

# St. Joseph + St. Matthew + St. Teresa

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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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## June 11, 2017 Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity



The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the  
love of God and the fellowship of the Holy  
Spirit be with all of you.

2 Corinthians 13:13

### 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 is hard for me to believe that I am down to my final three weekends in our Tri-Parish. Each weekend it seems like an extended goodbye but perhaps that is normal for our Minnesotan hospitality to have a long Minnesota goodbye. While I am confident our paths will cross in the future whether in my role as Vocations Director or in the many years ahead of my priestly ministry, things will never be like they are now. In that regard, while I do not tend to be a very sentimental type, I still very much would like to express my love and fondness for all of you. It has been an extremely blessed four years for me and it has gone way too fast. I would have loved to stay longer but God had other plans. We should not lament the plan of God! It is easy for us to want things our way or to blame the bishop or circumstances for the way things are. Acceptance and trust are the way of living the Christian life. We entrust ourselves to God and as our loving Father, we are always taken care of as His children. We can accept all circumstances as His loving will. I am confident as you did for me, this Tri-Parish will welcome Fr. Vogel with open arms. You will allow him to use the gifts that God has given him and accept him for who he is rather than who you want him to be. Sometimes we come in with expectations for leadership or for our priests to be Jesus Christ Himself...Fr. Vogel will do great in this assignment and has been chosen by God to be here; the best thing we can do is support him and work alongside him in continuing to proclaim Jesus Christ and hand on the Catholic faith. Please pray for me in this transition to a new way of ministry in seminary formation and encouraging vocations. I will always keep you in my prayers as well.

Thank you for your welcome of Deacon Joe Jacobs this weekend. We are grateful for his time and proclamation of our loving Triune God as we hear about the need in the mission Diocese of Lexington, KY. Our prayers go with him this weekend.

This weekend as we celebrate Trinity Sunday, I am reminded of St. Irenaeus in the early Church and his clarity in thought about the three distinct Persons of the Godhead. One God—Three Persons. Note his clear distinction in the relations of each Person. Here are his words:

*This is the rule of our faith, the foundation of the building, and what gives support to our behavior.  
God the Father uncreated, who is uncontained, invisible, one God, creator of the universe; this is the first article of our faith.*

*And the second is: The Word of God, the Son of God, our Lord Jesus Christ, who appeared to the prophets according to their way of prophesying and according to the dispensation of the Father. Through him all things were created. Furthermore, in the fullness of time, in order to gather all things to himself, he became a human being amongst human beings, capable of being seen and touched, to destroy death, bring life, and restore fellowship between God and humanity.*

## Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

### Monday, June 12

2 Corinthians 1:1-7; Psalm 34:2-9; Mark 5:1-12

### Tuesday, June 13

**St. Anthony of Padua**

2 Corinthians 1:18-22; Psalm 119:129-133, 135; Matthew 5:13-16

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

### Wednesday, June 14

2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Psalm 99:5-9; Matthew 5:17-19  
**4:15 p.m. Rosary for our country at St. Teresa**

### Thursday, June 15

2 Corinthians 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Psalm 85:9-14; Matthew 5:20-26

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**  
**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** Dale Massop

### Friday, June 16

2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Psalm 116:10-11, 15-18; Matthew 5:27-32

**10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH** † Pete Hanson

### Saturday, June 17

2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12; Matthew 5:33-37

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction**  
**8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** † Hank Massop  
**5:00 p.m. Mass at St. St. Joseph** † Bernette Hollerich

### Sunday, June 18

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16; Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

**9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa** People of the tri-parish

### Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Monday, June 12 7 p.m. St. Teresa CCW

Tues., June 13 6 p.m. St. Joseph Finance Council

Wed., June 14 6 p.m. St. Matthew Finance Council

A word about Mass Intentions: If there is a cross by the name that person is deceased. If there is not a cross the intention is for a living person or people.

*And the third article is: The Holy Spirit, through whom the prophets prophesied, and our forebears learned of God and the righteous were led in the paths of justice, and who, in the fullness of time, was poured out in a new way on our human nature in order to renew humanity throughout the entire world in the sight of God.*  
<http://thesurprisinggodblog.gci.org/2009/06/irenaeus-on-trinity.html>





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

Dorothy Lindemann, Helen Mitchell, Roger Tipler, Don Landsteiner, Ken Irvine, Todd Kopischke, Bill Fleming, Maureen Springer, Stanley Gartner, Toos Roelofs, Jan Samuelson, Jerry Wersal *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**

**Totus Tuus** Save the date: **Totus Tuus July 23—28**  
Grades 1-6 Mon.- Fri. 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
Grades 7-12 Sun. -Thurs. 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.  
Held at St. Teresa  
More information to come

Final Youth Group Gathering with Fr. Kern  
Saturday, June 17, from 6-10 PM  
At Jay & Stephanie Stencel's home -  
56814 105th Street, Mapleton  
Activities to include outdoor games, hayride & bonfire!  
Join us for fun, food and fellowship.

**Second Important meeting** coming up for youth and parents for those attending Catholic Heart Work Camp and/or Steubenville Conference.  
Wednesday, June 14  
Time for each evening:  
Steubenville North Meeting: 6:30-7:00 PM  
Catholic HEART Work Camp Meeting: 7:00 PM  
Plan to attend these meetings to finish paperwork, payments, and get final details of the trip.

A box is in the gathering space at St. Teresa for donations of snacks for the youth going to CHWC. Thank you for fueling our service!

**Parish News**

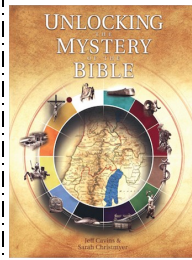
**Opportunities to see Fr. Kern off....**

**St. Joseph Parish Event Sunday, June 11**  
5:00 p.m. Holy Mass  
6:00 p.m. Light meal and fellowship  
7:00 p.m. Short presentation to say farewell to Fr. Kern, recognize our Graduate, First Communion and Confirmation students  
AND kick off planning for our 150th Anniversary celebration!  
Please plan to attend!

**Farewell gathering for Fr. Kern at St. Teresa:**  
Pie and Ice Cream Social  
– with (of course) 1919 Root Beer!  
Sunday, June 25 1—3 p.m.  
Short presentation at 2 p.m.  
Come and say good-bye to our pastor and wish him luck and send him off with prayers and well wishes as he goes to his new assignment! Everyone welcome!!



**St. Matthew will be hosting a farewell meal for Fr. Kern** on Saturday, June 24 after Mass. Food will be provided at no cost— just come to say farewell to our pastor. Everyone is welcome to come.



During the winter/spring months over 50 parishioners attended an 8 week study on Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible. The response was overwhelmingly positive. We would like to offer the opportunity to attend these sessions this summer for anyone who could not fit it in their schedule earlier. If you are interested in unlocking the mystery of the Bible, please contact the tri-parish office. Dates, time and location will be determined by those who are interested in attending.

The longer, more detailed version of Jeff Cavins' Bible Study will be offered next year. Details will be available at a later date.



Women's Book Club will meet Thursday, June 22 at 6 p.m. at St. Teresa Church. We will have a potluck dinner, discuss the book All the Light We Cannot See, enjoy fellowship, and discuss plans for next year. All women of the tri-parish are welcome!

We joyfully welcome into the Catholic family Quinn Therese Hoeft, daughter of Thomas and Danielle Hoeft. Quinn was Baptized in Christ on June 3, at St. Joseph Parish. Please pray for her and her family that they will always live in the love of God.



St. Matthew will again be hosting Bingo at the 4th of July celebration in Vernon Center! Anyone from the tri-parish interested in helping can contact Neil Majeski-327-3559 or the tri-parish office. All help is greatly appreciated. More details will follow.

**Mass Times for Travel**

Summer is upon us and that usually means more travel. As you are away from home on the weekends this summer, don't leave your faith back home. There is a convenient way to find Catholic Churches and Mass times wherever you travel: go to [masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org) and type in a city to find current churches and Mass times, or click to download their app to itunes.

Open House Bridal Shower honoring Amanda Barnard, bride-to-be of Adam Stencel and daughter of Paul and Rhonda Barnard. Sunday, June 11 from 1—3 p.m. at the Lempke Building, Minn Lake. The couple is registered at Kohl's, Fleet Farm, and Nordaas.



*"Many marriages would be better if the husband and the wife clearly understood that they are on the same side." ~ Zig Ziglar.* A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** Weekend restores communication in marriages. The next available Weekends are Nov 17-19, 2017 in Windom, MN and Jul 14-16, 2017 in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [southmnwwme.org](http://southmnwwme.org) or contact Miki at [applications@southmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229.

A Pancake Breakfast will be held during Mapleton Town and Country Days on Sunday, June 11th from 9 a.m.—1 p.m. at the City Park by the Library.





## Stewardship of Treasure

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



### St. Teresa (June 4)

Weekly collection	\$3373.00
Amount collected year to date	\$170,576.18
Amount budgeted year to date	\$159,740.00

### St. Matthew (May 27)

Weekly collection	\$1348.00
Amount collected year to date	\$40,928.38
Amount budgeted year to date	\$62,400.00

### St. Joseph (June 3)

Weekly collection	\$2914.00
Amount collected year to date	\$49,206.46
Amount budgeted year to date	\$54,733.00



## Ministry Roles

### June 17 St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

**Reader:** Maureen Hollerich

**Minister of Communion:** John FitzSimmons,  
Paul FitzSimmons

**Hospitality:** Dan and Teresa Sohre family

**Gifts:** Dan and Teresa Sohre family

**Servers:** Ethan McGregor, Taylor Hollerich

**Money Counters:** Cassie Winters, Kim Kleven

### June 18 St. Teresa 9:00 a.m.

**Reader:** Ceal Caldwell

**Minister of Communion:** Debbie Reuter,  
Anita Rigdon

**Hospitality:** Tim and Meg Mohwinkle family,  
Sheryl Olson, Jan Sonnek

**Gifts:** Doug and Tammy Schmidt family

**Servers:** Evan Klein, Grant Klein,

Jacob Rigdon, Dalton Schmidt

**Money Counters:** Tammy Schmidt, Gloria

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**Ministry schedules are available on the website:**  
[sjsmst.org](http://sjsmst.org)

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  
2017 Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal

	# of donors	Amount	Goal	% of goal
<b>St. Joseph:</b>	9	\$2275	\$4,770	48
<b>St. Matthew:</b>	10	\$2585	\$4,830	54
<b>St. Teresa:</b>	37	\$6240	\$13,900	45

Thank you to everyone who has given thus far for your generosity. Each year our goals must be met and any shortfall must be made up through general funds of the parish. If you have not yet given to this mission of helping our Diocesan family, it is not too late. Envelopes are available at each church..

The date for the 2018 Belize Adult Mission Trip has been set for February 17—25. If you are interested in taking part in this life changing adventure or have any questions about the mission, contact the tri-parish office or call Carol (995-1648). Come and encounter Jesus in His beloved poor. Pope Francis reminds us of the importance to go out to the fringes and encounter people. Do not be afraid—it is well worth the sacrifice and time.

## Sunday Bible Reflections with Dr. Scott

We often begin Mass with the prayer from today's Epistle: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you." We praise the God who has revealed himself as a Trinity, a communion of persons.

Communion with the Trinity is the goal of our worship—and the purpose of the salvation history that begins in the Bible and continues in the Eucharist and sacraments of the Church.

We see the beginnings of God's self-revelation in today's First Reading, as He passes before Moses and cries out His holy name. Israel had sinned in worshipping the golden calf (see Exodus 32). But God does not condemn them to perish. Instead He proclaims His mercy and faithfulness to His covenant.

God loved Israel as His firstborn son among the nations (see [Exodus 4:22](#)). Through Israel—heirs of His covenant with Abraham—God planned to reveal himself as the Father of all nations (see [Genesis 22:18](#)).

The memory of God's covenant testing of Abraham—and Abraham's faithful obedience—lies behind today's Gospel.

In commanding Abraham to offer his only beloved son (see [Genesis 22:2, 12, 16](#)), God was preparing us for the fullest possible revelation of His love for the world.

As Abraham was willing to offer Isaac, God did not spare His own Son but handed Him over for us all (see [Romans 8:32](#)).

In this, He revealed what was only disclosed partially to Moses—that His kindness continues for a thousand generations, that He forgives our sin, and takes us back as His very own people (see [Deuteronomy 4:20; 9:29](#)).

Jesus humbled himself to die in obedience to God's will. And for this, the Spirit of God raised Him from the dead (see [Romans 8:11](#)), and gave Him a name above every name (see [Philippians 2:8-10](#)). This is the name we glorify in today's Responsorial—the name of our Lord, the God who is Love (see 1 John 4:8, 16).