

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

Weekdays: Please see Inside Bulletin

Holy Days See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass

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April 19, 2015

Third Sunday of Easter



...he stood in their midst and said to them,
"Peace be with you."

Luke 24:36

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. Kern

On the third week of Easter I have been asking the Lord for the grace to live in the joy and hope of the Resurrection. It is too easy to take for granted all that we have been given in our faith and so I know I need to reclaim a more authentic and real desire to live not consumed with passing concerns but to live in the reality of how Jesus has offered me the gift of eternal life and grace in this life.

One of the ways that I do this is by praying for peace. Peace is not simply the absence of conflict, but the total order of our lives to tranquility that comes from God. When we order our lives with God first and at the center there is the opportunity for our hearts to remain in peace even while many things seek to rob that peace that comes from God. It is a firm foundation—a steady ground—that we can stand on and remain confident in God’s plan and purpose for us.

In these spring days our schedules fill up quickly and we can run from one thing to the next. Yet, I hope you see beyond the busyness of how much God is at work in your life. Don’t become too busy or rushed for the things that really matter. Let yourself enjoy life and its beauty, its love, and its joy even despite times of trial or hardship. I pray the Lord in His abundant grace will protect and sustain you and your family.

Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and the 51st World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please pray for an increase of priestly vocations in our Diocese.

*O God, Who wish all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of Your truth:
send, we beg You, laborers into Your harvest,
and grant them grace to speak Your word with all boldness;
so that Your word may spread and be glorified,
and all nations may know You, the only God,
and Him Whom You have sent,
Jesus Christ Your Son, Our Lord,
Who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.*

Mass Intentions, Readings, & Saints

Monday, April 20

Acts 6:8-15; Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29

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

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

Tuesday, April 21

St. Anselm

Acts 7:51—8:1; Psalm 31:3-4, 6-8, 17, 21; John 6:30-35

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph † Plagai (Shumski) Kotewa

Wednesday, April 22

Acts 8:1-8; Psalm 66:1-7; John 6:35-40

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

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

Thursday, April 23

St. George, St. Adalbert

Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6:44-51

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

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

Friday, April 24

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 117:1-2; John 6:52-59

10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH † Michael John Kotewa

Saturday, April 25

St. Mark

1 Peter 5:5-14; Psalm 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mark 16:15-20

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † Richard Nowak

5:00 pm. Mass at St. Matthew People of the tri-parish

Sunday, April 26

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29;

1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Reparation for our sins

10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † Don Minkel

**Clarification of Mass Intentions: If the Mass is offered for a person who is deceased, there is a cross in front of the name. A mass can also be offered for a someone living and in good health. If the Mass is offered for a person who is living, or if the intention is for something other than a person, eg. reparation of sins, there is no cross.*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 1 p.m.	Quilters group at St. Teresa
Wednesdays 4:15 p.m.	Rosary at St. Teresa
Wednesdays 6:15 p.m.	Bible Study at St Teresa
Thursdays 9 a.m.	Bible Study at St. Teresa
Tuesday, April 21 7 p.m.	Tri-parish Finance Council
Thursday, April 23 6:15 p.m.	St. Teresa Pastoral Council



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

Joe Kozubik, Bill O'Brien, Lloyd Mitchell, Bernie Kunkel, Bill Barnard, Cathy Lentz, Jared Springer, Mavis Treanor, Maureen Springer, Chris FitzSimmons

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 meet Wednesday, April 22.

Tri Parish Youth Scavenger Hunt

Sunday, April 26 at 3:30 p.m.
At St. Teresa's Church
All tri parish youth grades 6-12
Are invited and encouraged to attend. Come join the fun!



Deacon Chris is leading a Bible Study on Wednesdays from 6:15—7:15 p.m. at the St. Teresa gathering space. This study will cover books of the Old Testament: Tobit, Judith, and Esther.

Fundraiser Breakfast May 3 at St. Joseph to benefit the Youth Activities and trips in the tri-parish. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend to support the youth of our parishes.



The second graders of the tri-parish will celebrate their First Holy Communion next weekend, April 25 and 26.

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:

Katelyn Sandmeyer, daughter of Kacie Sandmeyer

St. Matthew:

Curtis Cumbee, son of Kitty and Paul Cumbee
Layne Davis, son of Justin and Lisa Davis
Nate Driscoll, son of Trina and Corey Driscoll

St. Teresa:

Jacob Langworthy, son of Bert Langworthy
Ella Olson, daughter of Reid and Sheryl Olson
Jonathan Steffen, son of Jason and Andrea Steffen
Wyatt Walters, son of Casey and Leah Walters

Parish News

All are invited to 50's Karaoke practice for the barn dance. Practice will be in the "barn" at the home of Paul and Gina Fitzsimmons at 8:00pm on Wednesday, April 22.



The tri-parish Women's Book Club will meet Sunday, May 3 at 6:10 p.m. for prayer and 6:30 p.m. for discussion of the book: Mother Theresa Come Be My Light.

St. Anthony Catholic Gift Store

Come in to see the gifts available for First Holy Communion and Confirmation!
Open each day.



Congratulations to Samantha Passer who was Confirmed in Christ and His Church on Sunday, April 5th at St. Teresa Church. Many blessings on Samantha as she continues to grow in her love for Christ and His Church.



A special thank you for the beautiful cards, gifts and for coming to my "80"th birthday party. You are all so very special.
-Pearl Lantz



Please join us for a trip back to the 50's!

Tri-Parish Barn Dance

sponsored by St. Joseph's Catholic Church
Saturday, April 25th 6:00-9:00 pm

Enjoy Karaoke with music from the 50's

Food will be served from 6:00-7:30

Burgers, hot dogs, malts

Free will donation to cover the cost

Paul and Gina FitzSimmons' Farm 54440 148th Street

All are welcome!



Thank you note from recipients of Treats for Troops:

"We received mail yesterday (after about a month) and we received 6 of your packages! I can't tell you how excited my Sailors were to receive them.

I can't thank you enough for your generosity and thoughtfulness during these holiday times." You truly are appreciated! The next set of boxes will be packed on Saturday, May 16th at 9 a.m. at St. John Lutheran Church, Mapleton. There is a box in the St. Teresa gathering space for donations.



Open house Bridal Shower for Devin FitzSimmons and Adam Thorson on Saturday, May 9 at St. Joseph Church. A brunch will be served from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The couple is registered at Kohl's and Target.

There will be a meeting scheduled for all current servers and those in fourth grade and older who are interested in learning how to serve at the altar. A meeting will be held at each parish. Days and times will be announced soon; please watch for this in future bulletins.



Community News

Annual Presbyterian Women's Salad Luncheon on Saturday, April 25 at the First Presbyterian Church in Amboy, beginning at 12:00 noon. Tickets (\$7.00) Guest speaker will be Carolyn Becker, Master Gardener.

Maple River Dollars for Scholars Supper will be held on Monday, April 20th at the St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Mapleton from 5-7 p.m. Free will donations will go toward scholarships for 2015 Maple River graduates. We appreciate your support!

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa: (April 12)

Weekly collection...	\$8877.88
Amount collected year to date...	\$141,801.66
Amount budgeted year to date ..	\$129,734.00

St. Matthew (April 11)

Weekly collection.....	\$1685.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$51,906.53
Amount budgeted year to date...	\$53,530.00

St. Joseph (April 12)

Weekly collection	\$890.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$41,454.30
Amount budgeted year to date	\$46,330.00



Ministry Roles

April 25 St. Matthew 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Tony Wendlandt

Minister of Communion: Devin Moline,
Charly Roelofs

Hospitality: Dennis Peterson family

Servers: Jeff Lewis, Joseph Bennett

Money Counters: Wendy Bennett, volunteer

April 26 St. Joseph 8:00 a.m.

Reader: Kevin FitzSimmons

Minister of Communion: Mary Beth Olson,
Connie Peters

Hospitality: Leah and Landon Davis

Gifts: Leah and Landon Davis

Servers: Lauren Kleven, Parker Smith

Money Counters: Cassie Winters, Dan Sohre

April 26 St. Teresa 10:00 a.m.

Reader: Shelly Holt

Minister of Communion: Jim Langworthy,
Gloria Langworthy

Hospitality: Cliff and Marcie Anderson,
Doug and Tammy Schmidt family

Gifts: Mike and Jan Samuelson

Servers: Andrew Hoppe, Kole Wenner,
Julia Langworthy

Money Counters: Kay Proehl, Bob Bissonette

Ministry schedules are available on the web-site: sjsmst.org

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



Please be generous to the Annual Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal by sharing your gifts and prayers. Your contribution to the Appeal is a way of serving others throughout the diocese and continuing the saving work begun by Jesus. Please consider your one-time or monthly gift as a reflection of your daily

offering to God. To give a gift, please fill out the pledge card sent to you and bring to Mass next week or mail in the envelope provided. Thank you for your generosity. The goals for each parish are:

St. Joseph	\$4,560;	St. Matthew	\$5,800;	St. Teresa	\$14,140
Collected:	\$595		\$1,820		\$6,493

The number of parishioners who have given to date:

St. Joseph: 8 St. Matthew : 10 St. Teresa: 44

If we do not meet the goals with your donations, the parish will need to make up the difference. **Please prayerfully consider sending in your gift today.**

Hospice & Palliative Volunteer Training. Mayo Clinic Health System Hospice is looking for volunteers to work in our Hospice and Palliative Care programs. Serving the seriously ill and terminally ill people in your community is a rewarding experience and volunteers play an important role in this care. Volunteer training is scheduled for May 11 and 12 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm and May 13 from 9:00 am – 1:00 p.m. It will be held at the Hospice office in the Madison East Center in Mankato. We are looking for men and women to volunteer in all of our service areas. For more information or to request an application, please call Kim Rotchadl, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, at 385-6364 or email her Rotchadl.Kim@mayo.edu

You can replace heartache with hope for children in need, families in crisis, vulnerable adults, refugees, immigrants, unmarried mothers and their unborn, and the poor and suffering throughout southern Minnesota. Your support makes a difference! You are the instrument of God's healing and transformation. Please be generous and support the **Catholic Charities Annual Appeal** on Mother's Day weekend **May 9th and 10th**.

Catholic Charities Pregnancy Information Line

Catholic Charities provides a 24/7 pregnancy information line. Facing an unplanned pregnancy can be made easier with help. Whether thinking about adoption or parenting. Help is only a phone call away, any-time of the day or night, any day of the week. Call Catholic Charities at 1-800-222-5859.

"Spread love everywhere you go: first of all in your own house. Give love to your children, to your wife or husband, to a next door neighbor... Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting."

~Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta