

# Church of St. Matthew - Bulletin Insert

October 29, 2023  
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MUSIC MINISTRY SCHEDULE



Come make music with us! Fill out your availability online or use a form at the back of church. EVERYONE is welcome, regardless of how far along you are on your musical journey.

Please fill out the form, whether you sing or play an instrument, or if you are interested in joining choir. Schedules for the beginning of next year will be finalized by November 21. Please get your availability to Cristina by November 14. For more information contact [cczaia@st-matts.org](mailto:cczaia@st-matts.org).



## LECTOR & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER WORKSHOP

Saturday, November 4  
Breakfast, 9:00 AM  
Training, 9:30 - 11:00 AM  
Church of St. Matthew

This workshop is for experienced and new lectors and eucharistic ministers to brush up or learn new skills. Confirmation candidates are welcome. Our workshop clinician will be Moya McGinn Mathews, Director of Music and Liturgy at Christ the King Parish in Minneapolis.

There is no cost to attend. Current lectors, **please bring your 2023 Lector Workbook**. Breakfast will be provided at 9:00 AM. The workshop will begin at 9:30 AM. Sign-up sheets are in the back of church. For more information, contact [mleibl@st-matts.org](mailto:mleibl@st-matts.org) or [cczaia@st-matts.org](mailto:cczaia@st-matts.org).

## HYMNALS

From time-to-time people will find hymnals with misprints. If you find a hymnal that is missing pages or has duplicate pages, please inform a greeter or deposit the faulty hymnal in the box labeled "MISPRINTED HYMNALS" near the organ. Cards are available next to the box to indicate which pages are missing and/or duplicated. We hope no one finds themselves halfway through a service without the right hymn. Thank you for your assistance. For more information, contact [cczaia@st-matts.org](mailto:cczaia@st-matts.org).

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

The new liturgical ministry schedule will be written the week of November 6. The schedule will begin the weekend of December 2/3 and run through February 10/11. This schedule will include the Christmas and New Year Holidays.

Please email the dates you are **not available by Friday, November 3** to Mary Leibl ([mleibl@st-matts.org](mailto:mleibl@st-matts.org)). Thank you all for your service to St. Matthew Parish!

## TURKEY BINGO

Mark your calendar for the Men's Club's annual Turkey Bingo on **Saturday, November 4, 2023** in the Social Hall. Doors open at 5:00 PM, bingo starts at 5:30 PM.

There will be 12 games for turkeys (cash if there are multiple winners in a game), 3 games for cash prizes and a raffle for turkeys. Children, accompanied by an adult, are eligible to play bingo. Food, beer, wine and pop will be available for purchase. Featured meal will be Turkey Wild Rice Hot Dish. Burgers and hotdogs will also be available.



## 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 and friends. This book will then be moved to the sanctuary at the beginning of each Mass throughout the month of November.

## COMMUNITY OF SAINTS SCHOOL COLLECTION

Next weekend's second collection will be in support of Community of Saints Regional Catholic School. Thank you for your generous support!

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## ISAAC'S BLESSING BAGS

Greetings,

*Fall is finally here! I hope everyone gets a chance to walk outside and enjoy the colorful leaves. My family and I are already getting ready to accept donations. Last Holiday season was a record breaker for Isaac's Blessing Bags. We hand delivered over 250 bags!*

*I couldn't have done it without the heartfelt donations that were donated by St. Matthew's Parishioners and families. I delivered all over the Twin Cities. It was important to me that people had warm clothing and warm food. So my mom and I made Wild Rice Soup for so many people downtown Saint Paul and Minneapolis. They were extremely grateful! I share all of this with you in hopes we can recreate this compassion and giving again this year!*

*We plan to accept donations until **December 1st**. I sincerely thank each and every one of you for your ongoing support!*

*Many blessings,  
Isaac Garcia & IBB Team*

### List of needs 2023

- Gently used clothing
- Warm Socks (highly needed)
- Warm Coats (all sizes)
- Hats
- Warm Gloves
- Hand Sanitizer
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Body Wash
- Shampoo & Conditioner

Place your donations in large bins by the main entrance. Thank you!



## TWO DATES TO HOLD

All are welcome to join in our next West Side Community Conversation on **Tuesday evening, November 28**. This will be our fourth such meeting. As with past meetings, we'll gather as members of the West Side community to listen to other members. As both the global synod and our local synod processes have emphasized, it's important to listen, listen, listen.

The session on the 28<sup>th</sup> will be held at Humboldt High School, where I met recently with their parent liaison. I enjoyed my visit there, particularly the chance conversations I had with several different students.

Details to follow.

The second event we're planning is for **Thursday morning, November 30**. Fr. Steve invites you to come to a free seminar, hosted by St. Matthew and the Catholic Community Foundation (CCF) of Minnesota.

As Catholics, we have a sacred responsibility to prepare for our journey home. This seminar, called "Preparing for Heaven", is designed to help you and your loved ones plan for the future.

The seminar will begin with breakfast in the Social Hall at 9:00 a.m. and conclude with Mass. Additional details to follow.

## THE SOUNDS AND SIGHTS OF ST. MATT'S



The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit October 28 - November 3, 2023 in memory of **Deceased Members of the Maanum Family**.

The Bells of St. Matthew will ring on Sunday, October 29 for **Greg and Vicki Baker's** 47th wedding anniversary.

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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## 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](mailto:arakow@st-matts.org) to become a member. It would be great to have you join our parish family!

If you do not receive mailings from our parish, especially during Lenten and Advent seasons, please consider registering with our parish. You can download the registration form from our website or contact Angela at the parish office.



## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

More than a few people have asked if it would be possible to have a grief support group in our parish. The answer is yes! We have engaged a certified facilitator who has experience with "grief support". If you are dealing with grief in your life and are willing to share your experiences in a non-judgmental setting, you are welcome to join us. Our first meeting will be held **Thursday November 16 at 6:00 PM** in the Parish Center. For more information, call Mary at 651-224-9793 or email [mleibl@st-matts.org](mailto:mleibl@st-matts.org).



## HALLOWEEN DANCE

Community of Saints Regional Catholic School is hosting a Halloween dance on **Sunday, October 29 from 4:30 to 7:00 PM**. The event is for Grades PreK to 8. Students must be accompanied by an adult chaperone. The school will not be providing chaperones. The cost is \$20 per family (immediate family only) or \$5 per person. Pizza, snacks and drinks will be available.

## COFFEE SUNDAY

Our next Coffee Sunday is **November 12, 2023**. Come down to the Social Hall after Mass and visit with your fellow parishioners. November Coffee Sunday is hosted by the Parish Council. We hope to see you there!



## AGAPE DINNER FOR WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

Lumen Christi Catholic Community is hosting a dinner for those who have a shared experience of losing a spouse. RSVP by November 8, 2023.

- When: Saturday, November 11, 2023  
9:30 AM - Registration  
10:00 AM - Mass  
10:45 AM - "Living Your Life Widowed", talk by Deacon Mike Lane  
Followed by Dinner at Noon
- Where: Lumen Christi Catholic Community  
2055 Bohland Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55116
- Cost: \$15.00

For more information, contact Steve Regnier at 651-370-1611.

## \$CRIP - GIFT CARDS

Prepaid gift cards will be available for purchase after Mass on Saturdays during the month of November. Gift cards to Cub Foods, Target, Walmart, Speedway, Holiday Gas and more are available. Proceeds from the program benefit the parish. If you need gift cards before the holiday season, please get them early. Contact **Tim Nowak** or the parish office for more information.

## ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 7, 2023

Once again, St. Matthew Parish Center is a polling site on Tuesday, November 7, 2023. Please keep this in mind when you are coming to the Parish Center as parking may be limited.