

St. Joseph + St. Matthew + St. Teresa

Good Thunder

Vernon Center

Mapleton

The Catholic
Diocese of
Winona-Rochester

TRI-PARISH FALL MASS SCHEDULE

August 23-December 27, 2020

5:00 PM Saturday @ St. Joseph (1st & 3rd)
5:00 PM Saturday @ St. Matthew (2nd & 4th)
9:00 AM Sunday @ St. Teresa

TRI-PARISH OFFICE

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FINANCE COUNCILS

John Jensen (ST)
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Scott Kleven (SJ)
Dean Sohre (SJ)
Jim Wieseler (SJ)

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Owen Dickey (ST)
Marty Bissonette (ST)
Peg Breiter (ST)
Karen Fox (ST)
Wendy Bennett (SM)
Brad Lanoue (SM)
Paul FitzSimmons (SJ)
Shelli Grover (SJ)
Kim Kleven (SJ)

CEMETERY BOARD HEADS

Jay Winters—St. Joseph
Donna Kopischke—St. Matthew
Jason Klein—St. Teresa

September 19 & 20, 2020 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



TRI-PARISH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Monday-Friday

Shelly: Monday and Thursday 8 hours total

Merissa: Tuesday and Thursday 9 am - 4 pm, Wednesday for
Faith Formation, and other times as required to serve youth.

Darla: Wednesday-Friday 9 am - 4 pm

Please note email addresses of each staff person and direct
emails to correct person. Bulletin announcements are due by
Thursday at 9 am. Thank you!

SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES
call (507) 320-9669

TRI-PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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

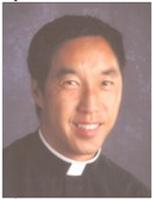
Please notify the office if you or a family member is
in the hospital or homebound and would like to re-
ceive this sacrament.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Call Fr. Vogel @ 524-4628 for private appointment.

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,

I pray you are doing well. I pray you are staying healthy and safe. Our world remains in a state of great flux. In the midst of these times, the Gospel, the love of Jesus Christ, continues on. If you want to peek into what the other half of my life is about, tune into the St. Thomas More Newman Center Digital gala. You can watch it this Sunday (September 20) at 7 PM at catholicmavs.com. The fight for souls must and will continue until Christ comes back. Our faith should radically change our lives.

When I read today's Gospel, I immediately think about the thief crucified next to Jesus. He had been a robber, a sinner, his whole life. And yet, because of his humility before Christ, because of his recognition of who Jesus is (as the Son of God), Jesus invites him to be with forever in heaven. In the parable that Jesus speaks of in today's Gospel, to make a long story short, the landowner pays the workers who worked for just one hour the same as those who worked all day long. This could be comforting to us or disturbing. What about those of us who have been (fairly) good Catholics our whole lives? Don't we deserve something that those who come late to the party don't get? In some ways, no. I like to say it matters who you know. If we know Jesus Christ, if we have a relationship with Him, then that matters more than if we are just good people. Immanuel Kant was a philosopher in 18th century. He said that we should be moral people out of duty. Christ proposes something different. Christ invites us to be mortal people, to be people out of virtue, to be people of holiness because of love, love of Him, Jesus Christ. Especially when you first fall in love, you want to do things for that person not because you have to or because you should, but just because you love them. So Jesus is saying it doesn't matter so much when, but just that we do. St. Augustine, after living a very sinful life in his late teens and twenties, said after his conversion:

Mass Readings, Saints, Intentions

Monday, September 21 - St. Matthew

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Psalm 19:2-5; Matthew 9:9-13

Tuesday, September 22

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

Wednesday, September 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina

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

Thursday, September 24

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

7:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

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

Friday, September 25

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

Saturday, September 26 - Sts. Cosmas and Damian

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

7:30 a.m. NO Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

8:30 a.m. NO Mass at St. Teresa

Saturday/Sunday, September 26/27 - Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Psalm 25:4-9; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass at St. Matthew People of the Tri-Parish

9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass at St. Teresa † Robert Smith

“Late have I loved you, beauty so old and so new: late have I loved you. And see, you were within and I was in the external world and sought you there, and in my unlovely state I plunged into those lovely created things which you made. You were with me, and I was not with you. The lovely things kept me far from you, though if they did not have their existence in you, they had no existence at all. You called and cried out loud and shattered my deafness. You were radiant and resplendent, you put to flight my blindness. You were fragrant, and I drew in my breath and now pant after you. I tasted you, and I feel but hunger and thirst for you. You touched me, and I am set on fire to attain the peace which is yours.”

So if this is true, what is the point of striving for holiness now. Why not wait and have “fun” now? Why, because, one, we never know when our end will come. Two, holiness is sometimes progressed in supernatural huge leaps, but this is usually not the case. Usually holiness is progressed by small steps of grace that seem almost natural. And three, because why would we wait for love when we can experience love now? If we love Jesus now, this love should propel us to act with holiness now.

May God bless your week,

Father Vogel



WELCOME to Mass!

We are so happy to have you celebrate together again. Invite your family and friends to join us. Please note that you can attend any of the Masses in the Tri-Parish that are convenient for you! Come pray and receive Jesus at any of the Masses at St. Joseph, St. Matthew or St. Teresa!!!

TRI-PARISH FALL MASS SCHEDULE

7:30 am Thursday Eucharistic Adoration followed by 8:30 am Mass at St. Teresa (when Fr. Vogel is here)

7:30 am Saturday Eucharistic Adoration followed by 8:30 am Mass at St Teresa (when Fr. Vogel is here)

5:00 PM Saturday at St. Joseph
(1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays)

5:00 PM Saturday at St. Matthew (2nd & 4th Saturdays)
9:00 AM Sunday at St. Teresa

WHAT TO EXPECT AT MASS AT THIS TIME:

Attendance is limited to 50%.

Masks: You must wear a mask if you plan to take communion. Medical exemptions are honored.

Hand sanitizer: Please use when you enter and exit church and before going up to communion.

Seating Sit only in open pews. Please do not use balcony. Members of the same household may sit together in one pew; all others please social distance 6 feet apart within pews.

Breaking Bread books may be picked up at the table or from someone handing them out before or after Mass. Take it home with you, put your name on it, bring it to Mass with you. It's a good resource to use to pray as a family.

Music: cantor and accompanist for now - no choirs yet.

Offering: No baskets will be passed during Mass. Place your donation in the basket at the entrance or in the gathering space (ST).

No Presentation of Gifts or Sign of Peace at this time.

Father Vogel will direct you to communion. If you are wearing gloves please remove them prior to receiving the precious body of Christ.

Pastoral Care



God, grant healing and peace to those who have requested our prayers:

Pat Borchert, Clarice Germa, Jerry Etherington, Lavonne Miller, Mary Langworthy,

Sister Carmen Sonnek, Marie Kruegel

Please let Shelly know at the TP Office if you would like your name in the bulletin for prayer for you or a family member : call 524-3127 or emailing sjsmst@gmail.com.

Ministry Schedule

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

Reader: Lindsey Lanoue

Communion: Father Vogel or celebrant only

Hospitality: Tim and Wendy Bennett

Servers: None at this time

Sacristan: Wendy Bennett

Cantor: Lindsey Lanoue

Piano: Ann Dickey

Money Counters: Neil Majeski and Maria Sanders

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

Reader: Ann Langworthy

Communion: Father Vogel or celebrant only

Hospitality: Owen and Theresa Dickey

Servers: None at this time

Sacristan: Gloria Langworthy

Money counters: Jodi Kunkel and Karen Langworthy

Altar Linens for September: Stephanie Stencel

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR FALL/WINTER were mailed to all ministry volunteers. No one age 65 & older was scheduled, however, **if you would like to volunteer in some way, please contact Shelly in the office.** Please find your own substitute and let the office know. Please arrive 15-20 minutes early to review any changes.

Council of Catholic Women

The Baby Bottle Campaign for Catholic Charities will begin on October 3/4. Please save your change for helping mothers and babies throughout the diocese.

Parish News & Events

ST. Matthew Turkey Dinner



Sunday, September 27th.

Take-out Only!

4:00—7:00 P.M.

Call to order: 507-549-3004

***** RAFFLE Tickets will also be sold!**

Adult Faith Formation

JESUS: The Way, The Truth, The Life adult Bible study continuing from last spring. All are welcome!

Location: St. Teresa gathering space. Dates: Tuesday, September 22 through Tuesday, November 17 (no meeting Nov. 3 Election Day) from 6:30 pm-7:45 pm. We will social distance and wear masks.

Any questions please call Marcie Anderson at 399-3581.

Financial Update

TRI-PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St. Teresa

September 6 & 13	\$9,694.27
Amount Collected YTD	\$35,737.24
Amount Needed YTD	\$36,234.00

St. Matthew

September 12	\$4,457.00
Amount Collected YTD	\$9,182.00
Amount Needed YTD	\$12,727.00

St. Joseph

September 5	\$690.00
Amount Collected YTD	\$6,706.00
Amount Needed YTD	\$11,250.00

For those not ready to attend Mass, church support may be given in the following ways:

1. Mail your envelope to the Tri-Parish Office at PO Box 305, Mapleton, MN 56065.
2. Online <https://catholicfsmn.org/parish-donations> select your parish from the drop down menu. Catholic Foundation of Southern MN will send your donation to the parish you selected.
3. Sign up to begin an automatic monthly contribution.

Thank you for supporting your parish.

2020 Catholic Ministry Appeal Update

Parish	2020 Goal	Rec'd	% of Goal
St. Joseph	\$5,000	\$3,100	62.00
St. Matthew	\$4,175	\$3,400	82.75
St. Teresa	\$14,300	\$6,630	46.36

*Thank you to all who have contributed so far. Each parish in the diocese is responsible for their goal. **If donations are not received to meet the parish goal, the remaining balance will be paid from that parish's general funds.***

Diocesan Special Collection

Diocesan special collection for the Victims of Hurricane Laura and West Coast wildfires will be taken up next weekend at St. Teresa and St. Matthew and October 3 at St. Joseph. There will be a basket at the entrances for your donation.

Please be generous!

Faith Formation/Youth

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

CGS Sessions will begin on Sunday, September 27, from 4:30-6 p.m. at St. Joseph's. CGS orientation (required for any new students) will be held on Sunday, September 20. If you have any questions please contact Karen Langworthy at 507-995-0988.

FlockNote has made church communication easier than ever before. If you would like to stay up to date on what is happening in the parish, please text SJS MST to 84576, or there is a link on the church website. From there you can put in your contact information and join various groups such as Sunday Bulletin, High School Youth Group, Faith Formation and more. This is a simple way to receive notifications right to your email or text!

Text STOP to 84576 to stop txt notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy & terms at flocknote.com/txt.

Please contact Merissa Roth with any questions (sjsmst.faith@gmail.com, 507-524-4606)

YOUTH OUTDOOR MASS/HIKE

Details for the Event:

Location: Seven Mile Creek County Park: 47454 US-169, St Peter, MN 56082

Who is it for?: Grades 6th -12th

Date and Time: Saturday, October 10th from 10am-12:30pm (Mass first with the hike to follow)

Presider for Mass: Fr. John Kunz

What to Bring: Good walking shoes and proper clothing for the weather, a mask for Mass, water bottle, and a snack if needed on the hike

Covid Guidelines for the Event: Each youth will have to sign the waiver attached to attend (see Merissa Roth for these).

If you are interested in attending, please let Merissa know no later than October 7th.

**For to me to live is Christ,
and to die is gain.**

~Philippians 1:21