SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church

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December 19, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Advent

"Be watchful! Be alert!

You do not know
when the time will come.

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SS Peter & Paul Parish Office:
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Phone: 507-388-2995
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Mass Schedule:

Daily:	7:00 am *Monday* thru *Friday* 8:00 am *Saturday*
Saturday:	5:15 pm (Vigil)
Sunday:	7:30, 9:30, 11:15 am Latin Mass 1:00 pm (Español)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 11 am-noon & 4-5 pm
Daily: After the 7:00 am Mass
Other times by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact the Parish Office at least one month in advance of the desired date. For baptism preparation sessions for parents and sponsors please contact Sister Strength of Martyrs at 388-2995, ext 105.. The usual time for Baptism is at 2:00 pm on the 4th Saturday of the month.

Sacrament of Matrimony

For registered, participating members of the Parish, arrangements for preparation and the date are made by contacting one of the pastors at least six months before the wedding.

Bulletin Notices

All articles for the bulletin are due by 2 pm on Tuesday. Bulletin articles should always be turned in to the parish office with a contact person's name and phone number.

New Members Welcome

Please register at the Parish Office.

TODAY'S READINGS

Monday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66
Friday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79
Saturday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84: 2 -3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 19
7:30 am +Sister Mary Blanche Lysagnt, RSM: *Lillian and Charles Sehe*
9:30 am Mass offered for the Intentions of the Parishioners
11:15 am Latin Mass +Khuou's Mom and Dad: *Khuou Nguyen*
1:00 pm Spanish Mass +Ramona Bueno: *Maria Bueno*
Monday, December 20
7:00 am +Dave Osdoba: *Dr. John and Rosie Marso*
Tuesday, December 21
7:00 am +Lorraine Carpenter: *Charlotte Winslow*
9:30 am Primrose +Verna Pfau: *Jim Pfau*
Wednesday, December 22
7:00 am +Bill Pestka: *Shirley Pestka*
Thursday, December 23
7:00 am +Anniv. of A.G.Shamp: *Audrey and Earl Shanp Charitable Fund*
+Tim Mead: *Carol Mead and Family*
Intentions of Aubrey Houg: *Family*
Friday, December 24
7:00 am +Anniv. of Charles and Veronica Kraus: *Phyllis Martinka*
4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass
Midnight Mass for Christmas
Saturday, December 25
Christmas Mass at 9:30 am and 1:00 pm Spanish Mass
5:15 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday: +Lai Joshep Nguyen: *Khuou Nguyen*
Sunday, December 26
7:30 am +Bui Thi (Maria) Nhiep: *Tom Dinh*
9:30 am Mass offered for the Intentions of the Parishioners

Mission Quilters

This weekend of December 18 and 19 the Mission Quilters will be in the Gather Area again to sell their quilts. Last chance before Christmas!

Ushers Schedule for the Month of December
Please arrive 20 minutes before Mass. Thank you.

5:15 pm Dec. 25 Mark Frederick, Kevin Olson Bill and Robin Rosenstiel

7:30 am Dec. 26 Earle Peters, Dewey Mettler, Wyatt Rodriguez, Bob Hallberg

9:30 am Dec. 6 Stan Huettl, Bob Kreuzer, Ervin Stueber, Al Kluever

If you are unable to keep your assigned appointment please contact another usher. Thank You.

Statue of Our Lady of Lujan that Father Javier will be purchasing in Argentina with a donation from a parishioner.

Base of Altar that will include the Seal of the Jesuits, the Shield of the Religious Family of the Incarnate Word, and the Cross of Matará (the Cross that the SSVM Sisters wear).

Statue of St. Joseph that was donated by Fr. Paul Breza in Winona. This statue was restored by one of our parishioners.

Blessed 4th Sunday of Advent and Merry Christmas in Advance!

Whether you will be with us for the celebration of Our Savior's birth or visiting family elsewhere know that you are in our prayers during the coming feasts. I pray that you have safe travels and celebrate the full season of Christmas all the way into the New Year. May Christ dwell in you this Christmas and always.

Adoration and the Chapel Restoration

Holy Hours, especially those consisting of Eucharistic Adoration, are pillars of our spiritual lives alongside the Holy Mass. Jesus loves us all so much and wants so little from us. He wants to spend time with us. I hope and pray that you will consider signing up for an hour of Adoration.

Many people are working hard to make the St. Francis Xavier Chapel a beautiful place for both you and Our Lord. We are also very grateful for the people who have donated monetarily for the new High Altar, statues, pews, and candles. We have received $3,750 in donations for the renovation. Our expenses add up to $5,000 this includes wood, stain, paint for the statues, candles, the image of Our Lady of Lujan, the angels, and the tabernacle door etc. A special thanks to Mary Krueger, Sam Blace, Mark Frederick, and Bernie Fasnacht, and so many others for all of their fine work.

New pews donated from a Church that recently closed in Altura, MN.

Adoration Angels purchased with a donation from one of the Families of the parish, which will be restored.

Let us Pray for the Sick:

Gloria Brosnan, Marlin Portner
Paul Scheurer Roy Shephard
Betty Sohler
Rose and Malany Morris
Pam and Jack Stordahl
Fr. Terry Brennan, SJ - Fr. Tom Schloemer, SJ

Grant Writing Experience Needed

Our Fitzgerald building needs some structural upgrades and it has been suggested that we may qualify for funding from a grant. If you or anyone you know has experience and is willing to volunteer time to help determine eligibility and/or write grants, please reach out to the Parish Office at 388-2995.

Mass Schedule for Christmas, December 24 & 25 and Mary, the Mother of God, January 1, 2022

Christmas Masses
December 24—4:00 pm and 12 Midnight
December 25—9:30 am and 1:00 pm Spanish

Saturday, December 25 5:15pm Mass for the Sunday Liturgy

Mary, the Mother of God– January 1, 2021
December 31, 7:00 am daily Mass and
5:15 pm Vigil Mass for the Holy Day
January 1, 2022, 8:00 am and 5:15 pm
Confessions: Daily after morning Mass
Saturdays 11:00 to 12 noon and 4:00 to 5:00 pm
December 22nd and 23rd 11:00 am to 12 noon

Christmas Flowers

If you would like to help pay for the Christmas Flowers you can do so by putting money in an envelope marked **"Christmas Flowers"** and drop it into the collection basket or mail your check to 105 North Fifth Street. Thank You.

PHÚC ÂM: Lc 1, 39-45
"Bởi đâu tôi được Mẹ Thiên Chúa đến viếng thăm tôi".
Tin Mừng Chúa Giêsu Kitô theo Thánh Luca.
Ngày ấy, Maria chỗi dậy, vội vã ra đi tiến lên miền núi, đến một thành xứ Giuđêa. Bà vào nhà ông Dacaria và chào bà Isave. Và khi bà Isave nghe lời chào của Maria, thì hài nhi nhảy mừng trong lòng bà, và bà Isave được đầy Chúa Thánh Thần, bà kêu lớn tiếng rằng: "Bà được chúc phúc giữa các người phụ nữ, và Con lòng Bà được chúc phúc! Bởi đâu tôi được Mẹ Chúa tôi đến viếng thăm tôi? Vì này, tai tôi vừa nghe lời Bà chào, hài nhi liền nhảy mừng trong lòng tôi. Phúc cho Bà là kẻ đã tin rằng lời Chúa phán cùng Bà sẽ được thực hiện".
Đó là lời Chúa.

Sick Call Visiting

If you know of any parishioner of SSPP who is sick, in the hospital or nursing home that needs to be anointed or receive the Sacrament of Confession, or see a priest, please do not hesitate to call the Parish Office at 388-2995. Any of the priests will be happy to visit them. Thanks.

Thank You for Your Generosity!

Throughout the year we receive estate bequests from parishioners who have remembered Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in their will. We also receive memorials in memory of loved ones from family and friends. We are tremendously grateful for these gifts. May God bless you all for your generosity toward His Church.

Pictures of the Smokestack repair and finished project.

Ablaze Youth Ministry
Beverly Miller
youthministry@sspeterandpaul.com

Faith Formation
Sr. Mary Strength of Martyrs
faithformation@sspeterandpaul.com

Wishing you and your family a very blessed Christmas!

Please keep the group of 36 pilgrims traveling to Washington D.C. from the Mankato area for the March for Life January 20-24 in your prayers. May this pilgrimage bring them deeper in their faith and stronger in their conviction to always stand up for the sanctity of LIFE!

A FETUS WAS THE FIRST TO REJOICE AT THE NEWS OF JESUS
Luke 1:39

May you find great joy in celebrating life too!

Pathways TEC

RETREAT

Gift a friend or loved one this Christmas with an invite to attend a retreat together!

Saturday February 19-Monday February 21
Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Mankato

VISIT: www.dowr.org/offices/faith-formation/tec

Lessons and Carols

Visit our parish website to view more pictures and videos.

Loyola Catholic School

We are excited to announce that enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year will open on **January 3rd, 2022** for the community.

Current Loyola families will have priority registration starting on December 15th - January 3rd.

Please call Kerstyn Cafarelli, Admissions Associate at 507-386-5399 or email admisns@loyolacatholicschool.org to schedule a tour.

School-Based Mentoring Program

Loyola Catholic School is participating in the YMCA School-Based Mentoring Program for the upcoming school year. The school-based mentoring program pairs Loyola Catholic School students with adult mentors for lunch once a week. For the students, it is an adult who will listen without judging, talk without preaching, and take a genuine interest in how things are going. In other words, a friend. Our hope is to have mentors ready to start in September with additional mentors being added as needed and they become available throughout the school year.

Please email Becky Gerdes, Dean of Academics at bgerdes@loyolacatholicschool.org if you would be interested in serving as a mentor. Training will be provided by the YMCA.

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Diocese of Winona-Rochester - Child Sexual Abuse Policy Information

The Diocese of Winona-Rochester will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Extension 255. A caller will be asked to provide his or her name and telephone number. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. The diocesan policy is available on the diocesan web site at www.dowr.org under the Safe Environment Program. If you have any questions about the Diocese of Winona's implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Mary Hamann, at 507-858-1244, or mhamann@dowr.org.

2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal
Share the Light of Hope.

As your Pastor, I am grateful for your continued generosity and lives of faith, as we work together to build up the Kingdom of God in southern Minnesota. I ask that you prayerfully consider how you might give to this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal, and assure you that the funds raised for the Catholic Ministries Appeal are donor-restricted and will not be used to cover legal fees for the diocese. Our parish Goal, as assessed by the Diocese, is $49,325.00. We have received $33,041.00 from 98 parishioners. Any shortfall in meeting our goal by December 31st each year is the responsibility of the parish. Any overage comes right back to the parish. Please return your CMA pledge card or give online at www.catholicfsmn.org.

"The deadline to contribute to the 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal is fast approaching. Any contributions postmarked on or after the 1st of the year will automatically be applied to next year's goal."

Rosary Society

The Rosary Intentions you are praying for this week are for all parents awaiting the birth of their child.. May they look to the Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph and follow their example of cherishing and protecting human life.

Pro Life

Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society.

Cuarto Domingo de Adviento

19 de diciembre de 2021

Evangelio Lucas (1,39-45):

En aquellos mismos días, María se levantó y se puso en camino de prisa hacia la montaña, a un a ciudad de Judá; entró en casa de Zacarías y saludó a Isabel.
Aconteció que, en cuanto Isabel oyó el saludo de María, saltó la criatura en su vientre. Se llenó Isabel del Espíritu Santo y, levantando la voz, exclamó:
«¡Bendita tú entre las mujeres, y bendito el fruto de tu vientre! ¿Quién soy yo para que me visite la madre de mi Señor? Pues, en cuanto tu saludo llegó a mis oídos, la criatura saltó de alegría en mi vientre. Bienaventurada la que ha creído, porque lo que le ha dicho el Señor se cumplirá».

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-6; Lc 1:26-38
Martes:	Cant 2:8-14 o Sof 3:14-18a; Sal 33 (32):2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lc 1:39-45
Miércoles:	1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lc 1:46-56
Jueves:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lc 1:57-66
Viernes:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Lc 1:67-79
Sábado:	Vigilia: Is 62:1-5; Sal 89 (88):4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Hch 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25] Noche Is 9:1-6; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 11-13; Tit 2:11-14; Lc 2:1-14 Aurora: Is 62:11-12; Sal 97 (96):1, 6, 11-12; Tit 3:4-7; Lc 2:15-20 Día: Is 52:7-10; Sal 98 (97):1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
Domingo:	Eclo 3:2-6, 12-14 o 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Sal 128 (127):1-5 o Sal 84 (83):2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] o 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lc 2:41-52

Procedimientos diocesanos para hacer frente al abuso sexual de menores

La Diócesis de Winona-Rochester se ha comprometido a proteger a los niños, los jóvenes y otras personas vulnerables en nuestras escuelas, parroquias y actividades apostólicas. Tenemos un cuidado especial y la intención permanente de atender eventuales víctimas de abuso sexual y sus familias. Para informarnos sobre alegaciones actuales de abuso sexual por parte de miembros del clero o empleados laicos o voluntarios en la Diócesis de Winona-Rochester contacte: 507-454-2270, Extensión 255 Víctimas de abuso sexual, además de contactar a las autoridades civiles, se les pide de dirigirse a la diócesis para recibir asistencia pastoral. El Coordinado de Asistencia a la Victim le proveerá tal asistencia.
http://www.dowr.org/offices/safe-environment/report-a-complaint.html

Rosario diario

Rezamos el Rosario de lunes a viernes antes de la misa de lunes a viernes, comenzando aproximadamente a las 6:30 am y el sábado después de la misa de 8:00 am.
Las intenciones del rosario esta semana son que los futuros padres apoyen amorosamente a las madres de sus hijos para darles la bienvenida a una nueva vida.

Adoración Eucarística

endremos Adoración Eucarística todos los lunes de 7:45 am a 6:00 pm en la Iglesia. También tendremos Adoración todos los miércoles cuando haya Formación en la Fe de 6:00 pm a 7:15 pm en la Iglesia. Únase a nosotros en oración silenciosa.

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo:	Cuarto Domingo de Adviento
Martes:	San Pedro Canisio; Comienza el Invierno
Jueves:	San Juan de Kanty
Viernes:	La Vigilia de Navidad
Sábado:	La Natividad del Señor

Visita de llamada por enfermedad

Si sabe de algún feligrés de SSPP que esté enfermo, en el hospital o en un hogar de ancianos que necesite ser ungido o recibir el Sacramento de la Confesión, o ver a un sacerdote, no dude en llamar a la Oficina Parroquial al 388-2995. Cualquiera de los sacerdotes estará encantado de visitarlos.

Flores de navidad

Si desea ayudar a pagar las Flores de Navidad, puede hacerlo poniendo dinero en un sobre marcado con “Flores de Navidad” y colóquelo en la canasta de recolección o envíe su cheque por correo a 105 North Fifth Street. Gracias.

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