

# 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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## October 16, 2016 Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## St. John Paul II Feast Day October 22

I plead with you—never, ever give up on hope, never doubt, never tire, and never become discouraged. Be not afraid.

—St. John Paul II

### 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. Jason Kern

I read a wonderful article this week about the “dictatorship of noise” in our culture. The author of the article is Cardinal Robert Sarah and he was giving an interview about his new book called [The Strength of Silence: Against the Dictatorship of Noise](#). Cardinal Sarah speaks of the need to rediscover the true order of priorities and to “put God back at the center of our concerns, at the center of our actions and of our life: the only place that He should occupy.” Cardinal Sarah identifies that “God’s first language is silence.” The Cardinal continues by identifying our need to rediscover the sense of God, the Church does not need “an administrative reform, another pastoral program, a structural change. The program already exists: it is the one we have always had, drawn from the Gospel and from living Tradition. It is centered on Christ Himself, whom we must know, love and imitate in order to live in Him and through Him, to transform our world which is being degraded because human beings live as though God did not exist. As a priest, as a pastor, as a Prefect, as a Cardinal, my priority is to say that God alone can satisfy the human heart.” While this quote brings out the reality of our need for God, Cardinal Sarah points out further how the culture wars against God as our priority. “I think that we are the victims of superficiality, selfishness, and worldly spirit that are spread by our media-driven society. We get lost in struggles for influence, in conflicts between persons, in a narcissistic, vain activism. We swell with pride and pretension, prisoners of a will to power. For the sake of titles, professional or ecclesiastical duties, we accept vile compromises. But all that passes away like smoke... I want[ed] to invite Christians and people of good will to enter into silence; without it, we are an illusion. The only reality that deserves our attention is God Himself, and God is silent. He waits for our silence to reveal Himself.” “Silence is not an idea; it is the path that enables human beings to go to God.

God is silence, and the devil is noisy. From the beginning, Satan has sought to mask his lies beneath a deceptive, resonant agitation. The Christian owes it to himself not to be of the world. It is up to him to turn away from the noises of the world, from its rumors that run headlong in order to turn better toward what is essential: God.

Our busy, ultra-technological age has made us even sicker. Noise has become like a drug on which our contemporaries are dependent. With its festive appearance, noise is a whirlwind that avoids looking oneself in the face and confronting the interior emptiness. It is a diabolical lie. The awakening can only be brutal.

I am not afraid to call on all people of good will to enlist in a form of resistance. What will become of our world if it cannot find oases of silence?

In the turbulent floods of easy, hollow words, keeping silent assumes the appearance of weakness. In the modern world, the silent man becomes someone who does not know how to defend himself. He is a “subhuman” with respect to the self-proclaimed strong man who crushes and drowns the other in the floods of his talk. The silent man is one man too many.

## Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, October 17      **St. Ignatius of Antioch**  
Ephesians 2:1-10; Psalm 100:1-5; Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday, October 18      **St. Luke**  
2 Timothy 4:10-17; Psalm 145:10-13, 17-18; Luke 10:1-9  
**Rosary for Vocations 8:30 a.m. at St. Joseph**

Wednesday, October 19      **Sts. Isaac Jogues and John Brebeuf and Companions**  
Ephesians 3:2-12; Isaiah 12:2-6; Luke 12:39-48  
**4:15 p.m. Rosary for our country at St. Teresa**

Thursday, October 20      **St. Paul of the Cross**  
Ephesians 3:14-21; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Luke 12:49-53  
**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**  
**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** † *George Pluym*

Friday, October 21  
Ephesians 4:1-6; Psalm 24:1-6; Luke 12:54-59  
**10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH** † *Joan Langworthy*

Saturday, October 22      **St. John Paul II**  
Ephesians 4:7-16; Psalm 122:1-5; Luke 13:1-9  
**5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Matthew** † *Ron Jacobus*

Sunday, October 23      **Thirtieth 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** *People of the tri-parish*

### Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 1 p.m.	Quilting at St. Teresa
Thursdays 9 a.m.	Bible Study at St. Teresa
Tuesday, Oct. 18 7 p.m.	St. Teresa Finance Council

This is the deep reason for modern men’s disdain and hatred of silent beings, for their abominable crimes against unborn children, the sick, or persons at the end of life. These human beings are the magnificent prophets of silence. With them, I am not afraid to declare that the priests of modernity, who declare a sort of war on silence, have lost the battle. For we can remain silent in the midst of the biggest hodgepodge, despicable disturbances, in the midst of the din and shouting of those infernal machines that invite us to activism by snatching any transcendent dimension and any interior life away from us.”

The full interview translated from French of his upcoming book can be found at: [http://www.catholicworldreport.com/Item/5100\\_cardinal\\_robert\\_sarah\\_on\\_the\\_strength\\_of\\_silence\\_and\\_the\\_dictatorship\\_of\\_noise.aspx](http://www.catholicworldreport.com/Item/5100_cardinal_robert_sarah_on_the_strength_of_silence_and_the_dictatorship_of_noise.aspx)



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

Annette Nygaard, Stanley Gartner, John Pluym, Toos Roelofs, Dennis Anderson, Alyssa Clark, Jan Samuelson, Jerry Wersal, Angie Gartner, Jim Carey, *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 classes Wednesday, Oct. 19

**All youth- Please mark down October 29th on your calendars, and come to Sever's Fall Festival in Shakopee,** for an afternoon and evening of Autumn fun, exploring the corn maze and enjoying a whole range of fun events from camel-riding to face-painting to obstacle-courses, to live shows and music! What a great way to end October!

There are two separate times offered for this trip: an afternoon-evening time (for High School only) , and a morning-afternoon trip for middle school kids. Transportation will be arranged by the parish for those who RSVP in advance, but you can also drive yourself if you would like to stay the whole day! Cost is \$12 +transportation.

Please contact Jonah Lippert at (507) 327-2767 with your RSVP for transportation and a group-discount, or e-mail him at [triparish.youthminister@gmail.com](mailto:triparish.youthminister@gmail.com) and the subject "Sever's RSVP". More details to follow.

**Parish News**



Breakfast at St. Teresa Church  
**Sunday, October 30**  
10 a.m.—noon free will offering  
Scrambled eggs, ham, cheesy



potatoes, applesauce, muffins and rolls  
Sponsored by the St. Teresa CCW

**The proceeds will go to the Mission Trip to Belize to buy supplies for building and repairing homes.**

Come and enjoy a great breakfast while helping those less fortunate than us.

**Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue:** In celebration of the upcoming 100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, the Diocese of Winona welcomes the world famous International Pilgrim Virgin Mary Statue which has been traveling worldwide for nearly 70 years. Pope Pius XII blessed the statue and imparted a special blessing on the work of the Pilgrim Tours. Many miracles and graces are reported wherever the statue travels. On more than 30 occasions the statue was reported to shed tears. The Pilgrim Virgin Mary statue will be at St. Francis of Assisi Church on Tuesday, October 25.



If you are interested in going to take part in this historic occasion, please contact the tri-parish office, 524-3127. The first option will leave St. Teresa at 10 a.m. and be at St. Francis Church for rosary, a lecture, adoration and veneration of the Pilgrim Statue. We will return by 5:30 p.m. The second option is leaving at 1 p.m. and attending adoration, veneration, a lecture and Holy Mass. We would return about 9 p.m.



**October is the Month of the Rosary.** Since the prayers of the Rosary come from such excellent sources — from Our Lord Himself, from inspired Scripture, and from the Church — it is not surprising that the Rosary is so dear to our Blessed Mother and so powerful with heaven.

Take time to pray this beautiful prayer this October. There are several opportunities in the tri-parish:

Each Tuesday at St. Joseph at 8:30 a.m.

Each Wednesday at St. Teresa at 4:15 p.m.

During October the Rosary will be recited before each week-end Mass.

**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.

**Baby Bottle Campaign gives alternatives to abortion. October is Respect Life Month—**

please use these baby bottles as a reminder of the thousands of babies lost to abortion and be generous to help save a baby's life!



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 St. Matthew or St. Teresa Church. Please return bottles by November 7th.



Thank you to everyone who helped with the Turkey Dinner at St. Matthew. All your hard work made it a great success! Also, thanks to everyone who supported us by attending the dinner.

Bridal Shower for Erin McKee, fiancé of Alex Gregor, son of Carmen Buland. Saturday, October 22 at St. Teresa Church 2-4 p.m.



The couple is registered at Target, Macy, and Kohl's

**St. Teresa:** There are many bowls and pans left at church from various events. Items will be in the gathering space. Please check to see if any are yours or someone you know and take them with you. Items not picked up will be given away.

**Donna Cori Gibson Concert** To celebrate this "Year of Mercy," come experience a concert you will always remember with a dynamic performer, spiritually uplifting music, scripture, stories and prayer. Internationally known Catholic recording artist, Donna Cori Gibson shares and sings for us with an "Our Catholic Faith" concert on Sunday, October 23, at 12:30 p.m. at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 214 S. Holland St., Blue Earth

**Do You Suffer from Ongoing Health Issues?**

Catholic Charities, in partnership with Heritage Place of Mapleton, will offer a 6-week workshop on "**Living Well with Chronic Conditions.**" Allow yourself to achieve new goals and communicate to others about your health. Reach your greatest potential with support of trained staff and other individuals with similar concerns.

Starts *Monday, October 10.* Call (507) 387-5586, ext. 3.



## Stewardship of Treasure

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



### St. Teresa (October 9)

Weekly collection	\$4336.83
Amount collected year to date	\$55,940.12
Amount budgeted year to date	\$48,900.00

### St. Matthew (October 8)

Weekly collection	\$720.00
Amount collected year to date	\$8,482.80
Amount budgeted year to date	\$19,500.00

### St. Joseph (October 1)

Weekly collection	\$1532.00
Amount collected year to date	\$9,535.96
Amount budgeted year to date	\$15,638.00



## Ministry Roles

### **October 22 St. Matthew 5:00 p.m.**

**Reader:** Carol Schulz

**Minister of Communion:** Brad Lanoue,  
Denise Peterson

**Hospitality:** Larry Caven family

**Servers:** Jeff Lewis, Lilly Majeski

**Money Counters:** Neil Majeski, Wendy Bennett

### **October 23 St. Teresa 9:00 a.m.**

**Reader:** Kris Miller

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

**Hospitality:** Doug and Tammy Schmidt family,  
John and Sandy Treanor

**Gifts:** Jay and Stephanie Stencel family

**Servers:** Dillon Schmidt, Dustyn Schmidt,  
Dalton Schmidt, Julia Langworthy

**Money Counters:** Ann Walters, Sandy Miller

**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  
2016 Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal

	# of donors	Amount	Goal	% of goal
<b>St. Joseph:</b>	9	\$2025	\$4,860	42
<b>St. Matthew:</b>	9	\$1810	\$4,890	37
<b>St. Teresa:</b>	41	\$6395	\$14,310	45

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far. **If you have not yet given to this campaign, please consider doing so.** If you do not still have the envelope that was mailed to you, you can get pick one up at church.

*We are one day nearer Home today than we ever were before. I guarantee you that after you die you will not say "I spent too much time praying; I wish I had watched TV more instead." -Peter Kreeft taken from Prayer for Beginners*

Opportunities to make prayer a more integral part of your life:

### **ALIVE! In Christ Gatherings**

Discover or Rediscover the Beautiful Prayer of the Rosary. It will feed your soul with the heart of Jesus through his beloved mother, Mary The New Rosary in Scripture by Edward Sri  
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. at the Mapleton Library 6 –8 weeks  
Contact Marcie Anderson, GERALYN Van Rossum, or the office for more information or to sign up

Learn more about your faith through the eyes of Catholic converts. Meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Peg Breiter's home, 309 Smith Court, Mapleton. Contact Peg Breiter, Gina Massop, or the office for more information or to sign up

A beautiful focus on prayer through reading "Before Amen" by Max Lucado, music, videos and more  
Next gathering is Wed., October 26 and then the first and third Wednesdays of Nov. at St. Joseph Church, 6:30 –7:30 p.m. Contact Shelli Grover or the office for more information or to sign up

Come discover the God we call Father we will take an in depth look at the words of the Our Father and uncover the beauty of the prayer we often take for granted. Thursdays at St. Teresa 8—9 p.m. (designed for those who work late or have kids to put to bed) contact Debbie Reuter, Carol Cyr, or the office for more information or to sign up

Great Adventure Bible Study a Jeff Cavin video presentation with workbook and discussion. Both the 6 week version and the longer version help you uncover the meaning of the Scripture in a easy and enjoyable way. Time TBD contact Marcie Anderson or office for more information or to sign up

Men's Group Anyone interested in joining please contact Father or George Leary

If you have any suggestions for other groups or days or times for groups to meet, please let any of the people mentioned above know. We truly want everyone to have an opportunity that can fit your schedule.