



**Saint Mary Catholic Church**  
32 1<sup>st</sup> St. NE  
Winnebago, Minnesota



**Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church**  
214 S. Holland  
Blue Earth, Minnesota

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***Sunday, April 9, 2017 – Palm Sunday***

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, 5:15 p.m., SS. Peter & Paul**

**Sunday, 8:00 a.m., St. Mary**

**Sunday, 10:00 a.m., SS. Peter & Paul**

**DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**

**Tuesday, 8:30 a.m., St. Mary**

**Wednesday, 7:30 a.m., SS. Peter & Paul**

**Thursday, 10:00 a.m., St Luke's, Blue Earth**

**Friday, 8:30 a.m., SS. Peter & Paul (1<sup>st</sup> Friday**

**Mass is followed by Holy Hour)**

**Please check page 3 of bulletin for any changes to the schedule**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m., SS. Peter & Paul

Sunday, 7:15 – 7:45 a.m., St. Mary

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Arrangements are made by contacting the pastor in advance of the date.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Arrangements for preparation & the date are made by contacting the pastor at least 6 months before.

**Pastoral Care of the Elderly/Sick**

Please contact the pastor when someone is hospitalized or homebound.

**Prayer Network**

Anyone wishing to have the prayerful support of our parish community may relay your prayer request to Ruth Kastner (943-3478) or Jeanette Verdoorn (526-2333) to initiate the calling tree.

**For prayers requests for St. Mary's,** call Mary Franta (893-4326) or Chris Rockers (893-3729).

**Faith Formation**

We have resources & activities for growth & formation of faith in all members of all ages. For our young people, we have programs & youth ministries coordinated by Angie Nagel at SS. Peter & Paul (526-5626) & Pat Salic at St. Mary (236-2195).

**Joining or Returning to the Catholic Church**

The rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process for adults to become members of the Catholic Church. For additional information, please contact the pastor.

**To rent the Social Hall of SS Peter & Paul**

To schedule activities/events, please contact Pat Boettcher(526-5626)

**Bulletin notices** Contact Pat by Wednesday afternoon at the office ([patssp@bevcomm.net](mailto:patssp@bevcomm.net)) or by phone (526-5626 or 526-3511).

## PASTOR'S PARISHABLES

**The “Triduum” begins Thursday evening.** That term’s still not familiar to some of us. “Holy Week” is. “Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday” are. “Triduum” needs to be too—not just the word but the 3 days it designates. A generation or so ago it was rediscovered in our tradition. Triduum (pronounced *trih-dew-uhm*) is a word we need to know & use & understand. It refers to the three days of Christ’s dying & resting & rising. It doesn’t coincide exactly with Holy Thursday, Good Friday, & Holy Saturday—3 days marked from midnight to midnight (as are all our days). Our Jewish ancestors measured days from dusk to dusk instead. That’s why the Sabbath (Saturday) meal was & is eaten *Friday night* (at dusk); that’s when the Sabbath begins. And it ends with dusk on Saturday when the last day of the week ends & the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the week begins. All that means that the greatest 3 days of the year, the Triduum, begins this coming Thursday night—not Wednesday night at midnight & not Thursday morning.

### **The Triduum includes:**

Day One, Thursday dusk to Friday dusk, the day of Christ’s death. We gather twice: Thursday evening for the Lord’s supper (his last supper) & again Friday afternoon to observe his passion & death.

Day Two is Friday dusk to Saturday dusk & is the day of the Lord’s rest in the tomb (even as his Father rested after the 6 days of the work of creation). It’s the Sabbath day (Saturday as we call it.) There’s no gathering this 2<sup>nd</sup> Day, no liturgy, no Mass, no sacraments, no funerals. (“The Sacrament is dead.”)

Day Three is Saturday dusk to Sunday dusk, the day of Christ’s rising. Many of us gather twice—for the Vigil & for the Easter Sunday Mass. But if a choice must be made, the Vigil has priority. Every great holyday (like Christmas) has a vigil—an eve—but this one is the queen. Like the 2 liturgies of Day One aren’t at all alike, so with the Vigil & Easter Sunday Mass: different rituals, different Scriptures, different prayers, different purposes.

**Hope to see you all 4 times, but especially at the Vigil.**

### **This is the schedule for the Triduum liturgies:**

Apr. 13 Holy Thursday Mass: **5:00 pm (M), 7:00 (P/P)**

Apr. 14 Good Friday service: **noon (M), 3 pm (P/P)**

Apr. 15 Easter Vigil Mass: **8 pm (SS P/P—no 5:15)**

Apr. 16 Easter Sunday Mass: **8 am (M), 10 am (P/P)**

These are the most important 3 days of the Church year. We need one another here for these. This a priority.

**New oil, new fire, new water, new people.** *“Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come”* (2 Cor. 5:17).

During The Great Three Days, newly blessed oil will be brought to an emptied cabinet, a new Christ candle will be lit for the 1<sup>st</sup> time, & fresh water will be blessed &

flow freely at the Easter Vigil. New oil, new fire, new water. And in many place, new people. Initiating new members is 1 of the 1<sup>st</sup> works & joys of the Church.

**There are 2 traditional offerings** (“collections”) during the Triduum: At Holy Thursday Mass the wooden bowl in the sanctuary will be filled with the fruit of lenten sacrifice, inspired & guided for many by Catholic Relief Services’ *Operation Rice Bowl*. We will be inviting a representative of each family to bring up a Rice Bowl offering as the altar is prepared. The significance of bringing the gift from the table at home to the altar at church is not lost on us. (The liturgy is clear: that night’s offering is not to keep but is only for the poor.) The offering of Good Friday is a traditional one benefiting Christ’s homeland, the Holy Land. Our gift will support the work of the Franciscan Missioners who serve the people there & maintain the shrines that mark events in Jesus’ life.

**The Diocesan Chrism mass** is tomorrow, Monday of Holy Week. Historically, the Chrism Mass was a Holy Thursday Cathedral liturgy. More recently, in our diocese at least, it has been transferred to earlier in Holy Week & to various places throughout the diocese to enable the participation of not only priests but people throughout the diocese. More than any other liturgy during the year, this one calls for priests to surround their bishop. The holy oils will be blessed for use in the sacramental celebrations throughout the diocese during the coming year. This year’s Chrism Mass is at Resurrection parish in Rochester—for my sake & for ours as a Church I will be there.

**Our preparation for Easter** is “both baptismal & penitential,” the Church teaches. Baptismal preparation refers to the catechumens who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. Penitential preparation refers to the faithful, to us, who want to make a fresh start. “Going to Confession”—being reconciled—is a most fruitful way we do this, rehearsing, you might say, for the Easter renewal of baptism that we’ll do on Easter. So for your convenience I’ve scheduled extra & various times for Confession this week: Tues 11:30 am – 12:30 pm, 4:30 – 5:30 pm; Wed 11:30 am – 12:30 pm, 5 – 6 pm.

**I was asked recently** why there isn’t a “Year of John” in our lectionary, as there is a year of Matthew (this year), a year of Mark & a year of Luke. The ? came because for the last 3 Sundays this Lent, we read lengthy passages from St. John. Soon, when space allows in the bulletin, we’ll do a little catechesis on the lectionary, one of the treasures of our Church. This is another way we can remind ourselves & illustrate how biblical our Church is. For now: John finds his place in our liturgy on various occasions (like recently this Lent). Also, in the proclamation of Christ’s passion every Good Friday & during the Easter season + Pentecost + Trinity Sunday + + + .

**Mass Schedule - BE=SS Peter & Paul, W=St. Mary's**

Mon. NO MASS  
Tue. /W 830AM - Members of the Rosary Society  
/BE 10:00AM - CDA  
Wed/BE 7:30AM/Gen Armon †  
Thur. /W 5:00PM/ - Alex Klocek †  
/BE 7:00PM/ - Ethan Rorman †  
Good Fri./ W Noon  
/BE 3:00PM  
Sat./BE 8:00PM/ Gene Mikolai †  
Sun./W 8:00AM/Ernest & Phyllis Salic †  
Sun./BE 10:00AM/Norbert & Helen Bleess †

**NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:**

**Holy Thursday April 13**

**5:00 PM St. Mary's** Clara Ziegler  
**Ministers of Communion:** Rich Findley  
Jerome Behnke & Sue Behnke

**7:00 PM SSPP**

**Ministers of Communion:** Steve Geerdes/Lorraine Hassing  
Becky Spencer/Margaret Haag/Shirl Maher

**Good Friday April 14**

**12:00 PM St. Mary's** Servers: Spencer Salic  
**Ministers of Communion:** Linda O'Neil

**3:00 PM SSPP** Servers:

**Ministers of Communion:** Ann Kerh  
Skip Schimek & Lee Mikolai

**Sat., April 15: Easter Vigil Mass**

**8:00 PM SSPP**

**Ministers of Communion:** Don Bleess/Bev Dummer  
Steve Geerdes/Lorraine Hassing/Mary Warner  
**Gift Bearers:** Kathy Lowery  
**Ushers:** Loren Prescher Group

**Easter Sun., April 16: Servers:** Noah Dahl

**8:00 AM St. Mary's**

**Ministers of Communion:** Gerald Scovill  
Karen Hernandez & Pat Salic  
**Gift Bearers:** Dick & Joanne Maday  
**Ushers:** Mike Salic Sr. & Mike Salic Jr.

**Easter Sun., April 16: Servers:** Elizabeth Uecker

**10:00AM SSPP**

**Ministers of Communion:** Margaret Haag/Shirl Maher  
Pam Armon/Roger Schoenfelder/Pat Boettcher  
**Gift Bearers:** Chris & Michelle Klinkner Family  
**Ushers:** Chuck Murphy Group

**Knights Corner:**

April 8th- Last KC Steak Fry until September  
April 10th-KC Meeting Room #1 7PM  
April 22nd- Dale Bleess Appreciation Cook Out  
April 29-30-KC Annual Tootsie Roll Drive after each  
Mass.  
May 8th-KC/Concert Assoc. Cookout 5:30 PM  
May 8th-KC Meeting Room #1 7PM

**Decorating the church for Easter** will take place on Saturday, April 15 at 9:00 a.m. With a lot of helping hands it should only take a couple hours.

**CDA:** Tues, Apr. 11--9:15, Audit; 10:00 Mass, 10:30 Meeting, 11:30 Lunch Please bring a dish to pass or a donation for Potluck. Also, UPC's, Boxtops & stamps may be brought to the meeting.

**The Dale Bleess Appreciation** Cook-out will be Saturday April 22nd at St Peter & Paul Church Hall. Serving from 5 to 8pm. Build your own Hamburger or Pork Burger, Chips, Beans & Root beer floats. FREE WILL OFFERING. Sponsored by Thrivent Financial & Knights of Columbus.

**Catholic Charities Adoption Program:** Choosing adoption for your unborn child is a very loving and mature decision. Even when you know it's the right choice, support and guidance is helpful. Catholic Charities provides confidential services at no cost, and we facilitate open, semi open, or closed adoptions. You can find a loving home for your baby. Call Catholic Charities at 1-800-222-5859.

**Saint Casimir's Catholic School** currently enrolls 34 students with a professional staff of 6 and is accredited by MNSAA. Saint Casimir's School is currently looking for a principal beginning the 2017-2018 school year. The successful candidate must be a practicing Catholic and hold a minimum of a master's degree; preferably a MN licensure in educational administration or a related field. Additional requirements include a minimum of five years of educational experience in elementary education, ideally in a Catholic school system. Send a resume, cover letter, curriculum vitae, and list of references to: Father Andrew Vogel, 330 2nd Avenue Southwest, Wells, MN 56097. Applications must be completed by April 21, 2017 or until the position is filled with the appropriate candidate.

**Ladies:** It's time to join the food, fun and prayers at the **Blue Earth/Mankato Area CCW Salad Supper and meeting on Monday April 10<sup>th</sup> at All Saints Parish at 601 - 4<sup>th</sup> Street in Madison Lake.** The Salad Supper will begin at 6:00 PM with the Area CCW meeting following at 7:00 PM. Each parish is asked to provide two salads for the meal. Attendance is highly encouraged for **ALL Parish Ladies.** Please enter through the South door with parking on the East or across the street to the North. If anyone wants to ride share, contact Amy at 525-2202 or Lola at 525-0916

**Thank you for all of your support!** Thank you to all who attended the fundraiser breakfast at St. Mary's for me earlier in March! It is amazing to see your unending efforts to support me in the mission work. The proceeds I am putting towards a mission trip this summer to Chile that I am helping lead. Thank you once again for all of your generous support! A special thanks to those of you who put it all together. God bless!

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

### Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: April 2 & 3

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,157.00  
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$4,487.07  
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$166,280.00  
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$167,980.63

### Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: April 3

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,173.00  
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$1,003.00  
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$46,920.00  
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$45,530.48

## FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Angie Nagel - 526-5626 (office) - 526-3485 (home) - 507-276-5114 (cell), [angieyouthministry@bevcomm.net](mailto:angieyouthministry@bevcomm.net)

### *April Calendar:*

- 12 No Classes during Holy Week for Grades K-10!
- 16 Joyful Noise Choir sings for 10AM Mass!
- 18 First Eucharist Pictures and Practice, 6PM
- 19 Classes for Grades K-10  
Grades K-5 to St. Luke's  
My Space -- 5-6:30PM
- 23 First Eucharist during 10AM Mass  
Joyful Noise Choir sings for Mass
- 26 Final Classes for Grades K-10  
No My Space!
- 27 FF / YM Board Meeting, 6PM

### *May Calendar:*

- 3 Confirmation Pictures & Practice -- 7:00PM
- 6 Sacrament of Confirmation -- 11:00AM, SSPP
- 21 Baccalaureate during 10AM Mass

### Grades 6-10 to help clean up cemeteries!

On either April 19th or April 26th (depending on the weather), Grades 6-10 will spend one of their final Faith Formation classes doing service at the cemeteries. Youth will be asked to bring rakes and we will meet at the cemetery at 6:00PM. We will start out with some pizza and pop then be given instructions on what to do. Any parents who would like to join us are more than welcome! We will end the evening at 8:00PM.

### Pick A Day, Pray & Pay!

We currently have 24 high school youth and 4 adults who will be attending the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) on November 15-19, 2017 in Indianapolis! This is the 5th time our parishes will take a group of youth to NCYC and this is our largest group yet!! The cost to attend NCYC is \$650.00 per person. We kicked off our "Pick A Day, Pray & Pay" fundraiser this weekend, March 25 & 26, after Masses. Please check out the display in the Social Hall!

### Lenten Prayer Chain

Take note of the paper chain forming around the Social Hall. The strips are forming a "Lenten Prayer Chain" as

a sign that God hears all our prayers and that we need to pray for each other too. There is a table set up in the social hall with strips of paper, pens and a stapler. Feel free to add your own prayer intentions to our prayer chain!

### Totus Tuus coming this Summer!

Due to some limitations in our planning schedule this summer, instead of offering our own Vacation Bible School program as we have done in the past several years, we will be offering Totus Tuus as an option for all children and youth currently in Kindergarten through Grade 12. St. John Vianney in Fairmont is hosting Totus Tuus from **Sunday, July 30th - Friday, August 4th**. We will provide transportation for all children and youth who would like to participate! Please get these dates on your calendar today before your summer schedule gets all filled up! For more information on Totus Tuus, go to our Diocesan website at [www.dow.org](http://www.dow.org). Click on "Offices" then "Youth and Young Adults" then on "Totus Tuus".

### Diocese of Winona - Child Sexual Abuse Policy

**Information:** The Diocese of Winona will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at [www.dow.org](http://www.dow.org) under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Mary Hamann, at 507-858-1244, or [mhamann@dow.org](mailto:mhamann@dow.org)