



**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 23, 2017 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter***

**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

**What a glorious Holy Week**—made especially so by the presence of so many of you (as well as all the helpers mentioned in last Sunday's bulletin). I realize there are many, many competitors for our time & energy, especially for those of you with families in full bloom. But still, so many of you made time for our faith family during these days that are so important for the faith celebration & formation of all of us. And, as I can't say enough, how enriching it is for us to have family members who are grown & moved away for school & work & life in other places return for days like the Triduum. A specific point about the Easter Vigil, a demanding but grace-filled liturgy: There was a goodly number present; I didn't count, but I did count the minutes: 100—not bad for doing all we did (except receptions) that make up that glorious liturgy of liturgies.

**It's been 5 weeks** since we've received our monthly *Image of Faith*—except for the bonus on Holy Thursday, Jesus Washes Peter's Feet. That seemed too good to pass up. (Now if I'd only spelled the artist's name correctly: Ford *Madox* Brown). He painted in a version of the "Pre-Raphaelite" style. I had to look that one up—& of course I pass it along to you: "*The group's intention was to reform art by rejecting what it considered the mechanistic approach first adopted by Mannerist artists who succeeded Raphael & Michelangelo. Its members believed the Classical poses & elegant compositions of Raphael in particular had been a corrupting influence on the academic teaching of art, hence the name 'Pre-Raphaelite'.*" I also learned that 1 of the founders of the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood was William Holden Hunt who painted a familiar version of Christ knocking at a door with no handle on the outside.

**This Sunday we receive April's *Image of Faith*** (just under the wire). I waited this long because it's an illustration of the gospel account of the appearance of the risen Christ to the 2 disciples on the way to Emmaus, which we hear this year on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter (April 30). I'm giving it out a week early because I know some of you preview the Scriptures, some of you using the Sunday Missal that was given to us early in 2017.

**Since we're in the images-of-faith vein** this year, it seemed fitting on Good Friday to bring an image (a description only) from a sanctuary window in our neighbors' house, Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Easton. It's 1 of 2 in the sanctuary, appropriately placed above the altar; both feature a sacrifice: 1 of the offering of the Old Testament priest Melchizedek (Gen 14); the other an image of the difficult story, The Sacrifice of Isaac (Gen 22). Isaac, as you know, was not actually sacrificed, although that was obedient Abraham's intention until an angel stayed his hand. When innocent Isaac asked where the victim for the sacrifice was, Abraham spoke a

memorable line we recalled on Good Friday, "*God himself will provide the victim.*" It was prophetic. Abraham's son did not go to his death as a sacrifice, but God's did.

**At the Easter Vigil I brought another image**, but not a graphic one; instead, one that came in a poem, "Lead Kindly Light," by John Henry Cardinal Newman. Actually, the liturgy itself that night, dramatically & prayerfully, brought the image of darkness & light. Here's the full poem for those interested:

*Lead, Kindly Light, amidst th'encircling gloom,  
Lead Thou me on!  
The night is dark, and I am far from home,  
Lead Thou me on!  
Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see  
The distant scene; one step enough for me.  
I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou  
Shouldst lead me on;  
I loved to choose and see my path; but now  
Lead Thou me on!  
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,  
Pride ruled my will. Remember not past years!  
So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still  
Will lead me on.  
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till  
The night is gone,  
And with the morn those angel faces smile,  
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile!  
Meantime, along the narrow rugged path,  
Thyself hast trod,  
Lead, Saviour, lead me home in childlike faith,  
Home to my God.  
To rest forever after earthly strife  
In the calm light of everlasting life.*

"**Lead, Kindly Light,**" the poem & its sung versions, have long been popular (not only in England): It was sung by the sister of Corrie ten Boom & other women as they were led by Nazi guards to Ravensbruck concentration camp during the Holocaust. It was sung by a soloist on the doomed ship *Titanic* during a hymn-singing gathering shortly before it hit an iceberg on April 14, 1912. (The following morning, it was again sung from lifeboats when a rescue ship was spied.) It was sung by British troops to the background sound of nearby artillery fire on the Western Front during the 1<sup>st</sup> World War at services held before going into the trenches the following day. It was read for solace to Queen Victoria as she lay dying, so that the last words she may have heard on earth were "*So long thy power hath blest me, sure it still/Will lead me on.*" Maybe we should learn a version of it.

"**She ratted me out,**" he said after she said he said *Look at this*, pointing to a page in the missalette on Good Friday that says *After the reading of the Passion, there may be a brief homily*. Huh. *May be ... brief?* I looked that up in my missalette & didn't find it. Not to embarrass these 2 (who sit about 1/3 way back on the left near the side aisle.)

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

Mon. NO MASS  
Tue. /W 8:30AM – Phyllis Perryman ☩  
Wed/BE 7:30AM/ Intention of Joe & Jean Kelly  
Thur. /St. Luke's – 10:00AM – Marian Warmka ☩  
Fri./BE 8:30AM/ Peter Fletcher ☩  
Sat./BE 8:00PM/McRae & Rita Wilmert ☩  
Sun./W 8:00AM/ Sharon Ziegler ☩  
Sun./BE 10:00AM/Fritz & Dolores Wolff 63<sup>rd</sup>  
Wedding Anniversary

**NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:**

**Sat., April 29: Servers:** Isabelle Barnette  
5:15 PM SSPP Jack Frundt  
**Ministers of Communion:** Mary Warner/Bev Dummer  
Shawna Barnett/Bill Hamlin/Andre Hamlin  
**Gift Bearers:** Tom & Helen Syverson  
**Ushers:** Loren Prescher Group

**Sun., April 30: Servers:** Brian Krieger  
8:00 AM St. Mary's Jackson Sonnek  
**Ministers of Communion:** Jamie Ness  
Judy Johnson & Pat Salic  
**Gift Bearers:** Leta Allevan & Peggy Ziegler  
**Ushers:** Rich Findley & Mike Findley

**Sun., April 30: Servers:** Maddie Armon  
10:00AM SSPP Kate Armon  
**Ministers of Communion:** Lola Schultz/Joe Tempel  
Roger Schoenfelder/Shawn Hassing/Vitres Samek  
**Gift Bearers:** Roger & Sue Schoenfelder family  
**Ushers:** Chuck Murphy Group

**Knights Corner:**

April 22nd- Dale Bless 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

**Tootsie Roll Drive**

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual Tootsie Roll Drive for the local Developmentally Disabled Adults on Saturday & Sunday April 29th & 30th. They will be handed out after each Mass- Free Will Donation

**Celebrating 95 years of Catholic Daughters:**

1996 – The Court joined in the Gummy Bear project to support “Safe Return Kits” for the victims of Alzheimer’s. Money now goes for Habitat for Humanity homes.

**You're invited** to the 100th Anniversary of Fatima Celebration on Saturday, May 13 beginning at 12:45 PM at the farm of Andy and Natalie Price, Kasson. Guest Speakers include Rev. Thien Nguyen, Rev. Msgr. Thomas Cook, and Mother Assumpta, Prioress General of the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist. Mass will be celebrated by Most Rev. Bernard Harrington at 5:00 PM. There will be Adoration, Rosary Procession, Benediction and Confessions will be available throughout the day. The farm is located at 23274 670<sup>th</sup> Street, Kasson, just 15 miles west of Rochester on Highway 14. More information:

[www.giftoffatima2017.com](http://www.giftoffatima2017.com) or Andy Price 507-259-7675 or [stjosephdrivingschool@kmtel.com](mailto:stjosephdrivingschool@kmtel.com)

**When you choose to lift up those reaching out,** you choose to serve as an instrument of your **Faith.** You affirm that all lives have dignity, especially the poor and marginalized. Because of you—4,509 individuals were lifted up and empowered to reach their full potential in 2016. God bless you for your compassionate generosity in support of the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Appeal on **May 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.** Your kindness makes all the difference!

**St. Mary's Scholarship:** Any St. Mary's High School senior that is interested in applying for this scholarship, please pick up an application from Jeanne Kortuem or there are some forms in the sacristy at church. All Applications are due on or before May 9th. The winner will be announced on Sunday, May 21st.

**Winnebago United Methodist Church** Mission Committee will host the annual Chicken & Biscuit Supper on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5-7 pm in the church basement. There will be a free will-offering. Call 893-4567 for free home delivery in Winnebago.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

**Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: April 15 & 16**

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,157.00  
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$3,991.00  
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$174,594.00  
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$176,134.24  
EASTER COLLECTION \$1,620.00  
RICE BOWL COLLECTION \$1,737.96

**Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: April 16**

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,173.00  
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$1,126.69  
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$49,266.00  
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$47,560.17  
EASTER COLLECTION \$710.00  
RICE BOWL COLLECTION \$489.35

## 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:***

- 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

### **First Eucharist celebrated this Sunday!**

We congratulate the following children for receiving Jesus in the Eucharist for the very first time this Sunday, April 23rd!

**OLIVER ANKENY** - Son of Ana and Brandon Ankeny

**COLE BECKER** - Son of Tara and Mike Becker

**BRAYAN GONZALEZ** - Son of Ana Chiguil and Jose  
Alberto Chiguil Ambros

**DYLAN PREUSS** - Son of Lynn Preuss and Travis  
Preuss

**LUCAS ROIGER** - Son of Ellen and Curt Roiger

**CAIDEN SICKLER** - Son of Kim and Calvin Sickler

**GABRIELA VARGAS** - Daughter of Valeria and Jose  
Vargas

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

On April 26th (depending on the weather), Grades 6-10 will spend 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.

### **Attention Graduating Seniors!**

Parish Scholarship information is being mailed to all graduating Seniors. Please watch for it in the mail and return the completed forms to Angie no later than Friday, May 5th. Don't miss out on this opportunity to apply for one of several scholarships being awarded at the Baccalaureate Mass on May 21st.

### **Pick A Day, Pray & Pay!**

We have 23 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. Our first fundraiser is "**Pick A Day, Pray & Pay**". A display is set up in the Social Hall explaining this fundraiser. Please feel free to split the amounts that are remaining on the calendars with one or two other people. Thank you so much for your support of our young people attending NCYC!

### **Faith Formation Prayer Chain**

Take note of the paper chain forming around the Social Hall. The chain is being formed by the prayer intentions of our children and youth in our Faith Formation classes. We will continue to add strips through our final class which is this Wednesday. Please feel free to add a prayer intention or two of your own to our 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".