

St. Joseph + St. Matthew + St. Teresa

Good Thunder

Vernon Center

Mapleton

The Catholic
Diocese of
Winona

Welcome!

We're here to help you begin or continue your faith journey, so you can find true peace, happiness and purpose in life. If you would like to join one of our parishes, contact any staff member and we will be honored to officially welcome you home!

Tri-Parish Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 p.m. at St. Joseph (1st, 3rd, 5th)
At St. Matthew (2nd, 4th)
Sunday 9:00 am at St. Teresa

Weekdays: Please see Inside Bulletin

Holy Days See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass

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September 17, 2017 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“So will my heavenly Father do to you,
unless each of you forgives your brother
from your heart.”

Matthew 18:35

The Sacrament of Baptism

Pre-Baptism preparation is required. Please contact the office at least one month before the desired date.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick Please notify the office if you or a family member is in the hospital or homebound and would like a pastoral visit.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

One half hour before each weekend Mass, 8a.m. Thursday at St. Teresa or by private appt. with Fr. Vogel

The Sacrament of Marriage

All Catholics need to meet with the priest or deacon at least 6 months before being married. Contact the office at least 6 months in advance of your wedding.



Hello,

It is a pretty low key week around the parishes this week. I know your lives are not low key. School, sports, concerts, practices. Life can get crazy fast.

Part of the reason why there isn't much happening at the parishes this week is because I will be in Michigan this coming week. I will be leaving Sunday for Detroit. Monday is the annual Desert Classic. It is Sacred Heart Major Seminary's annual fund raiser to raise funds to send the first year theologians to the Holy Land for three and half weeks during May. In 2007, I was blessed enough to make the trip myself. I will be seeing some priest friends there at the seminary, especially at the golf event. Then I will visit some other friends in Michigan and spend the last couple of days with my brother and his family near Chicago. It will be a lot of driving, but it will be fun to see the people I only get to see once a year. I will be back in time for Masses Saturday (September 23) evening.

In the second reading this Sunday we hear from St. Paul's letter to the Romans. Paul talks about who we are living for. He says as Christians, we shouldn't live or die for ourselves. Rather, we live and die for the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus died and came to life so that we might be God's adopted sons and daughters. We belong to Him. Whether in life or death, we need to belong to Jesus. Do you belong to Jesus? Yes, you belong to Jesus by virtue of your Baptism. However, that gives you the grace you need to begin your salvation. The question is, are you going to continue to receive the grace from God that you need to get to heaven? Are you living for yourself or are you living for Jesus? If you are not sure, ask yourself what you spend a majority of your time with? What do you spend a majority of your money on? Are we spending it on ourselves selfishly? Are we spending it on eternal things or temporary things? Is Jesus Lord of my life?

Have a blessed week and pray for me for safe travels.

Father Vogel



"As we are under great obligations to Jesus for His Passion endured for our love, so also are we under great obligations to Mary for the martyrdom which She voluntarily suffered for our salvation in the death of Her Son."

These words were spoken by St. Albert the Great and sum up why we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. From the moment Mary accepted her chosen role of being the mother of "the Son of the Most High," She knew how much her son would suffer for the sins of mankind. Although she grieved as she witnessed her son being put to death for crimes He didn't commit, she trusted God's plan and never questioned Him. As she told the angel Gabriel, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word." <https://blog.catholicfaithstore.com> More information on the seven sorrows of Mary is available at the entrance to each church.

Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, September 18

1 Timothy 2:1-8; Psalm 28:2, 7-9; Luke 7:1-10

Tuesday, September 19

1 Timothy 3:1-13; Psalm 101:1-3, 5-6; Luke 7:11-17

Rosary for Vocations 8:30 a.m. at St. Joseph

Wednesday, September 20

Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions
1 Timothy 3:14-16; Psalm 111:1-6; Luke 7:31-35

4:15 p.m. Rosary for our country at St. Teresa

Thursday, September 21

St. Matthew
Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Psalm 19:2-5; Matthew 9:9-13

Friday, September 22

1 Timothy 6:2-12; Psalm 49:6-10, 17-20; Luke 8:1-3

10:30 a.m. Communion Service at MCH

Saturday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietrelcina
1 Timothy 6:13-16; Psalm 100:1-5; Luke 8:4-15

5:00 p.m. Mass at St. St. Matthew *People of the tri-parish*

Sunday, September 24

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

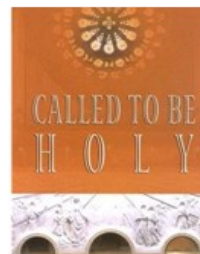
Isaiah 55:6-9; Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18;

Philippians 1:20-24, 27; Matthew 20:1-16

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Lucille Kunkel*

Meetings and Events in the tri-parish

Sept. 26, Tuesday	7 p.m.	St Joseph Finance Council
Oct. 3, Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Pastoral Councils at St. Teresa Church



How will you—how can you— answer

God's call to holiness

The path to holiness is traveled step by step. The way to holiness is lived grace by grace. Your journey to God is nothing more, and nothing less, than that series of steps.

Take that step— begin or continue the journey

Beginning Thursday, October 5 we will meet after Mass at St. Teresa, about 9 a.m., to look at Called to Be Holy, by Cardinal Timothy Dolan. There will be a light breakfast, reading and discussion.

Cardinal Dolan is very insightful, humorous, and down to earth. You will learn a lot and have a good time. Please consider joining. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Contact Carol for more information 524-3127.



God, grant healing and peace to the sick of our communities who have requested our prayers:

Amber and baby Huxley FitzSimmons, Emily Minkel, Craig Etherington, Don Shubert, Deanna Shanahan, Terry Hassing, Bill Barnard, Dorothy Lindemann, Don Landsteiner, Bill Fleming, *If you or a member of your family would like our prayers, please call 524-3127 and ask to be put on this prayer list. Each name will remain on the list for eight weeks unless the office is notified to leave the name for a longer amount of time.*

Faith Formation

Classes will be held Wednesday, Sept. 20 at St. Teresa church and classrooms.

K—5th grade 6:15—7:15 p.m.

6th –8th grade 7:30 –8:30 p.m.

10th—11th Confirmation 7:30 –9:00 p.m.

Please return registration forms. Extra forms are available at each church, or you can call the tri-parish office to register.

St. Matthew students: The St. Matthew CCW has generously volunteered to pay for your tuition, so you do not need to send in any payment with your registration.

Confirmation: This year Confirmation will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Casimir Church in Wells.

The Tri-parish Youth Faith Formation program is looking for more adult volunteers who are excited about passing on the teachings of the Church to the younger generations for this upcoming faith formation year! We are still in need of:

- **4th grade catechists**
- 3-4 classroom assistants
- 3-4 substitute catechists

Training and support will be provided.

If you feel called to offer your time and your talents and serve the Church in this way, please talk to either Father Vogel or the faith formation director, Julia Bressler. Julia can be reached at (320)-266-8397.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd will begin on Sunday, Oct 1 4—5:15 p.m. At St. Joseph Church



This class is for the three and four year olds of the tri-parish. Thanks to all the people who have helped make, collect, donate, and purchase items for the atrium! We are very blessed to have so many talented people who are so willing to step up and help when needed.

We are excited to have this opportunity for our young people to encounter Christ and His Church.

Please contact the following people if you are interested in helping with any projects that are still needed:

- Wood Working - Neil Majeski, 507-327-3559
- Crafting - Kim Kleven, 507-420-1866
- Sewing or Hand Work - Karen Langworthy, 507-995-0988
- Or contact the tri-parish office for any of the projects

We are still in need of supplies for the Atrium. .

Please drop off donations to the box located in each church.

An updated list can also be found on the tri-parish website: sjsmst.org under the faith formation tab.

Parish News



The Annual Turkey Supper at St. Matthew's Sunday, October 1st

Serving Family Style 4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.

Turkey and Dressing, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Coleslaw, Rolls, and HOMEMADE Pie.

Adults \$10 Children \$6

There will also be a Raffle and silent auction. Raffle tickets are \$2 and can be obtained from CCW members.

Carry outs are available.—549-3004

The Turkey Dinner benefits the Faith Formation program .

Sponsored by Catholic United Financial

Attention quilters—and those who can tie a knot!

The quilting group will begin meeting for the year on Wednesday, October 4th. We meet each Wed. at 1 p.m. in the basement of St. Teresa Church. We need those who can sew the tops of quilts and also those who can work on tying the quilt together. Please join us.



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 : We are looking for someone who would be willing to help
 : with the monthly youth Mass at St. Matthew by being at the
 : Mass and helping the youth complete the assigned minis-
 : tries. If you are willing to help please let Julia know or con-
 : tact the tri-parish office.
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Open House Bernie Kunkel's turning 90!

Please join us in celebrating:

Sunday, Sep 24 2-5 pm

St Teresa's Church, no gifts please, but food shelf donations are welcome!!

Join Catholic United Financial at a Gather4Good event on October 1st! Gather4Good is a FREE community service and fellowship event sponsored by Catholic United Financial. On Sunday, October 1st at 12:15 PM at Loyola Catholic School in Mankato, come help us reach our goal of assembling 3000 care kits for those in need. 2000 kits will be distributed to local organizations to help communities in the area and an additional 1000 kits will be packed to be delivered to hurricane Harvey victims. Come enjoy music and entertainment and help put together kits for those in need! Register by September 29 at www.gather4good.org or call 888-346-7183. All are welcome!

The American Red Cross Blood Drive will be coming to St. Teresa Catholic Church on Tuesday, Sept. 19th, 1 –7 p.m.

Appointments can be made by calling Peg at 420-1286 or sign up on line @www.redcrossblood.org, enter sponsor code:MAPLETONMN. The need is especially great due to the hurricane!



Help wanted: The Backpack Food Program is looking for volunteers to come to the Maple River School in Good Thunder for 15 minutes on Thursdays anytime between 3 and 4 p.m. to distribute the food for the program to each classroom. The teachers will then distribute it to the children in need of the extra food over the weekend. Thirty-eight kids benefit from this program. For more information or to volunteer contact Amy at 507-720-8511.

Stewardship of Treasure

God's generosity will never be
outdone by our own.



St. Teresa (September 10)

Weekly collection	\$1900.00
Amount collected year to date	\$24,018.75
Amount budgeted year to date	\$36,124.00

St. Matthew (September 9)

Weekly collection	\$1072.00
Amount collected year to date	\$7478.00
Amount budgeted year to date	\$13,497.00

St. Joseph (September 10)

Weekly collection	\$665.00
Amount collected year to date	\$7719.00
Amount budgeted year to date	\$12,067.00



Ministry Roles

September 23 St. Matthew 5 p.m.

Reader: Lindsey Lanoue

Ministers of Communion: Lynn Demuth,
Darla Graf, Brad Lanoue

Hospitality: Brad Lanoue family

Servers: Henry Cooling, Thomas Cooling

Money counters: Wendy Bennett, Maria Sanders

September 24 St. Teresa 9 a.m.

Reader: Brett Sindelir

Ministers of Communion: Cliff Anderson,
Marcie Anderson

Hospitality: Dan and Sherry Kraft,
Jeff and Vicki Kunkel

Gifts: Paul and Brenda Carey

Servers: Anthony Kunkel, Jon Kunkel,
McKenzie Reuter, Brooke Reuter

Sacristan: Karen Langworthy

Money counters: Jan Sonnek, Jim/Arleen
Swanson

Ministry Schedules are available on the website:
sjsmst.org

Let us understand that God is a physician, and that suffering is a medicine for salvation, not a punishment for

Our Catholic World



The Great Adventure Bible Study: The Bible Timeline, the story of salvation: a video series with Jeff Cavin

"To fall in love with God is the greatest of all romances; to seek him, the greatest adventure" -St. Augustine

The Bible is at the heart of our Catholic Faith-and our relationship with God.. It is the living Word of God, where our Father meets with us and lovingly speaks to us. Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but understanding it is not always easy. *The Great Adventure* is designed so that anyone can make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. At the core of the study is the concept that there is a story running through the Bible that ties all of Scripture together—a story that not only makes sense of the Bible but of our lives as well.

That story is God's plan as it has unfolded throughout history and continues to unfold today. **Once you grasp the "big picture", the readings at Mass begin to make more sense, Scripture reading comes to life, and we see how we fit into God's loving plan!** Join us to gain a newfound understanding of God's Word that will transform your life and bring you closer to Christ. There is nothing more important than that— it will last for eternity.

Available times and dates,

Wednesdays, beginning October 4, 6:15 p.m. at the Mapleton Public Library

Sundays, beginning October 8 at 10 a.m. at St. Teresa Church

Tuesdays, beginning October 10 at 10 a.m. at St. Teresa Church

When you get the workbook you will also get access to a site to watch Jeff Cavin's video talk on line, so if you need to miss a week you can easily make it up. You could also choose to attend one of the other groups for that session.

This study is a follow up to the Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible that we did last year. It is the same material but a bit more time spent on each book of the bible. However, it is not necessary that you attended that study to come to this one. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Come and be a part of a special experience that invites you to hear the Good News and personally encounter Jesus Christ.

Discovering Christ

5:30 p.m. begin with a free meal, followed by prayer and worship

6:30 p.m. video presentation followed by discussion

Begins Sunday, October 8 at St. Joseph Church

The first topic is "What is the Meaning of Life?" additional topics:

Oct. 22	Why Does Jesus Matter?
Nov. 5	What Does Jesus Want Us to Know?
Nov. 19	Why Do We Need a Savior?
Dec. 3	Why Is the Resurrection Important?
Jan.7	Who Is the Holy Spirit?
Jan. 14	The Holy Spirit and You
Jan. 28	New Life in the Spirit
Feb. 11	Our Need for the Church



ask.
seek.
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