

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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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The people were astonished
at his teaching,
for he taught them as one having
authority and not as the scribes.

Mark 1:22

The Sacrament of Baptism

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

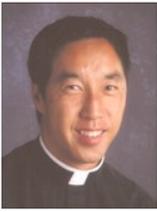
The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Please notify the office if you or a family member is in the hospital or homebound and would like a pastoral visit.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

One half hour before each weekend Mass, 8a.m. Thursday at St. Teresa or by private appt. with Fr. Vogel

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,
How are we doing? I just want to encourage you to pray for our young people. We need to pray for them to fall in love with Jesus and to hold on to their faith. This is ideally what would happen in our faith formation classes.

So pray for our teachers, our catechists. You can also come the next two Wednesdays (January 31 and February 7) and pray from 7-9 PM at St. Teresa's. The youth will be coming at different times to also pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament. So I just want to encourage you to come and spend some time in front of Jesus and to give witness to our young people.

In the Gospel today we hear the unclean spirit, the demon, call Jesus the "Holy one of God." The demons, the fallen angels, know who Jesus is. They were created good, but then chose not to follow God, but rather followed Lucifer, who became Satan. Knowing who Jesus is, is not enough. We need to reverence and submit to the will of God. The unclean spirit came out of the man as Jesus commanded, but did so unwillingly. St. Mark writes that the man convulsed as the unclean spirit came out of him. Do we submit to God's will in our lives willingly, unwillingly, or do we even reject God's will for our lives?

How do we discover God's will for our lives? Sometimes we can receive it in prayer. Because Jesus promised that the gates of hell will not prevail against the Catholic Church (Matthew 16:19), we can trust the Catholic Church's teachings in matters of faith and morals. Does this mean that every leader in the Catholic Church is moral and ethical? No. We are sinners. But this doesn't change the Truth that comes to us from Jesus through the Catholic Church in matters of faith and morals. So another way to determine if we are doing God's will in my life is to ask if I'm disobeying any of the teachings of the Catholic Church.

The demons believe in Jesus. They know He exists. They're demons and not still angels because they won't submit to God's will for them. They refuse His love and authority. May we be more like the angels and less like the demons and willingly submit our lives to the will of God.

Much peace and joy,
Father Vogel

(On Feb. 2) the Church celebrates the feast of the Presentation of the Lord which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas day, since the blessing and procession of candles is included in today's liturgy. According to the 1962 Missal of St.



John XXIII the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, today is referred to as the "Purification of Mary." This is known as a "Christmas feast" since it points back to the Solemnity of Christmas. Many Catholics practice the tradition of keeping out the Nativity creche or other Christmas decorations until this feast.

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2018-02-02>

Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, January 29

2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Psalm 3:2-7;
Mark 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 30

2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30—19:3; Psalm 86:1-6;
Mark 5:21-43

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

Wednesday, January 31

St. John Bosco

2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17; Psalm 32:1-2, 5-7; Mark 6:1-6
4:15 p.m. Rosary for our country at St. Teresa

Thursday, February 1

1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chronicles 29:10-12; Mark 6:7-13

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Rita Carey*

Friday, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 24:7-10; Hebrews 2:14-18;
Luke 2:22-40

10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH † *Lucille Kunkel*

Saturday, February 3

St. Blaise, St. Ansgar

1 Kings 3:4-13; Psalm 119:9-14; Mark 6:30-34

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

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Jim Carey*

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

Sunday, February 4

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 147:1-6;

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Claire Bach*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Wednesdays 1 p.m. Quilting will begin again Feb.28

Faithful practices during Lent:

Fasting and abstinence are spiritual practices that are vital to the Christian life. What are the rules for fasting and abstinence in the Catholic Church?

The USCCB allows the substitution of some other form of penance for abstinence on all of the Fridays of the year, except for those Fridays in Lent. Thus, the rules for fasting and abstinence in the United States are:

-Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.

-Every person between the age of 18 and 60 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

-Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on all other Fridays of the year, unless he or she substitutes some other form of penance for abstinence.



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

Mary Jo Gregor, Lucy Irvine, Bernie Kunkel, Jim Kohout, Amber and baby Huxley FitzSimmons, Craig Etherington, Terry Hassing, *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 meet this week, January 31

Reminder: In case of bad weather, faith formation class closings and Mass cancellations will be announced on KTOE 1420 AM and will be posted on our tri-parish website: sjsmst.org



CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS

St. Teresa: Breakfast to benefit Catholic education opportunities in our parish

Sunday, February 11, after 9a.m. Mass

Free will donation

Menu includes muffins, scrambled eggs, hash browns and ham. Free will donations accepted. Matching funds will be provided by the Catholic Order of Foresters.

Donations of muffins are needed. A sign up sheet will be available at church.



Parish News

Your help is needed! Money counters are needed at St. Matthew and St. Teresa Parishes. We have some very dedicated counters now, but having a few more would lighten the work load. It is not a huge time commitment, but much needed. Please contact the office if you are willing to help. Thank you!



Burger Bar at Maggie J's

Monday, February 5 4—7 p.m.
20% of all tabs and 100% of all tips and donations will go to-



wards purchase of building materials for the Belize Mission Trip.

Come in before the boys basketball game and enjoy a great meal— and support a great cause!

Spread the word— Invite your friends!



BINGO and Pie social Sunday, February 11

Begins at 4 p.m. at St. Teresa Hall
A quarter a card, winner takes entire pot
Mark your calendars for fun and fellowship



There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers to bring pies in the church entries. Thank you.

New Ministry schedules for St. Teresa volunteers are now available the church entrances. If you are signed up for a job at church please pick up the new schedule for February—April.



Ash Wednesday is February 14

Masses in the tri-parish that day are

7 a.m. at St. Teresa

7 p.m. at St. Matthew

This is not a Holy Day of Obligation, but it is a pious practice to attend Mass and receive ashes as a reminder of our need for repentance and of our finite time on this earth and that nothing in this material world will last.



Please pray for the soul of Emil Gorackowski, who entered into eternal life on January 20th. Emil was a member of St. Matthew Parish; his funeral was Saturday, Jan. 27. Eternal rest Grant to him O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Please also pray for hi family and friends at this difficult time.

St. Ann's Circle will be hosting a supper on Saturday, February 10th after 5 p.m. Mass at St. Matthew Church. All are invited to attend for great food and fellowship!

St. Teresa: Through a generous donation we have been able to purchase 2 processional candle holders. Fr. Vogel will conduct a training on Saturday, February 3 at 11 a.m. for all servers to learn how these new candles will be carried and used. There will be pizza for lunch after the training. Please let Father or the office know if you can make the training.



The Great Adventure Bible Study: The Bible Timeline, the story of salvation: a video series with Jeff Cavin
Current sessions:

Sunday 10 a.m. at St. Teresa

Tuesday 9 a.m. at St. Teresa

Wednesday 7 p.m. at the Mapleton Library

Come and be a part of a special experience that invites you to hear the Good News and personally encounter Jesus Christ.

Discovering Christ Winter Sessions

Sunday evenings 5:30 –7:30 p.m.

at St. Joseph Church, Good Thunder

Enjoy food and fellowship followed by song and worship with thought provoking Learning Sessions to follow.



ask.
seek.
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discovering
CHRIST

**Jan. 28
Feb. 11**

**The Holy Spirit and you/ New Life in the Spirit
Our Need for the Church**

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 meets on the first Tuesday of each month. Our next support group will be February 6, 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 Sister Joyce Kolbet at VINE Faith in Action (386-5583).

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa (Jan. 21)

Weekly collection	\$2910.00
Amount collected year to date	\$112,181.32
Amount budgeted year to date	\$98,520.00

St. Matthew (Jan. 13)

Weekly collection	\$4111.80
Amount collected year to date	\$27,607.80
Amount budgeted year to date	\$35,583.00

St. Joseph (Jan. 20)

Weekly collection	\$5965.00
Amount collected year to date	\$32,830.00
Amount budgeted year to date	\$32,910.00



Ministry Roles

February 3 St. Joseph 5 p.m.

Reader: Patty Thomas

Ministers of Communion: Hollie Smith,
Jim Wieseler

Hospitality: Jay and Cassie Winters

Servers: Taylor Hollerich, Ethan McGregor

Money counters: Rachel Depuydt,
Laureen Sohre

February 4 St. Teresa 9 a.m.

Reader: George Leary

Ministers of Communion: Owen Dickey,
Kevin Donovan, Alice Germo

Hospitality: Cliff and Marcie Anderson, Lois Gau,
Jan Sonnek

Gifts: KC and Debbie Reuter family

Servers: Bria Cole, McKenzie Reuter, Brooke
Reuter, Nathan Trio

Sacristan: KC Reuter

Money counters: Gloria Langworthy,
Tammy Schmidt

Donut team: Dan Germo, Jeff Kunkel,
Ken Rigdon

**Ministry Schedules are available on the web-
site: sjsmst.org**

Let us understand that God is a physician, and that suf-
fering is a medicine for salvation, not a punishment for
damnation. ---St. Augustine of Hippo

Our Catholic World



Eucharistic Adoration

On the following dates Our Lord will be on the altar at St. Teresa Church waiting for you to come and spend time with Him.

"Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with exposition needs a great push. People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer." - Saint Teresa of Calcutta

**Wednesday evenings 7—9 p.m.
Jan. 31, and Feb. 7**

O Sacrament most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine.



Lent begins in just over 2 weeks!

Ash Wednesday—Feb. 14

There are boxes available at each church for old, blessed palms. Remember, blessed items cannot just be thrown into the garbage, but must be disposed of properly.

These old palms will be burnt and the ashes will be used on Ash Wednesday this year. Please bring in your old palms by February 7th.

February 3 is the Feast of St. Blaise There will a blessing of throats at both the Saturday morning Mass and at the Saturday evening Mass.

St. Blaise was a fourth century Bishop and physician in Armenia. The miraculous cure of a boy suffering from a fish bone caught in his throat — and because Blaise had been a physician — created the belief that St. Blaise could cure most illnesses but especially those of the throat. As early as the ninth century in the Western Church, he was invoked for throat ailments, and by the 15th century, the blessing of the throat ritual had begun.

Devotions like walking the Stations of the Cross during Lent, receiving ashes on Ash Wednesday, kissing the cross on Good Friday and getting our throats blessed on St. Blaise day are essential parts of our Catholic lineage. Each ceremony or ritual excites us, elevates our hearts; we come away refreshed and with a sense that something beyond the ordinary has just happened, not just to us but to thousands of the faithful that same day in every corner of the world. We can't help but know that it's good to be Catholic. taken from osv.com

Lent begins February 14th!

The tri-parish will have many opportunities for each of you to make this truly a Lent of conversion:

Stations of the Cross every week

Rice Bowl for almsgiving

Magnificat for daily reading

Adoration

Penance Service and increased opportunities for Confession

Several choices for Bible Studies

Lent: Keep It Simple pamphlet for ideas

Sign up for short videos to be delivered each day to your email

Join a four week study: A Lent to Remember, an encounter with Mercy

Look for details to come .

Commit to taking advantage of one or more of these chances to make this Lent truly life changing!