

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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September 27, 2015 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Feast of the Archangels

September 29



Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels

October 2



Make yourself familiar with the Angels, and behold them frequently in spirit. Without being seen, they are present with you.

-St. Francis de Sales

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

It has been an eventful week in America as Pope Francis has headlined with his words and actions. I was particularly impressed with his speech to congress. Pope Francis is the first pope in American history to be invited to speak to joint congress and he did so in a very compelling fashion by delivering an encouraging message of hope to the members of congress to work toward solutions for immigration, environmental problems, and spoke about his realization that marriage and family life is under great threat in society. I mention that it is a message of hope because of his belief and optimism at one point saying, he has confidence we can accomplish these changes and bring about a better society for future generations. He encouraged them by reminding them that political leaders are open and ready to dialogue over these difficult issues. Pope Francis won over congress with many interruptions of clapping and even more won over our nation with his witness and simple joy. Pope Francis turned down lunch with dignitaries of our nation in order to go to the soup kitchen in D.C. and eat with the homeless. Standing on the U.S. Capitol balcony with Speaker of the House Boehner (who was weeping) and other of the most influential people in the world, the Pope says off the cuff that the most important people here today are the children and asks God's blessing upon them.

As I write this, Pope Francis still has three full days left in his visit in the U.S. I will be watching this visit and his witness closely and being a very proud Catholic to have a leader who can capture the imagination of this distracted nation so wonderfully. Thank God for Pope Francis. May he continue to wake up the Church to God's presence in the modern world!

The faith formation year began anew this past week (mostly, we had a power outage in Good Thunder and so couldn't meet...I suppose a symbol that with teaching the faith one begins in darkness and moves to the light of Christ). I am excited to attend with our junior high and high school youth this week the Reboot! Live! Event hosted by St.'s Peter & Paul Church in Mankato with Catholic speaker Chris Stefanick. This should be a fun and well done event with a clear proclamation of our faith. This event is closing on sold out capacity so we are excited to be able to go as a tri-parish. The event will run from 7:00-9:30 this Wednesday.

Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, September 28 **St. Wenceslaus**
St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions
Zechariah 8:1-8; Psalm 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday, September 29 **Sts Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels**
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12; Psalm 138:1-5; John 1:47-51
Rosary for Vocations 8:30 a.m. at St. Joseph

Wednesday, September 30 **St. Jerome**
Nehemiah 2:1-8 ; Psalm 137:1-6; Luke 9:57-62

Thursday, October 1 **St. Theresa of Lisieux, the Little Flower of Jesus**
Nehemiah 8:1-12; Psalm 19:8-11; Luke 10:1-12
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Henry Stenzel and family*

Friday, October 2 **The Holy Guardian Angels**
Baruch 1:15-22; Psalm 79:1-5, 8-9; Matthew 18:1-5, 10
10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH *Reparation for our sins*

Saturday, October 3
Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29; Psalm 69:33-37; Luke 10:17-24
7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Richard "Dickie" Huerkamp*
5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph † *Mike and Rose FitzSimmons*

Sunday, October 4 **Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Genesis 2:18-24 ; Psalm 128:1-6; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16
8 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa *People of the tri-parish*
10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew † *Bill Wendlandt*

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou,
O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen..



Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 4:15 p.m. Rosary at St. Teresa
Tuesday, Sept. 29 7 p.m. St Joseph Finance Council



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

Tom Graf, Eugene Langworthy, Mavis Treanor, Aubrielle Catherine Howley, Kelly (Wittrock) Howley, Bill O'Brien, Lloyd Mitchell, Bernie Kunkel, Maureen Springer, Chris Fitz-Simmons

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

All Faith Formation Classes meet Wed., September 30th

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

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

Tri-parish Confirmation classes held at St. Teresa
 9th, 10th & 11th 7:30—9 p.m.

Reminder: All youth Grades 6 and older will be going to Reboot! Live! in Mankato on Wednesday, September 30th for class from 7-9:30 pm. The bus will leave from St. Teresa lot at 6 p.m. This is a great opportunity for our youth. **Please get permission slips and payment in on Monday if you have not already done so.**

Adults are also encouraged to attend this inspiring speaker's presentation. Come and be inspired to live more fully with Jesus Christ. Contact the office for tickets, or go online: www.reallifecatholic.com



Parish News



The Annual Turkey Supper at St. Matthew's Sunday, October 4th

Serving Family Style 4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.

Turkey and Dressing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Coleslaw, Rolls, and HOMEMADE Pie.
 Adults \$10 Children \$6

There will also be a Raffle and silent auction. Raffle tickets are \$2 and can be obtained from CCW members.

Carry outs are available.—549-3004

The Turkey Dinner benefits the Faith Formation program .
 Gather 4 Family Grant provided by Catholic United Financial

St. Teresa CCW Fall Dinner Meeting Tuesday, Oct. 6
 Begins at 6 p.m. Speakers will be Jim and Arlene Swanson sharing their experiences traveling to Australia and New Zealand. All women of the parish are invited to attend. Sign up sheets are available at each church entrance.

St. Matthew: Coffee and Refreshments will not be served after mass on September 27 and October 4 as we prepare for our Turkey Supper. We will resume serving after mass again on October 11th.

St. Teresa: Fresh made donuts now available after 8 a.m. Mass. Free will donation goes to faith formation/youth group. Come down to the dining hall after Mass for delicious donuts and great conversation!

Adult small group study opportunities:



Women's Bible Study begins Wed. evening, Oct. 7th. We will be using "Living in the Father's Love". We will meet at 7:30 p.m. at St. Teresa. Come and discover just how much you are personally loved by God!

Men's Bible Study will meet Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in Neil Majeski's garage. We will be using the Life in Christ series. Call Neil for more information:327-3559.

Monday night study on the Eucharist We will study the source and summit of the catholic life— the Holy Eucharist, both the history and mystery of Jesus with us. Begins Oct.12th at 6:30 p.m.at St. Teresa gathering space.

Thursday morning Bible Study We begin after the 8:30 a.m. mass at St. Teresa and meet downstairs. A light breakfast is served. This fall we will be using 7 Secrets of the Eucharist by Vinny Flynn. We will go through a step by step deepening of our faith as we unlock the amazing and beautiful truth of Jesus Christ truly present in the Eucharist. You will truly be blown away!

Women's Book Club Meets the second Sunday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Teresa Gathering Space. Following is the list of books we will read this year. Even if you cannot make the meeting time, you may enjoy reading along with a group of women. Please feel free to attend as many meetings as you can, even if it is only once or twice.

October 11	<u>Rome Sweet Rome</u> by Scott and Kimberly Hahn
November 8	<u>The Secret Diary of Elisabeth Leseur</u> by Elisabeth Leseur
January 10	<u>Walking With a Purpose</u> –Seven Priorities that Make Life Work by Lisa Brenninkmeyer
February 7	<u>The Boy Who Met Jesus</u> by Immaculee Ilibigiza
March 13	<u>Kisses for Kate</u> by Katie Davis
April 10	<u>A Can of Peas</u> by Traci DePree
May 15	<u>Breaking Through</u> –Catholic Women <u>Speak for Themselves</u> by Helen M. Alvare
September 11	<u>The Waiting</u> by Cathy LaGrow

Ivalea Wendlandt and Toos Roelofs are recovering at Pathstone near Sibley Park in Mankato. Both would love to have visitors or notes from "home". Also, please pray for their quick recovery.

If you would like to send a card to Gabe Samuelson while he is in basic training for Army Reserves, please do so at the address below. Gabe would love to hear from you!
 PVT Samuelson, Gabriel 1st Platoon (OUTLAWS)
 Bravo Company, Lightning BN (Prov)
 REGT 165th IN BDE
 10788 Hampton Parkway
 Fort Jackson, SC 29207-6819
 Please keep Gabe in your prayers

Attention quilters—and those who can tie a knot!

The quilting group will begin meeting for the year on Wednesday, October 7th. We meet each Wed. at 1 p.m. in the basement of St. Teresa Church. We need those who can sew the tops of quilts and also those who can work on tying the quilt together. Please join us.

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa: (September 20)

Weekly collection...	\$3819.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$36,695.10
Amount budgeted year to date ..	\$37,970.00

St. Matthew (September 20)

Weekly collection.....	\$390.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$9426.75
Amount budgeted year to date...	\$15,984.00

St. Joseph (September 19)

Weekly collection	\$909.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$9017.10
Amount budgeted year to date	\$13,512.00



Ministry Roles

October 3 St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Patty Thomas

Minister of Communion: Mary Caven,
Hollie Smith

Hospitality: David and Jodi Trio family

Gifts: David and Jodi Trio family

Servers: Ben Trio, Will Trio

Money Counters: Kim Kleven, Laureen Sohre

October 4 St. Teresa 8:00 a.m.

Reader: Jason Klein

Minister of Communion: Sandy Miller,
Sue Morrow

Hospitality: Pat Borchert, Lois Gau,
Shawn and Sarah Wenner

Gifts: Paul and Shellie Landsteiner

Servers: Jacob Rigdon, Kayla Rigdon,
Gracie Langworthy

Money Counters: Bob Bissonette,
Tammy Schmidt

October 4 St. Matthew 10:00 a.m.

Reader: Brad Lanoue

Minister of Communion: Neal Wallace,
Tony Wendlandt

Hospitality: Neil Majeski family

Servers: Henry Cooling, Thomas Cooling

Money Counters: Wendy Bennett,
Linda Anderson

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

Our Catholic World



40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Recognizing that "With God, all things are possible," the city of Mankato will unite with 307 other communities across the U.S.A and join 30 nations around the world this *Sept. 23rd-Nov 1st* for 40 Days for Life- the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilization in history! *40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful – and proven effective– pro-life campaign* that has already been embraced by more than half a million people world-wide, saved more than 10,000 lives from abortion, led to the conversion of over 100 abortion workers, and has been responsible for the closing of 60 abortion facilities. Sign up today at www.40daysforlife.com/mankato to register for your prayer spot from 6 am-6 pm.

Contact Mary Flanagan at 507-276-8747 for more details.

Are you having difficulties talking to your spouse? Are you feeling angry in your relationship? Catholic Charities can help you to find new ways to communicate. Most insurance is accepted and a sliding fee is available. Visit us at ccwinona.org or call Catholic Charities at 387-5586 (Mankato office)



The Diocese of Winona's **Social Justice Day** will be held on Saturday, October 17th, from 9 a.m.—3 p.m., at St. Theodore Parish in Albert Lea. Come join others from across the diocese for a day to explore and discuss Pope Francis' recent encyclical on care for the environment, "*Laudato Si'*" - On the Care of Our Common Home."

Dr. Christopher Thompson from the Saint Paul Seminary will deliver the keynote address in the morning, and breakout sessions in the afternoon will examine the themes of the encyclical in more detail and allow participants an opportunity to discuss action steps on both the individual and parish level to bring Pope Francis' vision to life.

Registration for the day is \$10, and includes lunch. **For more information, contact Deacon Chris Walchuk** at Catholic Charities (507-469-5563) or cwalchuk@ccwinona.org) A registration flyer is available at the church entrances and also on line at the diocese web page: www.dow.org/ILF

Healing Ministry for the Widowed, Divorced, and Separated

Beginning Experience offers a weekend retreat to help with the process of grieving the lose of a spouse. This grief resolution process for adults (who have suffered a loss through death, divorce or separation) is being offered at Assisi Heights in Rochester, Minnesota -

October 23-25, 2015. Participants step into an opportunity to love themselves, others, and God in a renewed way. For more information about this weekend for yourself or some one you know is suffering from a loss, contact Beginning Experience Rochester/Southeastern MN at beminnnesota@gmail.com or leave a message at [507-261-8248](tel:507-261-8248) (messages are checked daily) or register online at www.BEMinnesota.org

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 Monday and Wednesday, October 12 and 14 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., and Thursday, October 15 from 9:00 a.m. – 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 at Rotchadl.Kim@mayo.edu.