



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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June - August Office hours: Mon., 8 a.m. – noon; Tues. out; Wed. out; Thurs., 8:00 – 2 p.m.

Sunday, June 18th, 2017 – The Body & Blood of Christ

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

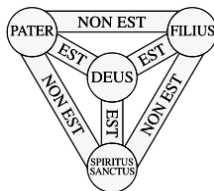
To schedule activities/events, please contact Pat Boettcher(526-5626)

Bulletin notices Contact Pat by Wednesday afternoon at the office (patssp@bevcomm.net) or by phone (526-5626 or 526-3511).

PASTOR'S PARISHABLES

Like Father Like Son: A father is walking by his boy's bedroom where his little boy is kneeling at the bedside before going to bed. The father overhears his prayer, "God, make me like my daddy—big & strong & smart." Sometime later the man is going to bed. Kneeling at the bedside he prays, "Lord, make me like my child—obedient, faithful, trusting." Happy Fathers Day. May God answer the prayers of children & fathers that are as worthy & pure as those two.

Last Sunday, Trinity Sunday, we pointed out window art in our churches honoring the Blessed Trinity. In St. Mary's, we've mentioned before the unique diagram with lettering all in Latin: God in the center; Father, Son & Holy Spirit at the points of the triangle; & then explaining the divinity but singularity of each Person, it says "Father is (*est*) God" & "Father is not (*non est*) the Son," & so on. Not the most artistic but most graphic. In SS. Peter & Paul, the 3 symbols of the Trinity in the major sanctuary window are easily overlooked because of the dominance of the great Good Shepherd image: High up on the left is the familiar Lamb of God for God the Son & on the right the dove for God the Holy Spirit. In the center is a hand reaching down (the *manus Dei* in Latin) for God the Father.



ΑΩ As I took note of the Trinity symbols in SS Peter & Paul, I noticed above them, almost hidden but larger, in 2 circular windows, an alpha & an omega, the A & Z of the Greek alphabet. (The alpha in the window is rendered with a flourish, unlike the plain one in the graphic above.) They illustrate words spoken by the glorious Christ at the end of the Book of Revelation (22:13): "I am the alpha & the omega, the first & the last, the beginning & the end." As the footnote in my Bible says, Christ here applies to himself words used by God in Revelation 1:8, "I am the alpha & the omega," says the Lord God, 'the one who is & who was & who is to come, the almighty.'" Those words are familiar to us, partly (at least to me) because we hear them at the beginning of the Easter Vigil when the Easter candle is prepared before it's lit from the new fire: "Christ yesterday & today, the Beginning & the End, the Alpha & the Omega..." Windows. Art. Faith. What a study.

How about some calendaring? This week includes 2 "solemnities": Sacred Heart of Jesus on Fri. (the Friday after Corpus Christi) & The Nativity of John the Baptist on Sat., June 24. And this coming Wed., June 21, besides being the so-called 1st day of summer, is the feast day of St. Aloysius Gonzaga. He got honorable mention a couple of months ago because the Jesuit U bearing his name made the finals of the NCAA bb tournament. There's far better reason to know his name than that; you may want

to learn a little about his life. In the Liturgy of the Hours on his feast day is a letter he wrote to his mother as he was dying—he was just 23—including: "Take care above all things, most honored lady, not to insult God's boundless loving kindness; you would certainly do this if you mourned as dead one living face to face with God, one whose prayers can bring you in your troubles more powerful aid than they ever could on earth. And our parting will not be for long; we shall see each other again in heaven; we shall be united with our Savior."

I'm still celebrating our May rush at SS Peter & Paul in the 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal that put us over our goal. As I glanced over the May progress 2-3 weeks ago across our 21-parish deanery, I noticed that there was modest progress in most parishes but in 3, double-digit increases: 16% in Waldorf, 18% in Janesville, and ... a 38% increase (from 65% to 103% of goal) in Blue Earth! Here are the up-to-the-minute #s locally:

SS PP: 58 (19.9%) have given \$16,946 (**103.9%**) of goal!
St M: 23 (23.4%) have given \$ 3,205 (55.2%) of goal.

An open letter to Fr. Stenzel: *I bring special joy to your 50th anniversary. I wasn't at your ordination in 1967 & only knew you from a distance. Wells beat Mapleton in too many football & basketball games for me to like your home town very much. All that has changed (although I still love Blue Earth better)! In 1967, I was just finishing my 1st year in the seminary & still getting acquainted with the world of ministry & the clergy. Little did I know that in 7 years or so, I would meet you—& more. I was now ordained & St. Francis in Rochester was the parish Bishop Watters sent me to for my baptism as a priest. And there you were, the other associate, along with a couple of other priests. First impressions & experiences are important. Those 1st 4 years at St. Francis were more formative than any since & your presence & mentoring were an important part of that. I got some good momentum right at the start. At 26 & green as grass, I began day-to-day life as a priest in a rectory with a good mix of personal, pastoral & priestly life with you. I know that our young priests today don't have the advantage that I did so many years ago (& you did before that): living 10 years or so as an associate with maybe 10 – 15 other priests in several different parishes before taking on the responsibility of pastoring. I have a collection of Priest's Passages from the Bible; this is one of my favorites: "God's flock is in your midst; give it a shepherd's care. Watch over it willingly, generously. Be examples to the flock, not lording it over those assigned to you, so that when the chief Shepherd appears you will win for yourselves the unfading crown of glory" (1 Peter 5:2, 4). You were an example to me—but I'm not going to say any more because you'll say I'm getting sappy. Happy anniversary, & many more. Fr. Klein*

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

Mon. NO MASS
Tue. /W 8:30AM - Sharon Ziegler †
Wed/BE 7:30AM - Norm Duggan †
Thur. St. Luke's/10:00AM - Marian Warmka †
Fri./BE 8:30AM - Ray Detke †
Sat./BE 5:15PM - Bernard & Lorraine Bartes †
Sun./W 8:00AM - Larry & Monica McDonald †
Sun./BE 10:00AM - Colleen Young-Zeisz †

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

Sat., June 24 Servers: Nick Frundt
5:15 PM SSPP Joe Frundt
Ministers of Communion: Angie Frundt/Mary Warner
Shawna Barnett/Andre Hamlin/Bill Hamlin
Gift Bearers: Tim & Barb Steier
Ushers: Bob Spencer Group

Sun., June 25: Servers: Emma Dahl
8:00 AM St. Mary's
Ministers of Communion: Lola Baxter
Mark Franta & Joyce Eastvold
Gift Bearers: Tony & Peggy Ziegler
Ushers: Dick Kortuem & Dick Maday

Sun., June 25: Servers: Anthony Carr
10:00AM SSPP Luke Carr
Ministers of Communion: Vitres Samek/Pam Armon
Rich Schneider/Margaret Haag/Roger Schoenfelder
Gift Bearers: Jim & Lucy Dols
Ushers: Shawn Hassing Group

Knight's Corner:

June 25th Parish Cook-Out (Cooking Chicken)

Friday July 7th is KC Cook-out/Meeting
The KC's will have a cook-out at Dan Moore's farm-845 310th Ave starting at 5:-5:30 social, meal to follow. If you wish to bring a desert or salad, please do so. Wives are invited. We want this to be a relaxing night to meet and to plan events for 2017-2018 year. ALL KC MEMBERS ARE INVITED!

95 Years of Catholic Daughters:

2006: The Court decided to pray the rosary one-half hour before the funeral Mass for Parishioners as well as members.

Please, no perishables in the Food Shelf cart.

Peter's Pence Collection: Next week there will be the diocesan collection for Peter's Pence, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works, around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the

margins of society, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Please be generous. There is a special envelope in your envelope packets for this collection. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

The SSPP April Finance Council Minutes are available at the church entrance and in the online bulletin on the parish website.

The parish picnic will be held in the social hall on Sunday, **June 25th** after the 10:00 am Mass. The Knights of Columbus have once again agreed to cook their delicious grilled chicken. The parish will provide the chicken, and lemonade and coffee. Parish members attending are asked to bring the following to share: salads and side dishes for those with last names beginning with A-P and desserts for those with last names beginning with Q-Z.

Build a Better World is the summer reading program at the Muir Library in Winnebago for kids in kindergarten to grade 12 and runs from June 5th to August 5th.

The Winnebago Blood Mobile will be at the Municipal Center on Thursday, June 22nd from 12-6 PM.

Thank-you to everyone for you contribution to St. Mary's Cemetery. We will be working on repairing the statue at the cemetery, and your generosity will help with the maintenance of the grounds and repairs needed this year. There is still time to contribute and envelopes are available at the entry of the church if needed. St. Mary's Cemetery Committee

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: June 10 & 11

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,157.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$2,861.25
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$207,850.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$210,108.85

Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: June 11

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,173.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$856.82
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$58,650.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$55,583.26
Cemetery Collection total \$820.00

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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

Calendar:

July 8 Green Giant Days Parade!
July 30-August 4 Totus Tuus for Grades 1-12 in
Fairmont
August 7-10 Camp Summit for Grades 5-7

Save your Stuffed Animals!

We will again be using stuffed animals (clean and in good condition) to hand out during the Green Giant Days Parade! If you have any beanie babies or nice stuffed animals of any size that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the Parish office or call me and I can come and pick them up.

Fall Rummage Sale

Spring cleaning is upon on! Are you cleaning out your basement, garage and closets and finding things you don't need or use or want anymore? Don't throw them out! Save them for the SSPP Youth Rummage Sale fundraiser this Fall! We will accept donations of good quality fall and winter clothing, coats, toys, books, furniture, bedding, kitchen items, household items, home decor, knick knacks, holiday decorations, CD's, DVD's, and any other treasures you can find. If you have a question about whether or not we will take something you would like to donate, please don't hesitate to call me anytime.

Pick A Day, Pray & Pay!

We have 23 high school youth and 4 adults who will be attending the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) on November 15-19, 2017 in Indianapolis! The cost to attend NCYC is \$650.00 per person. Our first fundraiser is "**Pick A Day, Pray & Pay**". A display is set up in the Social Hall explaining this fundraiser. Please feel free to split the amounts that are remaining on the calendars with one or two other people. Thank you so much for your support of our young people attending NCYC!

Totus Tuus coming this Summer!

Due to some limitations in our planning schedule this summer, instead of offering our own Vacation Bible School program as we have done in the past several years, we will be offering Totus Tuus as an option for all children and youth currently in Kindergarten through Grade 12. St. John Vianney in Fairmont is hosting Totus Tuus from **Sunday, July 31st - Friday, August 4th.** We will provide transportation for all children and youth who would like to participate! The children's program (K-Gr. 6) is from 9:00AM-2:30PM (Monday, August 1st - Friday, August 4th). The youth program (Gr. 7-12) is from 7:30-9:30PM (Sunday, July 31st - Thursday, August 3rd). Get these dates and times on your calendar today!

April 25, 2017 Finance Council Minutes

The meeting was opened with a prayer service.

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

Fr. Klein's report: 1.) Pastoral and Liturgical events were reviewed and upcoming events noted. 2.) Bell ringer is in place and working.

3.) The move of the choir area is progressing. The wiring has been started by Anderson Electric.

4.) The cost of the Priest's Pension Plan will be decreased for our parish.

5.) Project Rice Bowl raised \$2,474.99 from both parishes.

6.) A review was given for the Annual Catholic Ministry Appeal with a comparison from last year to this year.

7.) Discussion for possible Pentecost decorating.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 22nd meeting were approved as written

Old Business: 1.) Greg Young has agreed to make the needed repairs to the social hall steps.

2.) Tuck pointing of the north side of the church has not been done. This will be scheduled at a time when the Krause crew is in the area at another job site.

3.) Fr. Klein will check with the diocese and St. Patrick's Guild to see about stabilizing the Stations of the Cross in the church.

4.) Duane received bids from Baargen on repairs to the north parking lot. There were three possible options. It was voted to approve the repairs with the option Duane thought was needed.

5.) Improvements to the outside protective glass on the stained glass windows were revisited.

Duane has contacted Fairmont Glass to get bids for the windows on the north side of the church.

There are five smaller windows and the one large window.

New Business: 1.) Duane noted that the three large evergreen trees on the south side of the church do not allow grass to grow and the soil erodes more every year. None of the group wanted to see the trees removed. Fr. will contact Frank Haag to see if there would be a possibility to landscape under the trees for a better appearance that would stop the erosion.

2.) Frank Haag will also be asked to give suggestions for replacing the tree at the north end of the boulevard that had to be removed.

Financial Report: Approved as presented.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 30th at 6:15 in the conference room.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.