

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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June 25, 2017 The Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time



Lord, I am not worthy to have you enter under
my roof; only say the word and my servant
will be healed. Matthew 8:8

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

On this final Sunday, I give thanks to God for every gift and blessing. I rejoice in gratitude for my time serving here as your parish priest. I am filled with emotion of having to say goodbye but I am fully confident in God and His plan. On this final weekend of Masses, I give heartfelt thanks to each of you that have shown me so much love and support. Thank you for letting me be a part of your lives in some of the most intimate moments whether rejoicing or sorrowing. I reverence the time we had together with you and your families and will not forget all that God has done for us. Please keep me in your prayers and all priests who are moving this weekend in your prayers. My new address will be:

IHM Seminary
750 Terrace Heights
Winona, MN 55987

My personal email is frkern.jason@gmail.com and I am sure I will have a Diocese of Winona email account for vocations work soon.

Below is a prayer for priests that you might consider praying for me and for Fr. Vogel as he begins his new work here as your pastor. He generously said yes to going to Catholic Heart Work Camp this week (June 25-30) with the youth of our parish. Prayers remain with you and I will always remain grateful for our time together.

Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, our great High Priest,

Hear my humble prayers on behalf of your priest,
Father [N].

Give him a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of his priestly life.

In his loneliness, comfort him.

In his sorrows, strengthen him.

In his frustrations, point out to him that it is through suffering that the soul is purified, and show him that he is needed by the Church, he is needed by souls, he is needed for the work of redemption.

O loving Mother Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your son who is close to you because of his priestly ordination, and because of the power which he has received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which needs him so much.

Be his comfort, be his joy, be his strength, and especially help him to live and to defend the ideals of consecrated celibacy. Amen.

Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, June 26

Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 33:12-13, 18-20, 22;
Matthew 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 27

Genesis 13:2, 5-18; Psalm 15:2-5; Matthew 7:6, 12-14

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

Wednesday, June 28

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 105:1-4, 6-9;
Matthew 7:15-20

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

Thursday, June 29

Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 34:2-9; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18;
Matthew 16:13-19

7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Ruth and Patrick McPhillips*

Friday, June 30

Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Psalm 128:1-5; Matthew 8:1-4

10:30 a.m. Communion Service at MCH

Saturday, July 1

Genesis 18:1-15; Psalm Luke 1:4, 6-47, 48-49, 50, 53, 54-55; Matthew 8:5-17

7:30-8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *John Breiter*

5:00 p.m. Mass at St. St. Joseph *People of the Tri-parish*

Sunday, July 2

2 Kings 4:8-11; Psalm 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19;

Romans 6:3-4, 8-11; Matthew 10:37-42

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Valere and Martha Pluym Family*

This week, our second collection will be for Peter's Pence, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

On June 29 the Church celebrates the feast day of Sts. Peter and Paul, and as early as 258 AD, there is evidence of an already-lengthy tradition that both St. Peter and St. Paul were celebrated on the same day.

In a sermon in the year 395, St. Augustine of Hippo said of Saints Peter and Paul:

"Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith." <http://bustedhalo.com/ministry-resources/summer-school-2016-june-29>



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



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

Registration forms have been mailed out. Please contact the office if you do not receive one and would like to register

This Sunday, June 25, 11 of the youth of the tri-parish will travel to Fremont, NE to serve Christ in his poor. Please pray for them as they give of their time and talent to perform works of mercy and grow in their love for Jesus and neighbor.

Parish News

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!!



TriParish: 12 Day Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr Joe Fogal, Fr Schneider, and Sr. Joyce Kolbet, in honor of St. Joseph's 150th Anniversary.
Bethlehem – Mt. Beatitudes – Mt. Olives – Jerusalem – Jericho – Nazareth – and more!

March 12 – 23, 2018
\$3,690 per person from Minneapolis (Includes: Round-trip air, first class hotels double occupancy, 2 meals a day, daily sight-seeing, all transportation, all tips to guides and drivers, and more!)
Space is limited, sign up today!
Contact Shelli Grover at itshelli@gmail.com or 507-381-2454, or Fr. Schneider 507-469-9979.

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.



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Silent Auction for Town and Country Days! We made \$270 for St. Teresa Parish and CCW.

We are in Ordinary Time...

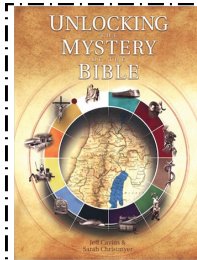
Because the term *ordinary* in English most often means something that's not special or distinctive, many people think that Ordinary Time refers to parts of the calendar of the Catholic Church that are unimportant. Even though the season of Ordinary Time makes up most of the liturgical year in the Catholic Church, the fact that Ordinary Time refers to those periods that fall outside of the major liturgical seasons reinforces this impression.

Yet Ordinary Time is far from unimportant or uninteresting. WHY IS ORDINARY TIME CALLED ORDINARY?

Ordinary Time is called "ordinary" not because it is common but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. The Latin word *ordinalis*, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word *ordo*, from which we get the English word *order*. Thus, the numbered weeks of Ordinary Time in fact represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

...for Catholics, Ordinary Time is the part of the year in which Christ, the Lamb of God, walks among us and transforms our lives. There's nothing "ordinary" about that!

By Scott P Richert at <https://www.thoughtco.com/ordinary-time-in-the-catholic-church-542442>



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.

An Open House Baby Girl Shower for Marcie and Paul Larson will be hosted on June 25, 1-3 p.m., at the Lembke Building, Minnesota Lake. They are registered at Target and Amazon.

Community News

Caregiver Support Group

This monthly support group is for anyone who provides care to a family member or friend with a progressive illness. It is informal and generally meets on the first Tuesday of each month. However, due to the July 4th holiday, our next support group will be **July 11, 3:00-4:00 PM**, at St. Teresa Catholic Church in Mapleton. Please use the north entrance near the parking lot. No charge to attend; pre-registration is not required. Questions? Call S. Joyce Kolbet at VINE Faith in Action (386-5583).

Free Community Outdoor Concert featuring Heart Song Saturday, July 1 at 7 p.m.
River's Edge Christian Church, Vernon Center

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa (June 18)

Weekly collection	\$1459.00
Amount collected year to date	\$173,830.18
Amount budgeted year to date	\$166,260.00

St. Matthew (June 10)

Weekly collection	\$3611.00
Amount collected year to date	\$44,539.38
Amount budgeted year to date	\$65,000.00

St. Joseph (June 17)

Weekly collection	\$1271.00
Amount collected year to date	\$51,295.96
Amount budgeted year to date	\$56,967.00



Ministry Roles

July 1 St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Jen Berkner

Minister of Communion: Mary Beth Olson,
Christine Rahn

Hospitality: David and Jodi Trio and Family

Gifts: David and Jodi Trio and Family

Servers: Ben Trio, Will Trio

Money Counters: Leah Davis, Eli Depuydt

July 2 St. Teresa 9:00 a.m.

Reader: Jeff Kunkel

Minister of Communion: Shelly Holt,
Ted Landsteiner

Hospitality: Jim and Gloria Langworthy,
Mike and Jan Samuelson

Gifts: Jan Sonnek, Sylvia Becker

Servers: Anthony Kunkel, Jon Kunkel,
Mckenzie Reuter, Brooke Reuter

Money Counters: Judy Bach, Sandy Miller

Ministry schedules are available on the website:
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
St. Joseph:	9	\$2275	\$4,770	48
St. Matthew:	10	\$2585	\$4,830	54
St. Teresa:	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..

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 or contact Miki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.

Riches are the instrument of all vices, because they render us capable of putting even our worst desires into execution.

-St. Ambrose of Milan

Sunday Bible Reflections with Dr. Scott

Our commitment to Christ will be put to the test.

We will hear whispered warnings and denunciations, as Jeremiah does in today's First Reading. Even so-called friends will try to trap and trip us up.

For His sake we will bear insults and be made outcasts—even in our own homes, we hear in today's Psalm.

As Jeremiah tells us, we must expect that God will challenge our faith in Him, and probe our minds and hearts, to test the depths of our love.

"Do not be afraid," Jesus assures us three times in today's Gospel. Though He may permit us to suffer for our faith, our Father will never forget or abandon us. As Jesus assures us today, everything unfolds in His Providence, under His watchful gaze—even the falling of the tiniest sparrow to the ground. Each one of us is precious to Him.

Steadfast in this faith, we must resist the tactics of Satan. He is the enemy who seeks the ruin of our soul in Gehenna, or hell.

We are to seek God, as the Psalmist says. Zeal for the Lord's house, for the heavenly kingdom of the Father, should consume us, as it consumed Jesus (see [Jn 2:17](#)). As Jesus bore the insults of those who blasphemed God, so should we (see [Rm 15:3](#)).

By the gracious gift of himself, Jesus bore the transgressions of the world, Paul tells us in today's Epistle. In rising from the dead, He has shown us that God rescues the life of the poor, that He does not spurn His own when they are in distress. In His great mercy, He will turn toward us, as well. He will deliver us from the power of the wicked.

That is why we proclaim His name from the housetops, as Jesus tells us. That is why we sing praise and offer thanksgiving in every Eucharist. We are confident in Jesus' promise—that we who declare our faith in Him before others will be remembered before our heavenly Father.