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September 11, 2016

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Reflection

Today's magnificent gospel reading from the 15th chapter of St Luke's Gospel reminds us of God's infinite mercy and the lengths he's willing to go to so "that all people be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth." Pope Francis last December 8, 2015 launched an "Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy" to once again extend to all of God's people the invitation to come and drink from the wellspring of God's infinite mercy. This special year of grace ends November 20, 2016 with the great Solemnity of Christ the King. This year is not like any other, we should not let it pass without making a special effort to celebrate this gift of mercy with ourselves seeking God's mercy and being merciful to others. If we haven't been to confession for some time, this is the time. We can also get out of our comfort zones and invite those who have been away from the Church to come back through the Sacrament of Reconciliation where God's mercy is poured out to wipe away our sins and to heal us. The following excerpt is from the Papal Document that launched this year of extraordinary grace with a particular focus on looking at today's parables of mercy. "In the parables devoted to mercy, Jesus reveals the nature of God as that of a Father who never gives up until he has forgiven the wrong and overcome rejection with compassion and mercy. We know these parables well, three in particular: the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the father with two sons (cf. Lk 15:1-32). In these parables, God is always presented as full of joy, especially when he pardons. In them we find the core of the Gospel and of our faith, because mercy is presented as a force that overcomes everything, filling the heart with love and bringing consolation through pardon." (Misericordiae Vultus #9) ~ Deacon Luis Rubi

Mass ~ *Misas*

Monday - 8:00 AM St. Matthew

Tuesday ~ Martes - 6:30 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Bilingual*)

Wednesday - 8:00 AM St. Matthew

Thursday - 8:00 AM St. Michael

Friday - 8:00 AM St. Michael

Saturday - 4:00 PM St. Matthew

Sunday ~ Domingo

9:00 AM Our Lady of Guadalupe (*English*)

10:30 AM St. Michael (*English*)

11:00 AM Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Español*)

1:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Español*)

First Friday of Each Month 6:30 PM

Primer Viernes de Cada Mes 6:30 PM

Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Bilingual*)

Reconciliation ~ *Confesiones*

Tuesday ~ *Martes*

6:00 PM - 6:30 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday ~ *Viernes*

7:30 AM - 7:50 AM St. Michael

Saturday ~ *Sábado*

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM St. Michael

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM St. Matthew

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday ~ *Domingo*

9:45 AM - 10:15 AM St. Michael

Adoration Chapel

Thank you to all who volunteer to keep watch with our Lord.

Hours available to keep watch with the Lord:

Midnight 12:00 am Monday into Tuesday am, Tuesday

1:00 am, Saturday, 1:00 am, Saturday 2:00 am,

We need a second adorer for nearly every hour. Please call Shirley Higginbotham at 651-457-6844 or Linda Rivera at 651-457-2334 with any questions you may have.

Readings for the Week of September 11, 2016

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/
Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-10, 17/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1-5/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1-2, 34-38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 28/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1, 6-8, 15/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10-14/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

St. Michaels News

Faith Formation Volunteers Needed

The St. Matthew and St. Michael Faith Formation program for public school students in grades 1 to 10 will resume in late September, and we have openings for teachers and helpers. Volunteers should enjoy helping children know, love, and serve Jesus and their neighbor, as they learn more about their Catholic faith. Classes are held at St. Matthew on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 PM between September and April. Books and supplies are provided. In addition to the regular volunteers who come on Wednesday evenings, our Faith Formation program needs occasional helpers in various roles (mostly hospitality) during the school year. The time commitment can be as little as 3 hours for one day or one evening. To find out more call, Janelle Rohr 651-457-3522 or jdrohr@pro-ns.net.

New at Saint Michael's

Follow us on Facebook at <https://facebook.com/SaintMichaelWestStPaul/>

Troop 288 News

St. Michael's Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts registration is on Thursday, September 22, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Please enter through the Haskell Street entrance. We have order forms and flyers for our annual Christmas wreath and garland sale on the bulletin boards for early orders. We are planning to be at the entrance of church in early October to personally take your orders

Church Cleaning

We will be cleaning the church on Saturday, September 17th in preparation for our 150th Anniversary Mass. Bring along a few dusk clothes, and old rags, a bucket and some elbow grease. St. Michael's is a gem, let's make it shine!!

Please pray for...

parishioners and loved ones of parishioners; Deborah Amacher, Claudette Borgan, Payton Faith Smith, Sue (Marthaler) Wyndt, Anthony (Tony) LaManna, Jeanette Koegel, Linda Barnes, Carlo James LaManna, Omar Acosta, Tim Rolando, Jack Gutzman, Dean Wurley, Mary Ann Hessler, Barb Lucker, Helen Tako, Antonio Zepeda, Mary Volp, Sheena Reed, Ronald DeTomaso, Paul Schettner, Carlo LaManna, Virginia LaManna, Stanley Antolak, Jr., John Chicki, Ruby Martinez, Bobby Hale, Gerry Gutzmann, Cole Joseph Hinz, Barbara Forbes, Dorothy Kingsbeck, Anne Daly, Dorothy Whaley, Gregory Karlen, Barbara Ann Pitka, Lydia Salas, Suzanne Schultz, Liz Sershen, Beverly DeRusha, Mark McKee. May Our Lord bless, comfort and heal them. If you would like to have a loved one added or removed please contact the parish office.

Weekly Contributions Report

August 28, 2016

Plate	\$513	Envelopes	\$2,211
Stipends	\$10	Electronic	\$437
		Total	\$3,171

Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 11

10:00 AM Our Parish
Al & Judy Diaz †

Thursday, September 15

8:00 AM Angela Zapata †

Friday, September 16

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Michael's Church

Sunday, September 18

10:00 AM Our Parish
Living & Deceased Members of the Archdiocesan Holy Name Society
John Sr. & Ella Hennessey †

Calendar Of Events

Saturday, September 10

Sunday, September 11

10:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass
Faith Formation Registration After Mass

Monday, September 12

6:30 PM Rosary Makers Parish Office

Tuesday, September 13

9:00 AM Alumni & Friends Meeting Parish Office

Wednesday, September 14

6:00 PM Choir Practice Church

Thursday, September 15

9:30 AM COS School Mass

Friday, September 16

Saturday, September 17

9:00 AM Church Cleaning

Sunday, September 18

10:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass
Faith Formation Registration After Mass
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Community of Saints School

651-457-2510 ~ 335 Hurley St E ~ West St. Paul, MN
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Website: www.communityofsaints.com

Community of Saints would like to welcome our new music teacher, Kristina Guiffre! Ms. Guiffre has many musical talents and we are so excited that she has joined our COS community! We are still welcoming new families for the 2016-17 school year. If you know of anyone looking for a high quality, Catholic education that focuses on the whole child, please send them our way! Again, no family is turned away due to financial circumstances. Please refer families to the school office: 651-457-2510 or bkramer@communityofsaints.org. Please come join us for COS School Mass on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in St. Michael's Church. Parishioners from all parishes are invited to attend our weekly school Masses. We are looking forward to an amazing school year!

St. Matthews News

Church Bells

The St. Matthew's church bells will ring on the following days in honor of: September 8 The Feast of the Nativity of Mary

St. Matthew's OKTOBERFEST 1st

Come to our next planning meeting, share your ideas for this year's festival. Proceeds from the festival will be going to our fix-it fund so we can repair or replace items before they are an emergency. **Your silent auction donations for the Festival are now being accepted. Filled jars for bottle lotto are also now being accepted. You can bring them to church on Saturday or to the Parish Office during normal business hours.** Contact Karen Thompson at 651-227-2551 if you have a new idea for the festival or have an interest in chairing a booth. Anyone interested in signing up for **St. Matts' Hoop's Tournament** must do so before September 30th by contacting Jose at 612.478.0828 or jdavillage@yahoo.com. The sooner you sign up the better slots fill quickly. **Our next meeting will be Monday, September 12th at 6:45 p.m. in the Social Hall.**

In Sympathy

Our sincerest condolences to the family and friends of James Schliecert who died on August 29, 2016. Mr. Schliecert's Funeral Mass was at St. Matthew's on Friday, September 2, 2016. Please remember his wife Mary, children and grandchildren who mourn his passing. May James and all the faithful departed rest in God's peace and love.

Catholic Watchmen Rally

Thursday, September 15, 6:30 – 9 p.m.

Church of the Epiphany, Coon Rapids

Men are invited to the Catholic Watchmen Rally. Bishop Andrew Cozzens will present on "The Strength of Humility: Obedience to Christ in All Things". This Catholic Watchmen Rally is an opportunity for men to draw closer to Jesus Christ and invest in fellowship with other men. There will be time for Adoration and Confession. Dinner will be provided. Registration is not required. A free will offering will be collected. Questions? Contact Susanna Bolle at bolles@archspm.org or 651-291-4411.

Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities

The Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities is Sunday, September 18, 3 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel at The Saint Paul Seminary. This special event begins with a sing-along at 2:30 p.m. Archbishop Bernard Hebda will celebrate the mass and confer the sacrament of confirmation for persons with disabilities who have completed Confirmation classes. All are invited and welcome. For more information, please call Deacon Sean and Joan Curtan at 651-291-4543 or email curtans@archspm.org.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 10

4:00 PM Our Parish
Sarah & George Gubash†

Monday, September 12

8:00 AM Art Geis†

Wednesday, September 14

8:00 AM Claudette Borgan
Special Intention

Saturday, September 17

4:00 PM Our Parish
Art Fischer†
Agnes Witt†

Calendar Of Events

Saturday, September 10

Faith Formation Registration Following Mass

Sunday, September 11

Monday, September 12

5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes
6:45 PM Festival Planning Meeting Social Hall

Tuesday, September 13

9:00 AM Alumni & Friends Meeting Parish Office
5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes
6:30 PM Rosary/CCW Meeting Social Hall

Wednesday, September 14

5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes
4:30 PM Finance Meeting Parish Office
8:00 PM Men's Club Board Meeting Social Hall

Thursday, September 15

9:30 AM COS School Mass
5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes

Friday, September 16

5:00-6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes

Saturday, September 17

Faith Formation Registration Following Mass

Weekly Contributions Report

August 27, 2016

Plate	\$513	Envelopes	\$2,515
Stole	\$84	Assumption	\$5
School	\$13	Electronic	\$217
Vigil Lights	\$29	Total	\$3,376


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