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Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church
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Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018 – 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 (patsspp@bevcomm.net) or by phone (526-5626).

PASTOR'S PARISHABLES

Recent revelations of sexual abuse in our own household & on top of it allegations of failure by bishops to intervene are hanging over us. I think about this every day. I feel compassion & pray for victims every day. And I read—for understanding, for insights, for remedies, for consolation. I want to share with you some of the best, starting today with what our monthly “Virtus Training Bulletin” has to say. (All priests & faith formation directors & youth ministers read one of these every month.)

“It is better that scandals arise than the truth be suppressed,” a quotation from Pope St. Gregory the Great, is how this month’s article began. It continued:

Shock. Anger. Disgust. Outrage. Contempt. Frustration. Betrayal. Shame. Fear. Pain. Sorrow. Numbness. *If you're like me, you're feeling one, several—or all of these emotions after learning about more recent bishop allegations, information published in grand jury reports & ongoing scandals involving abusers & the Catholic Church. These reactions are the appropriate emotions to injustice. What we have learned about clergy abuse over the years is unjust. It is wrong. One victim of child sexual abuse is far too many. One victim of child sexual abuse on behalf of someone representing God or the Church is even more egregious, & a serious violation of trust. Victims who continued to be abused because of severely poor leadership is deplorable.*

So now what? *How can we use the energy of our emotions & reactions to drive us to do something constructive when so many of us are reeling? St. Augustine of Hippo said, “Hope has two beautiful daughters; their names are Anger & Courage. Anger at the way things are, & courage to see that they do not remain as they are.” It takes courage for all of us to become protectors who are looking out for the safety of children & their best interests.*

These types of scenarios are going to continue to come to light. And, as painful as they are for us & especially for survivors, the revelation of abuse is a good thing. It means we get to root out the issues (& people) & cull the wheat from the chaff, allowing us to modify & solidify our procedures, policies, screening practices, monitoring & general checks & balances so that we can aid in the delivery of the gospel of the Immaculate Church that Christ put on this earth.

Inventory your behavior, & ensure that you know what the safe environment procedures are for your program. Your behavior should be above reproach for 2 reasons—so that potential abusers can't blend in & so that children aren't conditioned to inappropriate behavior. Also, take a closer look at the code of conduct & procedures within your specific program at your individual parish & school, & ensure they're in line with the diocesan policy. If they aren't appropriate, raise the issue.

Express compassion for victims. *They have likely experienced people attempting to discredit their experience, who have treated them with hostility & disbelief, & who have ostracized them during an extremely vulnerable time. Sharing about sexual abuse takes a tremendous amount of courage. Even if the abuse happened long ago, it can have long-lasting effects on survivors that can endure for many years.*

The retirement of Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy this July has catapulted *Roe v. Wade* (the Court's landmark abortion case) into the news. Pro-abortion groups are pulling out all the stops to urge the U.S. Senate to reject any nominee who does not promise to publicly endorse *Roe*. And they are misrepresenting the legal & social reality of *Roe* & what would happen if it is overturned. The Supreme Court vacancy provides us with another occasion requiring *focused* prayer. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops does not support or oppose the confirmation of any presidential nominee. However, given this historic moment, the U.S. bishops are urging all people of good will to pray that a change in the Court may move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law & welcomed in life. The Bishops are promoting a Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life (Fridays from Aug 3 to Sept 28). As Cardinal Dolan said in the press release announcing this initiative: *“May Our Lady of Guadalupe intercede for the healing of our nation & our people from decades of abortion on demand.”*

Prior to Antonin Scalia's death in February 2016, 6 of the 9 Supreme Court justices were Catholic: Antonin Scalia, Anthony Kennedy, Clarence Thomas, John Roberts, Samuel Alito & Sonia Sotomayor. With Scalia's death & now Kennedy's retirement, the number of Catholic justices went down to 4. The current Court nominee, Judge Brett Kavanaugh, is Catholic. (Neil Gorsuch, appointed in 2017, was raised Catholic but attends an Episcopalian church—close. “It’s unclear if he considers himself a Catholic or a Protestant.”)

The upcoming rummage sale is something I always want to promote but I have misgivings about the following note Angie brought me for the bulletin: *Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a good chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.* Isn't there a better way to put that?

There is interest in the Catholic Church out there on the part of some who are not Catholic, or who once were & would like to return, or who are adults not yet confirm-ed. RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—is the acronym we use for the process of catechesis, formation & reception of non-Catholics into the Church. We're planning a series of sessions; call if you're interested.

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

Mon. No Mass
 Tue. /W 8:30 AM – Living & Deceased Members
 of the Rosary Society
 /BE 10:00AM – Catholic Daughters
 Wed./BE 7:30 AM – Arlene Killion †
 Thur. St. Luke's 10:00AM – Larry Trenary †
 Fri./BE 8:30AM – Wm. McDermott †
 Sat./BE 5:15PM – Ethan Rorman †
 Sun./W 8:00AM – MaryAnn Ziegler †
 Sun./BE 10:00AM – Howard Smith †

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

Sat., Sept. 15: Servers: Luke Carr
SSPP Marie Carr
Ministers of Communion: Mary Warner/Mary Uppena
 Bev Dummer/Lorraine Hassing/Barb Prescher
Gift Bearers: Tom & Helen Syverson
Ushers: Bob Spencer Group

Sun., Sept. 16: Servers: Jack Hardy
St. Mary's
Ministers of Communion: Rick Mauris
 Linda O'Neil/Joyce Eastvold
Gift Bearers: Chuck & Sara Murry
Ushers: Dick Kortuem & Dick Maday

Sun., Sept. 16: Servers: Jessica Moore
SSPP Ashlyn Klinkner
Ministers of Communion: Mary Eckhardt/Jenny Armon
 Shawn Hassing/Roger Schoenfelder/Joe Tempel
Gift Bearers: Scott & Amy Kramer family
Ushers: Shawn Hassing Group

KC Corner:

Sept. 9th-Paul Christensen Benefit 11am-1:30pm @ St Peter & Paul
 Sept. 11 – Officer meeting 6:30pm with regular meeting to follow
 Sept 15th-River Palooza Cook-Out @ Riverside Country Club
 Sept 22nd-KC Steak Fry @ American Legion Youth Trip to NCYC
 Sept 30th-5th Sunday Family Rosary @ St Peter & Paul before 10am Mass.

We need HELP! The month of September is extremely busy for our KC council with many events we are sponsoring. We need more KC members to help at these events. We NEED you! Thank you, Grand Knight Dan Moore.

KC's will be cooking at the Riverside Country Club for the River Palooza on Sat. Sept. 15th from 5:00 to 7:30pm. Serving 10oz Ribeye \$15.00 or Smoked Windsor Chop \$12.00, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Texas Toast, Coffee. We will also have a 1/3lb Burger Basket available.

KC Steak Fry- Saturday September 22nd at the American Legion. Serving from 5pm to 7:30pm. 10oz Ribeye \$15.00, or Smoked Windsor Chop \$12.00, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Texas Toast, Coffee. We will also have a Burger Basket available. The funds raised will be donated to St. Peter & Paul Youth Trip Activities.

CDA will meet Tuesday, September 11. Mass at 10:00 A.M. followed by meeting in Room 5 and lunch. 2018-19 Yearbooks are ready to be picked up in the church entrance.

St Peter and Paul Council of Catholic families will be hosting a bake sale in the Holy Family Center after Mass on Saturday, September 15th and Sunday, September 16th. Please consider purchasing homemade baked goods to help support our CCF organization. They do many good works for our parish.

SSPP Catholic Council of Families Quarterly meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 5:15 in classroom 5.

Your Fall Live Drive on Real Presence Radio is coming September 19 - 21. Tune in and call in your support for your local Catholic Radio stations 970AM (Rochester). Thank you for your prayers and support. Call 1-877-795-0122 or send your gifts to PO Box 13703 Grand Forks, ND 58208.

Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota is sponsoring a town hall meeting on immigration on Saturday, September 22 at St. Joseph in Owatonna, 512 S Elm Ave. The day begins with advocacy training at 10 a.m., followed by a break for lunch at noon. The Town Hall meeting will be held from 1 to 3 p.m., with local U.S. Representative and U.S. Senate candidates invited to attend. Participants are free to attend all or part of the day, but pre-registration is required. Lunch is \$10 and can be paid for at the door. The event is free to those who forego the lunch. Register on the Catholic Charities web site at www.ccsomn.org. Deadline to sign up is Friday, September 14. For more information and questions contact Tom Parlin at tparlin@ccsomn.org or 507-454-2270 ext 246.

St. John Vianney (Fairmont) will be hosting their annual Fall Festival on September 23rd. There will be a turkey dinner served at 11am, Heavenly Baskets Silent Auction, Cookies By-The-Pail, games for kids, Ultimate Frisbee for teens. For discounted pre-sale tickets call the parish office at 507-235-5535. Tickets at the door are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children ages 4-10.

Winnebago Blood Mobile: Thursday, Sept. 13th at the Municipal Center from noon to 6 pm.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING**Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: Aug 25 & 26:**

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,292.00
 Adult/Plate giving last week: \$2,903.27
 Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$42,920.00
 Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$40,432.75

Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: Aug. 26:

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,057.00
 Adult/Plate giving last week: \$1,039.00
 Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$10,570.00
 Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$10,968.12

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

- 9 **Paul Christensen Benefit**
- 12 **Rummage Sale Drop Off Day**
(9am - 6pm)
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- 14 **Rummage Sale -- Noon - 7pm**
- 15 **Rummage Sale -- 8am - 3pm & 6-7pm**
- 16 **Rummage Sale -- 11am - Noon**
Coffee & Donuts after Mass
Catechetical Sunday
- 19 **Catechist Meetings -- 10am & 5:30pm**
- 30 **Joyful Noise Choir** sings for 10am Mass
Youth Trip to the Grotto of the Redemption!

Catechist needed for the 2018/2019 Faith Formation year!

Maybe you are being called to be a catechist for our parish Faith Formation program this coming year! Do you have an active faith life? Do you have a desire to share your faith? Do you believe that your time and energy would be well spent investing in the faith growth of our young people? Listen carefully, I think God is calling you!! **There is currently an opening in Grade 7 (6:30-7:45PM).** 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 3rd. If you're being called or would like more information, please don't hesitate to call me!!

Catechist Meeting & Meal!

Catechists for Grades Kindergarten through Grade 10 are asked to come to a meeting and a meal on **Wednesday, September 19th:**

10:00AM - Noon -- Grades K-5 Catechists

5:30 - 7:30PM -- Grades 6-10 Catechists

We will spend time in prayer, we will go over the Catechist Handbook, you will receive your teaching materials, and we will enjoy a nice meal together. See you on September 19th!

The Rummage Sale is coming & helpers are needed!

PLEASE SEE DATES AND TIMES LISTED IN THE SEPTEMBER CALENDAR ABOVE!

Helpers are needed for our annual Youth Rummage Sale!! If you would like to help, please call me at 526-5626 or text me at 507-276-5114. *Fr. Klein has referred to this sale as the "Eighth Wonder of the*

World" so lots of help is needed!!! You get the first pick of items brought in which is a major bonus! **Any youth interested in going to summer camps in 2019 or NCYC 2019 should plan on helping (and parents) since the money raised will help support these trips!**

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 Trip to West Bend, Iowa!

Who: Youth in Grades 6-12

When: **Sunday, September 30th**

Where: **Grotto of the Redemption** -- It's a spectacular site! If you've never been to the Grotto, you really need to see it.

What: We will all attend 10AM Mass and will leave right after Mass. We will have lunch in Algona, IA and then head to the Grotto. We will be back in Blue Earth between 5:30-6PM.

Cost: \$10.00 donation to the Grotto and lunch expense

Needed: Parents are needed to drive and chaperone this trip. Please let me know if you are available to help.

Registration: Please contact me