



Saint Mary Catholic Church
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Winnebago, Minnesota



Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church
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Blue Earth, Minnesota

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Sunday, Sept. 10th, 2017 – 23rd 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

ἀνάστασις I know, I know. It's Greek to me too. Transliterated, it's *anastasis*. It's pronounced ah-nas-tah-sis. It's translated "a rising". In the New Testament, it's the word used to describe what Jesus did on the 3rd day of his death. I should save this for Easter. So why am I bringing it up now? Because last Wednesday the word was heard at Mass (in English) when we heard the story of Jesus healing Peter's mother-in-law who was in bed with a fever. "*He stood over her, rebuked the fever, & it left her. She got up immediately & waited on them.*" In English, "got up" sounds pretty innocent. In Greek (as used in the New Testament), it's a loaded word. It looks like an encoded message. This is not uncommon: Often, words & phrases are used in Scripture not only to say something, but to allude to something more. We know all about this from everyday speaking when there's sometimes a double meaning, intended or unintended, when we say something. (When Tony Soprano says, "Nice place you got here; hope nothing happens to it," buy fire insurance.) In good literature, there's often deeper meanings & often layers of it. So in Scripture.

διακονία (*diakonia*, pronounced dee-ahk-oh-nee-ah) is the Greek word 3 words later in that text: After getting well she "waited on them." Again, straightforward in English but in the Greek of the New Testament, *διακονία* is the word for "service" that has come into English virtually unscathed as "deacon"—not meaning "servant", exactly, but a role in the Church that is about service, that began historically with the 1st deacons who were ordained to wait on table. And once again in that healing-of-the-mother-in-law story, there's a double meaning: When the woman rose she served them a meal. Lots of grist here for the old homiletic mill: "*In the story everyone eats a meal following a resurrection. The story therefore foreshadows the resurrection of Christ & the Christian Eucharistic meal.*" Huh. (This is why I read commentaries.)

A footnote: *Anastasis* is the root of the name Anastasia, which means resurrection & is a happy-Easter name if there ever was one.

Look forward to "Catechetical Sunday" next Sunday, September 17: In both parishes we will be recognizing our catechists & commissioning them in the Kingdom work of faith formation among our young people. A comment of St. John Chrysostom (whose feast day is Wednesday) comes to mind: "*What is nobler than to mold the character of the young? I consider that the one who knows how to form the youthful mind is truly greater than all painters, sculptors & all others of that sort.*" With this quotation we also want to honor & inspire all school teachers & administrators—especially those at BEA.

But even as we begin our Faith Formation programs & recognize the catechists, we don't want to reinforce the

stereotype that faith formation & catechesis are just today's terms for catechism classes—CCD.

All of us have a role to play in the faith lives of our young members—indeed, in the faith formation of *one another*. More & more we want this to show in our parishes: that all of us are in faith formation, that it's life-long, & that it's part of our daily life as much as prayer, service, sacraments, outreach, love.

There is catechesis & faith formation involved in all our sacramental programs. This is not only for kids. We do pre-baptism catechesis. There are responsibilities parents have when kids are receiving 1st sacraments & we have provided them with materials & adult-level help for years. Some of our members are planning to get married & there is catechesis included for them.

We constantly see opportunities for faith formation offered & promoted on our bulletin boards, in the bulletin, in the *Courier*, in neighboring parishes, in the diocese. And on & on. And certainly there are countless other sources of catechesis that we seek out as individuals—Catholic reading, including the *Courier*, Catholic periodicals like the *Liguorian*, Catholic devotionals like *The Word Among Us*, *Living Faith* & liturgy-based resources like *Living with Christ*. There is a catechetical purpose included in the Advent & Lent take-home materials.

And of course the RCIA—the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults." RCIA is the acronym we use for the process of catechesis, formation & reception of non-Catholics into the Catholic Church. The catechetical part is important, but the preparation for joining (or re-joining) the Catholic Church is bigger. Parishes are expected to do more than "give instructions" to someone who wants to join the Church but facilitate faith sharing in the process & engage the whole parish in some way.

Every member of our parishes does not participate in every 1 of these. But we want to provide more & more opportunities for catechesis so that whatever your learning style, whatever your particular needs, whatever your schedule, you can continue to learn & grow in the faith.

September's Image of Faith appears this Sunday: The "San Damiano" cross. This image was chosen because this coming Thursday, Sept. 14, is Holy Cross day, now known as the feast of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross. With all the talk of catechesis above, what a good time for a little brush-up: The crucifix (the cross with *corpus* or body of Christ) has traditionally been displayed in Catholic churches for good reason: not because we emphasize Christ's dying more than his rising, but because at Mass his sacrifice on Calvary is renewed (not repeated). However, this Thursday, as on Good Friday, it's the cross, not the crucifix, that has a central place. ("Behold the wood of the cross" is the proclamation of Good Friday, not "Behold the Body of Christ.")

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

Mon. NO MASS
Tue. /W 8:30AM – Living & Deceased members
of the Rosary Society
/BE 10:00AM – CDA
Wed/BE 7:30AM – Helen Bless ☩
Thur. St. Luke's/10:00AM – Phyllis Sohler ☩
Fri./BE 8:30AM – Joe Anderson ☩
Sat./BE 5:15PM – Kris Cassem ☩
Sun./W 8:00AM – Jeanne Bresnahan ☩
Sun./BE 10:00AM – Peter Fletcher ☩

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

Sept. 16 Servers: Erin Hannaman

5:15 PM SSPP

Ministers of Communion: Gary Armon/Bev Dummer
Becky Spencer/Ann Kehr/Barb Prescher

Gift Bearers: Dennis & Mary Warner

Ushers: Bob Spencer Group

Sun., Sept. 17: Servers: Spencer Salic

8:00 AM St. Mary's

Ministers of Communion: Jerome Behnke

Sue Behnke & Gerald Scovill

Gift Bearers: Mark & Chris Rockers

Ushers: Tony & Peggy Ziegler

Sun., Sept. 17: Servers: Maddie Armon

10:00AM SSPP Zach Kramer

Ministers of Communion: Pam Armon/Margaret Haag
Shawn Hassing/Arlen O'Brien/Rich Schneider

Gift Bearers: Ted & Gwen Armon family

Ushers: Shawn Hassing Group

Knight's Corner:

September 11th-KC Meeting 7PM in Room #4

September 16th-KC Steak Fry

September 24th-KC Family Picnic @ Putnam Park more
info to come.

95 Years of Catholic Daughters:

2011: Kelsey Engesser's Art entry in the Education
Contest placed 1st at State & 3rd in National. Kelsey is the
granddaughter of deceased CDA member, Loretta
Engesser.

CDA--Tues, 12th :10:00 Mass, meeting, lunch. Come to
share summer fun and start the Court year.

2017-18 booklets are ready to be picked up at church
entrance.

A Bake Sale to serve as a CCF fundraiser is being held
the weekend of the Fall City Wide Garage Sales on Sept
16-17 after both masses. Items will be sold on a free-will
basis. You may drop off your sale item(s) beginning that
Saturday morning at the Holy Family Kitchen.

KC Members and their Family are invited to a Picnic.

When: Sunday September 24th

Where: Putnam Park

Time: 5 O'clock PM

Menu:Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Beans, Chips, Lemonade
Hope to see you there!

The KC Steak Fry will be Saturday September 16th at BE
American Legion. Serving from 5:00Pm to 7:30Pm. 10oz
Ribeye \$14.00 or Smoked Windsor Chop \$12.00. Meals
include Green Beans, Baked Potato, Texas Toast. Kids
meal: Grilled Cheese or Hamburger meal \$3.00. Meals
include Baked Potato, Green Beans. Take outs available.
Proceeds go to support youth NCCYC trip in November.

Council of Catholic Families dues this year are \$25 per
family and are due in September. Please send these to your
circle chair person, mail to the rectory or put in a marked
envelope in the weekend collection. Please note on the
envelope your name & circle #.

Sounds in September: Sunday, September 10th at 2 PM at
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Easton.
Performances by: Heart Song, The Murry Brothers, Fr.
Mark McNea, harpist, Shelia Rame and female vocalists,
"P31". A free-will offering will help support the Handicap
Accessibility Project. Desserts & refreshments will follow
the concert.

Winnebago Area Museum and the Muir Library will
have a program presented by the staff from the Lower
Sioux Agency on the Travois Program on Thurs. Sept. 21st
at 6:30 pm at the Museum. This program will provide a
broader background regarding the material culture and
innovations that were developed in order to survive on the
prairie. There will be hands-on activity exploring items
that Dakota people would have used in their daily life and
is for parents and children. There is no charge. Call the
museum at 893-4660 or the library at 893-3196.

Catechism will be starting at St. Mary's on 10/01/2017.
If you have a child or children between preschool and 8th
grade that have not been signed up for classes, please
contact me, Pat Salic, at 236-2195. I am also looking for
anyone interested in being a Catechist or substitute
Catechist. Please call me if you are willing to volunteer
your time. Thank you.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: Sept. 2 & 3

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,220.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$3,390.00
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$42,200.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$34,891.41

Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: Sept. 3

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,173.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$1,072.00
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$11,730.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$10,904.10

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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

September Calendar

- 10 NCYC Meeting -- 11AM
- 13-14 Rummage Sale Drop Off dates
- 15 Rummage Sale -- Noon - 7PM
- 16 Rummage Sale -- 8AM-3PM, 6-7PM
Coffee & Treats after 5:15PM Mass
KC Steak Fry for NCYC!
- 17 Rummage Sale -- 11AM-Noon
Coffee & Treats after 10AM Mass
- 20 Catechist Meetings -- 10AM & 5:30PM
- 24 Joyful Noise Choir sings for 10AM Mass.
AmazinGrace Event for Grades 6-12!

October Calendar

- 4 Faith Formation Classes begin for Gr. K-10!
My Space -- 5 - 6:15PM
NCYC Gathering - 7:30PM
- 8 Confirmation Introductory Mtg. 8:30AM
Coffee & Donuts hosted by Gr. K-2
- 11 Classes for Grades K-10
My Space -- 5-6:15PM
NCYC Gathering - 7:30PM
- 18 NO CLASSES -- MEA Break
- 25 Classes for Grades K-5
Food Scavenger Hunt - Gr. 6-10
No My Space!
NCYC Gathering - 7:30PM

Our Youth Rummage Sale is THIS WEEK!

We will accept donations on:

Wednesday, Sept. 13th -- 9AM-6PM

Thursday, Sept. 14th -- 9AM-6PM

The sale will be open on:

Friday, Sept. 15th -- Noon - 7:00PM

Saturday, Sept. 16th -- 8AM-3PM and after 5:15PM Mass

Sunday, Sept. 17th -- After 10AM Mass

The Council of Catholic Families will also be hosting a BAKE SALE after Masses on Sept. 16th & 17th.

Come shop at the Rummage Sale and pick up some fresh baked items too!

Items We Accept:

Clothing (All sizes) -- Must be clean and in good condition.
Coats, Hats, Mittens, Snow Boots, Snow Pants
Toys, Puzzles, Books (Only Novels & Children's Books)
Athletic Equipment
Kitchen and Household Items
Bedding, Towels, Pillows, Rugs
Home Decor, Knick Knacks, Holiday Decorations
Electronics, CD's, DVD's, Gaming Systems
Furniture, Lamps,
Plants, Garden Produce, Baked Goods

Items We DO NOT Accept:

Stained / Torn / Out-dated Clothing, Shoes,
Console or Tube TV's, Out-dated Electronics,
Cassettes or VHS tapes, Mattresses,
Cookbooks, Magazines, Old & worn out books,
Car Seats, Baby Cribs,
Mini Blinds, Curtain Rods, Exercise Equipment,
Encyclopedia sets, Old Computers,
Sewing Machines

*** If you have any questions about whether we will take an item you would like to donate, please just give me a call!

YOUTH, PARENT and PARISHIONER HELP IS NEEDED!

This rummage sale is a huge undertaking and our biggest youth ministry fundraiser so any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated! If you need an incentive to come help, helpers get first pick of items that are donated! I know that sweetens the pot! If you are available to help, please call me at the office at 526-5626 or my cell at 507-276-5114!

KC Steak Fry

The proceeds from the KC Steak Fry on **September 16th** will go towards our trip to the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in November. Please join us at the American Legion and get a great meal prepared by the KC's and support our 23 youth and 4 adults attending NCYC.

Catechetical Sunday

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday the weekend of September 16 & 17, 2017. The 2017 theme is "Living as Missionary Disciples." Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

Catechists are needed for 2017/2018!

Our parish Faith Formation program is in need of two catechists for the coming year. *There is currently an opening in Kindergarten (classes are from 2:30-4PM) and Grades 7 (classes are from 6:30-7:30PM).* Please consider sharing your faith and your time with our parish children and youth. Lesson plans are provided for catechists of all grades as well as supplemental materials like videos, books, hands on activities, and information on Saints and liturgical seasons. Classes begin on October 4th and end on April 25th.

AmazinGrace!

Who: All youth in Grades 6-12

When: Sunday, September 24th

Where: Throughout Blue Earth

What: The area churches are planning an amazing event for youth! You will form teams and will walk around Blue Earth completing fun challenges and tasks before being given an envelope with clues to your next destination. Everyone will end up at the Fairgrounds for music, supper and a short devotional. This event is FREE and we are expecting at least 100 young people to attend!

Register: If you would like to get signed up, let me know so I can get your name on the list! The deadline to sign up is Sunday, September 17th.

Keys Needed!

Do you have any keys laying around that don't unlock or lock anything at your house? If so, please consider donating them to Youth Ministry! I need lots of them for the AmazinGrace event being held in September. Keys can be dropped off at the parish offices or you can bring them to the Rummage Sale if you are donating any items. Thank you!!

Jennie Johnson Angie Nagel

