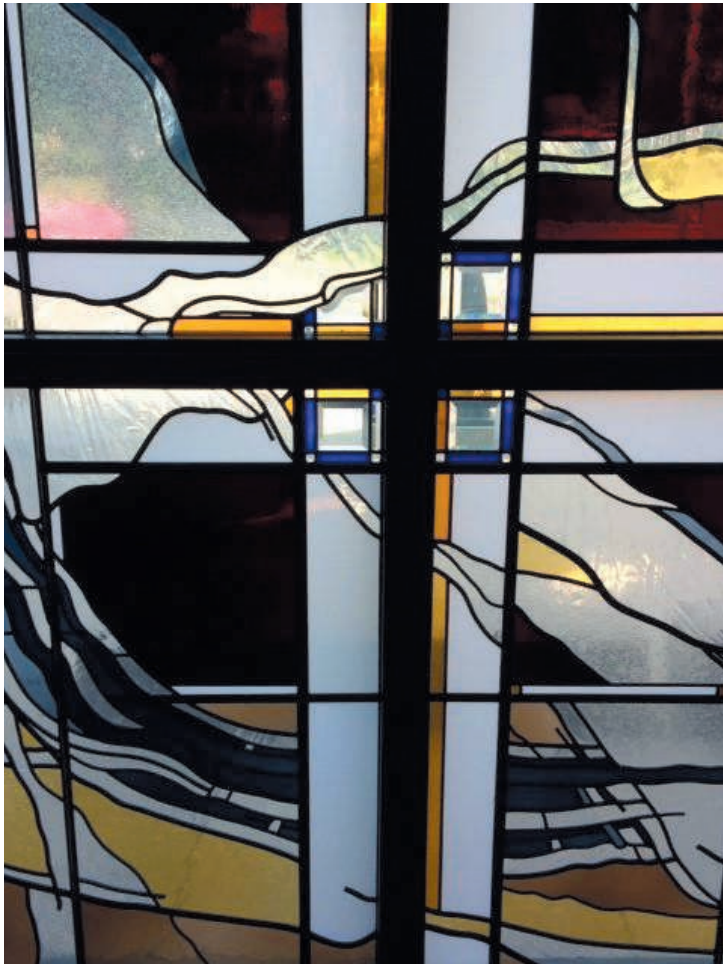


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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

National Catholic Schools Week

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Sacraments

Please contact the Parish Office regarding Baptism, Marriage, First Communion and Confirmation information.

Bulletin

Announcements are due on Monday by 10:00 a.m. for the next Sunday's bulletin. *Items received after 10:00 a.m. will appear in the following week's bulletin.*

Readings for the Week of January 28, 2018

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9, [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30--19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-34

Liturgy Schedule

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:00 a.m.

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 10:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 3:40 p.m.

and by appointment

Prayer Line

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ONE TREASURED GIFT



During my 60 plus years of living life, I have had the opportunity to live in a number of different places across the mid and southwest United States. I have learned from my moving experiences that it is more cost and energy efficient to keep what I move to a minimum. Packing and sealing boxes—lifting and moving boxes—opening and unpacking boxes—can be a burdensome job especially as I grow older. Consequently, each time it comes to moving, I jettison all the items I can live without. Books not opened in the past two



years, knick-knacks in their original packages, and an assortment of clothing that no longer fit for one reason or another are left behind. However, down through the years, no matter where I was moving, there is one treasured gift that I have never discarded—my Catholic school education.

While I was growing up, I was blessed with having parents who believed in Catholic education and worked hard to make it available. My mother was a stay-at-home mom and she saved money by making our clothes, canning fruits and vegetables, and cutting our hair. My father worked a job and a half to help cover the tuition to send his grade school aged children to a parochial school.

From grades one to eight, I rode my bike to St. Joseph Catholic School, a mile and a half from our home. At times, the educational material seemed mystifying and difficult to understand. Nevertheless, the hours spent learning how to spell words, diagramming sentences, writing out times tables, learning by heart the states and their capitals, as well as the many more disciplines that are a foundational part of a liberal arts education have served me well in my adult life. My religious education and faith in God came not so much from textbooks as it did from the examples I saw from my religious and lay teachers. The sacraments, ten commandments, beatitudes, corporal and spiritual works of mercy, social justice, outreach, living virtue, prayer, lives of the saints, holy days, sin, and other religious beliefs did not exist in a theological-philosophical cloud but were a way of living each day with meaning.

From January 28 until February 3, Catholic schools across America will celebrate Catholic Schools Week. This annual celebration was started in 1974 to recognize Catholic education as a great gift to our Church and our nation. The theme of Catholic Schools Week 2018 is, “Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge, and Service.”

Catholic schools are micro communities, small families in their own right, but also partners in a larger community of home, church, city, and nation. Academic achievement, moral values, and critical thinking along with faith, knowledge, and service are six standards by which any Catholic school can and should be evaluated. These priorities are what make Catholic schools stand out from other educational institutions.

During Catholic Schools Week, I encourage members of the Church of St. Matthew who are alumni of St. Matthew School to recall and share a story about their Catholic education with family and friends. I invite all of us to explore the many and different ways the Community of Saints Regional Catholic School is celebrating Catholic Schools Week by visiting their web page at: <www.communityofsaints.org> and to learn more about Catholic School Weeks at: <www.ncea.org>. A Catholic School education is one treasured gift.

News and Events

BELLS OF SAINT MATTHEW

The bell at Saint Matthew will ring on January 28th in memory of Helen Leibl.

MINISTRY SCHEDULING

We will be writing the next Ministry schedule on Feb. 7. Please check your schedules and let us know, by Feb. 5 any dates you cannot serve, or any dates you want to be scheduled. This schedule will run from Feb. 14 (Ash Wednesday) through the last weekend in May. (A separate schedule will be written for Holy Week). Thanks for your continued help.
Jan Lackner JML3242@AOL.COM

BIG GAME PARTY

St. Matthew's Social Hall on Sunday, February 4. Doors open at 4:30 pm. The game starts at 5:30. Hosted by the St. Matthew's Men's Club. Football on the big screen. Chili, hot ham sandwiches, snacks, refreshments & fun. Bring a dish to share. Jigsaw puzzle contest at halftime. Great fun for football fans of all ages. Come and enjoy the Big Game with family and friends. **No admission fee but donations (can goods or cash) will be accepted for the food shelf.**



SAVE THE DATE

The 50th anniversary of the Church fire is Sunday, April 15. Watch the bulletin for further event details.

WOMEN OF SAINT MATT'S

You are invited to attend the February 13th Rosary Society meeting. Katie Ritchie, who created the icon of Saint Matthew which hangs in the back of the church, will be discussing her process for creating icons. The meeting begins at 6:45pm. The program will begin at 7:00pm. Come and learn more about icons and enjoy the good food and company.

HOSTS NEEDED FOR COFFEE SUNDAY

We do not have a host group for Coffee Sunday on February 4th. Anyone can do this, it can be a family, a group of neighbors, or a parish group. Coffee, creamer & sugar are provided. The rest is up to you; as simple or as plentiful as you wish to provide. **Please call the parish office (651.224.9793) if you are interested in hosting Coffee Sunday, February 4th.**

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS 01-21-2018

Parish			
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 3,064	School	\$ 50
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,268		
Vigil Lights	\$ 28	Religious. Retirement	\$ 130
Fuel	\$ 35		
Faith Formation	\$ 170		
Envelope Costs	\$ 6		
Bells	\$		
Men's Club	\$ 15		
Memorial	\$ 50		
Total	\$ 4,636	Total	\$ 180
Thank You		Thank You	

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 27

4:00 pm Pam, Robert Sr, & Lucille Stickler†

Sunday, January 28

10:00 am Our Parish
Marina Galep†

Monday, January 29

8:00 am Jovito & Consolation Guiwan†

Wednesday, January 31

8:00 am Hank Goers†

Friday, February 2

8:00 am Sr. Anne Becker, Special Intention

Saturday, February 3

4:00 pm Eugene Gonsowski†

Sunday, February 4

10:00 am Our Parish
Claudette Borgan, Special Intention

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, January 27

4:00 pm Mass with Anointing of the Sick

Sunday, January 28

10:00 am Mass with Anointing of the Sick

11:00 am Coffee Sunday

Monday, January 29

8:00 am Mass

Monday, Jan. 29-Friday, Feb 2

5:00 - 6:00 pm Loaves & Fishes SH

Wednesday, January 31

8:00 am Mass

8:00 am - 5:30 pm St. Mary's Clinic PC

NO Faith Formation

Thursday, February 1

9:30 am Mass COS

Friday, February 2

Presentation of the Lord

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, February 3

4:00 pm Mass

6:00 - 9:00 pm COS Fund Raiser SH

Sunday, February 4

9:00 am Choir Practice

10:00 am Mass

4:30 pm Men's Club "Big Game" SH

Children's Corner



Love One another

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. John 15:12 (NIV)

Based on John 15:9-17 (NIV)

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