

# 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. Joseph (1st, 3rd, 5th)  
At St. Matthew (2nd, 4th)  
Sunday 9:00 am at St. Teresa

Weekdays: Please see Inside Bulletin

Holy Days See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass

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## November 13, 2016 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory

During this month especially we should pray for the faithful departed that they may be freed from the punishment for their sins and enter into Heaven.

#### 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

Next Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King and the Last Sunday in Ordinary Time. We have already reached the cusp of Advent and our immediate preparation for the Coming of the Lord. Christ the King is a favorite feast of mine as it celebrates Jesus' final victory over the world. He reigns at the right hand of the Father and will come again to judge the living and the dead. On November 20<sup>th</sup> the Solemnity of Christ the King we will also formally conclude the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy in the Catholic Church. This was a splendid year of grace and I am grateful for Pope Francis' vision to call forth mercy upon the Church and the whole world. While I wish we could have taken even more advantage of such a momentous ocean of grace, I hope you were able to reflect in your own life on the profound depths of mercy that we find in God. Created in love, Redeemed in love, Forgiven in love, and being led by love. Stay on the path of mercy that is before us by growing in frequency of the Sacrament of Confession, personal prayer, and frequency of the Mass.

Upcoming this month, I will take a personal retreat the week of Thanksgiving. The Church asks her priests to take a 5 day retreat each year and I have typically done mine in the fall of the year. It has gotten a little later than I would prefer this year and so I scheduled it on a week where the Newman Center slows down and even in the parishes it is reasonable to sneak away. I am not planning to miss a weekend for it but will be away during that week. This means that there will be no Thanksgiving Day Mass in the parish. If you would like to attend one to give thanks to God, Easton has a large Thanksgiving Day Mass as a wonderful custom in their parish. The Mass is at 10am that morning. Please keep me in your prayers next week.

As a Tri-Parish we continue to work toward implementing a program called Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. This program will include 3-6 year olds (only) in its initial launch next fall with the potential to add ages in the future. We have two people who will be attending 90 hours of training from the Tri-Parish starting this winter and I am looking to ask a third person to attend the training if possible. I am very excited how God has brought about His will for this program to unfold in our parish. It will instill great opportunities for our young children to learn the faith at their level and pace. Instead of reading or just coloring pictures they will interactively learn in a setting appropriate to their place and ability in life. In the months ahead leading up to next fall we will be asking for help to build some classroom materials and items to establish a setting where the youth can grow and learn!

Thanks for the whole parish supporting this endeavor.

## Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

### Monday, November 14

Revelation 1:1-4;2:1-5; Psalm 1:1-4, 6; Luke 18:35-43

### Tuesday, November 15

**St. Albert the Great**

Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22; Psalm 15:2-5; Luke 19:1-10

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

### Wednesday, November 16

**St. Margaret of Scotland  
St. Gertrude**

Revelation 4:1-11; Psalm 150:1-6; Luke 19:11-28

**4:15 p.m. Rosary for our country at St. Teresa**

### Thursday, November 17

**St. Elizabeth of Hungary**

Revelation 5:1-10; Psalm 149:1-6, 9; Luke 19:41-44

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

**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** *Chris Langworthy*

### Friday, November 18

**The Dedication of the  
Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul**

Revelation 10:8-11; Psalm 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131;  
Luke 19:45-48

**10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH** *✠ Theresa Healy*

### Saturday, November 19

Revelation 11:4-12; Psalm 144:1-2, 9-10; Luke 20:27-40

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

**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** *✠ Hank Massop*

**5:00 p.m. Loaves and Fishes Mass at St. Joseph**  
*People of the tri-parish*

### Sunday, November 20

**Christ the King  
of the Universe**

2 Samuel 5:1-3; Psalm 122:1-5; Colossians 1:12-20;  
Luke 23:35-43

**9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** *✠ Lucille Kunkel*

### Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 1 p.m.	Quilting at St. Teresa
Thursdays 9 a.m.	Bible Study at St. Teresa
Tuesday, Nov. 15 7 p.m.	Pastoral Councils at

### **Spend the year with the Saints!**

Every morning you can get information about the saint of the day sent to your email. These are short summaries of the saint's life and are quite inspiring. Go to <http://www.americancatholic.org/Features/SaintofDay/> and you will see a spot just below the introduction that allows you to click on and sign up to receive these emails. Sign up today and spend the year with the saints!

Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Campaign for Human Development. For more information, see the insert in the bulletin this week. Please be generous in your help of the poor.



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

Lucille Schubbe, Annette Nygaard, Stanley Gartner, John Pluym, Toos Roelofs, Dennis Anderson, Alyssa Clark, Jan Samuelson, Jerry Wersal, Jim Carey, *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**

Classes will be held Wednesday, November 16



**Pancake Breakfast November 27**  
at St. Teresa Church 10 a.m.  
to support the Youth Mission Trip  
and Conferences

Pancakes, eggs, fruit, beverage Free will donation. Come to enjoy good food and fellowship and support the youth of the tri-parish.

To keep costs low we are asking for donations of some of the supplies needed. A sign up sheet is available at St. Teresa Gathering Space.



**Eat Wings—Raise Funds**  
for the Tri-parish Youth Group  
Tuesday, November 29 5:00—9:00 p.m.  
Buffalo Wild Wings will donate 15% of your bill to support the youth trips next summer!

You will need to bring along a ticket to get the credit. Tickets will be available from the youth and at all parishes. Please come out and support the youth!

**Parish News**

**At each church, a “Book of Remembrance” will be 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.

**St. Margaret’s Circle will serve supper** after the 5 o'clock Mass on November 12 at St. Matthews. Free will offering will be taken. Everyone is welcome.

**Treats for Troops:** The next set of boxes will be packed on Saturday, Nov. 19th at 9 a.m. at St John Lutheran Church in Mapleton. You can drop off items or monetary donations at church or the office.



Thank you to everyone who has signed up for a day to pray and pay for the Belize Mission Trip! There are still many dates open— please consider making the commitment to pray for the success of the mission and to support the work with a financial donation.

Thank you also to all those who worked at the fundraiser breakfast on October 30th and those who attended. It was very successful and almost \$2000 was raised to purchase supplies for our work in Belize!

Many people lost the little they had in the hurricane that hit a few months ago. We will help with some rebuilding as well as other projects.

**Loaves and Fishes Mass at St. Joseph Saturday, November 19**



We Honor our Veterans and Military!  
All Parishes: Veterans, those in the military, and families of those who are deployed are welcome to join us and be recognized.

- Please bring donations for local food shelves.
- Stay to enjoy food and fellowship after Mass.

**St. Joseph and St. Teresa: New Minister schedules for Nov.—Jan.** are available. Copies of both schedules will be available at all three churches. Please pick a schedule up if you are signed up for a ministry.

**St. Teresa:** There are bowls and pans left at church from various events. Items will be in the gathering space. Please check to see if any are yours or someone you know and take them with you. Items not picked up will be given away.



Thank you for your support of the Baby Bottle Campaign! Please return any bottles still out soon.



Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service  
Wed., November 23 7:00 p.m.

**Thank You, LORD!**

Beauford United Methodist Church

We are once again forming a community choir for the Service. There will be only ONE rehearsal and it will take place at 7 pm on Wed., November 16 at the Beauford Church. Please mark your calendars and join us that evening for song and fellowship! All interested singers are welcome!



**FEED THE HUNGRY**

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 13<sup>th</sup> and December 11<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm at St. Teresa’s and handing them out on November 15<sup>th</sup> from 3-6 pm and December 13<sup>nd</sup> 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.

The need for food in our area continues to be great. The cost for the food continues to rise. In September, we gave out almost 13,000 pounds of food to 130 families. ALL from the Maple River area. They could be neighbors or friends. Many are in need of food, especially this time of year. Remember, for every dollar you donate, we are able to buy \$10.00 worth of food. Our mailing address is PO Box 227, Mapleton, MN 56065.

Thank you for your generous support for our food shelf, both financially and with prayer.

Free Community Breakfast for all people in the community 8:30-10:30am at St. John Church on the 2nd Saturday of each month. A great mission to be a part of and a great way to get to know people in the community! Please call Debbie Jaeger at 524-3784 or the St. John church office at 524-3615 if you would like to volunteer or help serve.

## Stewardship of Treasure

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



<b>St. Teresa</b> (November 6)	
Weekly collection	\$2917.55
Amount collected year to date	\$67,052.45
Amount budgeted year to date	\$61,940.00

<b>St. Matthew</b> (October 22)	
Weekly collection	\$1733.00
Amount collected year to date	\$10,215.80
Amount budgeted year to date	\$22,100.00

<b>St. Joseph</b> (November 5)	
Weekly collection	\$518.00
Amount collected year to date	\$13,663.96
Amount budgeted year to date	\$21,223.00



## Ministry Roles

### **November 19 St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.**

**Reader:** Youth

**Minister of Communion:** Hollie Smith,  
Patty Thomas

**Hospitality:** Youth

**Gifts:** Youth

**Servers:** Ella Sohre, Kyle Sohre

**Money Counters:** Dan Sohre, Rachel Depuydt

### **November 20 St. Teresa 9:00 a.m.**

**Reader:** Arleen Swanson

**Minister of Communion:** Sue Morrow,  
Kay Proehl

**Hospitality:** Tony and Connie Bach,  
Owen and Theresa Dickey

**Gifts:** John and Marla Trio

**Servers:** Andrew Hoppe, Faith Hoppe,  
Kole Wenner, Natalie Wenner

**Money Counters:** Vicki Kunkel, Sandy Miller

### **Ministry schedules are available on the web-**

Let us understand that God is a physician, and that suffering  
is a medicine for salvation, not a punishment for damnation.

---St. Augustine of Hippo

## Our Catholic World



Results so far for the  
2016 Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal

	# of donors	Amount	Goal	% of goal
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<b>St. Joseph:</b>	9	\$2025	\$4,860	42
<b>St. Matthew:</b>	9	\$1810	\$4,890	37
<b>St. Teresa:</b>	43	\$6530	\$14,310	46

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far. **If you have not yet given to this campaign, please consider doing so.** If you do not still have the envelope that was mailed to you, you can get pick one up at church.

*We are one day nearer Home today than we ever were before. I guarantee you that after you die you will not say "I spent too much time praying; I wish I had watched TV more instead." -Peter Kreeft taken from Prayer for Beginners*

### **ALIVE! In Christ Gatherings**

#### **It is not too late to join any group!**

Discover or Rediscover the Beautiful Prayer of the Rosary. It will feed your soul with the heart of Jesus through his beloved mother, Mary  
The New Rosary in Scripture by Edward Sri  
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. at the Mapleton Library 6 –8 weeks

Learn more about your faith through the eyes of Catholic converts.  
Meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Peg Breiter's home, 309 Smith Court, Mapleton.

A beautiful focus on prayer through reading "Before Amen" by Max Lucado, music, videos and more  
Next gathering is Wed., October 26 and then the first and third Wednesdays of Nov. at St. Joseph Church, 6:30 –7:30 p.m.

Come discover the God we call Father we will take an in depth look at the words of the Our Father and uncover the beauty of the prayer we often take for granted. Thursdays 8—9 p.m. Carol Cyr's house

Men's Group Anyone interested in joining please contact Father or George Leary



November 20, 2016, the Feast of Christ the King, marks the end of the Extraordinary Year of Mercy that Pope Francis began December 8, 2015.

Hopefully you have taken advantage of the extra graces available to all throughout the year. But do not let the end of the Holy Year be an end to grace. There are many great resources on Divine Mercy in the kiosk located at the St. Teresa gathering space and on line. Consider reading 33 Days to Morning Glory and learn about several saints who had a great devotion to Divine Mercy—and perhaps you can make the consecration to Jesus through Mary yourself!

Mercy is not just for a year— to give and receive mercy is our life long journey.