



Saint Mary Catholic Church
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Winnebago, Minnesota



Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church
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June - August Office hours: Mon., 8 a.m. – noon; Tues. out; Wed. out; Thurs., 8:00 – 2 p.m.

Sunday, June 25th, 2017 – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 (1st 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) or by phone (526-5626 or 526-3511).

PASTOR'S PARISHABLES

We're having our annual Namesday Picnic this Sunday at SS Peter & Paul. We always schedule this for the Sunday near June 29, the feast of the great saints. Peter the fisherman & Paul the tentmaker were 2 of the most important figures in the establishment & development of the Christian Church. Although they are celebrated together because of their unparalleled contributions to early Christianity, & although they are frequently featured together in Christian art, their lives were quite different & they probably met only once or twice during their lifetimes. They are the giants on whose shoulders believers have been privileged to stand for centuries; from this vantage point, we look to the future with confidence & hope.

One of the best-known sentences in the English language?? How about this one: "*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are life, liberty & the pursuit of happiness.*" The 2nd sentence of the Declaration of Independence. We're closing in on the 242nd anniversary of its adoption, the 4th of July. It deserves to be more than a free day with fireworks. One historian says that this document contains "*the most potent & consequential words in American history.*" Lincoln, I learned recently, reading *Team of Rivals*, would have agreed—(according to another historian) he "*considered the Declaration to be the foundation of his political philosophy, & argued that the Declaration is a statement of principles through which the U.S. Constitution should be interpreted.*" Strong language.

The old song "Abide with Me" came to mind recently because there are verses in John's Last Discourse, read during the Easter season, that repeatedly use the word "abide" (now commonly translated "remain"). For example: "*Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. ...Whoever remains in me & I in him will bear much fruit. ...If you remain in me & my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want & it will be done for you*" (from Jn 15:1-8).

The opening lines of "Abide with Me" paraphrase Scripture—although not those verses in John 15, a verse very much in the same vein, towards the end of the great "Appearance on the Road to Emmaus" passage in Luke 24: "*As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, 'Stay with us, for it is nearly evening & the day is almost over.'*" (The old King James Version—even the Revised KJV—says "Abide...") After my mention of that song, the Guitar Group worked it up & surprised us with it last Saturday—appropriately on the feast of the Body & Blood of Christ. Since the Emmaus

appearance culminates with the Eucharist—the breaking of the Bread—this song was especially fitting.

One of you gave me a copy of the song, including a little background on its composition: A Scottish Anglican, Henry Francis Lyte, wrote it in 1847 while he lay dying of tuberculosis. (He lived only 3 weeks after its completion.) The 3rd line of the 6th verse alludes to 1 Cor. 15:55. You may want to use it yourself as a worthy prayer for God's abiding presence throughout life—through trials & ultimately through death. (Fr. Stenzel tells me that this song was used at his mother's funeral.) So here it is:

*Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.
Not a brief glance I beg, a passing word,
But as Thou dwell'st with Thy disciples, Lord,
Familiar, condescending, patient, free,
Come not to sojourn, but abide with me.
Thou on my head in early youth didst smile,
And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee.
On to the close, O Lord, abide with me.
I need Thy presence every passing hour.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.
I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.
Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, & earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*

From failing to flourishing: St. Mary's Mission in Red Lake sees success in teaching commitment That's a headline I found on the internet (over an article in the *Bemidji Pioneer*) when I researched about the appeal that'll be made in our parishes next week. Each summer, a mission appeal is made in every parish in the diocese. According to a "Mission Cooperative Plan," parishes are assigned these appeals in order to make these opportunities available in a fair way to those needing our support. In our 2 parishes this year, this one is unique in my experience. Fr. Jerry Rogers, of the Crookston diocese, will be making an appeal here on behalf of the St. Mary's Mission & School in Red Lake MN where he serves. The article noted above was inspirational, as I'm sure he will be.

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

Mon. NO MASS
Tue. /W 8:30AM – NO MASS †
Wed/BE 7:30AM – NO MASS †
Thur. St. Luke's/10:00AM – NO MASS †
Fri./BE 8:30AM – NO MASS †
Sat./BE 5:15PM – Dan & Ruth Driscoll †
Sun./W 8:00AM – Intention of Mauris & Bublitz family
Sun./BE 10:00AM – Gene Mikolai †

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

Sat., July 1 Servers: Jack Frundt
5:15 PM SSPP Joe Frundt
Ministers of Communion: Chuck Frundt/Bev Dummer
Don Bless/Lorraine Hassing/Ann Kehr
Gift Bearers: Bob & Becky Spencer
Ushers: Loren Prescher Group

Sun., July 2: Servers: Brian Krieger
8:00 AM St. Mary's
Ministers of Communion: Karen Hernandez
Jamie Ness/Chuck Murry
Gift Bearers: Dick & Joanne Maday
Ushers: Doug Klocek & Rick Mauris

Sun., July 2: Servers: Anna Nagel
10:00AM SSPP
Ministers of Communion: Shawn Hassing/Shirl Maher
Camille Driscoll/Joe Tempel/Arlen O'Brien
Gift Bearers: Shawn & Sue Hassing
Ushers: Chuck Murphy Group

Knight's Corner:

June 25th Parish Cook-Out (Cooking Chicken)

Friday July 7th is KC Cook-out/Meeting
The KC's will have a cook-out at Dan Moore's farm-845 310th Ave starting at 5:-5:30 social, meal to follow. If you wish to bring a desert or salad, please do so. Wives are invited. We want this to be a relaxing night to meet and to plan events for 2017-2018 year. ALL KC MEMBERS ARE INVITED! Sorry, no kids invited this time.

Peter's Pence Collection: This collection today support the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. There are envelopes for this collection in the envelope packets for both parishes. If you forgot to bring it

this week, please drop it in the collection next week. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

A sincere thank you to everyone who has made a donation to our Council of Catholic Families organization. If you still would like to donate to help with the funeral dinner and soup supper expense, you can drop your donation off at the church office or mark an envelope with CCF and drop it in the collection basket at mass. Because of your generosity, \$820 was added to CCF.

Catholic Charities African Hunger Crisis

There is a drought in East Africa affecting Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, and Uganda. In Somalia there are 6.2 million people in need which is 50% of the population. Overall, 23 million people presently across the horn of Africa are without enough to eat. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is already on the ground coordinating with the United Nations to airlift supplies. Go to the link provided to learn more and for ideas on how to help:

<http://www.crs.org/media-center/current-issues/africa-hunger-crisis>

The parish picnic will be held in the social hall on Sunday, **June 25th** after the 10:00 am Mass.

The Knights of Columbus have once again agreed to cook their delicious grilled chicken.

The parish will provide the chicken, and lemonade and coffee. Parish members attending are asked to bring the following to share: salads and side dishes for those with last names beginning with A-P and desserts for those with last names beginning with Q-Z.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: June 17 & 18

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,157.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$2,277.55
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$212,007.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$213,586.40

Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: June 18

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,173.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$847.50
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$59,823.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$56,431.16

Cemetery Collection total \$920.00

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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

Calendar:

July 8 Green Giant Days Parade!
July 30-August 4 Totus Tuus for Grades 1-12 in
Fairmont
August 7-10 Camp Summit for Grades 5-7

Save your Stuffed Animals!

We will again be using stuffed animals (clean and in good condition) to hand out during the Green Giant Days Parade! If you have any beanie babies or nice stuffed animals of any size that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the Parish office or call me and I can come and pick them up.

Fall Rummage Sale

Spring cleaning is upon on! Are you cleaning out your basement, garage and closets and finding things you don't need or use or want anymore? Don't throw them out! Save them for the SSPP Youth Rummage Sale fundraiser this Fall! We will accept donations of good quality fall and winter clothing, coats, toys, books, furniture, bedding, kitchen items, household items, home decor, knick knacks, holiday decorations, CD's, DVD's, and any other treasures you can find. If you have a question about whether or not we will take something you would like to donate, please don't hesitate to call me anytime.

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! 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!

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 31th - Friday, August 4th.** We will provide transportation for all children and youth who would like to participate! The children's program (K-Gr. 6) is from 9:00AM-2:30PM (Monday, August 1st - Friday, August 4th). The youth program (Gr. 7-12) is from 7:30-9:30PM (Sunday, July 31st - Thursday, August 3rd). Get these dates and times on your calendar today!

