### 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said in reply, “Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?” - Lk 17:17-18

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#### Liturgy Schedule

**Masses**
- Saturday 4:15 PM (in-person)
- Sunday 10:15 AM (in-person)
- Sunday 10:15 AM (Saturday Mass available for viewing online)

**Reconciliation**
- 2nd & 4th Saturday and 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month following Mass

Please contact the parish office regarding **Baptism, Matrimony, First Communion, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick**

#### Church Information

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Reflection from Father Steve

October 11th is the Feast of Saint John XXIII. This grandfatherly figure was a revolutionary. He desired to see the Church become a significant presence and voice in a rapidly changing world. On the evening of January 25, 1959, following the Solemn Vespers on the Feast of Saint Paul, he simply announced that it was his intention to convene an ecumenical (universal) church council – something that had not been done since 1870.

The purpose of the Council was not to condemn a heresy (as so often was the case with Church councils) but to explore new avenues, new approaches, a new voice to proclaim the truth of the Gospel, one that could be received and understood by a growing secular 20th century.

I was a seminary student (college and graduate school) during the time of the II Vatican Council. The discussion and the spirit of that Council, more than anything else, formed my conception of the Church and what the role of a pastor might be.

Apart from the Scriptures, it is the documents – the teaching of the Council that have been part of my daily reading and prayer each day since 1965. The Word and Spirit of the Council marks the most significant event in the life of the Church over the past 100 years.

Pope Francis seeks to model the Council teaching about being a disciple of Christ in today’s world: “The joys and the hopes, the griefs and the anxieties of the people of this age, especially those who are poor or in anyway afflicted, are too the joys and the hopes, the griefs and the anxieties of the followers of Christ” (Church in the World Today, paragraph 1).

John was filled with great optimism and faith that the power of the Holy Spirit would create in the Church a new Pentecost. That work is ongoing.

October 11th was chosen as the feast day for Saint John XXIII because it was on October 11th, 1962 that the II Vatican Council met for the first time. I pray that John’s hope may continue to animate our Church.

Father Steve Adrian

Volunteer Opportunities and Parish Needs

Then I said, “Here am I. Send me!” ~ Isaiah 6:8

PRAYER LINE: We are seeking a volunteer to monitor the Parish Prayer Line. In this role, your phone number would be published, without your name, in the parish bulletin under Prayer Line. People will call, asking to have the names of people in need of prayers placed on the Prayer Line. You will then call volunteers who have offered their time to pray for those requests. Having an answering system will be helpful. If willing to volunteer, please contact Mary Leibl or the parish office.

THANK YOU: To all who helped with the Fix-It Dinner. Special thanks to our exceptional chefs: Stephen, Greg A. and Greg S. and Josie who also helped in the kitchen. To Karen who chaired the event. To Becky, Ginny, Michael, Linda, Chris, Maggie Lee, Angela and Mary who helped in multiple ways to make this event a success! Thank you to the following for their various donations to the event: Captain Ken’s, Rosary Society, Men’s Club, Karen Thompson, John Del Vecchio, Steve and Josie Mike. Special thanks to ALL who came to the Social Hall to enjoy a wonderful dinner and help the parish obtain security cameras to increase the safety on our property!

THANK YOU: To ALL who attended the discussion of the beautiful paintings in our church. To Fr. Steve who explained how the idea for the paintings came to be. To Richard Schletty and Craig David, our talented artists, who described each of their paintings and how they decided what to include in the pictures. To Alan and Becky who filmed the presentation for future enjoyment! To Joanne who took charge of refreshments and Becky, Jan, Kathleen and Suzanne who helped with set-up and serving. All who attended enjoyed an informative and fun afternoon!

THANK YOU: To the 117 people who attended the Saturday 4:15 PM Mass and 91 who attended the Sunday 10:15 AM Mass. Thank You to Fr. Adrian, who through his homilies helps us to see how the readings pertain to our own lives. To Tim who served as the lector on Saturday and Moores on Sunday. To Karen who read the announcements on Saturday and John on Sunday. Thank you to Karen, Wanda, Mary and Tim who served as eucharistic ministers on Saturday; Dave, Joanne and Janelle on Sunday. To cantor Shelly on Saturday and John Sunday. To pianist Brian and Phil on trombone Saturday; pianist Phil and guitarist Chris on Sunday. To ushers Tom, Kevin, Doris and Tim on Saturday; Ginny and Steve on Sunday. Thank you to Kathy and Jan who brought up the gifts on Saturday and Chris who carried the Book of Intentions to the Sanctuary. Thanks to our Sacristans Mary on Saturday and Ginny on Sunday. Thank you to Saturday greeters – Tom, Chris, Doris and Tim. Thank you to Ginny, Tom and Tim who brought the Eucharist to parishioners unable to attend Mass.

Mary Leibl
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Parish Administrator's Note

A CREATIVE CHURCH?
A few weekends ago (September 18), Fr. Steve explained the story of the so-called “bad steward.” (If you missed it or want to review, visit our website, www.st-matts.org, where you can find recordings of our online masses. The homily begins at about 18 minutes into the recording.)

I was struck by Fr. Steve’s emphasis on the steward’s creativity in relieving local peasant farmers from crushing debt. He wasn’t a bad steward, who cheated his master. Rather, he was an entrepreneur, seeking opportunities for everyone to win: his master, the indebted peasants, and even himself. (He got to keep his job.)

Fast forward to today: how can we creatively address today’s issues? I believe all of us are called to be a creative church. Figuring out our path forward isn’t simply a job for staff members, or just for priests, archbishops, and the pope. We’re one body, with many parts.

If I asked you what your part is, what would come to mind? Discuss. Be creative.

CONTRIBUTIONS
October is often a month when parishes send out stewardship letters, asking everyone to do what they can to increase their general contributions.

Rather than send out an extra mailing, let me just ask you here to support our parish: pray for each other, volunteer when you can, and contribute what you can. If you’re able to bump up your contributions by a few bucks, great! Your financial support allows us to continue partnering with Loaves and Fishes, Casa Guadalupana, St. Mary’s Health Clinic, and other missions here at St. Matt’s.

In addition to general operating contributions, we do have special appeals now and then. In our next mailing, coming soon, you’ll receive information about our November Giving Thanks Fundraiser. As was the case last year, you’ll have a 100% chance to support the parish financially. Some participants will also win cash prizes. All proceeds are designated for security systems and cameras.

Thank you for your support, and have a great week!

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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.

News and Events

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING
All adult women are invited to the next Rosary Society meeting on Tuesday, October 11 from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM in the lower level of the Parish Center. You can park in and enter the lower level from the parking lot. Parishioner Marge Blenkush will discuss her novel, The Doctor of Bellechester. The book will be available for purchase. You do not need to be a member to attend meetings. Come, enjoy refreshments and the book discussion.

GIFTED AND BELONGING MEETING AT ST. MATTHEW
Our next meeting will be on Sunday, October 16 from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM in the Social Hall and we will be celebrating our friend the Saints.

Our goal is to provide fellowship for Catholic young adults with and without disabilities and to give them a place where they can feel a sense of belonging within our beautiful Church. We meet once a month and take time for prayer, some teaching and socializing. We welcome disabilities of all levels and encourage caregivers and friends to attend as needed. We also invite young adults with a heart to befriend those with disabilities to join with us. For more information, contact Megan at giftedandbelonging@gmail.com.

Faith Formation News

FAITH FORMATOIN, FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Public school students in Grades K-10 who are registered for Faith Formation have class on Wednesday, October 12 in the Parish Center. Grades K to 7 start at 6:30 PM and Grades 8 to 10 start at 6:45 PM. Registration for new public school students ends soon. To register, download the form from www.st-matts.org/faith-formation/ or fill out the form in person at the Parish Center on October 12 while your students are in class. During the Wednesday evening classes, students learn about our Catholic faith and are prepared for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. Note there is NO CLASS on October 19 due to the MEA Education Minnesota break. Questions? Email janelle@st-matts.org or call or text (651) 242-6004. ¿Habla español? Text Myrna, 651-285-8112.
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Announcements are due on Monday by 10:00 AM for the next Sunday’s bulletin. Items should be sent to Angela Rakow at arakow@st-matts.org. Items received after 10:00 AM will appear in the following week’s bulletin.

Readings for the week of October 9, 2022
Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19
Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8
### Mass Intentions

**Saturday, October 8**
4:15 PM  Mass  
Our Parish  
+William Brengman  
+Arthur Geis  
+John Sperl  

**Sunday, October 9**
10:15 AM  Mass  
Our Parish  
+Veronica Roethler  

**Monday, October 10**
8:00 AM  Cancelled  

**Tuesday, October 11**
8:00 AM  Cancelled  

**Wednesday, October 12**
8:00 AM  Cancelled  

**Thursday, October 13**
8:00 AM  Cancelled  

**Friday, October 14**
8:00 AM  Cancelled  

**Saturday, October 15**
4:15 PM  Mass  
Our Parish  
+William Brengman  
+Matthew Brown  
+Leo Kegler  

**Sunday, October 16**
10:15 PM  Mass  
Our Parish  
+Mary Ann Nelles  
Living and Deceased Rosary Society Members  

### Calendar of Events

**Monday, October 10 - Friday, October 14**
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM  Loaves & Fishes  
*Meals are being served as take-out only at this time*

**Monday, October 10**
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Parish Office Open  
7:00 PM  AA Meeting  

**Tuesday, October 11**
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  Parish Office Open  
6:00 PM  Rosary Society Meeting  

**Wednesday, October 12**
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  St. Mary’s Clinic  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Parish Office Open  
6:30 PM  Faith Formation Classes  

**Thursday, October 13**
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  Parish Office Open  
6:00 PM  AA Meeting  

**Friday, October 14**

**Saturday, October 15**
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM  Parish Fall Clean-up  
4:30 PM  Mass (in-person)  

**Sunday, October 16**
10:15 AM  Mass (in-person)  
Confession after Mass  
10:15 AM  Saturday Mass available online  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  Gifted and Belonging Meeting  

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