

Church of St. Matthew - Bulletin Insert

March 5, 2023
Second Sunday of Lent

E-BOX VIDEO NOW AVAILABLE!

"E-Box" is our shorthand way of referring to the overdue replacement of our main electric panel. It's the most important capital project planned for 2023.

Because of its importance, we're focusing Lenten fundraising efforts on the E-Box. To help, several talented volunteers created the promotional video now available on our website. It's good. Check it out!

As a new, easy way to give, we've set up a DonorBox campaign. The QR code will take you directly to our DonorBox site. Simply scan with your phone to make an electronic payment.



Donations to our E-Box fund are tax deductible. (*Previous bulletins had incorrect information.*)

OTHER CONTRIBUTION METHODS

Besides DonorBox, you can use the monthly Capital Needs envelope, or a Capital Needs envelope found at the back of the church, or an EFT dedicated to Capital Needs.

Many parishioners already use EFTs for operational support. More recently, some donors have added a Capital Needs component to their online giving. Call or email me for more information about EFTs.

Phil Grant
Pastoral Administrator

CHOIR AT ST. MATTHEW IS BACK FOR HOLY WEEK!

It's time once again for choir at St. Matts! We will again embrace the concept of a "Festival choir." "Festival choir" means we rehearse for a limited number of weeks, to prepare for a limited number of services. We will rehearse four weeks during Lent to prepare for singing during Holy Week. Generally, we will meet on Wednesday evenings in the church. (Some adaptations to time and/or place may be necessary to accommodate the Faith Formation program.) We may also explore the option of hybrid rehearsals where some attend in person and others attend online with rehearsal recordings available. As always, all voices and instrumentalists are welcome!

We will be called "Laetare Choir" for the seasons of Lent and Easter. "Laetare" means "Rejoice!" We hope to embrace and share the message of the season through our music! Our rehearsal time together will be focused on fellowship, prayer, and preparing to sing 3 - 4 songs (anthems) with parts for soprano/alto/tenor/bass per season.

Rehearsal plan:

Wednesday, March 8, 7:45 – 8:45 PM in church
Wednesday, March 15, 7:45 – 8:45 PM in church
Wednesday, March 22, 7:15 – 8:15 PM in church
Wednesday, March 29, 7:15 – 8:15 PM in church

We will sing for the Triduum services and specially:

Holy Thursday, April 6, 7:00 PM (6:15 PM warm-up)
Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 8, 7:00 PM (6:15 PM warm-up)
Easter Sunday, April 9, 10:15 AM (9:15 AM warm-up)

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration. Looking forward to seeing as many of you as can come – as many times as you can come. Please spread the word and invite others who would enjoy this opportunity!

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-CHOIR PRACTICE-



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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be on **all Mondays during Lent at 7:00 PM**, led by Anthony Minus. You can also view anytime on St. Matthew's YouTube channel.



MONEY COUNTER

Do you like working with numbers? We are looking for someone to join the Sunday morning money counting team. Counting takes place the last two Sundays of the month, immediately after the 10:15 AM Mass. It takes approximately 1 to 1 1/2 hours. If you are high school age or older and would like to help the last two weeks of each month, contact **Mary at mleibl@st-matts.org** or call the parish office at (651) 224-9793.

COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Sunday is next **Sunday, March 12 after the 10:15 AM Mass**. Come down to the Social Hall after Mass and visit with your fellow parishioners. There will not be Coffee Sunday in April due to it being Easter weekend.



COMMUNITY OF SAINTS SCHOOL COLLECTION

This weekend is our monthly second collection in support of Community of Saints Catholic School. Thank you for your generous support!

HONOR A LOVED ONE

Are you looking for a way to honor or memorialize a loved one? Consider dedicating a new hymnal in their honor. You may choose your own wording. Suggested donation is \$20. Forms are in the back of the church or call the parish office.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES RICE BOWL

CRS Rice Bowl is available in the back of the church. Please consider taking one for your family to participate in this Lenten journey of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Your donation made through CRS Rice Bowl help provide lifesaving support globally and in our own community.

Thank you for your generosity.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Show your spouse how much you appreciate them with some quality time together. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** makes a great gift for any special occasion.

The next available **Weekends** are May 5-7, 2023 in Buffalo, MN and Oct 6-8, 2023 in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: twincitieswwme.org or contact Brent & Tracy at applications@twincitieswwme.org or 612-234-7440.

