

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

Sunday 9:00 a.m. at St. Teresa

Saturday 5:00 p.m. at St. Joseph (1st, 3rd, 5th)
or St. Matthew (2nd, 4th)

Weekdays: Please See Inside Bulletin

Holy Days: See Inside Bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration held before daily Mass.

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November 11, 2018 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



***This poor widow put in more than
all the other contributors to the treasury.
For they have all contributed from
their surplus wealth, but she,
from her poverty, has contributed
all she had, her whole livelihood.***

Mark 12:43-44

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,

The air now has some bite to it. It is fall and it feels like fall. I think I saw a snow flake or two the other day. I don't always feel like it, but we need to be thankful that we live in a place that has four full seasons.

This weekend we have the woman who puts two small coins into the temple treasury. Despite the fact that the coins were not worth very much, Jesus declares that the woman has put more than all of the others. Many rich people had put a lot more into the treasury than the woman did, but they had given from their excess wealth, whereas the woman gave all that she had.

We should recognize that the Catholic Church as a divine institution that in a physical world needs to have a physical presence. Thus it requires money to keep up the buildings and the people who make their livelihood working for the Church. However, the greater reason for giving to the Church comes from our own need to become detached to the things of the world and more attached to God.

There is nothing evil in itself in being rich. However, how attached are we to our wealth? What is God asking us to do with our wealth? A million dollars is a million dollars, but for people like Jeff Bezos, CEO of Amazon, to give a million dollars is like you or me giving \$5. When I was a lot younger, I had a priest challenge me to give to the point of it making a difference in my life. For the woman in the Gospel, her giving definitely made a difference in her life. She gave all she had. So what would it take for your giving to make a difference in your life? What if you gave to the point of buying one less mocha a week? What if you gave to the point that you had to get a lesser cable package? Does your financial situation look even slightly different because of what you give to the church and to charities? This is my challenge to you and to myself this week.

Pax,
Father Vogel

Works of Justice: A Fund to Aid the Work of Social Justice

Most parishioners are aware of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) that conducts a collection in our parishes in November. CCHD is the national, anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops. The Bishops have given CCHD the mission to address the root causes of poverty in the United States by promoting and supporting community-controlled, self-help organizations.

You may not be aware that 25% of the funds collected in the CCHD campaign remains in our Diocese. These proceeds help support "Works of Justice" fund, which awards up to \$5,000 for organizations that meet the criteria of operating local anti poverty programs. Works of Justice Funds are available for all organizations that fit the criteria of addressing root causes of poverty. To learn more or to apply, please contact Tom Parlin at the Catholic Charities office at tparlin@ccsomm.org or 454-2270 ext 246.

Mass Intentions, Readings, Saints

Monday, November 12

St. Josaphat

Titus 1:1-9; Psalm 24:1-6; Luke 17:1-6

Tuesday, November 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Psalm 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29;
Luke 17: 7-10

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

Wednesday, November 14

Titus 3:1-7; Psalm 23:1-6; Luke 17:11-19

Thursday, November 15

St. Albert the Great

Philemon 7-20; Psalm 146:7-10; Luke 17:20-25

7:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Marge Walters*

Friday, November 16

**St. Margaret of Scotland and
St. Gertrude**

2 John 4-9; Psalm 119: 1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Luke 17:26-37

10:30 a.m. Mass at MCH

† *Lonnie O'Brien*

Saturday, November 17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

3 John 5-8; Psalm 112:1-6; Luke 18:1-8

7:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa † *Bob Buland*

5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph *People of the Tri-Parish*

Sunday, November 18

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16:5, 8-11; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18;
Mark 13:24-32

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Teresa

† *Charlie Trio*

3:30 p.m. Confirmation at St. Teresa *Confirmation Youth*

2019 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES will be available later this month. Please let the office know if you want to make a change on receiving or not receiving an envelope box. If you don't like to write a check each week, please consider setting up automatic donations on a weekly or monthly basis. Thank you.

There will be a Special 2nd Collection next weekend Nov. 17-18 for the Catholic Campaign of Human Development. For more information go to www.usccb.org/nationalcollections. There is a special envelope in your contribution envelope box.

Upcoming Tri-Parish Meetings & Events

Monday, Nov. 12 ST CCW @ 7:00 p.m.

Wed, Nov. 14: Confirmation Practice 7-8 p.m. @ ST
for students, parents, and sponsors

Sunday, Nov. 18: CONFIRMATION @ ST 3:30 p.m.

Sat, Nov. 17: SJ Ham Dinner after Mass

Tuesday, Nov. 20: Bloodmobile at ST 12:00-5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 20: SM Finance Council @ 6:30 p.m.

SJ is St. Joseph, SM is St. Matthew, ST is St. Teresa



Parish News

CONFIRMATION is next Sunday, November 18 at 3:30 p.m. at St. Teresa. Confirmation practice for students, parents, & sponsors is this Wednesday, Nov. 14 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Please keep our Confirmation students in your prayers: Joe Bennett, Connor Grunzke, Taylor Hollerich, Quinten Kollos, AJ Kunkel, Julianna Majeski, Bella Mohwinkel, Aiyana Passmore, Parker Smith, Ella Sohre, Alexys Steffen, Ben Trio, and Nathan Trio.

ST. TERESA YARD CLEAN-UP MORNING next Sat. Nov. 17 @ 8:30

Put on your work gloves and bring your leaf blower and rakes. Now that the leaves have fallen the church lawn needs attention and many hands make light work!!! Come and help for a couple hours and enjoy the satisfaction of work well done. (In case of bad weather it will be Sat., Nov. 24.)



HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE for the upcoming Advent and Christmas season will be included in next week's bulletin.

HAM DINNER yum, yum! All are invited to stay after Mass next Saturday, November 17th for ham dinner at St. Joseph's in honor of all veterans. Thank you Unit 1 for sponsoring this event and *THANK YOU*, Veterans!

THANK YOU to Sheila Klein and Jay Stencel for their past 9 years of faithful service on the Pastoral Council. St. Teresa will be asking for recommendations to select two new Pastoral Council members to serve 3-year terms. These members will be selected by the parish. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity.

SNOW SHOVELERS NEEDED at St. Teresa for the upcoming snow season. Please pick a week or two. Sign-up sheet located at the gathering space entrance at church. Thank you!



NEW MINISTRY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE for Dec-Jan-Feb will be completed soon. If you are a ministry volunteer and will be away some this winter, please let the office know so you do not get scheduled when you will be gone.

CCW NEWS:

Maureen Hollerich and Mary Caven will be collecting St. Joseph CCW dues of \$15 at Mass on Nov. 17 and Dec. 1 or they can be mailed to the church office. Thank you.

The St. Teresa CCW Baby Bottle Campaign ends this week November 12th. Thank you for your participation & support. If anyone still has baby bottles out, please return them to church this week.

BELIZE PRAYER & PLEDGE CARDS are available at ST on the little pink house. Pick a card and pray for the person on it and the success/safety of the 2019 Belize Mission Trip. This outreach is not possible without your continued, generous support. All donations go toward project building materials. Mission team volunteers pay their own travel and expenses. *THANK YOU!*

God, grant healing and peace to the sick and those having surgery from our communities who have requested our prayers:

Andy Schuch, Arlene Rigdon, Carol Parsley, Bernie Kunkel, Lucy Irvine, Dorothy Lindemann, Sylvia 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.

BOOK of REMEMBRANCE

During November a Book of Remembrance is available at each parish to write the names of your loved ones who have departed from this world. We will remember those written in the book in a special way this month and pray for their eternal rest.

Youth FF & Ministry

Reminder: If you haven't registered for Faith Formation yet, **IT'S NOT TOO LATE!** Register online at tri-parish.ticketleap.com/ff2018/details or call Betsy (524-4606) and request a registration form by mail.

SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, November 28 for the **YOUTH SPEGHETTI SUPPER FUNDRAISER** at St. Teresa. All proceeds go toward youth camps and trips in 2019. We are in need of food item donations totaling 12 pans of bars and 4 gallons of milk. Please sign up at the back of church or call Betsy (524-4606).



CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP: June 8-16, 2019 in New Orleans, LA!! **Registration is due by DECEMBER 15th to make sure we secure our spots.** PLEASE let Betsy know if you are interested ASAP. Forms at back of church and on Youth bulletin board at ST. You must currently be between 8th-12th grade. Don't miss out on this opportunity! A fundraiser meeting will be announced soon.

Community News



American Red Cross

A blood drive will be held at St. Teresa's Catholic Church on Tuesday, November 20 from 12 noon to 6:00 p.m. To make an appointment call Peg @ 507-420-1286 or go to www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: MAPLETONMN *Start the Season of Giving and give the Gift of Life.*

An ECUMENICAL CHOIR is being planned for the Mapleton Area Thanksgiving Service on Monday, November 19th at St. John's Lutheran Church in Mapleton. (NOTE DATE CHANGE from last week's bulletin.) "All Good Gifts" will be sung. Anyone interested in singing is invited to rehearsal this Wednesday Nov. 14 at 7:15 p.m. at St. John's.

LOAVES AND FISHES FOOD SHELF will once again be providing holiday meal baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas. The cost of each box is \$40. Please consider sponsoring one or more boxes this year to help those from our communities facing need. 100% of your donations go directly to food. Let us be generous in sharing our resources this month as we thank God and count our many blessings. Donations can be mailed to: Maple River Loaves and Fishes, PO Box 227, Mapleton, MN 56065. If you have any questions or are facing a need, their phone number is 507-524-3046. Hours open are 3:00-6:00 p.m. every Tuesday and 9:00 a.m. to noon on Saturdays.

Stewardship of Treasure

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



St. Teresa (Nov. 4)

Weekly collection	\$5,378.00
Amount collected year to date	\$50,410.14
Amount needed year to date	\$63,004.00

St. Matthew (Oct. 27)

Weekly collection	\$689.00
Amount collected year to date	\$11,908.67
Amount needed year to date	\$18,940.00

St. Joseph (Nov. 3)

Weekly collection	\$617.00
Amount collected year to date	\$14,660.30
Amount needed year to date	\$19,746.00

Ministry Roles

Saturday, Nov. 17 St. Joseph @ 5:00 p.m.

Reader: Maureen Hollerich

Ministers of Communion: Mary Caven
Leah Davis

Hospitality: Leah and Landon Davis

Servers: Ella Sohre, Kalynd Sandmeyer

Money counters: Kim Kleven, Dan Sohre

Sunday, Nov. 18 St. Teresa @ 9:00 a.m.

Reader: Kris Miller

Ministers of Communion: Deb Reuter, Arlene Swanson, Jim Swanson

Greeters: Tony and Connie Bach, Lois Gau, Emily Minkel

Ushers: Lynn and Ceal Caldwell

Servers: Hayden Fox, Landon Fox, and Jackson Walters

Sacristan: Karen Langworthy

Money counters: Vicki Kunkel, Kay Proehl

Altar Linens: Anita Rigdon for November

Donuts: Jeff Holt, Mike Samuelson, Doug Morrow

Sunday, Nov. 18 CONFIRMATION @ 3:30 p.m.

Readers: Wendy Bennett, Neil Majeski

Ministers of Communion: Priests

Greeters: Tim and Meghan Mohwinkel

Ushers: John and Marla Trio

Servers: Jon Kunkel, Kyle Sohre, Will Trio

Sacristan: Marcie Anderson

Our Catholic World



2018 Catholic Ministry Appeal

Renew Faith Extend Mercy Inspire Hope

Results so far for the

2018 Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal

	# of donors	Amount pledged/pd	Parish goal	% of goal pledged
St. Joseph	10	\$5,030	\$5,030	100
St. Matthew	5	\$1,520	\$4,260	36
St. Teresa	32	\$5,785	\$14,980	38

Congratulations to St. Joseph for meeting their goal!

St. Matthew and St. Teresa: Thank you to everyone who has given to the Appeal thus far. **If you have not given, please consider a gift this holiday season or year-end. Your gift will help many people across the Diocese as well as our own parishes.**

Whatever amount of the goal is not received in gifts or pledges needs to be paid out of your general parish funds at the end of the year.

Sunday Bible Reflections with Dr. Scott Hahn

We must live by the obedience of faith, a faith that shows itself in works of charity and self-giving (see **Galatians 5:6**). That's the lesson of the two widows in today's liturgy.

The widow in the First Reading isn't even a Jew, yet she trusts in the word of Elijah and the promise of his Lord. Facing sure starvation, she gives all that she has, her last bit of food—feeding the man of God before herself and her family.

The widow in the Gospel also gives all that she has, offering her last bit of money to support the work of God's priests in the Temple. In their self-sacrifice, these widows embody the love that Jesus last week revealed as the heart of the Law and the Gospel. They mirror the Father's love in giving His only Son, and Christ's love in sacrificing Himself on the cross.

Again in today's Epistle, we hear Christ described as a new high priest and the suffering servant foretold by Isaiah. On the cross, He made sacrifice once and for all to take away our sin and bring us to salvation (see **Isaiah 53:12**).

And again we are called to imitate His sacrifice of love in our own lives. We will be judged, not by how much we give—for the scribes and the wealthy contribute far more than the widow. Rather, we will be judged by whether our gifts reflect our livelihood, our whole beings, all our heart and soul, mind and strength.

Are we giving all that we can to the Lord—not out of a sense of forced duty, but in a spirit of generosity and love (see **2 Corinthians 9:6-7**)? Do not be afraid, the man of God tells us today. As we sing in today's Psalm, the Lord will provide for us, as He sustains the widow.

Today, let us follow the widows' example, doing what God asks, confident that our jars of flour will not grow empty, nor our jugs of oil run dry.