

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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November 8, 2015 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow
put in more
than all the other contributors to the treasury."
Mark 12:43

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

This Sunday at 2pm we offer our congratulations to our 8 juniors in the Tri-Parish who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Easton. The Confirmation is celebrated by Bishop John Quinn along with the Tri-Parish of Wells, Easton, & Minnesota Lake. This will be a grace filled day and I thank you for your prayers for those to be confirmed. I also would like to extend a sincere thanks to all those who labored as a catechist for this class and anyone else who has had a role in forming this group of young people in a life of faith and the Church.

Confirmation is the Sacrament that strengthens and fortifies the gifts of the Holy Spirit in the soul of the Christian. By the Bishop laying his hands on the one to be confirmed, sealing them with holy chrism oil, and praying down the gifts of the Holy Spirit upon them they are fortified to live as a soldier of Jesus to take up spiritual battle in the world. Confirmation should not be thought of as becoming an adult in the Church or simply taking ownership for your faith. The components of that are real as the Christian is sealed with their baptismal graces to live a life of holiness and perfection but truthfully the Sacrament of Confirmation is a Sacrament of Initiation in the life of faith and is the full expression of God's grace for the beginning of living in the power of the Holy Spirit and the life of faith. Confirmation is much more of a beginning than it is completion of a process of faith formation. In many dioceses in the United States Confirmation is being moved to 3rd or 4th grade as a way to express this and seal the young person with the grace they need to grow in their life of faith in the world. In many Eastern Christian traditions, Confirmation follows immediately upon the baptism of an infant and the child is confirmed in the same instance as they are baptized. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in us the fire of your love!

Finally, thank you for welcoming Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy next weekend as he makes his mission appeal for his home Diocese of Kadapa, India. Fr. Marreddy has served for a number of years in the Diocese of Winona (close to 10 and has been pastor of at least 3 parish clusters over this time). He is currently the pastor of the Tri-Parish of St. Ignatius in Spring Valley, St. Finbarr in Grand Meadow, & St. Patrick in LeRoy. Fr. Marreddy will ask for your financial support for the ministries in his home diocese in India which includes evangelization, pastoral, education, prison ministry, care of orphans, child laborers, dropouts, health care in the

Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, November 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22

Tuesday, November 10

Pope St. Leo the Great

Wisdom 2:23—3:9; Psalm 34:2-3, 16-19; Luke 17:7-10

Rosary for Vocations 8:30 a.m. at St. Joseph

Wednesday, November 11

St. Martin of Tours

Wisdom 6:1-11; Psalm 82:3-4, 6-7; Luke 17:11-19

Thursday, November 12

St. Josaphat

Wisdom 7:22—8:1; Psalm 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Luke 17:20-25

Friday, November 13

St. Francis Xavier Cabrini

Wisdom 13:1-9; Psalm 19:2-5; Luke 17:26-37

Saturday, November 14

Wisdom 18:14-16,; 19:6-9; Psalm 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Luke 18:1-8

5:00 p.m. Loaves and Fishes Mass at St. Joseph

Reparation for our sins

Sunday, November 15

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17:10-16 ; Psalm 146:7-10; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

8 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Don Minkel*

10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew *People of the tri-parish*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 1 p.m.	Quilters at St. Teresa
Wednesdays 4:15 p.m.	Rosary at St. Teresa
Monday, November 9 7 p.m.	St Teresa CCW
Tuesday, Nov. 10 6:30 p.m.	Meeting for all three Cemetery boards at St. Teresa
Tuesday, Nov. 17 7:00 p.m.	St. Matthew Finance Council
Thursday, Nov. 19 6:30 p.m.	VIRTUS training at St. Teresa

interior villages and programs for the empowerment of women. Their diocese is very young. It has a team of 140 priests, 450 catechists and 400 nuns serving in the missions to proclaim the Good News of Jesus. Your help makes the difference. Please be generous in supporting this mission of Christ and our mission with your kind prayers and donations. God bless you.



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

Faith Formation Classes will meet Wednesday, Nov. 11



Congratulations to the following students, who will be Confirmed in Christ this Sunday, November 8th at Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Easton. Please pray that they are open to the

Gifts of the Holy Spirit and allow them to penetrate their souls.

St. Joseph Parish

Kelsey Sohre, daughter of Dan and Teresa Sohre

St. Matthew Parish

Jeffrey Lewis, son of Jon and Sheila Lewis

St. Teresa Parish

Colter Carey-Fritz, son of Gary Fritz and Suz Carey
Allison Denn, daughter of Jennifer Erickson
Adam Dickey, son of Owen and Theresa Dickey
Olivia Hoppe, daughter of Joel and Darlette Hoppe
Eric Langworthy, son of Chris and Michelle Langworthy
Dustyn Schmidt, son of Doug and Tammy Schmidt

Parish News

At each church, a "Book of Remembrance" is available to write the names of your loved ones who have departed from this world. We will remember those who are written in the book in a special way this month and pray that eternal rest is granted to them.



The month of November is National Adoption Month.

The flowers placed on Mary's altar at St. Teresa are to honor all adopted children in our tri-parish families.

St Teresa CCW will be sponsoring a fundraising breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 15 from 9—11 a.m. at St. Teresa to benefit the Belize Mission Trip

Eggs, ham, potatoes, fruit and muffins
Free will donation.



All proceeds will be used to purchase materials to build small, solid shelters for some people in Belize to help them live a better quality of life. Please spread the word, and come to support this mission work.

Any adult volunteer or employee in the Diocese who has contact with children must complete a 2 1/2 hour Safe Environment training. If you think you may attend youth events, chaperone, or drive our youth to an event, you must complete the VIRTUS training. The training in our tri-parish will be Thurs., Nov. 19th at St. Teresa from 6:30 – 9 p.m. Contact the office if you would like to register.

St. Teresa CCW meeting on Monday, November 9th will be held in the dining hall due to the Bloodmobile being held at St Teresa that day. Please enter the church through the east door and go down the back stairs, if possible.

Adult study opportunities this fall.

Women's Bible Study meets Wednesdays 6:15. at St. Teresa

Men's Bible Study meets Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in Neil Majeski's garage. Call Neil for more information:327-3559.

Monday night study on the Eucharist Mondays at 6:30–7:30p.m.at St. Teresa gathering space. **(We will not meet Nov. 9th)**

Thursday morning Bible Study We begin after the 8:30 a.m. mass at St. Teresa and meet downstairs.

Women's Book Club Meets the second Sunday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Teresa Gathering Space.



St. Teresa Reminder: Please remember to keep up to date on your pledges for the magnificent renovation of the church. If you make quarterly payments, the first quarter payment for this year was due in October. Your generosity and diligence in making timely payments is greatly appreciated. If you feel that you cannot complete your pledge due to changes in circumstances, please contact the office or Fr. Kern.



Please return all baby bottles to your church or to the tri-parish office. Thank you for your support of mothers and babies in need of help and love.

Community News

All those from our area churches who enjoy singing are invited to participate in a special Ecumenical Choir for the Ecumenical Thanksgiving service on November 25th at St. John Lutheran Church in Mapleton. We will have just one rehearsal, which will be at St. John's on Wed., Nov. 18 at 7 pm. Please join us that evening for some singing fun and fellowship.



Thank You, LORD!



The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at St. Teresa Church on Monday, November 9 from 1—7 p.m. Appointments may be made by calling Peg at 420-1286 or on line

www.redcrossblood.org sponsor code: MAPLETONMN

Birthright of Mankato is celebrating its 43rd anniversary in November. For 43 years they have been helping girls and women in unplanned pregnancies. In that time, they have worked with thousands of women in Mankato and the surrounding area, always with the pro-life philosophy that "It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born." Birthright volunteers thank everyone who has helped financially and with your prayers during those years, and hope you will continue so they can continue their mission.

Birthright is in need of volunteers. Please give serious consideration to giving a few hours a month to helping with this vital service to save lives. For more information, call Lois at 388-4558.

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa: (November 1)

Weekly collection...	\$4721.50
Amount collected year to date...	\$52,142.50
Amount budgeted year to date ..	\$56,954.00

St. Matthew (November 1)

Weekly collection.....	\$613.25
Amount collected year to date...	\$14,039.40
Amount budgeted year to date...	\$23,976.00

St. Joseph (October 31)

Weekly collection	\$451.00
Amount collected year to date...	\$13,491.10
Amount budgeted year to date	\$20,268.00



Ministry Roles

November 14 St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

Reader: John Hollerich

Minister of Communion: Jim Wieseler,
Hollie Smith

Hospitality: Neal Grover, Larry Hollerich

Gifts: Neal Grover, Larry Hollerich

Servers: Ben Trio, Will Trio

Money Counters: Lauren Sohre,
Paul FitzSimmons

November 15 St. Teresa 8:00 a.m.

Reader: Peg Breiter

Minister of Communion: Brenda Carey,
Owen Dickey

Hospitality: Lynn and Ceal Caldwell,
Paul and Shellie Landsteiner

Gifts: Peter and Ann Langworthy

Servers: Adam Dickey, Will Stencil,
Cole Stencil

Money Counters: Ann Walters, Vicki Kunkel

November 15 St. Matthew 10:00 a.m.

Reader: Art Schuch

Minister of Communion: Neal Wallace,
Dave Weir

Hospitality: Charly Roelofs family

Servers: Jeff Lewis, Joseph Bennett

Money Counters: Kitty Cumbee, Neil Majeski

Ministry schedules are available on the website: sjsmst.org

Our Catholic World



What am I most thankful for in my marriage for this past year? Make the blessing of your spouse come alive in your life by enriching your marriage. For the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact John & Mary Beth at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-838-8178. Early registration is highly recommended!!

The world promises you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness. -Pope Benedict XVI

The entire month of November is dedicated to praying for the souls in Purgatory. To this end, there are some cards and pamphlets available at each church to aid us in this month of praying for the faithful departed. These are beautiful devotions to pray for our own loved ones and for all those who have no one to pray for them. And remember—once they get to heaven, they will be praying for you!

The Diocese of Winona's Annual Women's Conference, featuring recording artist and music missionary Danielle Rose, will be held in Austin at Pacelli Catholic School on November 21st from 9-4...*that's only 3 weeks away!* Register now at www.dow.org/women for an event you don't want to miss! Call the tri-parish office for more information or to register.



Catholic Charities Adoption Day Celebration

Join families from across the Diocese of Winona who have created their families through adoption and those families who are ready to adopt by celebrating National Adoption Day on November 21st. Catholic Charities is hosting a potluck lunch and Mystifying Magic Show at St. Bridget Church in rural Simpson. Lunch will be at 11:30am and the entertainment at 12:30 pm. Please RSVP to Jenny Wolfe at 507-387-5586, extension 2 or jennywolfe@ccwinona.org with the number attending by November 13.

Please support the Tri-parish Mission Trip to Belize

Jesus continually calls us to give generously and sacrificially to the poor. In the Gospel Jesus tells the rich young man to sell everything and give the money to the poor. He tells his disciples "It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." We are called to notice God's suffering children and reach out to them. One opportunity to do this is for our tri-parish community to unite in aiding the poor in Belize. Please consider being a part of this mission by picking a day, or more, on the calendar to aid in the financial needs of the trip and to pray for its success. If you have questions about this mission, call the tri-parish office.

It's that time of year and in the holiday spirit, Maple River Loaves & Fishes will again be handing out Thanksgiving and Christmas boxes. In these boxes are a complete meal, including a turkey or ham and all the trimmings plus dessert. We will be packing the boxes on November 15th and December 20th at 1 pm at St. Teresa's and handing them out on November 17th from 3-6 pm and December 22nd from 3-6 pm at St. Teresa's in Mapleton. We can always use volunteers to help! The cost for the boxes is \$40/box and we anticipate handing out over 130 this year for each holiday. Please consider sponsoring a box (or several) this holiday season. Our mailing address is PO Box 227, Mapleton, MN 56065. God Bless!