



# Church of St. Matthew

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## November 3, 2019 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordered Time

### *Liturgy Schedule*

|                  |                 |                                 |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>8:00 am</b>  | Mass                            |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>8:00 am</b>  | Mass                            |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>8:00 am</b>  | Scripture/Communion Service     |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>9:10 am</b>  | Mass Community of Saints School |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>8:00 am</b>  | Mass                            |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>4:15 pm</b>  | Mass                            |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>10:15 am</b> | Mass                            |

### *Reconciliation*

**1st & 3rd Saturday** After 4:15 pm Mass  
**2nd & 4th Sunday** After 10:15 am Mass

**Prayer Line** 651.457.0228

### *Readings for the week of November 3, 2019*

Sunday: Wis 11:22—12:2/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14 [cf. 1]/2 Thes 1:11—2:2/Lk 19:1-10  
Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36 [14c]/Lk 14:12-14  
Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24  
Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a]/Lk 14:25-33  
Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 15:1-10  
Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Lk 16:1-8  
Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8, 9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-2

## Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

In this day and age, it is all too easy to view each other with suspicion or at least a certain guardedness. Of course, it's wise to be prudent in our dealings with people. But stewardship living calls us to a different outlook towards others. It calls us to approach everyone with an open heart; not through a lens of suspicion but quite the opposite — through the lens of loving hospitality.

This is the attitude our heavenly Father has when He looks upon creation, as we see in our first reading, from the Book of Wisdom. "For you love all things that are and loathe nothing that you have made... (Y)ou spare all things, because they are yours, O Lord and lover of souls, for your imperishable spirit is in all things!" God's "imperishable spirit" is in every person because every person is made in God's own image and likeness.

Far deeper than good manners or a superficial exchange of pleasantries, the virtue of hospitality is the outward expression of this way of seeing people as God sees them.

Jesus models this transforming hospitality in His encounter with Zacchaeus, the tax collector, in today's Gospel reading from Luke. Not content with just exchanging a friendly hello with Zacchaeus, Jesus seeks him out of the crowd and insists on having dinner in his home. This was a gesture of intimacy and true fellowship in that day and culture. Jesus saw the goodness within the man. Our Lord's open and welcoming attitude (His hospitality) called forth that goodness and Zacchaeus was transformed instantly.

If we are willing to practice true, radical Christian hospitality in our daily lives, our families, workplaces, and our parish can be transformed, too.

*- The Catholic Steward*

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Mary Leibl,  
Volunteer  
Coordinator

## Volunteer Opportunities & Parish Needs

**"Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8**

**We need volunteers to continue the work of serving our parish and community. Currently we have 4 continuing opportunities.**

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD, TEACHERS AND HELPERS NEEDED**

From mid-September until mid-May, children ages 3 to 6 may participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:15 am Mass; the children are in the chapel about 20 minutes for age-appropriate instruction and crafts. We need more teachers and teen helpers to consistently offer the program every weekend. Curriculum and supplies are provided. For more information about what is involved, email Faith Formation director Janelle Rohr at [Janelle@st-matts.org](mailto:Janelle@st-matts.org) or call her at 651-457-3522.

### **BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

Need Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs), Registered Nurses (RNs), Physicians and EMTs who would be willing to volunteer on the first weekend of the month, after Saturday & Sunday Masses. Blood pressure cuffs will be provided.

### **MUSICIANS**

In need of Choir members, Cantors & Instrumentalists. The choir sings for Sunday 10:15 am Mass and practices on alternate weeks September-May. The Choir practices at 9:15 am. Next practice will be Sunday, November 3rd. Cantors and instrumentalists are needed for both weekend masses.

### **FAITH FORMATION**

Looking for hospitality coordinators: Will plan & organize food, drinks, service, set-up, and clean-up at 4-5 events in October, December, February, March, & April. Recruit helpers & contributors. Need to enjoy being around kids. Best if 2 persons who work well together shared the coordinating job. Email Faith Formation director Janelle Rohr at [Janelle@st-matts.org](mailto:Janelle@st-matts.org) or call her at 651-457-3522.

### **THANK YOU!**

**We are a Volunteer Parish!! The future of our parish depends on our dedicated volunteers!**

Thank you to the following who helped with the service and meal for our Confirmation class. Fernando Avalos, Mike Bauer, Alan Christensen, Crisanto Dubuc, Becky Montgomery, Joanne Smith, Dave Sondag and Kathleen & Scott Thompson. Thanks also to the Confirmation families who brought food, to the students who took on ministry roles during Mass and to the Avalos, Lubajua and Renteria families for helping with clean up.

## News and Events

### SAVE THE PLANET

"You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending." - C.S. Lewis



Repair, Reuse, Reclaim, Repurpose! Be the change you wish to see.

### ANNUAL MASS COUNTS

Each October the Archdiocese of Saint Paul/Minneapolis asks all parishes to record the number of individuals attending weekend Masses. 2019 counts show St. Matthew's attendance is up from 2018.

Saturday

10/5: 147, 10/12: 181, 10/19: 118, 10/26: 199 Total 645

Sunday

10/6: 111, 10/13: 109, 10/20: 142, 10/27: 117 Total 479

### "KITCHENETTE THANKS"

Thanks to John and Tom Kegler for a long and fruitful Friday. They fit three cabinets together; they installed a countertop; they installed a new faucet and new waste; and hooked up new lines to the supply. And it all worked!! Another reason to "come and see."

### TURKEY BINGO

Come join the fun of "Turkey Bingo" Saturday, November 9th beginning at 5:00 pm in the Social Hall.



There will be cash prizes and you will have many chances to win your Thanksgiving turkey too! Fun event for young and young at heart.

Beer and wine will be on sale; the Men's Club will provide a food menu as well.

### WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS October 27, 2019

#### Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer 30  
Hours in service 59

|                   |                 |                  |              |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Parish            |                 | School           | \$ 80        |
| Envelopes/Cash    | \$ 4,544        | Mission Sunday   | \$310        |
| Electronic Giving | \$ 962          |                  |              |
| Vigil Lights      | \$ 32           | <b>Total</b>     | <b>\$390</b> |
| Coffee Sunday     | \$ 30           | <b>Thank You</b> |              |
| Masses            | \$ 32           |                  |              |
| Funeral Stipend   | \$ 750          |                  |              |
| Assumption        | \$ 10           |                  |              |
| Roof Fund         | \$ 50           |                  |              |
| Rental            | \$ 450          |                  |              |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>\$ 6,860</b> |                  |              |
| <b>Thank You</b>  |                 |                  |              |



The Bells of Saint Matthew rang on November 1st to mark the anniversary of Eugene Gonsowski's death. May he rest in God's peace and love.

Call Linda Rivera at the parish office to schedule your special date.

### CHEROKEE TAVERN THANKSGIVING DINNER



A full, all the trimmings turkey dinner will again be provided to all who will be alone on Thanksgiving. Or perhaps you are unable to provide a meal for yourself.

The meal will be served at the Church of St. Joseph on Seminole Ave. in West St. Paul. You must have tickets for this dinner; dine in and take-out are available. Please call the Parish Office at 651.224.9793 to reserve your seat or meal. **Deadline to reserve tickets is November 19th.**

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE REMINDER

We will be writing the next Liturgy schedule on November 19th. This schedule will cover the dates from November 30 through February 23. Please let us know of any dates you are unavailable during this time frame, or any dates you WANT to be scheduled. Thank you again for your continued help! Jan Lackner 651.457.4766 jml3242@aol.com

### OUR THANKS

To everyone at St. Matthew's, Our mother Pearla Bejblik was baptized at St. Matt's back in the 1920's... "Pearla Theodora Baligrodzki." We appreciate that her and our dad John sent us all to school at St. Matt's. Thank you for helping us with her "celebration of life." She's dancing in heaven with dad! John and Jacque Bejblik Bob and Mary Bejblik Patti and Danny Dee

### COMMUNITY OF SAINTS NEWS

Our school Halloween dance was a major success! Many students attended with their families, and we also had guests from the larger community come to the dance as well! We had games, a photo booth, a DJ, and food and refreshments were available! We had over 150 people attend! We also raised \$1600 for our Home and School Association.



This week we hosted Special Person day for our students. We appreciate all of the special people in our students' lives! The morning included Mass with an All Saints Day performance by 5th graders, an altar for Dia de los Muertos and coffee and treats following the Mass.

### MEMORIAL BOOK

There is a special "Memorial Book" in which you can write the names of your deceased loved ones. We will remember these individuals throughout the month of November.

You will find the book located on the altar platform during weekend Masses and in the chapel during the week.

**Please remember the Church of Saint Matthew in your estate plan, will or trust.**

**Parish Leadership**

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**Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Sacraments**

Please contact the Parish Office regarding Baptism, Marriage, First Communion and Confirmation information.

**Bulletin**

Announcements are due on **Monday by 10:00 am** for the next Sunday's bulletin. *Items received after 10:00 am will appear in the following week's bulletin.*

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Saturday, November 2**

4:15 pm Pam, Lucille, & Robert Stickler, Sr. †

### **Sunday, November 3**

10:15 am Our Parish; Arthur Geis †

### **Monday, November 4**

8:00 am Alice Scaramuzzo †

### **Tuesday, November 5**

8:00 am David Andrews †

### **Friday, November 8**

8:00 am Carol & Jack Heitzinger †

### **Saturday, November 9**

4:15 pm Joe Kegler & Bob Snyder †

### **Sunday, November 10**

10:15 am Our Parish; Bob Nowak †

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **Saturday, November 2**

8:00 am All Souls Day

4:15 pm Mass

COS Second Collection

Reconciliation Following Mass

Blood Pressure Screening Following Mass

4:30 pm Fix-it-Fundraiser SH

### **Sunday, November 3**

9:15 am Choir Practice C

10:15 am Mass with Children Liturgy of the Word

COS Second Collection

Blood Pressure Screening Following Mass

Coffee Sunday following Mass SH

### **Monday – Friday November 4– November 8**

5:00 - 6:00 pm Loaves & Fishes SH

### **Monday, November 4**

12:00 - 5:00 pm St. Mary Clinic PC

### **Tuesday, November 5**

### **Wednesday, November 6**

8:00 am - 12:00 pm St. Mary's Clinic

6:30 pm Faith Formation Classes

7:30 pm Men's Club Board Meeting

### **Thursday, November 7**

9:10 am Mass at COS

### **Friday, November 8**

### **Saturday, November 9**

4:15 pm Mass with Baptism

5:00 pm Turkey Bingo

### **Sunday, November 10**

10:15 am Mass with Children Liturgy of the Word

Reconciliation after Mass

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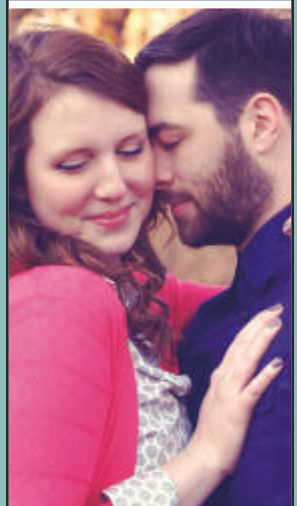
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