

# ST. JOSEPH

# **CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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# **September 15, 2024**

# Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## **Parish Priest**

Father Marreddy Pothireddy

Assisting Priest - Father Joshua Miller

(For St. Joseph, Sacred Heart

& Christ the King Parishes)

# Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs 8:30am-4:30pm
Friday 8:30am-3:00pm
Mass Schedule: Weekends
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am

**Weekdays and Holy Days** 

(See schedule in the bulletin)

Confession

Saturday 3:00pm - 3:45pm



Jesus Demonstrates Greatness

Mark 9:30-37

# A message from the desk of Father Marreddy

### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 15, 2024-B Cycle

#### Readings: Isaiah 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

All human relationships are based on communication, understanding and acceptance. The Bible tells us that God created man and called him from non-life to life, from nothingness to existence, to build a deep relationship expressed in honoring, loving and serving Him. Generally, we find three types of people in life: people who listen attentively to God, people who suffer for God and people who deeply experience the presence of God and live in it. A well-designed life has both joy and sorrow, thought and action. A life of Joy and no sorrow can become like a terrain with all sunshine and no rain, a barren desert. Both sufferings and joy, and both faith and good works are necessary for the life of a good Christian.

Every moment we live, every choice and decision we make, every good thing we do is our most revealing and telling response to the question, *Who do you say I am?* Our love for family and friends, our commitment to the highest moral and ethical standards, our willingness to take the first step toward reconciliation and forgiveness are, ultimately, our true confession of faith in Jesus Christ as the Love and Word of God Incarnate.

Through the prophecies, we can perceive how the great prophet Isaiah was filled with the Holy Spirit. His example of living faith tells us to set our hearts on Divine things so we too can enjoy a priceless personal relationship with the Lord God as he did. When one sets his heart on Divine things, the Holy Spirit inspires him according to the Divine Plan for the benefit of the individual and the Church.

What good is faith if we neglect the promise that we made during the Sacrament of Confirmation? "By the strength of the Holy Spirit," we were commanded "to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross." (C.C.C. # 1303)

"So, faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead."

Blessings!

We are in need of a new set of vestments (lightweight & shorter) and altar linens for the church. If you are interested in donating toward this, please reach out to Father Marreddy. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

# Diocese of Winona-Rochester | Register for events at dowr.org

Mankato Area Pre-Cana | October 12, 2024 | 8:30am - 5:30pm St. Thomas More Newman Center, Mankato State University 1502 Warren Street Mankato, MN. Pre-Cana is an opportunity for engaged couples to prepare for the sacrament of Matrimony.



# Weekly Readings and Mass Intentions

Monday, September 16, 2024 St. Cornelius, Pope & St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1 Cor 11:17-26,33/Lk 7:1-10 7:15am - Sacred Heart Church

Tuesday, September 17, 2024 Weekday - St. Robert Bellarmine (B,D);St. Hildegard of Bingen(V,D)

1 Cor 12:12-14,27-31a/Lk 7:11-17 8:00am - Guy & Ellie Jensen†

Wednesday, September 18, 2024 Weekday

1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Lk 7:31-35 8:00am - No Mass

8:10am - SMS Mass - Sacred Heart - Dylan Lattery†

Thursday, September 19, 2024 Weekday - St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50 8:00am - John Navins†

Friday, September 20, 2024 St. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, (P) & St. Paul Chŏng Ha-sang (C,M)

1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3 8:00am - Christ the King - Harvey Kuhlman†

Saturday, September 21, 2024 St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Eph 4:1-7,11-13/Mt 9:9-13 8:00am - Frank W. Spindler†

Sunday, September 22, 2024 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12,17-20 09/21/24 4:00pm - Parishioners

Jas 3:16-4:3 09/21/24 5:30pm - Christ the King - John Hager†

Mk 9:30-37 09/22/24 8:00am - Bill & Joan Driessen†

09/22/24 10:00am - Jerry Fix†

# St. Vincent de Paul Society

# September 15 - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel Jesus says "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and

follow in my steps." The cross of Jesus and the crosses of his members can evangelize us: the sick, who bear illness with courage; the grieving, who hope against hope; the dying, who clearly trust in the resurrection; the suffering of our poor brothers and sisters who are hungry and homeless, but who still trust in God's love.

Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please provide them with the phone number (507-676-5508) for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help! St. Vincent's Table served 160 meals on Tuesday evening.

We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at **6:30** p.m., at St. Joseph's Church. If you would like further information on growing your spiritual life and serving those in need in our community, please join us at a meeting or contact Ed Wacek at edwacek46@gmail.com. Our phone is 507-676-5508.

### Parish Staff

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Maintenance- Dave Oman

**Facebook**– https://www.facebook.com/ StJosephParishOwatonna/

#### Church News & Events

#### Pillow Cleaning Fundraiser September 24, 2024

Carson's Pillow Cleaning Service will be in the Sacred Heart Church Parking Lot (Owatonna),



from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., on September 24. Bring your pillows to be cleaned, deodorized, sanitized, and fluffed. Custom-made new pillows and comforters are also for sale.

Thank you for supporting Sacred Heart Church!



# We welcome... Eleanor Mae Oatway Baptized on September 8, 2024 Child of Alexander & Catrina (Herr) Oatway

"A clean heart create for me, God; renew within me a steadfast spirit" - Psalms 51:12



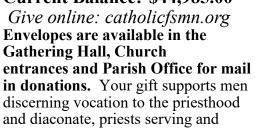
# *In Loving Memory*Raymond J. Willmott September 9, 2024

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

# Catholic Ministries Appeal

# You are the Light of the World

Appeal Goal: \$50,880.00 Current Balance: \$44,985.00



retired priests. Your gift helps to sustain Catholic schools, religious education, ministerial formation and initiatives for life peace and justice.

We are only \$5,895 away from meeting our goal.



# Actors • Singers • Dancers

Ages 8-16

Be a part of something GREAT: Owatonna Catholics' own production of the New Musical, ASSISI (a tale of St. Francis) ACT SOON! Auditions and rehearsals begin Sept. 20. Schedule designed to NOT overburden a busy family calendar. When Assisi premiered in the Twin Cities area last fall, the audition response was so great that the show was expanded to give everyone a role! ACTORS, SINGERS, DANCERS now is your chance! Be a part of ASSISI. For more information and to register:

https://www.truthandbeautyremain.com/events/assisi Questions? Call Stephanie (Nelson) Thigpen: 507-456-1172

# Young Adult Catholics of Owatonna September "Fire, Fellowship, and a Faith talk with Father"

Young Adult Catholics ages 20-35 are invited to attend the next Young Adult Catholic Fellowship Night on Tuesday, September 17th from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Singles, couples, and families with young children are welcome for a campfire, s'mores and a talk from



Monsignor Cook starting at 6pm. The campfire will be on the lawn between the Sacred Heart rectory and Fareway. Please bring a camp chair and something for yourself to drink. If you have any questions please text Lucas and Kristine Arndt at 507-573-3532. Please feel free to invite friends. In case of bad weather, activities will be moved into the Sacred Heart Parish center.



Your spare change can change a life!
2024 Baby Bottle Campaign
Sponsored by the DOW-R and Catholic
Charities' Child and Family Services
Campaign begins on
Respect Life Sunday

October 6, 2024.
Empty baby bottles will be available for

families and individuals to take home to be filled with change throughout the month of October.

#### Church News & Events



Pray for our Nation!
The Patriotic Rosary
Thursdays | 9am - 10aam
October 3
November 5
St. Joseph Parish, Owatonna



### **Traveling Crucifix Ministry**

The Traveling Crucifix will be at
Christ the King during month of
September; to return to St. Joseph's in
October. Sign up sheets in the Gathering Hall
starting for October. Please continue to pray
for our priests, deacons and seminarians.

#### A Seven Sister: One Holy Hour, One Priest, Each Week, One Heart of Prayer

Looking for some quiet, stress-free time to unwind and gain supernatural grace for yourself and your pastor? Join the Seven Sisters Apostolate (established in 2010 in St. Paul) to strengthen our local Church by committing to praying for the pastor/associate at St. Joseph's. We have been praying for our Owatonna priests since Fr. McGrath gave his approval in 2014. The "sisters" refers to women who commit to praying one holy hour per week on a specific

day for a specific priest. While men can be substitutes, the "sisters" are women who commit to praying weekly. You pick the time. You pick the day. No meetings to attend. No dues! Just an hour each week with you & Jesus!!

Please contact Bridget Kluesner at 612-867-2673 for more information, or email: <u>kluesner.bb@usfamily.net</u> to learn more on how you can join this apostolate. Booklets with more information are available or you can check it out at <a href="http://www.sevensistersapostolate.org/">http://www.sevensistersapostolate.org/</a>

We are most in need of "sisters" on Friday, Saturday & Sundays. Will you consider becoming a Seven Sister by committing to praying for our pastor, Fr. Marreddy and our Assisting priest, Fr. Joshua Miller? When we pray for our priests, we strengthen them and the entire Church. Seven Sisters started with 7 groups in 2010 and now has over 4,500 groups worldwide. That's over 31,000 women praying Holy Hours each week for our priests! Remember: no meetings, no dues, just quiet time with Jesus.

Fasting Brothers is also growing: groups of men offering various forms of fasting to segment the prayer efforts of a Seven Sisters group. Each man prayerfully discerns the type of fasting he will offer and commits to fast a designated day of the week (excepting Sunday/Solemnities). Fr. Joseph Johnson, our Chaplain, strongly urges formation of these groups. Form on the Website for Fasting Brothers to register.

#### WORLD-FAMOUS FATIMA STATUE COMING TO DIVINE MERCY CHURCH, FARIBAULT



The world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima, traveling since 1947, will be at Divine Mercy Church, Friday, Sept. 27

We hope you will come and experience the blessings of Our Lady during this special statue visitation, sponsored by the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA – Our Lady's Blue Army. (www.bluearmy.com). More information can be found at www.divinemercy.cc/adultministry

8:30 am	Mass & Speaker for K-12 students and parents (all welcome)
10:00 am - 6:00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Private prayers and veneration throughout the afternoon
6:00 pm	Confessions
6:00 pm	Outdoor Procession of the Pilgrim Statue
7:00 pm	Mass and Speaker, Brown Scapular Enrollment, Parish & Individual Consecration, Family Entrustment
9:00 pm	Night of Love: Adoration, Rosary, Family Entrustment Prayers of Reparation for our community and our world
3:00 am	Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament & Conclusion

#### How can I serve?



Please consider becoming a Liturgical Minister at St. Joseph Church. There's something for everyone! See contact info. below:

**Altar Servers** – Parish Office (507)451-4845, parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org

Communion Ministers – Linda Huffington (507)456-5274 (leave message) or lindamwhuffington@gmail.com

**Greeters** – Wayne & Betty Kubicek (507)451-8683, <u>bj-n-me@hotmail.com</u>

**Homebound Ministries** – Vickie Skala (507)456-2230, <u>vskala9174@gmail.com</u>

**Lectors** – Linda Strand (507)363-2596, strand619@gmail.com

**Music Ministry** – Carol Hodapp (507)213-6981, <u>carolhodapp@gmail.com</u>

Sacristans – Ellyn Jardine (507)-444-4088, lee j7@reagan.com

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Certification takes less than an hour online. If you don't have a computer or smartphone, call the parish office at 451-4845 to schedule a training session.

Thank you!

## Liturgical Ministers Schedule September 21/22, 2024

#### Saturday - 4:00pm

EMHC: Dianne Unruh, Julio Letona, Rose Ann Rypka

Lector: Nancy Janke Sacristan: Julio Letona

Ushers: Scott Yentsch, Sue Yentsch Amador Ramirez, Joan Erdman Altar Servers: Julio Letona, Brianna Harinen,

Sophia Harinen Greeters: Volunteers needed!

#### **Sunday - 8:00am**

EMHC: Martha Kearin, Diane Kaplan, Sue Heller

Lector: Pat Rose

Sacristan: Joanne Evans

Ushers: Mark Kearin, Tyler Keller Doug Phillips, Cindy Phillips

Altar Servers: Henry Seykora, Stella Seykora

Greeters: Volunteers needed!

#### **Sunday - 10:00am**

EMHC: Katie Clubb, Ellyn Jardine, Ryan Heydon

Lector: Lee Jardine

Sacristan: Ruth Broumley

Ushers: Chuck Jurgens, King Jurgens Jerry Atkinson, Dina Atkinson Altar Servers: Cole Trom, Westin Trom

Greeters: Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed in all the liturgical ministries. Call 451-4845 if you are able serve.

## **September Funeral Chairpersons**

LaRae Evans 507-456-9416 Roberta Zak 507-451-2041

#### Please Contact the Parish Office If...

- \* A member of your family is in the hospital.
- \* You want communion brought to your home.
  - \* Your address, phone, email has changed.
- \*You wish to register your family with the Parish.

Phone: 451-4845 or email: parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org

#### Owatonna KC Council #945 Benefit Breakfast

is this Sunday September 15, at St. Mary's School. Advance Tickets for sale after all masses this weekend in the gathering area. Breakfast \$9 in advance and \$10 at the door. (free under 6 years). Serving 8am-12pm and benefits Our own St. Serra Club, (Prayer and support for vocations and our priests, religious, & seminarians). Great breakfast at a great price. Tickets after mass or by contacting Shirley Schultz, 507-456-8511 or Jo Ann & Tom Eichten 507-451-6499 for tickets or info on the St. Serra Club.

# Court Owatonna Catholic Daughters of the Americas Meeting Monday, September 16th at 6:30pm Joseph Hall, St. Joseph Parish

Refreshments will be served.

Meeting will follow after the Rosary.

Membership dues of \$35 are due this month payable to CDA Court #1180.

Catholic women 18 Years and older are invited to join. Come to the meeting and see what we are all about!

## St. Mary's School News

St. Mary's School has a couple of options if you are looking for school apparel. Please check out our website for more information. <a href="https://stmarys-owatonna.org/custom-apparel">https://stmarys-owatonna.org/custom-apparel</a> and <a href="https://stmarys-owatonna.org/spirit-wear">https://stmarys-owatonna.org/spirit-wear</a>. SMS alumni, current families, or future families, you will find something great! Thank you for your support of St. Mary's School!

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Go to the St. Mary's website and then over to SMS family resources to get more information.

Kitchen Assistant: St. Mary's is hiring part-time Kitchen Assistants to serve lunch. Shifts start at 10:45 and are approximately 3 hours. We are looking for workers who could work 1-3 shifts per week. If interested, please contact Martha Mueller (mmueller@stmarys-owatonna.org) for more information.

## The Church of Christ the King News & Events

### Mark Your Calendars: Christ the King September Events in Medford

<u>Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup></u> Catholic Daughter's Meeting 6:30 church basement

Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> – First Day of Faith Formation classes at 6:30pm and KC meeting at 7pm

<u>Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup></u> - CCW Meeting at 6:30pm in the church basement

For all the latest news from Christ the King Catholic Church, Medford scan the QR Code

# Medford's CCW Meeting will be held in the church baser

will be held in the church basement on Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

We are delighted that Father Marreddy will be joining us, as well as 2 of our youth members, who will be speaking about their experience at the Eucharistic Congress in July.

We will review previous events and begin discussions and planning for Fall BINGO. *CCW supports our faith formation* program. Please, plan to attend.

We welcome your thoughts and ideas.





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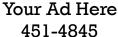


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