

St. Joseph + St. Matthew + St. Teresa

Good Thunder

Vernon Center

Mapleton

The Catholic
Diocese of
Winona-Rochester

TRI-PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 9:00 a.m. St. Teresa
Saturday 5:00 p.m. St. Joseph (1st, 3rd, 5th)
Saturday 5:00 p.m. St. Matthew (2nd, 4th)

Weekdays: Please See Inside Bulletin
Holy Days: Please See Inside Bulletin
Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass.

TRI-PARISH OFFICE

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Should you or a family member be experiencing a medical or home bound situation, please let us know.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

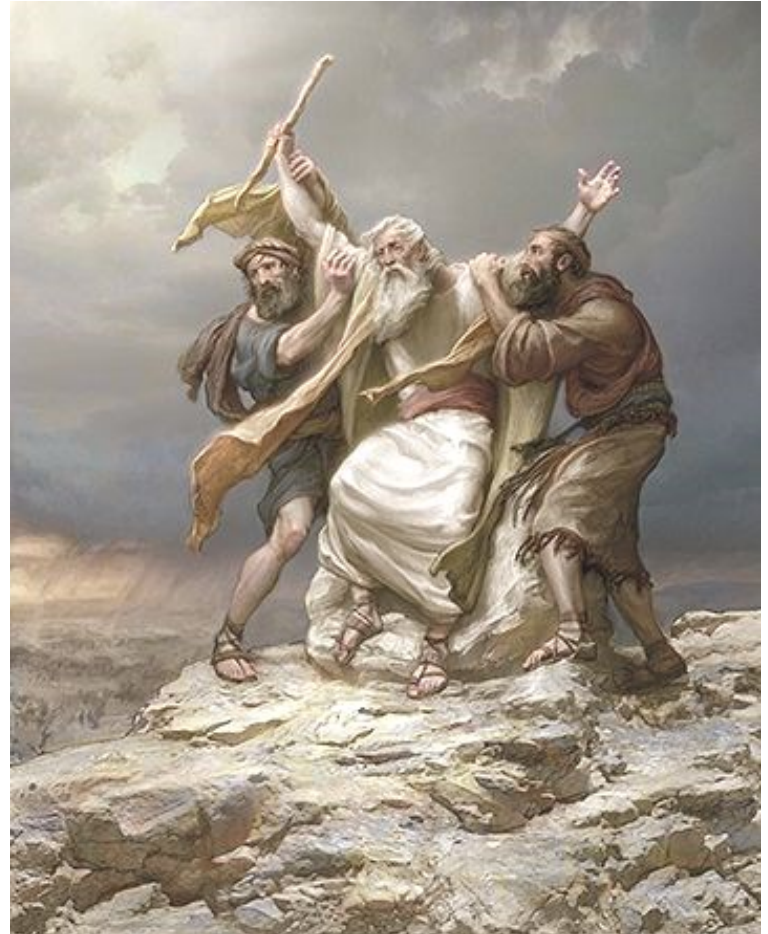
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FINANCE COUNCILS

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Christine Rahn (SJ)

October 20, 2019

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



As long as Moses kept his hands raised up,
Israel had the better of the fight.

Moses' hands, however, grew tired.

Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and
one on the other, so that his hands remained steady.

Exodus 17:8-13

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 to receive this sacrament.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

One half hour before each weekend Mass, 8:00 a.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.

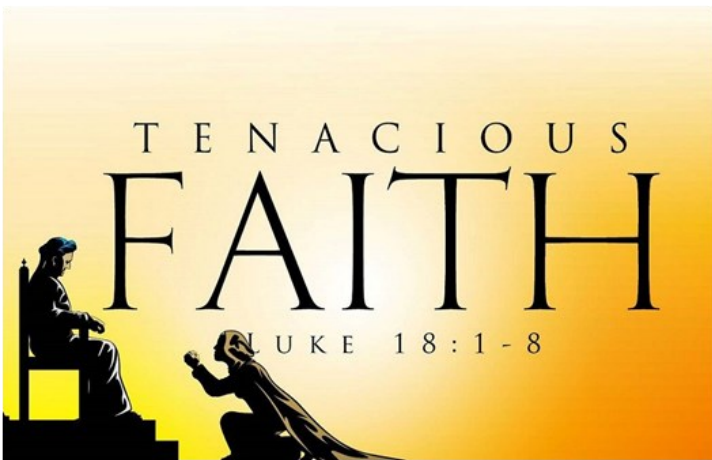


Hello,

There are tractors and combines in the fields. It is great to see the heartland at work. I'm praying for your safety and success. What a beautiful time of year.

In this weekend's Gospel, we have a lazy judge and a widow. Jesus even spells out for us the moral of the parable at the beginning. He says the purpose of the parable is to pray always without becoming weary. Jesus says the judge is dishonest. He doesn't fear God or respect anyone else. He just cares about himself. However because the widow pesters him so much he finally renders a judgment between the widow and her adversary. God is not a lazy judge; He is a loving Father. However sometimes He doesn't answer our prayers right away for reasons we don't understand. So Jesus is admonishing us to pray without ceasing. It is not because God is playing hard to get. It is because we need to grow in trust and reliance. In many ways, the American ethos says we need to be independent. The Christian ethos says we need to be dependent; dependent on God.

Take care and God bless,
Father Vogel

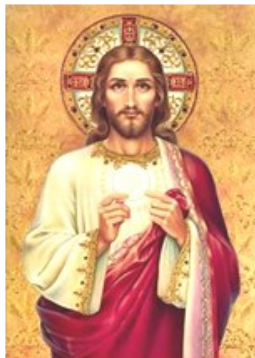


2nd Collection today for the Propagation of Faith (Mission Sunday). You may also bring your envelope and gift next week and put in the collection basket. I'm sorry I missed reminding you last week.

The October COURIER has arrived and is available at each parish. Please take a copy to stay updated on diocesan news & upcoming events as well as Catholic articles.

HOME COMMUNION AVAILABLE

If you or a family member is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive weekly Communion at home, please call the Tri-Parish office at 524-3127 or let your parish contact person know. Each of our three parishes have lay volunteers who would love to bring Jesus in the Eucharist to you. A time will be arranged that works for you.



Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, Oct. 21

Romans 4:20-25; Luke 1:69-75; Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday, Oct. 22

St. John Paul II

Romans 5:12, 15-21; Psalm 40:7-10, 17; Luke 12:35-38

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

Wednesday, Oct. 23

St. John of Capistrano

Romans 6:12-18; Psalm 124:1-8; Luke 12:39-48

Thursday, Oct. 24

St. Anthony Mary Claret

Romans 6:19-23; Psalm 1:1-4, 6; Luke 12:49-53

7:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa

✠ *Mary Breiter*

Friday, Oct. 25

Romans 7:18-25; Psalm 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Luke 12:54-59

10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH

✠ *Joan Langworthy*

Saturday, Oct. 26

Romans 8:1-11; Psalm 24:1-6; Luke 13:1-9

7:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa

✠ *John Breiter*

5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Matthew

People of the Tri-Parish

Sunday, Oct. 27

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18; Psalm 34:2-3, 17-19, 23;

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa

✠ *Cecil Dickey*

TRI-PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Marcie: Tues/Wed/Thurs from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Darla: Wed/Thurs/Fri from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Betsy: Varies with youth & evening activities.

Call Betsy at 524-4606.

If you have a sacramental emergency, please use the sacramental emergency phone number listed on the front page of the bulletin.

Upcoming Tri-Parish Meetings & Events

Oct. 26: SM Supper after Mass by St. Ann's Circle

Oct. 27: Youth Mass @ ST (2nd & 9th Grade)

Oct. 27: Youth Breakfast @ ST following Mass

Oct. 28: Area CCW Meeting @ ST at 7 p.m.

Oct. 29: ST Finance Council @ 6:45 p.m.

Nov. 4: ST CCW Meeting @ 7 p.m.

Nov. 13: Confirmation Practice 7 pm @ St. Casmir Wells

Nov. 17: Mass @ ST at 8:00 a.m. (not 9:00 a.m.)

Nov. 17: CONFIRMATION 10 am @ St. Casmir Wells

Nov. 24: Belize Mission Trip Breakfast @ ST

Dec. 7: Reconciliation Learning Centers @ SJ from 9 a.m. to 12 noon

Dec. 14: FIRST RECONCILIATION @ ST at 10 a.m.

4 Habits Of Discipleship

FOURTH HABIT:

Keep Your Commitments . . . to other people and with God!

To view Father Mike Schmitz's video on the
4 Habits of Discipleship go to:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fis29rZ2n_4&t=7s

YOUTH BREAKFAST next Sunday, October 27!
Plan to stay after Mass at St. Teresa's next Sunday to support youth mission trips and camps. Free will offering. Enjoy good fellowship as well as yummy pancakes/scrambled eggs and ham!

ST. MATTHEW SUPPER after Mass on Saturday, October 26th. Free will offering with proceeds going to the Baby Bottle Campaign. Thank you, St. Ann's Circle for hosting. Enjoy good food & fellowship!

ST. JOSEPH'S SUPPER after Mass on Saturday, November 2nd in honor of all Veterans. Thank you to Unit 3 for providing and serving.

BLUE EARTH AREA CCW QUARTERLY MEETING will be held at St. Teresa's on Monday, October 28th at 7 p.m.

Deb Reuter will be formally installed as the new President of the Blue Earth Area CCW. All Tri-Parish ladies are welcome to attend. Come and show your support for Deb and the CCW! Jay and Steph Stencil and Sheila Klein will be the program sharing about the Belize Mission Trip.

Today is CCW SUNDAY! Please take a moment to thank the CCW ladies for all they do to enhance parish life through their caring hearts and hard work as well as their commitment to being the hands and feet of Jesus beyond our parishes, in our communities & world.



OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Our Tri-Parish CCW's are participating in Catholic Charities annual BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN. Your donations can be made through the baby bottles at St. Joseph and St. Teresa and by supporting the free-will supper at St. Matthew's on October 26th. Proceeds from this campaign help Catholic Charities Pregnancy, Parenting and Adoption Program across Southern Minnesota and women who are choosing life for their babies.

REMINDER to St. Teresa CCW members: Please pay your CCW dues for this year. Forms are available at both church entrances & can be put in collection or mailed to the office.

God, grant healing and peace to the sick and those having surgery who have requested our prayers:

Mary Langworthy, Sister Carmen Sonnek, Marie Kruegel, Sara Becker, Colleen Landsteiner Hoehn



If you or a member of your family would like our prayers, please call 524-3127. We would love to pray for you.

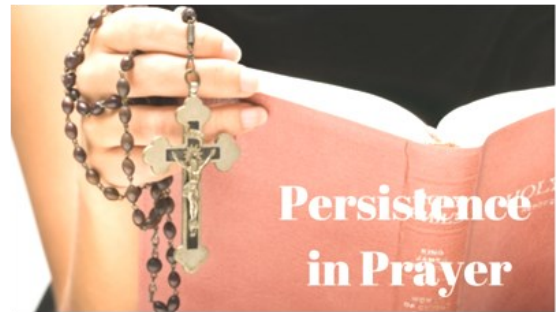
Shorty Schoneck passed away peacefully on October 5th after a long battle with cancer. Her funeral Mass was held at St. Matthew's this past Monday, October 14th. Our prayers and condolences to Shorty's family and friends. *Eternal rest grant unto Shorty, O Lord, and perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.*



October is the Month of Mary. The rosary will be said before Mass next weekend at St. Matthew's and St. Teresa's. Please come to Mass early and join in this special prayer.

Faith Formation/Youth

With Faith Formation in full swing, let's keep our youth and volunteer catechists in our prayers as they grow in faith and love for Jesus. In particular, let's keep our three Confirmation students in our prayers as they prepare to receive God's special anointing of the Holy Spirit next month: Kole Wenner and Tanner Wooldridge from St. Teresa's and Landon Sohre from St. Joseph.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

CGS meets on Sunday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at St. Joseph in Good Thunder. If you have a child age 3-6 who would like to join, contact Betsy or Karen Langworthy.

Community News

TURKEY SUPPER @ St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Minnesota Lake on Sunday, October 27, 2019, from 4-7 p.m. \$12.00; children under 5 are free. Menu includes, Turkey, Dressing, Potatoes and Gravy, Salad and Desserts. Takeout meals available. 507-462-3306

HARVEST HAM DINNER @ Amboy First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 27, 2019 from 11:00-1:00. Tickets at the door for \$10. Children 5 & under free. Take outs available. Call 674-3895.

The MAPLE RIVER YOUTH CENTER will be closed until further notice due to the resignation of their director.



Stewardship of Treasure

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

St. Teresa (October 13)

Weekly collection	\$2,286.00
Amount collected year to date	\$43,703.46
Amount needed year to date	\$49,635.00

St. Matthew (October 12)

Weekly collection	\$1,689.00
Amount collected year to date	\$12,107.00
Amount needed year to date	\$17,355.00

St. Joseph (October 5)

Weekly collection	\$686.00
Amount collected year to date	\$17,032.00
Amount needed year to date	\$15,344.00

Ministry Roles

Saturday, October 26 @ St. Matthew at 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Brad Lanoue
Communion: Denise Peterson, Maria Sanders
Hospitality: Dave and Maria Sanders
Servers: Joe Bennett, Camron Sanders
Money Counters: Char Schuch, Maria Sanders
Sacristan: Judy Pentico

Sunday, October 27 @ St. Teresa at 9:00 a.m.

Reader: YOUTH
Communion: Cliff Anderson, Marcie Anderson,
Don Landsteiner
Hospitality: YOUTH
Servers: Kole and Natalie Wenner,
Jackson Walters, Carson Healy
Sacristan: Karen Langworthy
Donuts: YOUTH BREAKFAST
Money counters: Karen Langworthy,
Gloria Langworthy
Altar Linens for October: Becky Anderson

Church Employment

TRI-PARISH MANAGER position is open for St. Joseph, St. Matthew and St. Teresa parishes. This will be a fulltime position. Qualifications and a new job description are in the process of being created for this position to serve current and future needs of the Tri-Parish. For more information talk with Father Vogel or these Pastoral Council members: (SM) Neil Majeski, (SJ) Paul FitzSimmons, (ST) Owen Dickey or Marty Bissonette.

HARVEST PRAYER

God of all creation, we are mindful
of the many gifts and blessings
you shower upon us.

With unending love and generosity
you nourish and sustain us with food
in great variety and measure.

You grace us with dedicated and hardworking farmers
who care for the land and produce our food.

We ask you to hear our prayers for farmers and others
whose noble work feeds and nourishes us all.

Keep them safe and healthy.

Bless them with a harvest of spiritual benefits
and just returns for their labor

as they know the support and gratitude of the community,
especially during difficult times.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



THOUGHTS ON TODAY'S READINGS

By Faith Catholic Content

Perseverance in prayer and fidelity to God's ways lead us to the kingdom.

Endurance runners need a great deal of perseverance. They cannot expend all their energy at the beginning or they won't be able to complete the race. Nor can they run the race without the proper training, fuel and clear direction as to the route. We also need a tremendous amount of perseverance to run a race of good faith. Prepared by sacraments, fueled by grace and headed toward Jesus, we can reach the kingdom.

In the first reading, Moses needs help in keeping his hands raised so that Joshua will be victorious. Saint Paul reminds Timothy to remain faithful to what he has learned. In the Gospel, Jesus uses the parable of the persistent widow to remind the disciples *to pray always without becoming weary*.

Remain faithful

**to what you have learned & believed . . .
you have known the sacred scriptures,
which are capable of giving you wisdom
for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.**

Proclaim the word;

Be persistent

whether it is convenient or inconvenient.

2 Timothy 3:14-15, 4:2