

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

Sunday 7:30 a.m. at St. Matthew
Sunday 9:00 am at St. Joseph
Sunday 10:30 am at St. Teresa

Weekdays: Please see Inside Bulletin

Holy Days See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass

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August 24, 2014 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



...you are Peter,
and upon this rock I
will build my church,
and the gates of the
netherworld shall not
prevail against it.

Matthew 16:18

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

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

Including this weekend, I have baptized 5 children in our parish cluster in the past week. This is awesome. I love rejoicing with families over their new child and celebrating such a powerful Sacrament of the Church. Sacraments are a real encounter with God and a means for incredible grace. We are blessed to have such meaningful encounters with grace in our lives and I am grateful to be a part of God's action and so many of your lives in this manner. Every Sacrament makes real in our lives a grace that we cannot see. For instance, in all of these five baptisms this week, each of the infants was forgiven of their original and made a child of God. They now absolutely have the capacity to grow in grace and love of God that prior to their baptism they did not have the same ability to live out of this grace. It gave them an invisible reality to live as a child of God in relationship to Him. At every Mass, Jesus is really and truly made present and the Memorial of His Sacrifice accomplished. Every Sacrament gives grace.

Yet, that grace is certainly based on our faith. If we are not ready to receive the grace of God, if we have put obstacles in the way to growing in faith or closed our heart to the movements of grace we will not be able to authentically receive the grace God wants to bestow to our hearts. This is where we must grow in fervor and love of God. We must take more seriously our faith life and prioritize our lives so that God is always first and not sports, academics, or other commitments. Jesus Christ must be the first object of our love and affection. If we receive the Eucharist with this type of faith and confidence in God to come to us through the Sacraments of the Church our hearts will be filled with love, joy, and peace. Let God come to you through the Sacraments as this should be a primary encounter with God and our personal prayer and devotions supplement our life of grace.

I would also like to announce that as we prepare for the next rotation of masses on September 6/7, I will announce officially next weekend that I will not be doing the summer rotation of three masses on Sunday morning next summer. I have decided after discussing with the pastoral councils of our parishes that it makes more sense for the parishes and for me personally to continue with the normal rotation through the summer with masses at 5pm on Saturday evening, and 8 & 10am Sunday morning. I don't think too many people will be sad at losing a 7:30am mass from the rotation in the summer months. Thanks for your understanding.

Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things,
through the mercy of God, will make a man go to Heaven.
-- St. Camillus de Lellis

Mass Intentions, Readings, & Saints

Monday, August 25 **St Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz**

2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12; Psalm 96:1-5;

Matthew 23:13-22

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † Fr. Milo Ernster

Tuesday, August 26

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3, 14-17; Psalm 96:10-13;

Matthew 23:23-26

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

8:30 a.m. Communion Service at St. Joseph

Wednesday, August 27 **St. Monica**

2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18; Psalm 128:1-2, 4-5;

Matthew 23:27-32

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew *Reparation for our sins*

Thursday, August 28 **St. Augustine**

1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Psalm 145:2-7; Matthew 24:42-51

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † Lillian Pfeffer

3:30 p.m. Mass at MCH † Jim Clobes

Friday, August 29 **The Passion of St. John the Baptist**

1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11;

Mark 6:17-29

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † Brian Becker

Saturday, August 30

1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Psalm 33:12-13, 18-21;

Matthew 25:14-30

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † Charlene Wallace

Sunday, August 31 **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jeremiah 20:7-9; Psalm 63:2-6, 8-9;

Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

7:30 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew † James Weir family

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph *People of the tri-parish*

10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † Theresa Healy

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Tuesday, August 26 7 p.m. St. Joseph Pastoral Council

Monday, September 8 6 p.m. St. Teresa CCW Dinner Mtg.



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

Kathleen Abrahamson, Yolande Abrahamson, Charles McColl, Jerry Etherington, Chris FitzSimmons, Cathy Pluym, Carol Gregor, Richard Nowak, Tiffany Sonnek

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 begin Wed., September 17th

To register your child/ren for class please call your FF Director or the office (524-3127)

St. Joseph, Connie Peters: 524-4511 or 420-3406

St. Matthew, Cindy Young: 549-3358

St. Teresa, Karen Langworthy: 524-4606

This year all classes will meet on Wednesday at the following times and locations:

St. Joseph: K-8 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m.

St. Matthew: K-8 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m.

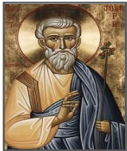
St. Teresa: K-6* 6:15p.m.-7:15p.m.
7-8 7:30p.m.-8:30p.m.

St. Matthew is in need of two teachers for these classes.

St. Joseph is in need of teachers for: K/1 (6 kids); 2nd grade (2); 3rd grade (3); 5th, 6th & 7th combo (6)

Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to share your faith with the youth.

Parish News



St. Joseph Festival in the Park

Sunday, September 7 activities: 11a.m.—2p.m.
Begin with Mass at 10 a.m.

Lunch to follow (brats, hot dogs, potato salad, beans, bars, beer free will donation)

Bake Sale Auction Farmer's Market Children's games
Bingo Photo booth by Expressions Photography

Bean bag tournament - 2 person teams,
\$10/team with 100% payout



To sign up for the tournament, contact Megan Schwanz at 380-6209 by **August 31**.

Plan now to attend for fellowship and fun.



With great joy we welcome **Cassandra Jolene Larson** into the Catholic family. Cassandra, daughter of LeRoy and Jolene Larson, was baptized in Christ on Saturday, August 16 at St. Joseph Church. Pray for Cassandra and her family that they grow closer to Jesus each day.



Everyone is invited to an **Open House Bridal Shower for Marcie Woitas, bride-to-be of Paul Larson**, on Saturday, September 6 at 10 a.m. at St. Teresa. The couple is registered at Target, Kohls, Menards, and Nordaas.

Open House Bridal Shower for Abby Maxson - future wife of Bob Olson, on Saturday, September 6th, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., at 417 South Street West, Amboy. ~ given by Susan Bowen

The new Mass schedule will begin in two weekends, Sept. 6 & 7. For Sept.—Nov. the schedule is:

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. St. Teresa

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. St. Matthew

Sunday, 10:00 a.m. St. Joseph

There will be **NO 5 p.m. Mass on September 13**, everyone is encouraged to attend the **Diocesan Mass at 4 p.m. that day at the Verizon Wireless Center, Mankato.**

St. Teresa CCW Women are invited to attend our annual meeting on Monday, September 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the church dining hall. A light meal will be served. Our speaker is Sr. Joyce Kolbet, our former Tri-Parish Pastoral Minister. She currently serves as Chaplain Bereavement Coordinator and Legacy Navigator for Hospice of the Valley based in Mankato. She will speak about the goals of Hospice and share heartwarming stories about healing and hope. Sign-up sheets are at the church entrances.



St. Matthew Parish is sponsoring a bake sale at the Amboy Arts 'n More Festival, Sept. 6th from 9—11:30 a.m. It will be set up at Eagle Nutrition, on Maine St.

Please bring baked items to the church by 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 or to Eagle Nutrition on Sat. by 8:30 a.m. Have items packaged to sell, but we will price them. Thanks for your help with this project!

Tri-parish Women's Book Club



Informational meeting

Sunday, September 7 6:30 p.m.

at the gathering space at St. Teresa.

The book club will meet every other month, location to vary, with email "dialog" in between meetings for questions, comments, and insights about the book. The aim is to fit into busy schedules some time for social and interesting interaction. The first book read will be the New York Times best seller Left to Tell by Immaculee Ilibagiza.

Refreshments will be provided. If you have any questions please call Carol at the tri-parish office, 524-3127, or Stephanie Stencil at 995-2227.

A Farewell Potluck will be held for Ron & Mary Hartmann at Heritage Park on Tuesday, August 26 @ 6 p.m. Pork sandwiches and cake will be provided. Come wish Ron & Mary well as they embark on the newest chapter in their lives.

Community News

A Salad Lunch will be held at The WELL on Tuesday, August 26, serving 11:00—1:30.

All you care to eat salad bar \$5.00.

Thank you for supporting local youth!



You're invited to a **Bridal Shower for Yahna Zastrow** on Monday, Sept. 1 at 1 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, Good Thunder. Yahna is registered at Target, and Bed, Bath, and Beyond.



Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa: (August 17)

Weekly collection...	\$4143.25
Amount collected year to date...	\$21,955.57
Amount budgeted year to date ..	\$22,148.00

St. Matthew (August 17)

Weekly collection.....	\$493.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$4535.50
Amount budgeted year to date...	\$9373.00

St. Joseph (August 17)

Weekly collection	\$478.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$4049.30
Amount budgeted year to date	\$7910.00



Ministry Roles

August 31 St. Matthew 7:30 a.m.

Reader: Mary Lee Corey

Minister of Communion: Maria Sanders,
Char Schuch

Hospitality: Matt Moline family

Servers: Joseph Bennett, Jeff Lewis

Money Counters: Lee Corey, Wendy Bennett

August 31 St. Joseph 9:00 a.m.

Reader: Patty Thomas

Minister of Communion: Connie Peters,
Christine Rahn

Hospitality: John and Jan FitzSimmons

Gifts: John and Jan FitzSimmons

Servers: April Klecker, Clinton Gehrke

Money Counters: Paul FitzSimmons,
Sarah Caven

August 31 St. Teresa 10:30 a.m.

Reader: Lois Gau

Minister of Communion: Kay Proehl,
Debbie Reuter

Hospitality: Bernie and Dilly Langworthy,
Tom and Gina Massop

Gifts: Jan Sonnek, Sylvia Becker

Servers: Ethan Sindelir, Will Stencil,
Kole Wenner

Money Counters: Eugene Langworthy,
Ann Walters

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



If anyone is interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith please talk to Deacon Chris or Fr. Kern, or call the tri-parish office. A RCIA class for anyone interested in exploring the idea of joining the Catholic Church, or any life-long Catholic just interested in finding out more about the faith, will begin this fall.

St. Anthony Catholic Gift Store

Located in the hall at St. Teresa Church.

Come and check out new items: beautiful new rosaries and many sacred pictures.

Cards and gifts for many occasions. Books for youth and adults.

All proceeds from sales go to support the many initiatives for the youth of our parish that Father is promoting. Stop by the store to support our youth and aid your personal devotions.



Adoption is a wonderful way to build a family. If you are interested in learning more about adoption call Catholic Charities at 1-800-222-5859. As one adoptive parent said, "Adoption has been a blessed event in our lives. We can't imagine loving anyone as much as our child. Our son has been the joy of our lives and has allowed us the opportunity of having a family. We are extremely grateful to his birthmother for bringing him into our world." If you are interested in adoption visit us at www.ccwinona.org or call Catholic Charities at—387-5586.

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. The Diocese of Winona is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site www.dow.org under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Peter Martin by calling (507)858-1264 or emailing pmartin@dow.org.