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"At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil"
(Gospel)

March 1, 2020 First Sunday of Lent

Liturgy Schedule

Monday	8:00 am	Mass
Tuesday	8:00 am	Mass
Thursday	9:10 am	Mass at COS
Friday	8:00 am	Mass
Saturday	4:15 pm	Mass
Sunday	10:15 am	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 March 1, 2020

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 [cf. 3a]/
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt
25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt
6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk
11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-
8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

As we begin the beautiful and challenging season of Lent, our readings this week remind us why we need these 40 days so much. They also suggest a particular strategy we Christian stewards might take as we make the journey towards Easter.

Our first reading takes us back to Genesis, reminding us of our Creator and the loving care and lavish gifts He gave to our ancestors, Adam and Eve. He created them out of pure love and provided abundantly for them.

Life was good in the Garden! Until the first couple allowed just a sliver of doubt in the goodness of God to enter their minds. Swayed by the words of the serpent, they became ungrateful and distrustful despite God's great love and all the gifts of creation He had provided. Sound familiar? These same temptations threaten to pull us away from God today.

Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, shows us by the example of Jesus Himself one way that we can attain spiritual strength and grow to become more effective disciples and stewards. In this passage, we find our Lord in the desert, fasting for 40 days and 40 nights. Like Adam and Eve, He is confronted by the evil one. But unlike our fallen parents, our Lord triumphs definitively over the devil's lies and sends him slithering away.

How did He do it? By knowing the Scriptures and by proclaiming them confidently. And by His perfect trust in the Father.

This Lent, let us embrace this 40-day spiritual reset. Let us prioritize our use of time by committing to prayerful study of the Scriptures and trusting more deeply in the Father's love. We will surely be better stewards by Easter.

- *The Catholic Steward*

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Volunteer
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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 5 continuing opportunities.

FISH FRY

Our Lenten Fish Fry has begun! Perhaps rather than giving something up for Lent, you would rather be of service to others. The Fish Fry welcomes volunteers for many opportunities. They need volunteers to **serve meals, clean tables** and **help with "Drive-Up orders**. If interested, you can call the Parish Center and leave your name. Walk in volunteers are always welcome too!

LITURGICAL MUSICIANS

In need of Choir members, Cantors & Instrumentalists. The choir sings for Sunday 10:15 am Mass and practices on alternate weeks September-May. Our next practice will be at 9:15 am March 8th. We will be practicing every Sunday from now through Easter. Cantors and instrumentalists are needed for both weekend masses. As we prepare for Lent, Holy Week and Easter services, more volunteers would be appreciated!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Need volunteers to serve as Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, at the Saturday 4:15 pm Mass. Will train.

ALTAR SERVERS

Inviting youth 4th grade and older who would like to serve at the Saturday 4:15 pm or Sunday 10:15 am Mass. Training will be provided.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our Liturgy of the Word sessions for young children during the Sunday 10:15 am Mass continue into May, and we need helpers for Sunday Masses in March, April and May. Can you be a helper once a month during that time? You would assist the teacher with children ages 3 to 8, helping the kids find their place in a booklet, helping with crafts, etc. If yes, contact Janelle Rohr at 651-457-3522 or 651-242-6004 or email: jdrohr@pro-ns.net

I invite anyone who could help with these volunteer opportunities to contact me through the parish office or email me at mleibl@st-matts.org

Thank You to Ann, Joan, Marilyn, Elaine and Joanne who served refreshments last Saturday after the GITCYS Concert.

News and Events

OUR EARTH OUR HOME

...Deterioration of environment and society affects the most vulnerable people on the planet .
- the poorest . Pope Francis



AARP DRIVER SAFETY

Another 4-hour course will be offered on **Thursday, April 16; 8:30 - 12:30** at Saint Matthew's. If you attend this course you may be eligible for 10% reduction on your car insurance (per person, per vehicle). Now is the time to do this: the current costs (\$15 - AARP members; \$20 - non-members) will rise by \$5 on July 1. Registration is necessary; please call the parish office.



SAINT MATTHEW WELCOMES ALL TO OUR PARISH

New to the area, joining us for the first time or coming home again? Please call Linda Rivera at the parish office to register as a member of our parish family or stop by the office to visit us.

BIBLE STUDY

Father Adrian will continue his presentation of the Gospel of Matthew. These three mornings will address the passion, death, and resurrection of the Lord as recounted in the "first" Gospel. **Saturday morning, March 14, 21, & 28, 9:15 - 11:00 am** in the parish center, lower level. Kindly RSVP to the parish office. Thank you.

ANOTHER MUSICAL OFFERING

SPCO (The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra) concert on **Thursday, March 12, 7:00 pm** in the church. This concert, originally scheduled for Humboldt is being changed because the theater is not available during remodeling.

Tickets are necessary; they are complimentary to anyone who lives in the 55107 zip code (or may want to?) Because of this change of venue the orchestra would like to be posters into public places and businesses on the West Side, and beyond. Would you take one to one of the locations? (sing your name and take a poster.)



The Sounds and Sights of St. Matt's

The **Bells** will ring on March 6th to celebrate the 65th wedding anniversary of **Leo and Marcie Kegler**. Congratulation Leo and Marcie!!

From March 7 - March 14, the **sanctuary lamp in church** will burn in memory of **Rich Neveu**; and the **sanctuary lamp in the chapel** will burn in memory of **Tony Joseph**. Both are 1961 graduates of St. Matthew School.

Contact Linda Rivera at the parish office if you would like to schedule a day to ring the bells, or a week to burn the sanctuary lamp for your special memory or event.

LOAVES & FISHES PROGRAM REMINDER

Beginning Friday, February 28 and all the Fridays of Lent the Loaves & Fishes program will **NOT** serve meals on Fridays. If you regularly eat meals at Loaves and Fishes on Fridays or know someone who does, please help us spread this information to those who need to know.

All are invited to come to the Fish Fry Dinner on Fridays, **rather this is a paid, fundraising event, not a free meal.** Thank you for understanding.

THE SOCIAL HALL BATHROOM WORK CONTINUES

Thanks to **Pete and James** for painting the bathrooms this weekend. The paint colors were chosen by the Securian consultants—they should not go 'out of style.' Soon the colors for the partitions will be determined and the partitions will be ordered. The suppliers suggest about 12-15 business days for delivery. Then the old ones will be removed and the new ones installed. (Do the partitions in the men's room have to be the same color as those in the women's?)

Two weeks ago, there was serious discussion about making an ADA complaint bathroom. A number of ideas were floated and commented on. With the layout of the bathrooms and the plumbing, it is not possible to include such a space in the current bathrooms. The group decided that this issue will be addressed after the completion of the current remodeling project.

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

There is still time for a response. (And the CSA would like a response from each "family" even if you are unable to donate or pledge this year.) The amount given last year was \$13,136. If our donations exceed that we will receive a rebate of 25% of the excess. So, a contribution not only support the 20 ministries, but may be the cause of money being given to St. Matthew, as well.

ALTERNATE GIVING METHODS

Thanks to the two parish families who are beginning "electronic giving" in March...one monthly on the 5th; one monthly on the 20th. Thanks, as well, to the parish family who uses the QR code on a weekly basis. Thanks to the parish family who made a large contribution by giving directly from a financial plan to St. Matthews.

ADDITIONAL STEWARDSHIP OPTIONS

On the your weekly giving envelope you have the opportunity to also give your prayer time and your talent to the parish. Please remember to let us know each week how you are serving your parish. We tally and show these numbers weekly on the "scoreboard" to the left. Let your service be counted!!

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS February 23, 2020

Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer 37

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Parish School \$ 320

Envelopes/Cash \$ 6,459 Religious

Electronic Giving \$ 1,398 Retirement \$

Vigil Lights \$ 45 **Total \$ 320**

Masses \$ 282 **Thank You!**

Rental \$ 610

Bells \$ 30

Funeral \$ **PayPal QR Code**

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Total \$ 8,894 electronic stewardship

Thank You! contributions.



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

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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, February 29

4:15 pm Paul Haynes, Special Intention

Sunday, March 1

10:15 am Our Parish
John Bejblik†

Monday, March 2

8:00 am David Andrews†

Tuesday, March 3

8:00 am Raymond J. Galep

Friday, March 6

8:00 am Arthur Geis†

Saturday, March 7

4:15 pm Alice Scaramuzzo

Sunday, March 8

10:15 am Our Parish
Ronald G. Crawford†

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, February 29

4:15 pm Mass

Sunday March 1

9:15 am Choir Practice
Children Liturgy of the Word
Coffee Sunday

Monday, March 2 - Thursday, March 6

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

Monday, March 2

8:00 Mass
12:00 - 5:00 pm St. Mary Clinic PC
6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, March 3

8:00 Mass

Wednesday, March 4

8:00 am - 5:00 pm St. Mary's Clinic
6:30 pm Faith Formation Classes C/PC
7:30 pm Men's Club Board Meeting SH

Thursday, March 5

9:10 am Mass COS

Friday, March 6 Abstinence

8:00 Mass
4:30-7:30 pm Fish Fry SH

Saturday, March 7

4:15 pm Mass

Sunday March 8

9:15 am Choir Practice
10:15 Mass with Confirmation Blessing
Children Liturgy of the Word
Confirmation Brunch all welcome after Mass

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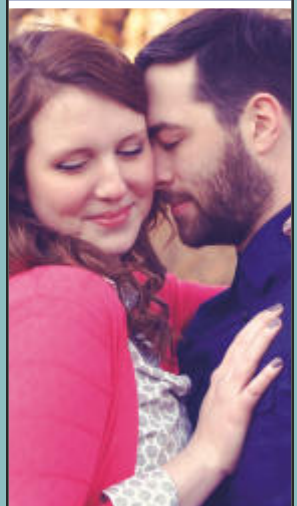
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