

S.S. PETER & PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH



Our mission is to enhance the foundation of Christian faith by uniting fellow Christians through the ministries that celebrate the values and beliefs for righteousness and duties to God, through community involvement, addressing the needs of the people of this church and the community.

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday 10:00 AM
Wednesday 6:00 PM

RECONCILIATION:

Sunday 9:30 AM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday and Wednesday, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM or by appointment. Please leave a message and we will return your call.
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Sunday, April 26th

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

A Message from Fr. Shawn

Dear Friends of Peter and Paul,

Today we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday". Jesus reminds us that He is our "Good Shepherd" who will watch over and take care of us if we seek to remain part of His herd.

When we stay close to our Lord through prayer, repentance and the Eucharist we hear and know the loving voice of the Good Shepherd and follow it. He then leads us to safe pastures of joy and peace in this life and in the next. Yet we know that if we should stray from the fold, our good shepherd will chase after us calling out constantly for our return. This is a great example of how much God loves and cares for each of us so that we might have life and have it more abundantly.

Let us this week continue to follow His voice and seek to bring others with us!

Blessings to you during this Easter Season,

Fr. Shawn



MASS INTENTIONS

This Week: Patrick, Maureen and Dennis Simmons+
Next Week: Robert, LaVerna and Jim Tri+

Upcoming Mass and Adoration Schedule

Sunday, May 3rd - First Holy Communion Mass - 10:00AM

Thursday, May 7th - Adoration - 7:00-8:00 PM

Remember our Parishioners & Family in Need of Prayer

Warren Buck, Dave Huneke, Annelise Corey, Bob and Diane Beniak, Tom Roble, Anna Darcy, Lenora Irwin, Dennis O'Brien, Glen Berry, Norma Frank, Bob Tri Jr, Kelli Ray, Cindy Buck and Eric Yeakel.

If you are, or you know someone who is, in the hospital or nursing home, please notify Father Shawn, Deacon Paul or the office.

Our Priests Need Prayers Too

Pax Christi is trying to restart a group dedicated to praying for Fr. Shawn. Following the simple guidelines from the Seven Sisters Apostolate, they need seven women willing to offer one holy hour, one day a week each. If you are already praying for our priest or would like to start, please call or text Lise Paulik at 507-218-6669 or email our the office.

Faith Formation Corner

Dear Families,

Our last night of classes took place on Wednesday, April 22, and it was a beautiful evening. The students enjoyed time outdoors along with ice cream treats—it was a wonderful way to close out the year together.

Thank you to all our families, catechists and students for making this such a great year!

As we look ahead, here are a few important upcoming dates:

- **May 3:** First Holy Communion during 10am Mass
- **May 10:** Rite of Sending for Confirmation candidates during Mass
- **May 10:** Graduating Senior Sunday for our high school seniors

May 15 at 7:00 PM: Confirmation at Pax Christi, celebrated by Bishop Robert Barron (please note that seating is limited per student)

We look forward to celebrating these special milestones with you. Have a great week!

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April 13 - April 19

Adult Offertory	\$7,530.00
Easter	\$75.00
Building and Maintenance	\$481.00
Holy Thursday Food Shelf	\$40.00
Good Friday Holy Lands	\$40.00
Cemetery	\$190.00
Total	\$8,356.00

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April 26th Ministry Schedule

Hospitality:	Barb Karshen
Lector:	Teresa Post
Eucharistic Ministers:	Adriane Baird, Jeanette Richardson, Leila Bussman-Yeakel
Sacristan:	Beth Arendt
Ushers:	Helen Reiland, Joe Liffbrig
Counters:	Shelia Frank, Joe Sand
Servers:	Lucas Post, Penelope Baird

May 3rd Ministry Schedule

Hospitality:	Dave and Cecelia Flaaen
Lector:	Leila Bussman- Yeakel
Eucharistic Ministers:	Deacon Paul, Beth Arendt, Becky Hinchley
Sacristan:	Jodi Peterman
Ushers:	Jerry McNamara, PJ Poncelet
Counters:	Angela Heitman, Denise Hepplemann Wangsness
Servers:	Katherine Peterman, Penelope Baird

Daily Mass Readings for the Week

Sunday Acts 2: 14a. 36-41/ Ps 23: 1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6 (1)/ 1 Pt 2: 20b-25/ Jn 10: 1-10

Monday Acts 11: 1-18/ Ps 42: 2-3; 43: 3-4/ Jn 10: 11-18

Tuesday Acts 11: 19-26/ Ps 87: 1b-3. 4-5. 6-7/ Jn 10: 22-30

Wednesday Acts 12: 24 -- 13: 5a/ Ps 67: 2-3. 5. 6 and 8/ Jn 12: 44-50

Thursday Acts 13: 13-25/ Ps 89: 2-3. 21-22. 25 and 27/ Jn 13: 16-20

Friday Acts 13: 26-33/ Ps 2: 6-7. 8-9. 10-11ab/ Jn 14: 1-6. Proper Gospel for Joseph: Mt 13: 54-58

Saturday Acts 13: 44-52/ Ps 98: 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4/ Jn 14: 7-14

Catholic Charities Appeal



Inspired by Mary's Compassion, Our annual Catholic Charities Appeal is held each Mother's Day Weekend—a time recognized by the Diocese as an opportunity to reflect on the connection between the Blessed Mother and the early work of Catholic Charities, including orphanage and adoption services.

Inspired by the Blessed Mother, Mary's loving "yes" to her unborn child, Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota continues a mission rooted in compassion and care.

More than 75 years later, our mission has grown to serve not only the unborn, but also expectant mothers, individuals, and families—offering support, refuge, stability, and hope through shelter, rent and utility assistance, diapers, essential care, and much more for our local communities.

Please consider supporting our mission this **Mother's Day Weekend, May 9th and 10th**. Learn more at www.ccsomn.org

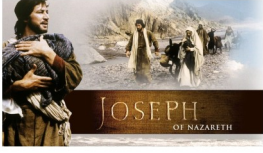


Happy Birthday!

This week we celebrate Jady Irish, Nathan Rude and Amelia Buller on May 2nd.

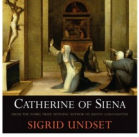
This Week on Formed

Week of April 26, 2026



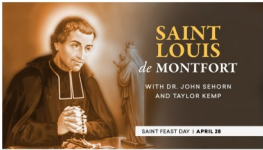
Joseph of Nazareth

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!



Catherine of Siena

Sigrid Undset's Catherine of Siena is critically acclaimed as one of the best biographies of this well-known and amazing fourteenth-century saint.



St. Louis de Montfort | Catholic Saints

Dr. John Sehorn joins Taylor Kemp to discuss the life of St. Louis de Montfort. Born in western France, St. Louis had a great love for Mary and the Rosary. His work True Devotion to Mary helps Catholics grow in their relationship with Jesus through his Mother, Mary.

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Coming Alive in Your Faith

For Life Long Faith Formation opportunities at SS Peter and Paul Church, contact the office with interest and study requests. Check out our Book and CD Kiosk Area in the Parish Hall. Browse through the Books and CD's to come alive in your faith. Monetary donations are appreciated.

OCIA Classes

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Deacon Paul will be hosting an OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults). Please contact the office if you would like more information.

Building and Grounds Committee

The Parish building and grounds committee will make recommendations and guide the church leadership, on necessary up-keep and presentation of the church buildings and grounds. Also bring back our 'Spring Cleaning Day' of the Parish Center, Church Buildings and Landscapes. Please contact the office if interested in participating.
parishadmin@sspnp.com 507-843-3885

Adult Education and Training

Learn about the Five Steps to Protect Children through a VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children safe environment training session. This is fantastic information for parents, grandparents, and all those concerned about the safety of children. There is an initial (2 hour) in-person training with an online option that takes about 60 to 75 minutes to complete. Register at www.virtus.org

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are wonderful remembrances and tributes to Loved ones. All Mass stipend offerings that come to us are most welcome. We have many openings in 2026. Please contact the office for those dates. You may place stipends in the offertory baskets labeled Mass intentions with the name and date and your contact number. As of July 1st, Mass Intention stipends are \$10 per intention, limited to 3 per person, per year.

[Click here for the April 2026 edition of The Courier](#)

Local Events

**St. Patrick's Chicken BBQ
30932 Hwy 60, West Albany, MN.
and Silent Auction (10:30 to 1:00
pm)**

Sunday, April 26th.

11 am-1pm (or until gone)

1/2 meal \$15

1/4 meal \$10

**Includes; potato salad, baked beans, roll, drink &
dessert**

Fall Dinner



The fall dinner ministry is seeking a new Chair and Co-Chair for the fall dinner. Please see a member of the ministry or contact the parish office if you are able to help make this fundraiser possible.