

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
Sunday 8:00 am at St. Teresa
Sunday 10:00 am at St. Matthew

Weekdays: Please see Inside Bulletin

Holy Days See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass

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April 20, 2014

Easter Sunday

The Resurrection of the Lord



Alleluia!

The Lord Is Risen

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

Confessions are available 30 minutes prior to each weekend Mass, at 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. Kern

Jesus Christ be Praised and adored! He is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!! This week has been amazing. Celebrating the holy mysteries of our Lord as your pastor for the first time has brought me great joy. It is amazing that I have already been the pastor here for over nine months (closing in on 10!) and recognize how blessed I am to be here. As I reflect on all that God has done already in my own life and through each of you, I am joyful to share in the faith of Christ risen from the dead. Might we more deeply place our trust in Him this Easter Season just as the early followers of Jesus did like Peter and Mary Magdalene—Jesus, I believe in you and the power of your Resurrection—really and truly! Also, I reflect on John, the beloved disciple who arrived first to the tomb, I marvel at His love for the Lord and His zeal to seek Jesus in his own life. I wonder for our parishes how we can continue to seek to find what God is calling us to and asking from us in the days where so many things seek to rob us of our peace, joy, and trust in God. Remember as you celebrate Easter this year, the Church knows how to celebrate best, as because Jesus' Resurrection is the greatest of all that God has ever done for humanity we have an 8 day Octave (meaning 8 days) where every day is celebrated as Easter Sunday is, with all its pomp and jubilation. Then the Church continues to rejoice in the resurrection for a total of 50 days later when we rejoice in the gift of the Holy Spirit pouring forth into our hearts and giving all glory to God. We are incredibly loved and blessed by God's generous mercy and love.

I would like to say a special thank you to everyone who helped make these celebrations so special especially those who practiced so much for the music to raise our worship to God and to those who decorated the churches for the different liturgies. Your hard work is so easily taken for granted as we are very much accustomed to the beauty that draws us closer to the mysteries we celebrate in our liturgy but please know that our gratitude is most shown when we worship God and are drawn closer to Him because of your humble service or ministry.

Mass Intentions, Readings, & Saints

Monday, April 21 **Monday within the Octave of Easter**
Acts 2:14, 22-23; Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Matthew 28:8-15
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Renee Merwin*

Tuesday, April 22 **Tuesday within the Octave of Easter**
Acts 2:36-41; Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; John 20:11-18
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph *Reparation for our sins*
3:30 p.m. Communion Service at MCH

Wednesday, April 23 **Wednesday within the Octave of Easter**
Acts 3:1-10; Psalm 105:1-4, 6-9; Luke 24:13-35
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Communion Service at St. Matthew

Thursday, April 24 **Thursday within the Octave of Easter**
Acts 3:11-26; Psalm 8:2, 5-9; Luke 24:35-48
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Communion Service at St. Teresa

Friday, April 25 **Friday within the Octave of Easter**
Acts 4:1-12; Psalm 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; John 21:1-14
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Joe Jensen*

Saturday, April 26 **Saturday within the Octave of Easter**
Acts 4:13-21; Psalm 118:1, 14-21; Mark 16:9-15
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Jim Clobes*
5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph † *Ray Doyen*

Sunday, April 27 **Divine Mercy Sunday**
Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 118:118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;
1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31
8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Virgil Beaudry*
10:00 a.m. Youth Mass at St. Matthew *People of the tri-parish*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 1 p.m. Quilt Group at St. Teresa
Tuesday, April 29 7 p.m. St. Joseph Finance Council

**Tri-parish office will be closed
Monday, April 21.**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ...

1 Peter 1:3

**May God grant you a happy and holy
Easter Season!**



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

Tiffany Sonnek, Noah Laird, Phyllis Lindeman, Jay Hiller, Krissy Wendlandt Bauer,

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

Faith Formation classes will be held Wednesday, April 23rd. The last day for Faith Formation will be April 30th.



The second graders of the tri-parish will celebrate their First Communion on Saturday, April 26, at 5 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph, and Sunday, April 27, at 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa.

Please pray for these children of God as they make the final preparations to receive Our Lord for the first time in the sacrament of the Eucharist.

St. Joseph Parish

Tyler Hollerich, son of Todd and Tasha Hollerich
Claire McGregor, daughter of Rob and Sarah McGregor
Lexi Thomas, daughter of Ryan and Jill Thomas

St. Teresa Parish:

Ellie Braaten, daughter of Mike and Jessica Braaten
Kiyana Buland, daughter of Bob and Carmen Buland
Hailey Fischer, daughter of Jessica Denn
Gracie Langworthy, daughter of Robert Langworthy
Brooke Reuter, daughter of KC and Debbie Reuter
Jackson Walters, son of Casey and Leah Walters
Natalie Wenner, daughter of Shawn and Sara Wenner



St. Matthew will once again have an end of the year Bingo Party on Wednesday, April 30 beginning at 6:30 – Refreshments will be served, and prizes for all!

This event is open to all ages.

Please plan on attending for lots of fun and prizes.



Adult Faith Enrichment

Thursday morning Bible Study This Lenten session we will be studying the Mysteries of the Rosary. The study begins after the 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa.

Wednesdays: St. Teresa Gathering Space Classroom, when Faith Formation classes meet.
6:15-7:15 p.m. **Bible Study with Deacon Chris**

Parish News

Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun Sunday, May 4 6 p.m.—8 p.m.
St. Teresa Gathering Space

Bingo and pie social

25 cents/card, winner takes whole pot
(snacks served during Bingo, pie and ice cream after)



Tri-Parish Server Appreciation

Mark your calendars now to join Deacon Chris and Fr. Kern at the WOW Zone on Wednesday, May 14th from 6pm until 9pm for unlimited bowling, laser tag and mini golf. Pizza and Pop will also be provided. More information will be sent to all altar servers soon.

New altar server trainings: for any youth in 4th grade or higher who has not yet been trained to serve. For members of any parish, either of these training dates may be attended.

Wednesday, May 7 at 7 p.m. at St. Teresa
Saturday, May 10 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Joseph.



Mother's Day is May 11

St. Josephs CCW Plus will honor all mothers at mass on May 10th with a complimentary geranium. If you'd like to purchase additional geraniums in honor of a mother or in memory of deceased mothers please see Leah Davis or Megan Schwanz following mass on April 26th or May 3rd. Cost is \$5, all proceeds go to MCCL.

St Teresa: All Mothers can be honored again this year with a geranium plant on Mother's Day. Orders for potted geraniums will be taken on April 27 and May 4. The cost this year is \$4 each, all proceeds go to the Women's Center in Mankato. Questions? Call Gloria Langworthy at 524-3649.

St. Matthew: All mother's will be honored with a flower.



Treats for Troops It's time to send out boxes of treats for our troops again! If you know of anyone in the military that you would like added to our list, please call Jan at 278-3142 or Dilly at 524-3619. Boxes will be packed on Saturday, May 11th at 9 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church in Mapleton. Please leave items for the boxes at the church entrances.

A second collection will be taken up on April 26-27.



Tri-Parish Dance

Friday, April 25, 2014

FitzSimmons Barn at 54440 - 148th St, Good Thunder
(On T-78 between County Rd 10 and County Rd 1)

This year's theme is **Big Band Swing**.

Supper begins at 5:00 p.m.

The Jim Lawrence Orchestra, starting at 6:00 pm, will be playing the night away! Period dress of the 1940's is encouraged. Everyone is invited to attend. Kids are most welcome! Come out to enjoy fellowship, food, fun, and dancing! A free will donation will be accepted.



We are still looking for singers to accompany the band! Let any Pastoral Council member know if you are interested in joining in

SCHOLARSHIP SUPPER - Monday, April 28, from 5-7p.m. Location is St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Mapleton. The menu includes main dishes, salads, desserts and beverage. Cost is **FREE WILL DONATION** at the door. This Scholarship Supper is sponsored by Maple River Dollars for Scholars and all proceeds will be given out in scholarships.



40th Wedding Anniversary Party for Larry and Kathy Caven, Sat. April 26, at D Bar 169 in Vernon Center starting at 4:30 Everyone is welcome.

No Gifts Please

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa: (April 13)

Weekly collection...	\$1733.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$122,331.87
Amount budgeted year to date ..	\$129,314.00

St. Matthew (April 13)

Weekly collection.....	\$796.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$63,900.00
Amount budgeted year to date...	\$54,079.00

St. Joseph

Weekly collection	
Amount collected year to date...	\$40,506.90
Amount budgeted year to date	\$42,910.00



Ministry Roles

April 26 St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Mary Caven

Minister of Communion: John FitzSimmons
Paul FitzSimmons

Hospitality: Paul and Gina FitzSimmons

Gifts: Paul and Gina FitzSimmons

Servers: Laureen Kleven, April Klecker

Money Counters:

April 27 St. Teresa 8:00 a.m.

Reader: Ann Langworthy

Minister of Communion: Debbie Reuter,
Tony Bach

Hospitality: Jan Sonnek, John Hengel,
Owen and Theresa Dickey

Gifts: Jim and Jackie Landsteiner

Servers: AJ Kunkel, Samantha Kunkel,
McKenzie Reuter

Money Counters: Tammy Schmidt, Sandy Miller

April 27 St. Matthew 10:00 a.m.

Reader: Youth

Minister of Communion: Charley Roelofs,
Denise Peterson

Hospitality: Youth

Servers: Henry Cooling and Thomas Cooling

Money Counters: Linda Anderson,
Maria Sanders

Our Catholic World



Please pray for our country!:

"The Rosary is the 'weapon' for these times."

--Saint Padre Pio **Every Wednesday at 4:15 p.m.**

St. Teresa Church

St. Anthony Catholic Gift Store Gifts for all occasions

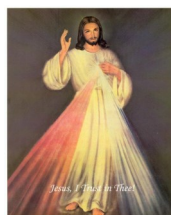
located in the church hall of St. Teresa

Gifts for: **First Communion**, Birthdays,
Confirmation, **Mother's Day**, **Weddings**

Pictures Rosaries Statues

Bibles Prayer books Crucifixes

Cards for: birthdays, sympathy, get well, First Communion, Baptism, Confirmation All proceeds go to the tri-parish youth.



Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27

Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

The Humble Instrument

Sister Faustina was a young, uneducated, nun in a convent of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Kracow, Poland during the 1930's. She

came from a very poor family that struggled on their little farm during the years of World War I. She had only three years of very simple education, so hers were the humblest tasks in the convent, usually in the kitchen or garden. However, she received extraordinary revelations or messages from Our Lord Jesus. Jesus asked Sr. Faustina to record these experiences, which she compiled in notebooks. These notebooks are known today as the *Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska* and the words contained within are God's loving message of Divine Mercy.

Though the Divine Mercy message is not new to the teachings of the Church, Sr. Faustina's *Diary* sparked a great movement, and a strong and significant focus on the mercy of Christ. Pope John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina in 2000 making her the "first saint of the new millennium." Speaking of Sr. Faustina and the importance of the message contained in her *Diary*, the Pope call her "the great apostle of Divine Mercy in our time."

taken from <http://thedivinemercy.org/message/stfaustina/>

According to Our Lord: *"On that day the very depths of my tender mercy are open. The souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. Let no souls fear to draw near me."* (Diary 699)

Divine Mercy Sunday devotions will be celebrated at St. John the Baptist, Minnesota Lake on April 27. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3 p.m. with Adoration of the Eucharist beginning at 3 p.m. and ending with Benediction at 7 p.m. Confession will be available throughout the afternoon.

Diocese of Winona - Child Sexual Abuse Policy Information - The Diocese of Winona will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (507)454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.