

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

Weekdays: Please see Inside Bulletin

Holy Days See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass

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July 19, 2015 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Psalm 23

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

“My heart is steadfast God, my heart is steadfast. I will sing and chant praise!” (Psalm 57)
 This is how my heart feels after an incredible week at the Steubenville North Conference in Rochester. I witnessed the deepening of faith and real encounters of teens with the Person of Jesus! Thanks be to God! With this year going so well, I am hoping to begin planning for next year. I will begin by meeting with the chaperones that went and ask how we can more effectively plan and coordinate the weekend. Thanks to Kim Kleven, Marcie Anderson, Shelly Holy, Jeff Kunkel, & Ken Rigdon for taking the risk and leading our youth on the weekend. I am very grateful for your steady presence and witness to our youth on a high energy and impact weekend.

Next up is this coming week where eight of our youth will travel to Catholic Heart Workcamp which is a national camp put on at over 50 different cities throughout the summer. Our group will travel to Detroit Lakes, MN to do some work for those in need in the local area as well as encounter Jesus in a week of faith-filled fun. Please pray for us to deeply encounter Jesus throughout the week in the Eucharist, personal prayer, and in those we serve. A special thank you to Vicki Kunkel, Karen Langworthy, and Jay Stencel for giving up a week of their summer to go on the mission trip with our youth! Come Lord Jesus!

Finally, I thank you for your warm welcome of Fr. Edward Eftink this weekend from Cross Catholic Outreach. Cross Catholic is a Catholic ministry that serves the poorest of the poor internationally by channeling aid through dioceses, parishes, and Catholic missionaries, cost-effectively helping the poor break the cycle of poverty while advancing Catholic evangelization. I am grateful to Fr. Eftink for traveling to be with us and cover the weekend masses so that I might be with our youth. The important efforts of Cross Catholic is felt throughout the world and I trust in their mission and efforts to bring Christ to the poor. Thank you for your generous support!

The world promises you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness.

-Pope Benedict XVI

Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, July 20 **St. Apollinaris**
 Exodus 14:5-18; Exodus 15:1-6; Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 21 **St. Lawrence of Brindisi**
 Exodus 14:21—15:1; Exodus 15:8-10, 12, 17;
 Matthew 12:46-50
Rosary for Vocations 8:30 a.m. at St. Joseph

Wednesday, July 22 **St. Mary Magdalene**
 Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15; Psalm 78:18-19, 23-28;
 John 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday, July 23 **St. Bridget**
 Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20; Daniel 3:52-56;
 Matthew 13:10-17

Friday, July 24 **St. Sharbel Makhlof**
 Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19:8-11; Matthew 13:18-23
10:30 a.m. Communion Service at MCH

Saturday, July 25 **St. James**
 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Psalm 126:1-6; Matthew 20:20-28
5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Frank Bach*

Sunday, July 26 **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145:10-11, 15-18;
 Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15
8 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew † *Deceased and living members of Sonny Haugen family*
10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph *People of the tri-parish*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 4:15 p.m.	Rosary at St. Teresa
Wed., July 29 6:15 p.m.	St Teresa Finance Council

Tri-parish Adult Mission Trip to Belize

We are planning a trip to Belize City to encounter Christ in the poor who live there and make a positive impact on their lives—and ours. **The dates for the trip are February 20-27, 2016. Please note date change.** The estimated cost for airfare, 6 nights lodging and most meals is \$1150. If you would like more information please contact Carol at the tri-parish office.

“The new evangelization is an invitation to acknowledge the saving power at work in the lives of the poor, who are at the center of the Church’s pilgrim way, just as Pope Francis has indicated from the start of his pontifical ministry: I want a church that is poor and for the poor. We are called to find Christ in them, lend our voice to their cause, and also be their friends.” Bishop Bernabe’ Sagastume, OFM Cap



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

Mavis Treanor, Aubrielle Catherine Howley, Kelly (Wittrock) Howley Don Shubert, Bill O'Brien, Lloyd Mitchell, Bernie Kunkel, 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

This Sunday, August 19th Fr. Kern will lead 8 of our youth and three adult chaperones on a week long mission trip to Detroit Lakes. The mission trip is through Catholic Heart Workcamp and will be a combination of fulfilling the Corporal Works of Mercy, increasing in faith and encountering Jesus Christ. Please keep the following people in your prayers this week, that they may have a safe and blessed experience seeing Christ in others and being Christ to others.

April Klecker, daughter of Earl and Cheri Klecker

Evan Klein, son of Jason and Sheila Klein

Bridgette Kollos, daughter of Dana Kollos

Samantha Kunkel, daughter of Jeff and Vicki Kunkel

Katelyn Langworthy, daughter of Jason and Karen Langworthy

Megan Langworthy, daughter of Jason and Karen Langworthy

Kayla Rigdon, daughter of Ken and Anita Rigdon

Will Stencel, son of Jay and Stephanie Stencel

Chaperones: Vicki Kunkel, Karen Langworthy, Jay Stencel

Parish News

Please welcome Msgr. Edward M. Eftink, Ph.D. who will speak at all Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas including the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Please be generous in your response to Msgr.'s appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.

St. Matthew: Free coffee and rolls served after mass this summer. Please join us for food and fellowship. All are welcome.



Families come in all shapes and sizes. Please open yours to an International Exchange student. Host families for the upcoming school year(2015-16) are currently being sought in the Maple River and USC school district.

The exchange students represent more than 60 nationalities. They have 3-plus years of English language study, come medically insured, with their own spending money and ready to be a part of your family. Please consider opening up your home to host a student. Please contact Melissa Decker 507-382-3980



Tri-parish Picnic

Sponsored by St. Teresa Church

Saturday, August 15 -Feast of the Assumption
Mass at 5 p.m., picnic following, at St. Teresa and rectory grounds.

Hog Roast/potluck

Pork, buns, condiments, will be provided, please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

1919 Root beer (Father's favorite), lemonade, and coffee will be provided. Beer will be available for sale.

Activities, games, races will be provided for all ages—more information to come.

Mark your calendar now to attend this fun family event!

Every Tuesday at **3:30 p.m.** (note time correction) the Rosary is prayed by the residents of the Mapleton Community Home. One of our parishioners leads the rosary each week. Due to a variety of reasons we are down on the number of leaders and are asking for volunteers to come once a month or less to help with this beautiful ministry. Do not be afraid— you can use a "cheat sheet" if you want! Please let Fr. Kern or the office know if you would be willing to help.

Community News

G-Force — God's Love in Action

Mapleton Community VBS

Sunday, July 26 –Thursday, July 30 6:15—8:15 p.m.

Held at St. Teresa and St. John Lutheran—sign in at St. Teresa gathering space

All children who have completed K-5th grade are welcome to attend. Registration forms are available at St. Teresa church or tri-parish office.

Everest VBS will be held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Vernon Center from **Monday, July 27th to Wed., July 29th**. At Everest, kids discover what it means to hold on to God's mighty power in everyday life. Everest is for children from Preschool – 6th Grade and will run from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. each day, with a free supper served each evening at 5:30. For more information or to register, call **507-549-3166** or email: **stplcms@hickorytech.net**

50th Anniversary



Celebration: Saturday, July 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

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Root Beer Floats, popcorn, music, lunch in the courtyard, door prizes, T-shirts for sale

Come celebrate 50 years of taking pride in caring at the Mapleton Community Home!

Mapleton Auxiliary will sponsor the Annual Pillow Cleaning on Friday, Aug. 7th from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the VFW Building on Main St. New this year...open Thurs., Aug. 6th from 5:00—7:00 p.m. for dropping off pillows. Feather and polyester pillows can be cleaned with new ticking.

Birthright, a pro-life pregnancy help center in Mankato, needs more caring volunteers to help women make the decision of life for their babies. Birthright is planning a training session for new volunteers during July. For information and to volunteer, call the Birthright office at 387-7818

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa: (July 11)

Weekly collection... \$1042.00
 Amount collected year to date... \$5486.50
 Amount budgeted year to date ..

St. Matthew (July 12)

Weekly collection..... \$677.25
 Amount collected year to date... \$1160.25
 Amount budgeted year to date...

St. Joseph (July 12)

Weekly collection \$736.00
 Amount collected year to date... \$1180.50
 Amount budgeted year to date



Ministry Roles

July 25 St. Teresa 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Ann Langworthy

Minister of Communion: Sue Morrow,
 Kay Proehl

Hospitality: Jason and Karen Langworthy,
 Lynn and Ceal Caldwell

Gifts: Ceal and Lynn Caldwell

Servers: Kayla Rigdon, Jacob Rigdon,
 Ellie Braaten

Money Counters: Vicki Kunkel, Sandy Miller

July 26 St. Matthew 8:00 a.m.

Reader: Darla Graf

Minister of Communion: Charly Roelofs,
 Sheila Lewis

Hospitality: Dave Bartsch family

Servers: Jeff Lewis, Joseph Bennett

Money Counters: Maria Sanders, Char Schuch

July 26 St. Joseph 10:00 a.m.

Reader: Mary Caven

Minister of Communion: Connie Peters,
 Christine Rahn

Hospitality: Landon and Leah Davis

Gifts: Landon and Leah Davis

Servers: Taylor Hollerich, Ethan McGregor

Money Counters: Kim Kleven, Rachel Depuydt

Ministry schedules are available on the website: sjsmst.org

Our Catholic World



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.

	# of donors	Amount	Goal	% of goal
St. Joseph:	13	\$1,970	\$4,560	43
St. Matthew:	13	\$3,020	\$5,800	52
St. Teresa:	59	\$9,848	\$14,140	70

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far. We continue to draw nearer to our goals! If you have not yet given to this campaign, or if you feel you can give an extra amount at this time, please prayerfully consider doing so. Envelope are available at each church.



JESUS SAID HE CAME TO GIVE US LIFE TO THE FULL

DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN EXACTLY HOW TO LIVE IT?

THEN DON'T MISS REBOOT! LIVE!

ONE EVENING REGIONAL EVENT WEDNESDAY, September 30th 2015, 7:00 – 9:30PM Fitzgerald Campus, Mankato. For more information and to register:

Call Beverly Miller, at 507-514-2425 or purchase your tickets online at www.RealLifeCatholic.com

Sat., July 25 is the 47th Anniversary of Pope Paul VI Encyclical letter, *Humanae Vitae* (On Human Life)

From the encyclical:

The transmission of human life is a most serious role in which married people collaborate freely and responsibly with God the Creator. It has always been a source of great joy to them, even though it sometimes entails many difficulties and hardships.

Married love particularly reveals its true nature and nobility when we realize that it takes its origin from God, who "is love," (6) the Father "from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named." (7) Marriage, then, is far from being the effect of chance or the result of the blind evolution of natural forces. It is in reality the wise and provident institution of God the Creator, whose purpose was to effect in man His loving design. As a consequence, husband and wife, through that mutual gift of themselves, which is specific and exclusive to them alone, develop that union of two persons in which they perfect one another, cooperating with God in the generation and rearing of new lives.

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week is July 19 through July 25. The dates of this week highlight the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae Vitae* which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, conjugal love and responsible parenthood. "It is a scientific method, it's not the rhythm method or the calendar method — it works," said Karen Murphy Corr, provincial coordinator at Serena BC, which offers NFP services. "Women start to realize if I'm eating organic and I'm drinking out of glass, and I'm making all these efforts in every other aspect of my life, why would I manage my fertility with a carcinogen?" (Source: Vancouver.24hrs.ca, 5/13/14). To learn more about NFP, see www.dow.org and click on Life, Marriage, and Family in the "Directory" heading.