



**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, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – 30<sup>th</sup> 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 (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

**I forgot to tell you last week** that I was going to be gone for 3 days next week—which was last week. I only mention it now to remind you of one of your priests' sources of enrichment & continuing education. There are things each of us does individually (I hope) to keep growing spiritually & professionally, but there are other things we do together for the good of the Church. The bishop calls us together for various reasons: last week's 3-day gathering was 1 of them; the annual ordination is another; various "ministry days" another; the Chrism Mass another; the biennial 3-day retreat-like experience the week before Holy Week in Buffalo another.

**Last week's "Presbyteral Days"** (priests' days) was for enrichment & education mainly, but building our solidarity always happens at the same time, & healthy fraternity. There's always a presenter brought in. This year it was a Fr. Don Wester from the Archdiocese of St. Louis—who has a doctorate in preaching. It was a good mix of presenting by him & processing among us.

**Speaking of priests & parishes:** I came upon some good counsel of St. Charles Borromeo lately, because his feast day is coming up this Saturday, November 4. His counsel made me think of the vitality of these parishes. The activism of parish life & your expectations can foster a priest's spiritual life. Lacking focus, however, activism can also undermine it. This is where St. Charles Borromeo's counsel comes in: *"Are you in charge of a parish? If so, do not neglect the parish of your own soul, do not give yourself so completely to others that you have nothing left for yourself. You have to be mindful of your people without becoming forgetful of yourself."* Our Presbyteral Days' topic, "Renewing Our Preaching," addressed this (accidentally but effectively).

**All Hallows' Eve** is Tuesday night, the beginning of All Saints Day ("All Hallows'") & the month of November. Remembrance & prayer for the dead have long been given a special place this month when Mother Church & Mother Nature work together. The increasing darkness brings to mind the end of life & what lies beyond. Like Memorial Day, All Saints Day inspires some to visit the graves of loved ones & maybe make a shrine at home with mementos of the dead. It's a reminder to keep the dead in prayer, to speak well of them, & to get our affairs in order for our own eventual death.

**The Church celebrates the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> days of November** with two similar but distinct feasts. All Saints Day emphasizes the bond between Christians who already are with God & those who are still on earth. All Souls Day commemorates all deceased Christians with prayers that they may be with God. All Saints is the greater of the two

& a holyday of obligation. A good prayer to feature this month is the venerable Litany of the Saints—some, maybe, to discover it; others, to recover it. (It was our "Prayer of the Month" 3 years ago.) I encourage you to adapt it, adding names of your own favorite saints. Or simply compose your own, filled with names of your own loved ones & others. Repeat *Pray for us* after each, as we do in the traditional litany, seeking the support of fellow believers.

**Here at SS. Peter & Paul & at St. Mary,** we are memorializing our own holy souls whose funerals &/or burials were in our parishes since last All Saints:

<u>At SS Peter &amp; Paul parish:</u>		<u>At St. Mary parish:</u>	
Beth Zehnder	12/14/16	Sharon Mastain	09/27/17
Norm Duggan	01/09/17	Cele Hippert	10/08/17
Geronimo Lopez	02/05/17		
Rita Davids	02/08/17	Bill Martinson	12/24/16
Harold Gray	02/24/17	Fritz Bleess	03/14/17
Francis Sohler (LC)	05/20/17	Chase Lamkin	10/07/17
Teresa Oelke	06/01/17		

**More on crosses,** following up on the comments a few weeks back (& in the spirit of November, I guess, kind of): On Holy Cross day (September 14) we read Numbers 21:4-9 about God directing Moses, *"Make a [bronze serpent] & mount it on a pole, & if any who have been bitten look at it, they will live."* And then in the gospel (John 3:13-17), Jesus recalls this event saying, *"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."* I included the little graphic above (not a "caduceus," we learned).



**The next day one of you** showed me the back cover of September's *Give us This Day* periodical (a daily devotional—and more—that I've used & recommend). And there it was: another snake, but this time on a cross, as you can see on the right. This is by an artist named Kelly Schumacher. The image that I found on the internet included the following commentary: *"The Old Testament narrative of the bronze serpent serves as a [prefiguration] of the coming Christ. John 3:14-15 says, 'And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.' The Israelites who looked to the bronze serpent to trust in God's mercy were saved from the poisonous venom of the snakes. Jesus saves us from the poisonous venom of our sins that lead to death. Look at the cross trusting in the forgiveness of sins offered there. We see, and we live."*



**What an interesting & artistic** illustration of John 3:14-15, uniting the snake of Numbers 21 & the cross of Christ (which Jesus himself didn't actually mention but only implied when he said that he would be "lifted up").

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

Mon. NO MASS

**ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES**

Tue. /W 5:15PM - Paul & Agatha Franta †

Wed/BE 6:30PM - Anita Virnig †

Thur. St. Luke's/10:00AM - Angie Gartner †

Fri./BE 8:30AM - McRae & Rita Willmert †

Sat./BE 5:15PM - Gene Mikolai †

Sun./W 8:00AM - Dolores Stevermer †

Sun./BE 10:00AM - Norm Duggan †

**NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:**

**ALL SAINTS DAY:**

Tue., Oct. 31 St. Mary's 5:15 PM: Server - Emma Dahl

Ministers of Communion: Karen Hernandez

Lola Baxter/Mark Franta

Gift Bearers: Chuck & Sara Murry

Ushers: Doug Klocek & Rick Mauris

Wed. Nov. 1

6:30PM SSPP: Server: Nick Frundt

Ministers of Communion: Volunteers

Gift Bearers: Ushers

Sat., Nov. 4: Servers: Isabelle Barnett

5:15 PM SSPP Elizabeth Uecker

Ministers of Communion: Angie Frundt/Gary Armon

Barb Prescher/Mary Uppena/Becky Spencer

Gift Bearers: Gary & Marsha Engler

Ushers: Dirk Esser Group

Sun., Nov. 5: Servers: Clara Ziegler

8:00 AM St. Mary's

Ministers of Communion: Chuck Murry

Judy Johnson/Linda O'Neil

Gift Bearers: Mike & Pat Salic

Ushers: Dick Kortuem & Dick Maday

Sun., Nov. 5: Servers: Marie Carr

10:00AM SSPP Luke Carr

Ministers of Communion: Shirl Maher/Jenny Ankeny

Lee Mikolai/Roger Schoenfelder/Margaret Haag

Gift Bearers: Roger & Sandy Grandgenett Family

Ushers: Bob Dulas Group

**Knight's Corner:**

October 29th, 5th Sunday Rosary @ 9:35Am @ St Peter & Paul

November 11th-Veterans Day

November 12th-Breakfast @ St Mary's Church after 8am Mass

November 14th- KC Meeting-Officers @ 6:30 & meeting to follow.

November 18th-KC Steak Fry-Buc's Night Out Fundraiser

December 1st-KC/DD Christmas Party

**Circle 6** will be selling evergreen wreaths and garlands for the holiday season. Please call Karen Gossen at 525-2829 or Margaret Haag at 525-1645 to place your order by Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> for pick up in time for Thanksgiving. Pricing & size info posted at the church entrance.

**CCF Still looking for Kitchen Backup Coordinator for the months of Dec.-March:** Call Colleen at 447-2554 or Suz at 943-3484 if interested in this paid position.

**CDA**---The Catholic Daughters wish to thank all who contributed to our Annual Gummi Bear fundraising project, conducted by local Catholic Daughter courts throughout the state of Minnesota. Funds collected each year will be used for the build the next year in Minnesota. Know that your generosity will be a Blessing to a family next year.

**WRAP**--Oct.27-Nov 5 is White Ribbon Against Pornography Week. The white ribbon is to remind us of the dignity of life and that it is our duty to defend that dignity. We can do so by avoiding sources of pornography as well as seeking ways to have the sources removed.

**Shiloh Lutheran** in Elmore will be holding its annual Fall Festival on Saturday, Nov. 11 from 11-1 PM.

**SSPP September Finance Council Minutes** are available at the church entrance & in the web site bulletin.

**United Hospital District Hospice** is looking for volunteers! UHD Hospice volunteer's opportunities may include reading books, newspapers etc., crafts, walks, games, conversation, spiritual support or just a quiet presence. Also needed are administrative duties including filing, mailings and miscellaneous tasks. For additional info, see the poster at the church entrances.

**St. Mary's November breakfast** served by the Knights of Columbus will be Sunday November 12th after 8AM Mass. Serving Scrambled Eggs, Ham, Rolls, Fruit, Coffee, Milk & Juice. Proceeds will go towards the Statue fund at St Mary's Cemetery.

**November is FOOD SHELF MONTH** at St. Mary's for the Winnebago Area Food Shelf. A list of items always in short supply are: Size 4 & 5 diapers, Kleenex, Toilet paper Toothpaste, Bar soap, Laundry soap, Dish soap, Shampoo & Conditioner, Deoderant. Other items that always seem to go fast are: Peanut butter, Jello, Canned vegetables, Canned fruit, Soda crackers. Monetary gifts are always welcomed to help maintain our inventory. Thank you for your continued support of this much needed ministry.

**St. Mary's kitchen and dining room cleaning:** Sunday, October 29th after Mass. Please bring pail and rags.

**St. Mary's Rosary Society Members:** Your Rosary Society Dues have to be paid by October 31. There are 63 ladies listed on the breakfast list and 37 of them have paid their dues. Can we make this 100%? Thank you.

**Annual Swiss Steak dinner** at Winnebago Presbyterian Church on Sun., Nov. 12 from 11am-1pm.

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

### Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: Oct 21 & 22

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,220.00  
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$2,850.00  
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$71,740.00  
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$60,784.24

### Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: Oct. 15

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,135.00  
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$610.00  
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$19,295.00  
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$17,498.70

## FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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

### October Calendar

29 Joyful Noise Choir sings for 10AM Mass

### November Calendar

- 1 Classes for Grades K-10  
NCYC Gathering - 7:30PM
- 3 BLAZE -- 6:30-9:30PM, Mankato
- 4-5 Faith Formation Bake Sale
- 5 Children in Grades 3 & 4 will be hosting Coffee & Donuts after Mass on Sunday, Nov. 5th! Please come and join us and congratulate Grant Madetzke for earning his Eagle Scout Award, an honor earned by only 4% of young men that join Boy Scouts!  
NCYC Parent Meeting -- 11:30AM, Social Hall
- 7 Catholic Night at PIZZA HUT! NCYC Fundraiser!!
- 8 Classes for Grades K-10  
1st Reconciliation Parent Mtg. - 5:30PM  
NCYC Gathering - 7:30PM
- 15 Classes for Grades K-10
- 15-19 NCYC in Indianapolis!
- 22 No Classes - Thanksgiving Break!  
Clean Church Pews - 10AM
- 28 FF/YM Board Meeting - 5:30PM
- 29 Classes for Grades K-10

### Food Scavenger Hunt Totals!

On Wednesday, October 25th, nearly 100 youth and adults from Saints Peter & Paul, St. Paul's and Trinity went on a mission to be of service to others by collecting as much non-perishable food as they could in one hour.

This is what they collected:

1606 items of food

\$350 in cash donations

The group also counted the food items, checked expiration dates, sorted and helped stock the shelves at the Faribault County Food Shelf. They were indeed the hands and feet of Jesus Christ!

### BLAZE event at Newman Center in Mankato!

Who: Youth in Grades 9-12

When: Friday, November 3rd -- 6:30-9:30PM

Where: Newman Center at Minnesota State University, Mankato

What: Games, snacks, praise and worship music, guest speaker, small group discussions led by MSU students, Adoration and Reconciliation.

Let me know if you are interested in attending!

### Faith Formation BAKE SALE Fundraiser!

All faith formation families will be hosting a Bake Sale Fundraiser next weekend, **November 4th and 5th** in the Social Hall after masses. All proceeds will benefit the Angel Tree project. Come and support this worthwhile effort to make Christmas better for area children. Any parishioners who would like to donate items for the Bake Sale are more than welcome to do so! Call Angie if you have any questions.

### Coffee & Donuts on Nov. 5th!

Children in Grades 3 & 4 will be hosting Coffee & Donuts after Mass on Sunday, Nov. 5th! Please come and join us!

### NCYC Final Parent Meeting!

Who: All NCYC Participants and at least one Parent

When: Sunday, Nov. 5th at 11:30AM

Where: Social Hall

What: You will receive all the information needed for our trip!

### CATHOLIC night at PIZZA HUT!

Youth attending NCYC invite all of you to Pizza Hut on

**Tuesday, November 7th from 5:00-8:00PM** for

**CATHOLIC NIGHT!** All tips collected that evening will go towards our NCYC trip. Get a group of family, friends or neighbors together and join us for a fun evening!

### NCYC Youth to deliver Northland phone book!

The little red phone book that everyone receives in Blue Earth will be delivered this year by our very own NCYC group!

The company is going to pay us \$750 to deliver 2,000 phone books to all the residents and businesses in the city limits of Blue Earth. The group all wanted to order t-shirts so this money will help pay for those and items we ordered to take to NCYC to trade with people from other states!

### Food Drive for Grades K-5!

All children in Grades K-5 are asked to bring non-perishable food items to class with them through November 8th. All items collected will be given to the Faribault County Food Shelf! Thank you for your support of this worthy organization that helps

## **September 19, 2017 Finance**

### **Council Minutes**

The meeting was called to order after a prayer service.

**Roll Call:** Fr. Klein, Skip Schimek, Dan Welder, Bruce Hanson, Joe Tempel. Absent: Marsha Engler

**Fr. Klein's report:** 1.) Fr. is the Parochial Administrator for Wells/Easton/Minnesota Lake parishes. 2.) The current figures for the 2017 Ministry Appeal were presented. 3.) The church's grant application to Oregon Catholic Press to help pay for the cost of moving the music area was not accepted. 4.) One of our carpenters will be contacted to begin the construction needed to move the choir area.

The minutes of the July 25<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved as written.

**Old Business:** 1.) Greg Young is making plans for the repairs to the outside entrance of the social hall. 2.) Andy Lorenzen will be coming to check on the rectory roof for possible repairs. 3.) The large maple tree on the south east corner

of the church has been removed. Another maple tree on the boulevard will need to be removed also.

**New Business:** The collection baskets at church need to be replaced.

The financial report was approved as presented

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:15.

The meeting was adjourned with a closing prayer.