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Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

On Oct. 14, 2021, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota confirmed a Plan of Reorganization for the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. This plan was jointly submitted by the Diocese and the Committee of Unsecured Creditors, who represent the survivors of sexual abuse.

I want to express my deepest apology to the survivors of sexual abuse in the Church. You trusted those who were to keep you safe and they betrayed that trust. When that trust was placed in a priest who took away your innocence, that experience was deeply devastating and traumatic. I am deeply sorry. My prayers are joined to countless others, as we commend you for your bravery and ask the Lord to bring you healing and wholeness.

After seeing so much pain and suffering in the lives of the survivors, the Diocese of Winona-Rochester is resolved to maintain a safe environment in every parish, Catholic school and related institution by insisting on training for every priest, deacon, religious, teacher, employee and volunteer, who has any contact with underage persons or vulnerable adults. We are committed to staying vigilant, because training has opened our eyes both to identifying the signs of grooming behaviors with minors and to reporting concerns about possible abuse to law enforcement.

I remain very grateful to our Catholic Community across the twenty counties of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. You have taught me to be hope-filled amid the challenges of the clergy scandals in the Church and to remain committed to seek justice for the survivors of sexual abuse. You taught me to remain anchored with a deep faith in Jesus Christ and be sustained by His presence in the Eucharist.

Blessed are you for being committed to the great good done by the Church through the ministries of education, healthcare and service to the poor.

Blessed are you for affirming your pastors and priests and for helping them and me, your bishop, to seek the holiness of Jesus Christ.

Blessed are you for your lives of Christian witness and faithfulness to the Gospel.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Rev. John M. Quinn
Bishop of Winona-Rochester

Immaculate Conception, Saturday, Oct. 23rd 4:30PM - +Leo Kryzer
St. Peter, Sunday, Oct. 24th 8:00AM - +Al Langen
St. Joseph, Sunday, Oct. 24th 10:00AM - For the Parishioners
St. Peter, Tuesday, Oct. 26th 8:25AM - +Diane Burckart
St. Joseph, Wednesday, Oct. 27th 8:30AM - +Maggie DeStazio
St. Peter, Thursday, Oct. 28th 8:25AM - +Bernie & +Phillis Feldmeier
St. Joseph, Friday, Oct. 29th 8:30AM - +Ernie & +Agnes Moneau
Immaculate Conception, Saturday, Oct. 30th 4:30PM - +Dale & +Winnie Jenksinson
St. Peter, Sunday, Oct. 31st 8:00AM - For the Parishioners
St. Joseph, Sunday, Oct. 31st 10:00AM - +John & +Selina Nikunen

A big **THANK YOU** to all of you who made St. Joseph's Swiss Steak Dinner a great success. Many hands labored to bring this dinner together. God bless each one of you for your help and time.



First Friday Mass :

St. Joseph, Rushford November 5th at 8:30AM.

Church Support

Imm. Conception - Oct. 9th - will update next week
St. Joseph — Oct. 17th — will update next week
St. Peter — Oct. 17th - \$1, 210

St. Joseph – Liturgical Schedule

October 31st @ 10:00AM
 Lector — David
 Ushers — Gary & Steve F.
 Rosary — Jacob

St. Peter – Liturgical Schedule

• **Sunday, October 31st @ 8:00AM**
 Lector— Don Petersen
 Ushers— Tony Miller & David Feuerhelm
 Servers— Owen & Mariah Von Arx and Alex Henke
 Greeter — Landon Von Arx & Arie Albert
 Rosary— Dave Feuerhelm

Texas Dave Family Benefit: A Benefit is being held for the family of “**Texas Dave**” Keenan who tragically lost his life this past August. The benefit is being held Sat., October 30th at the Nordic Lanes in Rushford. A bake sale will begin at 9AM. If you would like to help by donating baked goods, they can be dropped off at the bowling alley between 7:30 and 9AM or if you are not able to bring them to the bowling alley, you can call Rana Albrecht at 507-961-8323 and she will pick up. Please have your baked goods wrapped and labeled, who donation is from. Thank you for your support!



St. Peter School News

Trunk or Treat (10/29).....Trunk or Treat is a great way for parents and community to participate in Halloween at St. Peter's School. Parents park in the upper parking lot with their trunks open (some dress up their vehicles or wear costumes themselves). Kids are led by their teachers around the parking lot for parents to hand out candy. Great opportunity for parents to see all the costumes and enjoy this special moment with all the children. Please go to St. Peter's School: Trunk or Treat (signupgenius.com) if you would like to join us!

Couples Dinner/ Date Night.....on Saturday, October 23rd, dating, engaged, and married couples are invited to attend dinner at Crucifixion School after 5:00 pm mass, followed by dinner, a guest speaker, and great conversation with other couples at the La Crescent Snowmobile Club. Cost is \$40.00 per couple. Tickets will be available after at the Crucifixion parish office. This is a great opportunity for you to gain ways to strengthen your relationship through faith.

Important Dates....

- 10/26 8:25 am, mass
- 10/27 Picture re-take day
- 10/28 8:25 am, mass
- 10/29 Dress down day (end of 1st quarter)
- 10:00 am, Trunk or Treat
- 11/1 8:25 am, All Saints Day mass
- 11/16 8:25 am, mass
- 11/18 8:25 am, mass
- 11/23 8:25 am, mass
- 11/24 Thanksgiving break, no school
- 11/25 Thanksgiving break, no school
- 11/26 Thanksgiving break, no school
- 11/30 8:25 am, mass