

Church of Saint Matthew – January 3, 2021

HAPPY NEW YEAR – As we begin the New Year let us pray for a brighter and healthier new year. Let us get back to our jobs, back to our schools, back to Masses and back to our families and friends.

SAINT MATTHEW WELCOMES ALL TO OUR PARISH

New to the area, joining us for the first time or coming home again? Please contact Linda Rivera at lrivera@st-matts.org to register as a member of our parish family, we will be happy to get you signed up or welcome you back.

THE POWER OF PRAYER



You can request prayers for yourself, family and friends by calling St. Matthew's Prayer Line 651.457.0228. You can request prayers for healing, family unhappiness, help to find a job, addiction to name a few. All requests are confidential.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please remember in your prayer our parish family members who are ill. Pray for their recovery and for their family members who are with them and caring for them. Especially, **Dorinda Martineau, Keith Anderson and Rita Dubuc.**



If you have a loved one you would like to add to this list, please call the Parish office, provide us with your name and the name of your loved one. We are strong as a community praying together.

AMAZON SMILE WORKS!!

Thanks to each person who has named St. Matt's and the charity to benefit from their shopping on Amazon. You can do it as well!! St. Matt's receives ½ of one percent for every dollar spent.

A LITTLE SPIRITUAL HELP TO GET US THROUGH THESE TOUGH TIMES

ACT OF CONTRITION

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In His name, my God, have mercy.

SPRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOODS

ARCHDIOCESE COVID-19 ANOINTING CORPS

On your few moments throughout the day help the Covid-19 Anointing Corps by praying for the sick, their families and the priest. Please pray two times: one Our Father for the individual suffering; one Hail Mary for the family's comfort; and one Glory Be for the priest and the medical team ministering to them. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. St. Roch, pray for us.

PRAYERS AND SUPPORT FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS

Health care workers: Catholic faithful throughout the archdiocese are dedicated to praying for you! Visit archspm.org/covid19prayers to submit a prayer request. On this page, you may also sign up for a weekly email, watch encouraging videos, and find resources for support.

Want to join in praying for health care workers? Commit to daily prayer for health care workers by texting [archspm-healthcare](tel:archspm-healthcare) to 55321 or signing up at eva.us/archspm-healthcare. You will receive a weekly message with a link to names of health care workers to keep in your prayers.

FAITH AND CULTURE SERIES

Four sessions, January 21 – February 9 7 – 8:30 pm Virtual Event – Registration Required to Participate Live at archspm.org/registration-for-the-archdiocesan-synod-faith-and-culture-series/

Inspired by the thousands of participants at the Prayer and Listening Events, this series connects their stories to the story of the Church.

Each virtual event includes a talk, testimonials, and a live panel discussion. **Registration is required to participate live.**

Dates and topics are listed below; all events begin at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 21: Sources of Catholic teaching (Scripture, tradition and magisterium)

- **Thursday, January 28:** The Church's teaching on sexual morality and the family
- **Thursday, February 4:** The Church's understanding on the dignity of women
- **Tuesday, February 9:** The priesthood (both baptized and ordained)

Register online to participate and submit your questions! Zoom links will be sent to registrants prior to each event