

Sunday, October 1, 2017

October 2 thru October 8

Monday, October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels

NO Mass at St. Peter

SM: 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, October 3 Weekday

NO Mass at St. Mary

SM: NO Adoration

SP: 8:45 am Mary Devotions

Wednesday, October 4 St. Francis of Assisi

NO Mass at St. Peter

SP: 9-12 Adoration

Thursday, October 5 Blessed Francis Xavier

8:30 am Mass at St. Peter: + Gordy Bentler

SP: 9 am – 9 pm Adoration

SP: 6:30 pm Pregnancy Resource Banquet

Friday, October 6 St. Bruno & Blessed Marie

Rose Durocher

NO MASS

Saturday, October 7 Vigil: 27th Sunday

In Ordinary Time

4:15 PM Reconciliation at St. Peter

5:00 PM Mass at St. Peter: + Nick Nice

Sunday, Oct. 8, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM SP: Rosary to end abortion

9:00 AM Mass at St. Peter: + Scott Hrubsky

Children's Liturgy Ages 4 to 2nd Grade

SP: Team 7 Coffee & Rolls

SP: Knights of Columbus meeting after Mass

11:00 AM Mass at St. Mary: For the People

Ministers of Holy Communion visit the Catholic Residents of **Heritage Living Center Complex and Diamond Willow** on Sunday Mornings.

October 1: Walsh

October 8: Bade

Care Age Facility: Deacon John Zinniel on Fridays

If you can help with Homebound Communion, please call the Parish office at 732-5142.

Pro-Life Gathering

Monday, October 2 at 7 pm at Northwoods Bank (downstairs)
Come and discover the threats faced by unborn children, their mothers, elderly and disabled persons, and other vulnerable people. Set aside one hour of your time for this informative, enlightening presentation!

St. Peter's **Knights of Columbus** council will meet after 9:00 Mass on Sunday, October 8.

St. Peter the Apostle

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES: St. Peter's

SATURDAY: October 7

5:00 P.M. Servers **Volunteers Needed**
Lector.....Tony Yerkes
Accompanist..... Amy Yerkes
Cantor.....Maggi Yerkes
Usher Capt.....Volunteer

SUNDAY: October 8

9:00 A.M. Servers **Volunteers Needed**
Lector.....Carol Winters
AccompanistAmy Yerkes
Cantor.....Annette Haas
Usher Capt.....Terry Morris

St Peter's

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Collection for September 23 & 24

Adult Envelopes	\$ 2,681.00
Loose Plate	\$ 696.00
Visitor Checks	\$ 827.00
Other	\$ 322.20
Weekly Total	\$ 4,526.20
Haiti.....	\$ 33.00
Latin America.....	\$ 50.00
Hurricane Relief.....	\$ 1,980.22
Cemetery.....	\$ 888.00

If you have any questions, please see Father Tom

'Direct Deposit' Sunday Offering

'Direct Deposit' is a **safe and secure** way to submit your Sunday offering and support St. Peter's during the many **out of town weekends** that families take! Contact Faye Wermerskirchen in the parish office for information!

Contributions using a credit card are also available.

Stewardship

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..." - PHILIPPIANS 2:3
Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self- image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life.

E-Mail/Telephone Prayer Chain

If you have a request for needed prayers for yourself, family or friends, please call (SP) Diane Schmitz at 732-4638 or (SM) Theresa Keller at 237-2322

Praying for Vocations

October 2 – October 8.....Luisa Regino
October 9 – October 15.....Luisa Regino

*Our sympathy and prayers to the family of Jerry Willet.
Funeral Mass was held on September 23 at St. Peter's. May
he enjoy life forever at the table of the Lamb.*

St. Mary's – Two Inlets

Ministries for Sunday, October 8

LECTOR	Susan Wolters
COMM DIST	Audrey Eischens, Lillian Schmaus Jodi Sunram
ALTAR SERVER	Brent Ohm
USHERS	Jim & Rose Higgins
GIFTS	Leo & Lynn Gartner
SACRISTAN	Audrey Eischens

St. Mary's Collection, September 24

Adult Envelopes	\$730.00	Loose Plate	\$202.00
Cemetery	\$410.00	Fuel Fund	\$50.00
Total Collection	\$1,392.00		
Seminarian Burse	\$40.00	Latin America	\$30.00
Hurricane Irma	\$276.00		

Direct Deposit is available at St. Mary's. Contact Lynn for details.

There will be **Adoration** on Tuesdays after weekday Mass. If there is no Mass there will not be Adoration.

Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, October 2 at 7:30 pm in the church basement.

Annual Fall Dinner & Silent Auction will be October 14 at the American Legion in Park Rapids. The menu is Roast Pork & Beef with all the trimmings. Serving from 4:30 to 7:30. Raffle Prizes from the Martha Club are a queen sized comforter, kitchen basket and afghan. **Raffle tickets** can be turned in to Joan Eischens or put in the collection basket before October 8. If you need more tickets, please contact Joan 732-4782.

Silent Auction: What can I do for the Auction? We all have talents and we just have to let them come forward. You can plan a basket, be it for a child, teenager or adult. Let your imagination take the lead. All items must be new. Think about ages. Talk to Patti Stulich (732-5305 evenings) or Lynn at the Parish office if you have questions.

St. Mary's Cemetery—A reminder to please remove all flowers and decorations at the cemetery by October 22. Thank You.

Liturgical participation sign-up sheets for October 15 thru January 14 are in the back of the church. Please consider helping with any of these ministries. Take a moment to note your availability. Thank you for your dedication.

Our sympathy and prayers to the family of Norbert "Norb" Husby who died September 24. Funeral Mass was held September 29 at St. Peter's. May he enjoy life forever at the table of the Lamb.

Children's Wellness October 8, 2:00 pm at St. Peter's
Ever wonder if your child's diet affects his/her behaviors? It is true! Become a wellness detective for your children! Learn how diet and supplements can affect your child's physical and emotional health! We invite you to learn just how your child can live his/her life at the very peak of health! Please join us for an hour of fun, education and hope!

Fr. Tom's Desk

The month of October is dedicated to "Respect Life" which so many attribute only to the abortion issue. However, our Catholic teachings go way beyond this single-minded approach to respecting life. To be pro-life is to cherish all human life from conception until a natural death. That means Respect Life must not only include beginning-of-life issues and end-of-life issues, but also include all the moral/ethical/political issues associated with our daily life: health care, living wage, affordable housing, food, work conditions, environment, migration, immigration, etc. - issues about the quality of life on this side of heaven. Respect Life means we totally accept God's plan and do everything which promotes the dignity of every human person. God does not exclude anyone for any reason. Let us continue praying for the Holy Spirit to change minds and hearts to the beauty of life. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

Oil for your Lamp

In the first reading from Ezekiel, we hear the words that make our prayers so "human"; **"The Lord's way is not fair!"** Boy can I relate to that, can't you? In our hurry up world with the need for instant gratification, waiting for the Lord to answer our prayers drives us nuts. We may think along the lines of, if God is so in control, if God created this magnificent universe, if God can gift us with salvation by the death of his son, then why does it take so long for him to answer my prayers? Could the answer be that the focus of our prayers is solely on us and not on others? God made us, to love and serve him by loving and serving others. Saint Mother Teresa is said to have experienced extreme desolation (darkness) in her soul as she waited for the Lord to answer her prayers, yet through all her doubt she continued for 40 years to serve others. Her reward? A spot in heaven beside the Blessed Virgin Mary and her son Jesus. My friends as we wait for God to answer our prayers, let us continue to serve him by serving others, by loving them, by putting their needs before our own. It is by doing this that our lamps will be filled with oil to give us light and strength to.

"To keep a lamp burning, we have to keep putting oil in it."
(Saint Teresa of Kolkata)

In the peace of Christ . . . **Deacon John Zimmel**

Rosary Please join us in praying the Rosary, honoring 100 Years of the Miracle of the Sun, the day the sun danced, that happened in Fatima, Portugal, on October 13, 1917. We will meet at the corners of Highway 71 and 34 at Nick's Conoco at 11:45 a.m., Saturday October 14th. For more information contact Rose Williams at 732-5533.

Special Collections-Hurricane Victims

Second collection for victims of **Hurricane Maria** will be next weekend, October 7 & 8. **Thank you** for your generous donations to the emergency collection to assist Dioceses affected by Hurricane Irma. Funds given to this collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and will provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses. For more information visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org. Please make checks payable to the parish and we will forward the funds.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - YOUTH MINISTRY

Annette Haas Office: 732-5142

CELL NUMBER: 218-616-2404

My Email address is: annette@arvig.net

Our **evening classes** are Wednesday evenings for grades 7-11. The Youth Room is open after school and supper will be served from 5:30-6:30. High school seniors, you are invited to join us also!

All of our classes for students in grades 1-11 are in session. If you have not yet filled out the St. Peter's/St. Mary's Registration form for your student yet, please contact Annette.

Thursday, October 5 is the Pregnancy Resource Center Banquet. Students in grades 7-12 if you are willing to help with serving and clean up, please contact me!

St. Peter's Annual Fall Bazaar is Saturday, November 18. The youth group will again host a dollar room for children to shop at. All of our items are sold for \$1. If you have items that you would like to donate for little kids to purchase as gifts drop them off at my office. We are also in need of bows and Christmas wrapping paper.

Upcoming dates:

Thursday, October 5 – Pregnancy Resource Center Banquet

Saturday, October 14 – Slap Happy Comedy, Sebeka United Methodist Church

Sunday, October 22 – XLT in Hawley

Wednesday, October 25 – Joint prayer service at Calvary Lutheran

Sunday, October 29 – High School Youth Rally in Detroit Lakes

Y-Not start something fun in our faith-based community! **Y-Not** bring our families together for some fun times! **Y-Not** socialize our children with all age groups! **Y-Not** enjoy some good food and refreshments together! I would love for you to join me by saying **Y-Not!** We are new to this community and would love to create a faith based family group where parents and children of all ages can socialize in a safe atmosphere! What we would like to offer is a place for casual discussion about any and all topics we face as parents, field trip ideas, fun activities, and pot luck meals as the group grows. Let's see where we can take this! **Y-Not!** Kaitlyn Weckwerth 763-458-8467

Community Meal is October 17 - Sign up sheet for the Community meal is in the Gathering Space. This month we will be serving chili and cornbread. We estimate that we will need at least 12 - 8x8 pans of cornbread. If you can help, please take a moment to sign up.

Happy Birthday wishes to Margaret Henry who will be 99 years young on October 2. God Bless you on your special day

Please welcome Luke & Julie Tandsater and their children, Natalie and Nathan as new members to St. Peter's parish.

Faith, Wellness, and You

Every 11 seconds, an older adult is seen in the ER for a fall related injury. The National Council on Aging has 6 steps to Prevent Falls. Find a good balance program...both Matter of Balance and Tai Chi are evidenced based programs, this helps build balance, strength, and flexibility. Talk to your health care provider, which includes assessing your risk of falling. Regularly review your medication with your doctor or pharmacist, this includes making sure side effects aren't increasing your risk of falling. Get your vision and hearing checked annually and up-date your eyeglasses. Your eyes and ears are key to keeping you on your feet. Keep your home safe, remove tripping hazards, increase lighting, make stairs safe, and install grab bars in key areas. Talk to your family members, enlist their support in taking simple steps to stay safe. Falls are not a normal process in aging, it's important to do something to prevent them before you fall. Did you know...? Many falls are preventable. There will be a free weekly class starting Oct. 24th for anyone who has fallen before or is interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength. You can sign up by calling Living at Home at 732-3137. CHI-SJ also offers a bi-weekly Tai Ji Quan class to improve balance, cost of the Tai-Ji Quan class is \$100 and runs for 12 weeks, sign up by calling Alicia at 218-616-3008. You can contact your parish nurses at: Diane: 218-255-1270 and Tiffany at 218-252-8227.

BEMIDJI AREA PRO-LIFE OPPORTUNITIES

A monthly prayer hour at Planned Parenthood of Bemidji (2504 Hannah Ave NW) will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2017, from 10-11 a.m. The prayer hour will be held in conjunction with the nationwide campaign of 40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE campaigns will be held at 375 locations within the U.S. and around the world from September 27 - November 5, 2017. October is also known as Respect Life Month. All ages are welcome. A limited number of signs will be provided. Questions: call 218-368-9019.

St. Mary's-Two Inlets

Annual Fall Dinner, Silent Auction & Raffle

Saturday, October 14

American Legion, Park Rapids

Serving 4:30 – 7:30 pm

A meal of roast beef & pork, mashed potatoes, gravy and all the trimmings, with homemade pies and desserts

Adults \$10, Children 12 and under \$5, preschoolers free

Raffle prizes from the Martha Club are a queen size comforter, kitchen basket, and an afghan.

Come enjoy the food and fellowship!