

Church of St. Matthew

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On this mountain the Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples: a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines

October 11, 2020
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordered Time

Liturgy Schedule

Masses

In person 4:15 pm Saturday
Streamed 10:15 am Sunday

Reconciliation

2nd and 4th Saturday of the month
following 4:15 pm Mass

Baptism, Matrimony, Anointing of the sick
Please call the parish office for each

Prayer Line 651.457.0228

Readings for the week of October 11, 2020

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [cf. 2]/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 [41a]/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2a]/Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 [12]/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7 [7]/Lk 12:8-12

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

How easy it is, especially in these times, to be consumed by the cares and distractions of the “here and now,” forgetting about what matters most — living for the Kingdom of Heaven. The stewardship way of life, with its emphasis on the virtuous use of our Time, Talent, and Treasure, allows us to embrace daily life and all its demands — with eternity in mind.

How do we keep focused on the Kingdom of Heaven? St. Paul shares his secret for an eternity-driven life. In our Second Reading from his Letter to the Philippians, Paul says, “I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need.” In other words, Paul has learned to live the stewardship way of life.

What is the secret? It is this: “I can do all things in him who strengthens me.” How? Through this: “My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” It is so simple! But it is not easy. It takes both courage and humility to live this way. God will supply these to us if we ask.

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

FAITH FORMATION

St. Matthew’s Faith Formation program needs volunteers to teach students in younger grades and needs two volunteers at the front desk. Time commitment is Wednesday evenings from mid-September until early May. We are seeking volunteers between the ages of 16 & 64. Additionally, substitute teachers are needed. Even if you could only volunteer occasionally, we could still use your help! To find out more, please email Faith Formation director Janelle Rohr at Janelle@st-matts.org or call or text 651-242-6004

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

THANK YOU!

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

THANK YOU to the **50** parishioners who attended our Public Mass last Saturday. As we continue to film that Mass for those who wish to attend the **Sunday Mass online**, we thank our celebrant **Fr. Adrian** who offers Mass for us and through the words of his homily gives us strength & hope as we live through these trying days. To **John** who assists where needed and makes sure everyone & everything is where it needs to be. To our pianist **Jill** and our cantor **Linda**. To **Kathy & Ginny** who presented the readings. To our Eucharistic ministers **Jeanne & Bob**. We thank our sacristans **Mary & Ginny**. Thank you to our ushers **Tim & Tom** & doorman **Mike**. We are all especially grateful to **Alan!!** He came forward last March and offered to film all our services. He then edits the production and puts it out on the web for all to view! He makes it possible for us to come together and worship as a parish, during an exceedingly difficult time. If you were not able to join the service as it happened, you can watch the Mass on the **st-matts.org Website/Facebook page** or on **YouTube**.

THANK YOU to **Pete and James** who completed patching the portico floor at the front door entrance to the church!

THANK YOU to **Chris, Marilyn & Patty** who addressed and stuffed the envelopes for the Calendar Raffle mailing. We also thank **Pete & Linda** for working over the weekend to get the raffle envelopes prepared for the Post Office!

Do you have family, neighbors or friends who are unable to attend Mass? If you would like to take communion to them in their homes, call the Parish Center or see a sacristan before Mass. If you do not have a pyx one will be provided.

News and Events

Saint Matthew's motto-to be the Good Samaritan on the banks of the Mississippi.

BEFORE ATTENDING MASS, STOP, THINK, CONSIDER

While Saint Matthew welcomes all to our parish, we want to have a safe environment for everyone. Before attending Mass, please consider the following questions and if you answer "yes", please do not attend Mass in person, but rather follow us on our website.

1. In the past 14 days have you or any one you know been exposed to Covid-19?
2. Are you or any one you know experiencing any of the following symptoms you cannot attribute to another condition; fever, chills, new cough, new sore throat, new headache, new loss of smell or taste, new muscle aches or new shortness of breath?
3. **For everyone's safety and health, masks are required.**

CHANGES FOR IN-PERSON MASS ATTENDANCE

1. The long-handled collection baskets that were ordered many months ago have arrived—finally. The ushers will take up the collections [both for the parish and special collections] at the usual times of the Mass. There will NOT be a basket near the entrance.
2. Everyone coming will be asked to record their name and telephone number on a sign-in sheet. The only—but important—reason for this is the use of that information for contact tracing. [To date we have not had any cases of COVID-19 connected to attendance at Mass. There is no guarantee that our 'clean record' will continue.]

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS October 4, 2020

Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer 41
Hours in service 46

Parish

Envelopes/Cash \$ 4,742
Electronic Giving \$ 245
Holyday \$ 0
PayPal \$ 200
Faith Formation \$ 160
Fuel \$ 150
Bells \$ 20
Masses \$ 0
Rent \$ 4,400
Vigil Lights \$ 37
Sanctuary Lamps \$ 0

School \$ 336

Neighborhood House \$ 20

Total \$ 356

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THE SOUNDS AND SIGHTS OF ST. MATT'S

The sanctuary lamp will be light October 10 to October 16 for **Paul Frank, St. Matthew alumni, class of 1964.**

The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on October 11th in appreciation for the safe return of **Ethan Andrew** from active duty in Kuwait.

Contact Linda Rivera at lrivera@st-matts.org or 651.224.9793 by 1:00 pm Monday-Thursday if you would like to schedule a day to ring the bells, or a week to lite the sanctuary lamp for your special memory or event.

APPRECIATION FOR THE MASS ONLINE

Parish volunteers, led by Alan Christensen, have been able to "film" and stream the Mass every Sunday for almost seven months. We know that many people appreciate the efforts that have been made.

Thanks to those who have written of their thanks for this ministry. Additional thanks to those--both parishioners and non-parishioners--who have sent a contribution to support this effort.

John Riehle, Pastoral Administrator

BEST WISHES

On Friday, September 25, 2020 Shannon Jondro and Ryan Alexander were joined in marriage by Father Stephen Adrian. On Saturday, October 3, 2020 Tristan Lasch and Corey Sticha were joined in marriage by Father Stephen Adrian. Both couples were surrounded by family and friends in the sight of God. The parish family of Saint Matthew's wishes both couples love and many years of happiness.

FAITH FORMATION OCTOBER CLASSES

There is **no class on October 14. October 21** is an at-home family learning evening for all grades and families will receive the materials on October 21. **In-person classes for all Faith Formation students grades 1 to 10 resume on October 28.**

THANK YOU NEIGHBOR

Next weekend, October 17 & 18 is our regular food collection for the food shelf at Neighborhood House. Your generous donations on September 19 totaled 194 pounds.



For those of you coming to Saturday, 4:15 pm Mass, you are encouraged to bring in non-perishable food items and personal care items. For those of you viewing Mass on-line, please consider making a cash donation. You can send those donations to 179 East Robie St, Saint Paul MN 55107. Mention you are a member of St. Matt's if you wish.

Thank you for helping to feed our friends and neighbors.



**OCTOBER
MONTH
OF THE
ROSARY**

Parish Leadership

All emails are @st-matts.org

Rev. Steve Adrian, Sacramental Minister
sadrian

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jdelvecchio

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kevinjack

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Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Closed on Friday

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, October 10/ Sunday 11

4:15 pm Our Parish
Judy Robinson†
Ronald G. Crawford†
Glenn & Jean Bauman†

Monday, October 12

8:00 am Cancelled

Tuesday, October 13

8:00 am Cancelled

Friday, October 16

8:00 am Cancelled

Saturday, October 17/Sunday 18

4:15 pm Our Parish
Jeanette Marthaler†
Mary Jane Sperl†
Pam, Lucille and Robert Stickler, Sr.†

Calendar of Events

Saturday, October 10

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center
11:00 am Harmony GTCYS Social Hall

Sunday October 11

10:15 am Mass Streamed

Monday, October 12- Friday October 16

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Loaves & Fishes **Meals Are Being Served As Take-Out Only At This Time**

Monday, October 12

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open
St. Mary's Clinic Cancelled

Tuesday, October 13

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open
2:00 pm Rosary/CCW Meeting Parish Center
5:00 pm GYCYS Church

Wednesday, October 14

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Parish Office Open
St. Mary's Clinic - by appointment only
NO Faith Formation Classes this week

Thursday, October 15

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open

Friday, October 16

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, October 17 Food Collection Weekend

9:00 am Harmony GTCY Registration Social Hall
10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center
11:00 am Harmony GTCYS Social Hall
4:15 pm Mass with World Mission Sunday Collection

Sunday October 18

10:15 am Mass Streamed
World Mission Sunday Collection Mail in Donation Please

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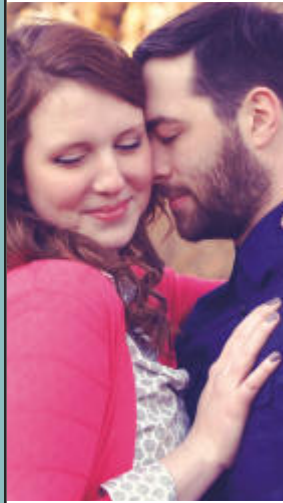
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