

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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August 6, 2017 Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord



And he was transfigured before them;
his face shone like the sun
and his clothes became white as light.

Matthew 17:2

The Sacrament of Baptism

Pre-Baptism preparation is required. Please contact the office at least one month before the desired date.

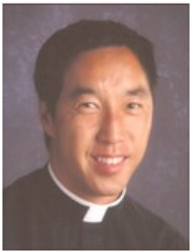
The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Please notify the office if you or a family member is in the hospital or homebound and would like a pastoral visit.

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.



Hello,

People have been asking me how it's going. So far, so good. I'm still getting used to things. I'm still finding out the little things of how things are done around here. But what I've seen so far makes me excited.

Your faith in Jesus Christ is amazing. I will try to do all I can to help us grow in our love for Jesus Christ and the desire to share the Gospel with others.

This week from Sunday afternoon to Thursday evening, I will be near Lanesborough at Eagle Bluff for Camp Summit, our diocesan junior high youth camp. (So no daily Mass this week until Friday.) It is loads of fun and I will be rock climbing, walking 30 feet in the air on a high ropes course, playing ultimate frisbee, and other such things. Please pray for my safety and health.

This weekend we celebrate the Transfiguration. Peter, James, and John knew there was something special about Jesus. That is why they had laid down their lives and followed Him. However, when Jesus is transfigured in front them along with Moses and Elijah, they realize even more just how special Jesus is.

We weren't there on the mountain with Jesus, James, John, and Peter, but God the Father is saying to us too, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Do you listen to Jesus? For this to happen, we need to spend time in prayer. This could be the meal prayer before meals, prayer before bed, maybe even a prayer right when we get up, maybe some silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. It is good to pray the prayers of Scripture and our Catholic tradition. But it is also imperative that we spend some time in silent prayer. Maybe get up five, ten minutes earlier so that you can pray in silence before the rest of the family gets up. It is in the silence that we hear the quiet voice of God nudging us towards His will, our holiness, and our salvation.

Have a blessed week,
Father Vogel

Tuesday, August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses in the tri-parish for this feast are:

Monday, August 14 7 p.m. at St. Matthew

Tuesday, August 15 7 a.m. at St. Teresa

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory."



Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, August 7

St. Sixtus II and Companions

Numbers 11:4-15; Psalm 81:12-17; Matthew 14:13-21

Tuesday, August 8

St. Dominic

Numbers 12:1-13; Psalm 51:3-7, 12-13; Matthew 14:22-36

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

Wednesday, August 9

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Numbers 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29, 34-35; Psalm 99:5-7, 9; Matthew 13:44-46

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

Thursday, August 10

St. Lawrence

2 Corinthians 9:6-10; Psalm 112:1-2, 5-9; John 12:24-26

Friday, August 11

St. Clare

Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Psalm 77:12-16, 21; Matthew 16:24-28

10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH † *Don Minkel*

Saturday, August 12

St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Deuteronomy 6:4-13; Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51; Matthew 17:14-20

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Florence Stenzel*

5:00 p.m. Mass at St. St. Matthew *People of the tri-parish*

Sunday, August 13

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:9, 11-13; Psalm 85:9-14;

Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Rich and Shirley Adel*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Monday, August 14 7 p.m.

St. Teresa CCW

Thursday, August 17 6:30 p.m.

St. Matthew

Finance Council

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross –feast August,9

A brilliant philosopher who stopped believing in God when she was 14, Edith Stein was so captivated by reading the autobiography of Teresa of Avila that she began a spiritual journey that led to her baptism in 1922. Twelve years later she imitated St. Teresa by becoming a Carmelite, taking the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.

Teresa embraced the cross and saw the value in suffering—she was arrested by the Nazis and was sent to the concentration camp at Auschwitz. Teresa died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz in 1942 at the age of fifty-one.

The writings of Edith Stein fill 17 volumes. A woman of integrity, she followed the truth wherever it led her. Sister Josephine Koepfel, O.C.D., translator of several of Edith's books, sums up this saint with the phrase, "Learn to live at God's hands."

www.franciscanmedia.org

For more information on this saint visit www.ewtn.com/saintsHoly/saints/T/stteresabenedictaofthecross.asp



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

Terry Hassing, Mary Breiter, Bill Barnard, Dorothy Lindemann, Don Landsteiner, Bill Fleming, *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

Eight youth and 3 chaperones will be heading to Camp Summit this week for a fun and enriching week of high ropes course, Mass, Adoration, camp fires, games and growth in their faith. Please pray for them, that this is a fruitful time for all of them. Thank you for your generous support of all the youth trips this summer.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

This fall, we will be implementing a new program for all the 3 year olds in our parish. The program is called Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS). CGS is a program that recognizes the unique relationship between God and young children and strives to draw upon that relationship through hands-on, Montessori style learning. In CGS, the adult teacher assists children in the lessons while the Holy Spirit guides them.

CGS is in need of volunteers for wood working, hand work, crafting and sewing. We have several projects that need to be completed within the next month.

Projects include wood work, crafting, hand work and sewing. Some examples are:

- Wood work - create diorama, making an altar
- Crafting - creating maps, making oils for baptism
- Sewing - chasubles and baptismal gowns

Hand work - creating prayer cards (printing or calligraphy)
Detailed instructions for all projects will be provided and must be followed in order to keep the Atrium uniform.

Work sessions are scheduled for volunteers to learn about projects, ask questions, or to work on projects. Work sessions are scheduled as follows:

- Monday, August 7, 6:30 p.m., at St. Matthew's
- Wednesday, August 9, 6:30 p.m., at St. Teresa's

Please contact the following people if you are interested in helping with any of these projects.

- Wood Working - Neil Majeski, 507-327-3559
- Crafting - Kim Kleven, 507-420-1866
- Sewing or Hand Work - Karen Langworthy, 507-995-0988
- Or contact the tri-parish office for any of the projects 524-3127

We are still in need of supplies for the Atrium. Please see the box with the list of supplies located in your parish entry.

Parish News



Tri-parish Family Picnic –Sunday, August 20

Sponsored by St. Teresa Church

at the St. Teresa lawn and gardens.

Lunch will begin at 11:30 p.m. Pork sandwiches and beverages will be provided– please bring a dish to pass. Games for the kids begin at noon, live auction at 12:30p.m. Plan to attend for food, fellowship and fun!

Do you have something you like to do– and maybe even are good at? Woodworking– cooking– baby sitting– sewing–just to name a few– We are looking for items to add to the live auction that include items made by or time and talent donated by parishioners. If you have something to share please contact the office, Butch Bach, Sheila Klein, or Jay Stencil.



Tri-Parish: 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!

More information and registration form available on sjsmst.org
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!)

There are only a few spots left– if you are thinking of going, sign up today!

Contact Shelli Grover at itshelli@gmail.com or 507-381-2454, or Fr. Schneider 507-469-9979.



We joyfully welcome to our Catholic family Isaac and Colton Bunde, twin sons of Lucas and Heather Bunde, members of St. Matthew Parish. Isaac and Colton were Baptized in Christ on July 30th.

Please pray for them and their family, that they always remain in Christ.



St. Matthew will once again be having a Silent Auction and a Raffle in conjunction with the October 1 Turkey Dinner. If you are willing and able to make any donations to the auction or raffle please contact Cindy Young.

Community News

Corn Fiesta St. Mary School in Madelia

Sunday, August 13 10:30 a.m. –2:30 p.m.

Food, games, auction, and raffle Fun for the whole family!



Mapleton VFW Auxiliary will sponsor the Annual Pillow Cleaning on Friday, August 11th from 7:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. at the VFW Building on Main Street.

Open Thursday, Aug. 10th from 5—7 p.m. for dropping off pillows. Feather and polyester pillows can be cleaned with new ticking.

Lunch served 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m. Free will donation

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa (July 30)

Weekly collection	\$2642.50
Amount collected year to date	\$10,692.50
Amount budgeted year to date	\$16,420.00

St. Matthew (July 22)

Weekly collection	\$1077.00
Amount collected year to date	\$2704.00
Amount budgeted year to date	\$4908.00

St. Joseph (July 29)

Weekly collection	\$1177.00
Amount collected year to date	\$3765.00
Amount budgeted year to date	\$5485.00



Ministry Roles

August 12 St Matthew 5 p.m.

Reader: Lynn Demuth

Ministers of Communion: Sheila Lewis,
Denise Peterson, Dave Weir

Hospitality: Rich Doyen family

Servers: Julianna Majeski, Lilly Majeski

Money counters: Char Schuch, Maria Sanders

August 13 St. Teresa 9 a.m.

Reader: Arleen Swanson

Ministers of Communion: Gloria Langworthy,
Mary Ellen Larson

Hospitality: John and Sandy Treanor,
Joel and Tracy Schmidt

Gifts: Ted Landsteiner, Samantha Passer

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

Money counters: Judy Bach, Jan Sonnek

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:	11	\$2425	\$4,770	51
St. Matthew:	10	\$2585	\$4,830	54
St. Teresa:	38	\$6290	\$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..

Sunday Bible Reflections with Dr. Scott Hahn

High on the holy mountain in today's Gospel, the true identity of Jesus is fully revealed in His transfiguration.

Standing between Moses and the prophet Elijah, Jesus is the bridge that joins the Law of Moses to the prophets and psalms (see [Luke 24:24-27](#)). As Moses did, Jesus climbs a mountain with three named friends and beholds God's glory in a cloud (see [Exodus 24:1,9,15](#)). As Elijah did, He hears God's voice on the mountain (see [1 Kings 19:8-19](#)).

Elijah was prophesied to return as the herald of the messiah and the Lord's new covenant (see [Malachi 3:1,23-24](#)). Jesus is revealed today as that messiah. By His death and resurrection, which He intimates today to the apostles, He makes a new covenant with all creation.

The majestic voice declares Jesus to be God's own beloved Son, in whom the Father is well pleased (see [Psalm 2:7](#)). God here gives us a glimpse of His inner life. In the cloud of the Holy Spirit, the Father reveals His love for the Son, and invites us to share in that love, as His beloved sons and daughters.

Shadowed by the clouds of heaven, His clothes dazzling white, Jesus is the Son of Man whom Daniel foresees being enthroned in today's First Reading.

He is the king, the Lord of all the earth, as we sing in today's Psalm. But is He truly the Lord of our hearts and minds? The last word God speaks from heaven today is a command -- "Listen to Him" (see [Deuteronomy 18:15-19](#)). The word of the Lord should be like a lamp shining in the darkness of our days, as Peter tells us in today's First Reading.

How well are we listening? Do we attend to His word each day? Let us today rededicate ourselves to listening. Let us hear Him as the word of life, the bright morning star of divine life waiting to arise in our hearts (see [Revelation 2:28; 22:16](#)).

Belize Adult Mission Trip February 24—March 3

"He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' Matthew 25:45

The Bible admonishes us over and over to reach out to the poor, to see them, encounter them, help them. We have the opportunity to truly encounter Jesus in the poor in our mission trip to Belize. If you have been feeling called to go but are unsure—do not be afraid, take the leap and join us. You will not regret it.