

Church of St. Matthew - Bulletin Insert

September 10, 2023
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED

The St. Matthew Faith Formation program for public school students in grades 1 to 10 will resume **September 20**, and we have openings for teachers for the 2023-24 school year. Classes are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 PM between September and early May.

Volunteers should enjoy helping children learn more about their Catholic faith and do not need to be experienced teachers. Training and support are provided, in addition to supplies and curriculum that includes a lesson plan for each week. If a weekly commitment is too much, please consider being a substitute or helping with specific events such as parent meetings or sacrament meetings.

To find out more, call or text Janelle Rohr, **651-242-6004** or send an email to janelle@st-matts.org.



THE CATHOLIC SOCIAL DIFFERENCE

The Center for Catholic Social Thought at Assumption Church is presenting a four session series titled *Conversations about living the Catholic social teachings*.

The first two sessions have been held. You are invited to attend one or both of the last two sessions.

The dates and topics are:

- **Thursday, September 14, 7:00 PM:** *A Catholic Economy* with Fr. Dan Griffith, Pastor at the Basilica of Saint Mary and Director of the Initiative on Restorative Justice and Healing at the University of Saint Thomas
- **Thursday, September 21, 7:00 PM:** *Church and Politics: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly* with Msg. Martin Schlag, Professor of Catholic Social Teaching at the University of Saint Thomas.

Visit www.catholicsocialthought.org to register and learn more.

FEAST OF ST. MATTHEW CELEBRATION

Saturday & Sunday, September 23 - 24
Church of St. Matthew Social Hall

Come join the parish as we celebrate the Feast of Saint Matthew with fun, food and games.

Events are taking place after the 4:15 PM Mass on Saturday, September 23 and the 10:15 AM Mass on Sunday, September 23.

More details in next weekend's bulletin. Come join us!



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

In-Person Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) returns this Fall! During CLW, young children ages 3- 8 leave the sanctuary at the start of the Liturgy of the Word to hear the scripture readings proclaimed and explained at an age-appropriate level. Father calls the children to the altar and says a short blessing over them as they are dismissed. The children return to the Mass at the time of offertory.



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VOLUNTEERING WITH LOAVES AND FISHES

Loaves & Fishes is a nonprofit organization with a mission to serve free, healthy meals to Minnesotans where the need is greatest. We are guided by our vision that all people - regardless of socioeconomic, cultural, religious, or ethnic background - deserve to meet their basic needs for food, dignity, and respect. Our volunteers work with our Site Coordinator to chop fruits/veggies, complete salads, and finish entrees during the Preparation/Package shift. Throughout the Service Shift volunteers pass out meals and greet guests in drive-up or walk-up service. They also assist with keeping service materials organized and light cleanup.

We provide gloves, hairnets and aprons. Ponytail & baseball cap are also acceptable. We also ask that you wear close-toed shoes and clean clothes with sleeves that cover the shoulder. Masks are not required at this time but are encouraged.

To volunteer with Loaves and Fishes at St. Matthew, go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a5ab2fa1fa7-stmatthews#/> to sign up.

For youth participation guidelines, contact Loaves and Fishes Director of Volunteer & Outreach at volunteer@loavesandfishesmn.org.

BAPTISM AT ST. MATTHEW

The Church of St. Matthew welcomes a child and his or her parents for the Sacrament of Baptism. We invite you to be a living part of our faith community.

For baptism, complete baptism registration form and submit it to the parish office. You can find the baptism registration form and additional information online at <https://st-matts.org/baptism/> or by calling the parish office at (651) 224-9793.

If you have children making First Communion in the next year or two who have not been baptized, it is important to begin taking steps now for their baptism.



Funeral Mass for **Arlene Scheibel** will be held at St. Matthew on Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 1:00 PM.

Please remember Arlene and her family in your prayers.

POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION SEPTEMBER 2023

For the people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

BRADY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1973 REUNION

Calling all graduates of Brady High School Class of 1973. Our 50th Class Reunion will be held **Saturday, September 23, 2023, 5:30 PM-10:00 PM** at **Joseph's Grill**, 140 Wabasha St S., St Paul, MN.

Contact Nancy Maher Schwartz at nmschwartz7@hotmail.com to receive your e-vite.

ST. MATTHEW WELCOMES ALL TO OUR PARISH!

New to the area, joining us for the first time or coming home again? Please contact Angela Rakow at arakow@st-matts.org to become a member. It would be great to have you join our parish family!

