



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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Sunday, Sept. 3rd, 2017 – 22nd 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 (patssp@bevcomm.net) or by phone (526-5626 or 526-3511).

PASTOR'S PARISHABLES

Matthew 16:18 is a verse familiar to many & oft-quoted: *"You are Peter, & upon this rock I will build my church & the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it."* Words spoken by Christ at the heart of last Sunday's gospel. Words carved in stone around the base of Michelangelo's dome of St. Peter's in Rome: *"Tu es Petrus...."* This is the origin of the term "Petrine Ministry" which refers to the role Christ gave to St. Peter among the apostles (& to his successors among the bishops) to lead & unify the Church.

We recalled last Sunday that when Cardinal Karol Wojtyla became Pope John Paul II in 1978, he reflected upon his new ministry & upon that verse in Matthew. Some have asked for the quote: *"In the course of 2,000 years, these words, 'You are Peter,' have been spoken 264 times to the ears & conscience of a fragile & sinful man.... The last in time, it was to me that the promise of Caesarea Philippi was repeated & it is in the office of Peter that I am in your midst. With what message? The same one that Peter proclaimed. Peter, ardent but fearful, the friend, the renegade, the penitent... Peter—who received the Holy Spirit—proclaimed to the world: 'God has made this Jesus...both Lord & Christ'.... All that the successor of Peter must say is contained in these simple words: 'God has made Jesus both Lord & Christ!'"*

I'm on call these days in the Wells-Easton-Minnesota Lake parishes, as you know, as we await the naming of their new pastor. Just so you know. This is only ad hoc—hoc including mainly meetings, sick calls, funerals (that Fr. Stenzel is not able to take) as well as some school Masses & nursing home Masses as our schedule allows. These will always be coordinated with our own schedule so it shouldn't mean cancellations here. It just seems to me that with so little effort on my (our?) part, the daily life in those parishes can continue as smoothly as possible through this short (we hope) period. In case you're wondering what I'm up to these days.

Pescador de Hombres is a song we've sung but not one I've ever used at a funeral. We did last week for Ricardo because it was a favorite of his & Teresa's. How fitting. It begins with an allusion to the call of the 1st disciples:

*Lord, you have come to the seashore,
neither searching for the rich nor the wise,
desiring only that I should follow.*

It was the refrain that made it eminently fitting last Saturday:

*O Lord, with your eyes set upon me,
gently smiling, you have spoken my name;
all I longed for I have found by the water,
at your side, I will seek other shores.*

Sometimes it's the littlest things can make life a little easier. Like attaching a little slider at the bottom of each chair leg in our conference room. That room has been such a good & well-used improvement in the rectory, but the nice new chairs were stubborn about moving. Were. Now they slide easily but not too easily—without having to get both hands & a hip involved in moving them. I discovered who did this for us, but he doesn't like to be singled out for credit. Ok. But we certainly thank him. (He drives a gray Dodge Grand Caravan & lives on 4th St.)

Oregon Catholic Press is the publisher of the pew resource that we use at Mass. They have an annual Parish Grants Program. This year, they received hundreds of applications from parishes large & small across the United States. *We were one of them*, thanks to help from Jean Bierly & Terri Colby. Although we were not selected, it was certainly worth the try & we may try again if the right need arises. The purpose of their Parish Grants Program is to encourage & support parishes' music & liturgy improvements. The project that we submitted in our application was the simple moving of the choir area in SS Peter & Paul across the church to a better setting. In the letter they sent in response to our application they said, *"Every application was of remarkable merit & each parish's needs were worthy of assistance, making the selection process quite difficult. We take great satisfaction in knowing that so many parishes are committed to fulfilling the needs of their communities."* That was nice to read. (It would have been nicer to read that we'd won some assistance.)

In our 2017 Catholic Ministries Appeal, I am happy to notice that now 25 of our 95 parishes have surpassed their goal. This has helped bring us to 84.7 % of our \$2 million diocesan goal—well ahead of last year's pace. That's from 6,641 donors so far, compared to 6,446 all of last year.

The Diocese of Winona has received information from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) asking for assistance to those affected by the hurricane on the gulf coast of Texas. As you notice elsewhere in the bulletin, our parishes will join others across our country with contributions for immediate necessities as well as the long-term needs to rebuild the communities in the regions affected by this widespread destruction. The USCCB has already begun a major emergency response to this severe disaster & has committed funds to extended relief efforts.

"Charity Officials Warn of Scams Related to Storm." We've heard warnings like this at times like this many times before. And some apparently need the warning & counsel. Personally, for disaster relief, I don't normally give to any agency or party other than our efficient, powerful, trustworthy, Catholic Charities, partnering with the USCCB. I'm not only proud of them, I trust them.

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

Mon. NO MASS
Tue. /W 8:30AM – Helen Dressen †
Wed/BE 7:30AM – Special Intention
of Garret Lammers
Thur. St. Luke's/10:00AM – Gen Armon †
Fri./BE 8:30AM – McRae & Rita Willmert †
Sat./BE 5:15PM – Collenn Young-Zeisz †
Sun./W 8:00AM – Ronald Bressler †
Sun./BE 10:00AM – Dan & Ruth Driscoll †

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

Sept. 9 Servers: Isabelle Barnett

5:15 PM SSPP

Ministers of Communion: Bill Hamlin/Andre Hamlin
Steve Geerdes/Shawna Barnett/Mary Warner

Gift Bearers: Bob & Becky Spencer

Ushers: Bob Spencer Group

Sun., Sept. 10: Servers: Emma Dahl

8:00 AM St. Mary's

Ministers of Communion: Len Sonnek

Joyce Eastvold & Pat Salic

Gift Bearers: Jessica & Mike Salic Jr.

Ushers: Dick Kortuem & Dick Maday

Sun., Sept. 10: Servers: Hailey Becker

10:00AM SSPP Brandi Uecker

Ministers of Communion: Jenny Armon/Lee Mikolai

Mary Eckhardt/Joe Tempel/Camille Driscoll

Gift Bearers: Roger & Sandy Grandgenett family

Ushers: Shawn Hassing Group

Knight's Corner:

September 6th-Officers meeting 7PM in Room #4
September 11th-KC Meeting 7PM in Room #4
September 16th-KC Steak Fry
September 24th-KC Family Picnic @ Putnam Park more info to come.

The KC Steak Fry will be Saturday September 16th at BE American Legion. Serving from 5:00Pm to 7:30Pm. 10oz Ribeye \$14.00 or Smoked Windsor Chop \$12.00. Meals include Green Beans, Baked Potato, Texas Toast. Kids meal: Grilled Cheese or Hamburger meal \$3.00. Meals include Baked Potato, Green Beans. Take outs available. Proceeds go to support youth NCYC trip in November.

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Council of Families booklets are available at the main entrance of the church. These booklets are for 2017-2019 and include all the info for circles, church cleaning, funeral dinners, missions etc.

Quarterly CCF meeting will be on Tuesday, September 5 at 7 PM in the social hall.

Council of Catholic Families dues this year are \$25 per family and are due in September. Please send these to your circle chair person, mail to the rectory or put in a marked envelope in the weekend collection. Please note on the envelope your name & circle #. Your dues help make

donations to local groups such as, Blue Earth Area Mentors, Food Shelf, Hospice, Interfaith Caregivers and more.

All of us have been following the historic flooding in southeast Texas.

Hurricane Harvey has created an unprecedented and catastrophic weather event of immense proportions. Our partners at Catholic Charities USA have conveyed that nearly 50 inches of rain fell in some areas. This massive rainfall left twelve million people under flash flood warnings and rivers will be at historic flood stages for some time. Please join with the Catholic community across the United States in responding, through a special collection, to our suffering brothers and sisters. The USCCB is assisting Catholic Charities USA in its role as the official domestic relief agency of the U.S. Catholic Church. Please help by responding to the urgent need for water, shelter and food by those people affected by Hurricane Harvey. Support our parish's special collection on Sept.9 & 10. Checks should be made payable to SSPP or St. Mary's parish. For more information on how to help those in need go to the Diocesan website, www.dow.org.

Sounds in September: Sunday, September 10th at 2 PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Easton.

Performances by: Heart Song, The Murry Brothers, Fr. Mark McNea, harpist, Shelia Rame and female vocalists, "P31". A free-will offering will help support the Handicap Accessibility Project. Desserts & refreshments will follow the concert.

Winnebago Blood Mobile: Thursday, Sept. 7 from 12-6 pm at the Municipal Center.

Catechism will be starting at St. Mary's on 10/01/2017. If you have a child or children between preschool and 8th grade that have not been signed up for classes, please contact me, Pat Salic, at 236-2195. I am also looking for anyone interested in being a Catechist or substitute Catechist. Please call me if you are willing to volunteer your time. Thank you.

Help Wanted: St Mary's is looking for someone to clean the school building for the months of October thru April. Maximum of 2 hours per week. If interested, contact Jeanne Kortuem @ 893-3524 or e-mail, kortuem@bevcomm.net. Job will be open until filled.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: Aug. 26 & 27

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,220.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$2,682.77
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$37,980.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$31,501.41

Catholic Home Mission for both parishes \$470.00

Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: Aug. 27

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,173.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$1,083.00
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$10,557.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$9,832.10

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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

The Rummage Sale is Coming Soon!

Our annual Youth Rummage Sale is only weeks away!

We will accept donations on:

Wednesday, Sept. 13th -- 9AM-6PM

Thursday, Sept. 14th -- 9AM-6PM

The sale will be open on:

Friday, Sept. 15th -- Noon - 7:00PM

Saturday, Sept. 16th -- 8AM-3PM and after 5:15PM Mass

Sunday, Sept. 17th -- After 10AM Mass

The Council of Catholic Families will also be hosting a BAKE SALE after Masses on Sept. 16th & 17th.

Come shop at the Rummage Sale and pick up some fresh baked items too!

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, PARENT and PARISHIONER HELP IS NEEDED!

This rummage sale is a huge undertaking and our biggest youth ministry fundraiser so any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated! If you need an incentive to come help, helpers get first pick of items that are donated! I know that sweetens the pot! If you are available to help, please call me at the office at 526-5626 or my cell at 507-276-5114!

Catechists are needed for 2017/2018!

Our parish Faith Formation program is in need of catechists for the coming year. *There are currently openings in Grades K-5 (2:30-4PM) and Grades 6-10 (6:30-7:30PM).* Please consider sharing your faith and your time with our parish children and youth. 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 4th and end on April 25th.

AmazinGrace!

Who: All youth in Grades 6-12

When: Sunday, September 24th

Where: Throughout Blue Earth

What: The area churches are planning an amazing event for youth! You will form teams and will walk around Blue Earth completing fun challenges and tasks before being given an envelope with clues to your next destination. Everyone will end up at the Fairgrounds for music, supper and a short devotional. This event is FREE and we are expecting at least 100 young people to attend!

Register: If you would like to get signed up, let me know so I can get your name on the list! The deadline to sign up is Sunday, September 17th.

Keys Needed!

Do you have any keys laying around that don't unlock or lock anything at your house? If so, please consider donating them to Youth Ministry! I need lots of them for the AmazinGrace event being held in September. Keys can be dropped off at the parish offices or you can bring them to the Rummage Sale if you are donating any items. Thank you!!

NCYC is less than 3 months away!

In less than 3 months, 27 of us from our parishes will be boarding a coach bus and embarking on a journey to Indianapolis for the 2017 National Catholic Youth Conference. We will be joining one hundred others from the Diocese of Winona and 23,000-25,000 others from across the country to celebrate our Catholic faith through prayer and learning, through Mass and Reconciliation, through fellowship and friendships. Please continue to pray for the following young people and adults who will be attending NCYC from our parishes:

YOUTH

Jimmy Allis

Katie Allis

Maddie Armon

Izzy Barnett

PJ Christensen

Emma Dahl

Carissa Engesser

Jack Frundt

Erin Hannaman

Grace Haugh

Jocelyn Johnson

Logan Johnson

Lauren Madetzke

Anna Nagel

Arianna Nagel

Chrystal Nietfeld

Jackie Quintero

Roxy Quintero

Grace Roiger

Autum Schaible

Lauren Schoenfelder

Allison Schwieger

Macie Stevermer

ADULTS

Julie Allis

Jennifer Engesser

Jennie Johnson

Angie Nagel

