



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, Oct. 8th, 2017 – 27th 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

This week we restarted our weekly faith formation sessions with our young people. Faith formation, of course, never stops & involves every one of us, but this facet of it, “catechism,” “religious education,” is an especially important part of our parish life. Last Wednesday at SS P/P we began with Mass in the afternoon with the lower levels & in the evening with the upper.



That was October 4th—also the feast of St. Francis, a happy coincidence. (The graphic you see above is taken from the cover of *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*; you’ve seen this before in our “Catholic Primer” 2-3 years ago.)

We publicly recognized & commissioned our catechists at Sunday Masses recently. They are especially aware that they are “adjunct professors,” complementing parents who are the full & essential professors of faith for their children. We are all, of course, professors of the Christian faith; our catechists are committed to engaging with our young people regularly in explaining/discussing that faith & our Catholic tradition. Our goal with our young people is to give as gift the gift we have received, as Christ said. If we want our students to seek Christ with their whole selves, we must engage them fully—heart, mind and will. We recalled with them the formula offered long ago by the great doctor of the Church, St. Augustine: *delight the heart, instruct the mind, persuade the will*.

In terms of our use of space: At St. Mary’s, our schedule overlaps a couple of weeks with Headstart, who rent space in our school, so we need to use the church basement for a little while in October. At SS Peter & Paul, we did a little improving on the big improving we did 3 years back on the rectory’s 1st-floor rooms, making the former office of the secretary a little more useable & spacious. Very nice.

Speaking of use of space: We’ve explained before the plan to move the music area from the south transept to the north in SS Peter & Paul church. We’ve done some of the electrical & sound system prep for that. Now finally we’re poised to move the pews & extend the riser east to the old confessionals (which will be modified slightly for storage use by our choirs). Soon you’ll see.

This Wednesday, October 11, is the feast day Pope John XXIII. It was just in 2014 that he was canonized. This is the 1st year I’ve noticed a feast day for him on the calendar. (Did you know that he’s venerated by the Lutheran Church too—ELCA, that is, like Trinity in Blue Earth?)

I wonder if October 11 was chosen for his feast day because it’s the day in 1962 that he opened the 2nd Vatican Council. He’s the one who called for it—only the 21st “ecumenical” (worldwide) council in our history. This one became a watershed in our history, inspiring &

changing us especially in 4 ways (according to some teachers):

1. our very identity as Church,
2. the renewal of our spiritual lives,
3. ecumenism (movement of unity among Christians),
4. evangelism (preaching & promulgating the gospel).

Pope John 23rd himself embodied an ecumenical spirit, even as his successor, Pope Paul 6th, embodied the evangelical.

It was immediately revealing, back in 1978, that the pope following Paul VI intended to confirm & continue the legacy of his predecessors: After the death of Paul VI, the newly elected pope, Albino Luciani, took the name “Pope John Paul I”. He was clearly conscious of his immediate heritage, the 2 popes who preceded him. He seemed to be signaling his intent to continue their ministry to the whole Church, marked specifically by ecumenism & evangelization. When his life ended after a very brief time as our chief shepherd, his successor, Karol Wojtyla, sent the same signal with his choice of the same name: John Paul—the 2nd.

When I noticed this October 11 feast day, I took from the shelf my very, very worn copy of *The Documents of Vatican II* (which I purchased in 1966 & have used ever since). The editor of this particular translation includes in its first pages a “Prayer of the Council Fathers of Vatican II.” He includes also a footnote to it that I’ve long appreciated. Here is a summary: *It is believed that this prayer was composed by St. Isidore of Seville to be used during a Church council in Seville, Spain, in 619. It was used (in Latin) before every meeting of the various commissions of the Second Vatican Council*. I’ve edited that prayer slightly, mainly changing “we” to “I” & “our” to “my” throughout, so you & I can use it in our personal prayer. What do you think? Here it is:

I am here before you, O Holy Spirit, conscious of my innumerable sins, but united in a special way in your Holy name. Come & abide with me. Penetrate my heart. Be the guide of my actions, indicate the path I should take, & show me what I must do so that, with your help, my work may be in all things pleasing to you. May you be my only inspiration & the overseer of my intentions for you alone possess a glorious name together with the Father & the Son. May you, who are infinite justice, never permit that I be a disturber of justice. Let not my ignorance induce me to evil, nor flattery sway me, nor moral & material interest corrupt me. But unite my heart to you alone, & do it strongly, so that, with the gift of your grace, I may be one in you & may in nothing depart from the truth. Thus, united in your name, may I in my every action follow the dictates of your mercy & justice, so that today & always my judgments may not be alien to you & in eternity I may obtain the unending reward of my actions. Amen.

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

Mon. NO MASS
Tue. /W 8:30AM -Living & Deceased Members
of the Rosary Society
/BE 10:00AM - CDA✠
Wed/BE 7:30AM - Special Intention/Heidi Stevermer
Thur. St. Luke's/10:00AM - Francis Sohler ✠
Fri./BE 8:30AM - Marian Warmka ✠
Sat./BE 5:15PM -Ethan Rorman ✠
Sun./W 8:00AM -Larry Monica McDonald ✠
Sun./BE 10:00AM - Peter Fletcher ✠

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

Sat., Oct. 14 Servers: Carissa Engesser
Erin Hannaman
5:15 PM SSPP
Ministers of Communion: Angie Frundt/Becky Spencer
Steve Geerdes/Gary Armon/Mary Uppena
Gift Bearers: Richard & Edie Smith
Ushers: Loren Prescher Group

Sun., Oct. 15: Servers: Emma Dahl
8:00 AM St. Mary's
Ministers of Communion: Lola Baxter
Len Sonnek & Linda O'Neil
Gift Bearers: Chuck & Sara Murry
Ushers: Dick Kortuem & Dick Maday

Sun., Oct. 15: Servers: Jocelyn Johnson
10:00AM SSPP Logan Johnson
Rosary at 9:35
Ministers of Communion: Lorraine Hassing/Lee Mikolai
Shirl Maher/Margaret Haag/Pam Armon
Gift Bearers: Catholic Daughters
Ushers: Chuck Murphy Group

Knight's Corner:
October 10th-Officer Meeting 6PM
October 10th- Initiation @ 6:30 Meeting to follow
October 21st-KC Steak Fry @ Blue Earth Legion
October 29th-5th Sunday Rosary @ St Peter & Paul -
9:30am.
Knights of Columbus Meeting Date Change-We will
now meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month starting
October 10th @ 7pm.

CDA: Tues, 10th. Mass, meeting, **Pot Luck** lunch.
Please bring a dish to pass or donate \$'s.
Rosary will be prayed 9:35 before the 10:00 Mass on
all 5 Sundays in October. Everyone--all ages, are
invited to join in this powerful prayer.

Knights of Columbus Steak Fry will be Saturday
October 21st @ Blue Earth American Legion. Serving
from 5PM to 7:30PM. On menu: 10 oz Ribeye-\$14.00 or
Smoked Windsor Chop-\$12.00, Baked Potato, Green
Beans, Texas Toast, Coffee. Kids meal: Hamburger or
Grilled Cheese, Baked Potato, Green Beans, \$3.00. Take-
outs available.

Mark your calendars for the October:
Blue Earth/Fairmont/Mankato Area meeting to be held
in Blue Earth on **Monday, Oct. 23** – **note date change!**

**CDA---The Catholic Daughters will be distributing
Gummi Bears** after Mass the weekend of Oct. 14th and
15th. Minnesota Catholic Daughters of the Americas
and Habitat for Humanity International have developed
a partnership to build homes and support the effort of a
Habitat for Humanity house, to be built within the state
of Minnesota, with an estimated annual grant of
\$10,000. The funding of this Catholic Daughter grant is
made possible by the annual Gummi Bear fund raising
project, conducted by local Catholic Daughter courts
throughout the state of Minnesota. Funds collected
each year will be used for the build the next year in
Minnesota. This is an ongoing yearly project by the
courts of Minnesota.

October is the month of the rosary. Consider this year
special as it is the 100th year since Our Blessed Mother
appeared to three small children at Fatima and gave
them a message to pray for the forgiveness of sin and
for peace.

Kitchen Backup Coordinator Needed!! Kathy
Lowery currently serves as our kitchen coordinator for
funerals and soup suppers. CCW is looking for an
individual to serve as Kathy's backup. This person
would take over kitchen duties in the rare event that
Kathy is unable to work. This is a paid position and we
are asking that you prayerfully consider fulfilling this
duty. If you are interested please call Suzanne Carr
(943-3484) or Colleen Gronewold (447-2554) for more
information. Thank you!

Fall Turkey Supper At St. John the Baptist Catholic
Church, Minnesota Lake, on Sunday, October 8, 2017,
from 4:00-7:00 pm. \$10.00 and children under 5 Free.

Winnebago Area Museum 40th Anniversary Gala
Wine Tasting Party on Saturday, October 28 from 5-7 at
Riverside Town & Country Club. There will be wine
selections & appetizers. Ticket price is \$40 per person.
Proceeds go toward new museum expansion project.

Each October, St. Mary's parish collection baby items
for the Options Pregnancy Center. Items that could be
used- For mothers: bath towels, gift cards for her
personal use, and used maternity clothes
For babies: quilts, blankets, layettes, sleepers, clothing,
diapers size Newborn to 5, bath towels with hoods,
baby bottles, Avant or Gerber Baby Wash, etc.
For fathers: men's personal items. Please consider
donating during this Respect for Life month.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sacrificial Giving, SS Peter & Paul: Sept. 30 & Oct 1

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$4,220.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$3,812.29
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$59,080.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$50,263.03
Hurricane Disaster Relief \$1,612.00

Sacrificial Giving, St. Mary: Oct. 1

Adult/Plate giving needed weekly: \$1,135.00
Adult/Plate giving last week: \$1,038.00
Adult/Plate giving needed yr-to-date: \$15,890.00
Adult/Plate giving fiscal yr-to-date: \$14,927.70
Hurricane Disaster Relief \$666.00

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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

October Calendar

- 8 Confirmation Introductory Mtg. 8:30AM
Coffee & Donuts hosted by Gr. K-2
- 11 Classes for Grades K-10
My Space -- 5-6:15PM
NCYC Gathering - 7:30PM
- 18 NO CLASSES -- MEA Break
FF/YM Board Mtg. - 5:30PM
- 25 Classes for Grades K-5
Food Scavenger Hunt - Gr. 6-10
No My Space!
NCYC Gathering - 7:30PM

Faith Formation Class

Schedule:

Kindergarten - Grade 5 meet from 2:30 - 4:15PM

Grades 6-10 meet from 6:30 - 7:30PM

My Space open from 5:00 - 6:15PM

Confirmation Rite of Commitment

This Sunday, the following young people are making a commitment to begin our Confirmation program here at Saints Peter & Paul. As a parish, let us walk with these young people as they continue their faith journey. Please keep them in your prayers.

Mariah Albertson	Lauren Madetzke
Isabelle Barnett	Koby Nagel
Luke Carr	Katelynn Reddick
PJ Christensen	Grace Roiger
Emma Dahl	Macie Stevermer
Jack Frundt	Davis Sunken
Grace Haugh	Efrain Trujillo
Jaxen Klinkner	

Catechists for 2017/2018!

These wonderful people have been called to be catechists for the 2017/2018 Faith Formation year. What a blessing they are to our program!

Kindergarten	Trish Schimek
Grade 1	Lindsey Greff
Grade 2	Lora Moore
Grade 3	Carol Moore
Grade 4	Amy Stevermer
	Cindy Trasamar
Grade 5	Rita Frundt
Grade 6	Angie Frundt
	Cathy Stevermer
Grade 7	Deb Christensen
Grade 8	Jennie Johnson
Grade 9	Jeremy Coxworth
Grade 10	Karla Carr
	Christina Dahl

Coffee and Donuts!

Children in Grades K-2 will be hosting COFFEE and DONUTS on Sunday, October 8th after 10AM Mass. Come and join us!

Food Drive Kick-Off for Grades K-5!

On *Wednesday, October 11th*, we will be kicking off a food drive for Grades K-5! All children are asked to bring non-perishable food items to class with them through November 1st. All items collected will be given to the Faribault County Food Shelf! Thank you for your support of this worthy organization that helps so many people right here in our own community!