

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Movie pick of the week on Formed:



## Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

### Monday, November 20

1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;  
Psalm 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Luke 18:35-43

### Tuesday, November 21

#### **The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Psalm 3:2-7; Luke 19:1-10  
**Rosary for Vocations 8:30 a.m. at St. Joseph**

### Wednesday, November 22

#### **St. Cecilia**

2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15;  
Luke 19:11-28

**4:15 p.m. Rosary for our country at St. Teresa**

### Thursday, November 23

#### **Thanksgiving Day**

#### **Bl. Miguel Pro**

1 Maccabees 2:15-29; Psalm 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15;  
Luke 19:41-44

**9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** † *Rita Carey*

### Friday, November 24

#### **St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions**

1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chronicles 29:10-12;  
Luke 19:45-48

**10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH** † *Lucille Kunkel*

### Saturday, November 25

#### **St. Catherine of Alexandria St. Rose Philippine Duchesne**

1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Psalm 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19;  
Luke 20:27-40

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

**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** † *Lucille Schubbe*

**5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Matthew** *People of the Tri-parish*

### Sunday, November 26

#### **Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe**

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalm 23:1-3, 5-6;  
1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

**9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** *St. Teresa CCW members*

### Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 1 p.m. Quilting at St. Teresa

Thursdays 9 a.m. Called to Be Holy book study  
at St. Teresa Church

Tuesday, Nov.21 6:30 p.m. St. Matthew Finance  
Council

Tuesday, Dec. 5 6:30 p.m. Pastoral Councils  
meet at St. Matthew Church

*If Christ Jesus dwells in a man as his friend and noble leader, that man can endure all things, for Christ helps and strengthens us and never abandons us. He is a true friend.* - St. Teresa of Avila



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

Irene Massop, Lucy Irvine, Bernie Kunkel, Jim Kohout, Amber and baby Huxley FitzSimmons, Emily Minkel, Craig Etherington, Terry Hassing, *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

No class this week, Nov. 22 Happy Thanksgiving!



Wednesday, Nov. 29—Spaghetti Feed at St. Teresa Parish during Snowflake Dazzle  
Serving 4:30—7:30 p.m.

Free will offering will go towards the youth summer trips, Catholic Heart Workcamp, Steubenville Conference, and Camp Summit. Please come for good food and fellowship—and to support a great cause—our youth.



We are asking for donations of bars for this event. There are sign up sheets at each entrance to church. Also, we will need some adult volunteers to work. Contact the office if you can help. Thanks for your constant support of the youth!

We are now taking registration for Catholic Heart Work Camp for the summer of 2018! CHWC is for students



entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade in fall of 2018 and older. This year we will be going to Gary, Indiana on July 1-7. Permission forms can be found at the entry way of each church. Please return your permission slip and deposit by November 22 to reserve your spot!

Come on an adventure to **serve those in need**, find **friendship with other youth from around the country**, participate in service projects using your hands and your heart, and have the opportunity to **grow in your knowledge and love of Jesus!**

## Parish News

**St. Teresa:** Fresh made donuts now available after 9 a.m. Mass. Free will donation goes to faith formation/youth group. Come down to the dining hall after Mass for delicious donuts and great conversation!



Advent begins December 3!

Next weekend at each church there will be Advent wreaths, candles, and the Magnificat Advent Companion available to help with your advent preparations for the coming of Christ at Christmas.



At each church, a “Book of Remembrance” is available to write the names of your loved ones who have departed from this world. We will remember those who are written in the book in a special way this month and pray that eternal rest is granted to them.



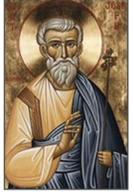
**Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service**  
Tuesday, November 21 7:00 p.m.  
At United Church in Mapleton



Thank You, LORD!

Come to thank God for all the blessings he has given you! Mass on Thanksgiving Day 9 a.m. at St. Teresa Church

On Saturday, November 18, at St. Joseph Church there will be a meal after Mass. Following the meal there will be a CCW+ and all parish meeting to update and inform parishioners of upcoming events and planning. All parish members are encouraged to attend.



New contribution envelopes will be available soon.

If you wish to receive envelopes and have not in the past please call the office. Also, if you have received envelopes in past years but do not wish to receive/use please let us know. If you would like to start or change having your contributions automatically transferred, authorization forms are available. Thank you for your generosity.



FEED THE HUNGRY

Every Thanksgiving and Christmas, Loaves and Fishes hands out “holiday” boxes.

Thanksgiving boxes were given out last Tuesday. Christmas boxes, containing ham plus all the trimmings for a Christmas dinner, will be given out Tuesday December 19<sup>th</sup> at St. Teresa's in Mapleton. This year we will hand out about 140 boxes for each holiday. The cost

for these boxes is \$40. My 4<sup>th</sup> grade math (and a calculator) tells me that's approximately \$10,000! Please consider sponsoring 1 or more boxes this year.



Snow is coming! **St. Teresa: Snowshoveler's sign up:** It's that time of year! There are sign-up sheets at both church entrances for families to take care of the clean up after a snow fall. This year the week will run from Saturday morning to Friday evening. Your help in this task is greatly appreciated.

Please be generous with your time.

**Belize Mission 2018**— Since we have now been to Belize City a couple of times and know more what is needed for our work and more of the people we interact with, this year instead of the calendar to raise prayers and finances you will have the opportunity to take a picture with you to have a face to pray for and a specific item or items we use in our work to donate to. The hope is to have everyone feel closer to the work being done on this mission, as it truly cannot be done with out the help and prayers of all of us. These “houses” for you to take will be available beginning next weekend.

The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be coming to St. Teresa Catholic Church on Monday, November 27, noon—6 p.m.

Appointments can be made by calling Peg at 420-1286 or sign up on line @www.redcrossblood.org, enter sponsor code:MAPLETONMN. This is a wonderful time to start the season of giving with the Gift of Life!



FourEver Young will be presenting their 9th annual Christmas Benefit Concert on Sunday, December 10th at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 205 Cleveland Ave W, Winnebago. They will be joined by Mary Flanagan (violin) and Mairin Bierer (cello). The concert is a benefit for Parker Oaks Auxiliary. Free will donation

## Stewardship of Treasure

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



### St. Teresa (November 12)

Weekly collection	\$1906.90
Amount collected year to date	\$52,249.70
Amount budgeted year to date	\$65,680.00

### St. Matthew (November 11)

Weekly collection	\$1638.87
Amount collected year to date	\$13,723.12
Amount budgeted year to date	\$24,540.00

### St. Joseph (November 4)

Weekly collection	\$705.00
Amount collected year to date	\$12,654.00
Amount budgeted year to date	\$20,843.00



## Ministry Roles

### November 25 St. Matthew 5 p.m.

**Reader:** Lynn Demuth

**Ministers of Communion:** Justin Davis,  
Darla Graf, Brad Lanoue

**Hospitality:** Dennis Peterson family

**Servers:** Henry Cooling, Thomas Cooling

**Money counters:** Wendy Bennett,  
Maria Sanders

### November 26 St. Teresa 9 a.m.

**Reader:** Don Landsteiner

**Ministers of Communion:** Cliff Anderson,  
Marcie Anderson

**Hospitality:** John and Marla Trio,  
John and Sandy Treanor

**Gifts:** Paul and Shellie Landsteiner

**Servers:** Landon Fox, Julia Langworthy,  
Jacob Rigdon, Dalton Schmidt

**Sacristan:** Karen Langworthy

**Money counters:** Judy Bach, Jan Sonnek

**Donut team:** Butch Bach family and friends

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

Let us understand that God is a physician, and that suffering is a medicine for salvation, not a punishment for damnation.  
---St. Augustine of Hippo

## Our Catholic World



Results so far for the

2017 Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal

	# of donors	Amount	Goal	% of goal
<b>St. Joseph:</b>	11	\$2425	\$4,770	51
<b>St. Matthew:</b>	10	\$2585	\$4,830	54
<b>St. Teresa:</b>	39	\$6310	\$13,900	45

**If you have not yet given to the appeal, or if you feel you can give an additional amount, please consider doing so this month. Any amount of our goal that is not met by December 31 must be paid out of our general funds. Thank you for your generosity. Envelopes are available at each church, or you can put donations in the offertory basket at church and mark it for the CMA.**



**The Great Adventure Bible Study: The Bible Timeline, the story of salvation: a video series with Jeff Cavin**

"Available times and dates,

**Wednesdays, 6:15 p.m. at the Mapleton Public Library**

**Sundays, 10 a.m. at St. Teresa Church**

**Tuesdays, 9 a.m. at St. Teresa \*note time change**

### Discovering Christ

5:30 p.m. begin with a free meal, followed by prayer and worship

6:15 p.m. video presentation followed by discussion

at St. Joseph Church

<b>Nov. 19</b>	<b>Why Do We Need a Savior?</b>
Dec. 3	Why Is the Resurrection Important?
Jan.7	Who Is the Holy Spirit?
Jan. 14	The Holy Spirit and You
Jan. 28	New Life in the Spirit
Feb. 11	Our Need for the Church



ask.  
seek.  
knock.

discovering  
CHRIST

*Let us prayerfully watch*

*for the coming of the Lord*

**Beginning on December 3, the first Sunday of Advent, at 10 a.m. at St. Teresa and continuing on the next 2 Sundays in Advent, Fr Vogel will expose the Eucharist on the Altar and begin the time of Adoration. Adoration will then continue until 10 p.m.**

Since we can never leave Our Lord alone, there will be sign up sheets available to make sure someone will always be present from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. each Sunday. Please consider if you will be able to make that commitment and promise to Jesus to stay with Him awhile. Of course, anyone can come at any time during the day to pray without having signed up. Don't worry about how to spend this time in prayer—books and aids for prayer are available for your use.

This is a great opportunity to take some quiet time amidst all the busyness and noise to truly focus on the true meaning of Christmas. Attend as a family!

This is a great opportunity to increase your awareness of the true meaning of Christmas and prepare for the Lord's coming.

