November 6, 2022
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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“They can no longer die, for they are like angels; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise.” - Lk 20:36
Reflection from Father Steve

A few weeks ago I received an invitation to attend an Eagle Scout Court of Honor. Over the years I have received such invitations regularly. This invitation was really special.

This Court of Honor was given for two young women – the second and third girls in the city of Saint Paul to have achieved this rank. One of the scouts is Lucy Dosch, a member of Saint Matthew’s parish.

Only two percent of scouts achieve this rank. It is the highest advancement in scouting.

In becoming an Eagle Scout, the scout must undertake a project which leads to the betterment of the community.

Over the years as I have had the chance to speak with those preparing for the Eagle, I have reminded them that projects are a dime a dozen. The project is a vehicle through which a scout can demonstrate leadership. It is all about leadership!

The scout has an idea or plan for the betterment of the community. The scout is enthusiastic about this. Yet the scout is not the one who “does” the project. The challenge for the scout is to engage other people to undertake the project; to embrace the dream of the scout and become a partner with the scout in the project. These collaborators are to take ownership for the work; and they can take pride in the accomplishment.

A leader must have the dream, see what no one else sees. The leader propositions others to buy into the dream and bring their resources to the accomplishment of the dream.

Leaders are not “Lone Rangers”. They build relationships and they share the dream. They call others to the mission, the work, the project. They animate collaborators.

Scouting is a fine leadership academy. Scouting invites young people – boys and girls – to grow in the work of leadership.

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.

FUNERAL MINISTRY: We are looking for three to four volunteers to form a second team of Funeral Ministers. Some of the duties are: open church to meet the funeral directors when they arrive on the day of the service; offer hospitality to families and guests; be sure that everything needed for funeral service is in proper place; help the readers and gift bearers to feel comfortable in their roles; and see to it that the church is returned to normal set-up after the funeral. Training will be provided. If you are interested in serving in this important ministry, contact Mary Leibl or the parish office.

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS: To Bury the Dead is one of the Corporal Works of Mercy. Helping to serve luncheons, to family and friends of the deceased, after a funeral is part of that Corporal Work of Mercy. A team of volunteers gather after each funeral to serve lunch to those attending the funeral. This group of parishioners could use more volunteers to help set up, serve food, and clean up after the luncheon. Would you be able to offer some time to help in this needed ministry? If so, please contact Mary at mleibl@st-matts.org or call the parish office and leave your name and phone number.

THANK YOU!

THANK YOU: To the 118 people who attended the Saturday 4:15 PM Mass and 168 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 Marie who served as the lector on Saturday and Joe on Sunday. To Karen who read the announcements on Saturday and Linda on Sunday. Thank you to Maggie, Karen, Mary and Tim who served as eucharistic ministers on Saturday; Mooreen, Dave and Paul on Sunday. To cantor Christina on Saturday and Linda on Sunday. Thank you to pianist Jill on Saturday and Sunday. Thank you to trumpeter Phil on Sunday. To ushers Tom, Kevin, Doris and Tim on Saturday; Laura, Josh and Henry on Sunday. Thank you to Chris and Ms. Morales who brought up the gifts on Saturday; Amari, Grace and Julian on Sunday. Thanks to our sacristans Mary on Saturday and Ginny on Sunday. Thank you to Saturday greeters – Tom, Doris and Tim; Yaritza and Claudia on Sunday.

WE ARE A VOLUNTEER PARISH!

Mary Leibl
Volunteer Coordinator
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Parish Administrator’s Note

THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
It’s November. Traditionally, this is the month when we Catholics collectively remember our deceased family and friends.

How do we do that here at St. Matt’s? One of our traditions is to write their names in our Book of Remembrance. Look for that book near the front entrance of the church, before Mass begins. Who comes to mind? Write their names in the book.

Throughout this month, we’ll place the book in the sanctuary. (The Book of Intentions is placed there for the other 11 months of the year.)

The Book of Remembrance tangibly reminds us of an important reality: we’re part of a faith community that includes those who have died—not just those still alive on earth. May it also remind us of our destiny: eternal life in heaven with God. Thank you, Jesus.

ELECTIONS - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8
St. Matt’s is again hosting a polling place for local citizens to vote this Tuesday. The polls will be in the Parish Center, on the basement level.

I’m glad that we can offer this service to our democracy. It’s a bit of work, but then, a well-functioning democracy involves work of all kinds.

The U.S. bishops regularly write about “faithful citizenship.” Both words—faithful and citizenship—are important. What does our faith teach us about policies that reflect Catholic social teaching in all its aspects? Which candidates most fully support Catholic social teaching?

What about citizenship? As I used to tell my social studies students back in my teaching days, citizenship is participatory, not observational. Vote, to be sure. And get involved in other ways, if possible. We always have a need for faithful, informed public servants.

One way I think of Vatican II is that the Council called all Catholics to adulthood in our faith. I believe our democracy also requires mature adults in order to function well. That means adults who attend to facts, feelings and reason in making political decisions. Skipping any one of those three elements leads to problems.

Have a great week!

Phil Grant
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News and Events

ROSARY SOCIETY AND OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE TRAVELING ROSARY
The next Rosary Society meeting will be held Tuesday, November 8, from 1:30 PM-3:00 PM beginning in the Church where the traveling Our Lady of Guadalupe rosary will be prayed. All parishioners are invited to come and pray the rosary together at 1:30 PM. The Rosary Society meeting and refreshments will follow in the Social Hall. You do not need to be a member to attend meetings. Come, pray with us, and enjoy refreshments.

COFFEE SUNDAY
Our next Coffee Sunday is November 13, 2022. Come down to the Social Hall after Mass and visit with your fellow parishioners. Coffee Sunday is held on second Sunday of each month. We hope to see you there!

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated during Mass on November 19 and 20, 2022. This is the time to pray for and with those in our community who are struggling with illness or other difficulties. People of all ages who are in need of healing of body and soul are welcome to come forward and take part.

THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
During November, a book will be placed at the front entrance to the church where you may write the names of deceased family & friends. This book will then be moved to the Sanctuary at the beginning of each Mass throughout the month of November.

Faith Formation News

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
Public school students in grades K-10 who are registered for Faith Formation have class on Wednesday, November 9, in the Parish Center. Grades K to 7 start at 6:30 PM and Grades 8 to 10 start at 6:45 PM. Heads up that on November 16 only students preparing for First Communion have class. All other students will have at-home learning that evening. There is no class for any students on November 23 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

FIRST COMMUNION/FIRST RECONCILIATION MEETING
Families with students who attend public school or Catholic school who are seeking First Communion are invited to a meeting on Wednesday, November 16, from 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM, in St. Matthew Church, 510 Hall Avenue. Public school students seeking First Communion should be already registered for and attending weekly Faith Formation classes at St. Matthew (classes started in September). Community of Saints Catholic School students register using a different form and they may register at the meeting that evening if they have not already registered. Attendance at this meeting is required for the child seeking First Communion AND for at least one parent (both parents are welcome to attend, if possible). Questions? Email janelle@st-matts.org or call or text 651-242-6004. ¿Habla español? Text Myrna, 651-285-8112.

THE SOUNDS AND SIGHTS OF ST. MATT’S
The Bells of St. Matthew rang on October 29, 2022 in memory of Maurie Grundeil.
If you would like to schedule a day to ring the bells or a week to light the sanctuary lamp for your special memory, person or event, please contact the parish office at (651) 224-9793 by 1:00 PM Monday – Thursday.
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4:15 PM Mass
Our Parish
+William Brengman
+George Lackner
+Dorothy Robinette
+Greg Thompson
+Deceased Members of Rosary Society

Monday, November 7
8:00 AM Cancelled

Tuesday, November 8
8:00 AM Cancelled

Wednesday, November 9
8:00 AM Cancelled

Thursday, November 10
8:00 AM Cancelled

Friday, November 11
8:00 AM Cancelled

Saturday, November 12
4:15 PM Mass
Our Parish
+William Brengman
+Margaret Gentle
+Leo Kegler

Sunday, November 13
10:15 PM Mass
Our Parish
+Eleanor Bisciglia
+Elaine Pesek

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Reading Council Members

Lk 21:5
Next Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 5
4:15 PM Mass
Our Parish
+William Brengman
+George Lackner
+Dorothy Robinette
+Greg Thompson
+Deceased Members of Rosary Society

Sunday, November 6
10:15 AM Mass
Our Parish
+Arthur Geis
+Barbara Rau
+Deceased Members of Rosary Society

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Calendar of Events

Monday, November 7 - Friday, November 11
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes
Meals are being served as take-out only at this time

Monday, November 7
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Parish Office Open
7:00 PM AA Meeting

Tuesday, November 8
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parish Office Open
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Rosary Society Prayer and Meeting

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

Thursday, November 10
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parish Office Open
7:00 PM AA Meeting

Friday, November 11
Saturday, November 12
4:15 PM Mass (in-person)
After Mass Confession

Sunday, November 13
10:15 AM Mass (in-person)
10:15 AM Saturday Mass available online
After Mass Coffee Sunday

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