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Easter Triduum Celebration

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April 14, 2019 Palm Sunday

Liturgy Schedule

Monday, Tuesday & Friday 8:00 am Mass
Wednesday 8:00 am Sacred Scripture/Communion Service
Thursday: 9:10 am at COMMUNITY of SAINTS School
Saturday - 4:15 pm
Sunday - 10:15 am

Reconciliation

1st & 3rd Saturday: After Mass until 5:30 pm
2nd & 4th Sunday: After Mass until 11:30 am

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WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of April 14, 2019
Sunday: Lk 19:28-40 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14--23:56 or 23:1-49
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13--53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1--19:42
Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1--2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15--15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

Two very different responses to our Lord's passion are highlighted during the Gospel reading from Luke today: the response of Simon of Cyrene and the response of Jesus' acquaintances. Of Simon we are told, "They took hold of a certain Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country; and after laying the cross on him, they made him carry it behind Jesus." Whether Simon entered willingly and compassionately into this service or whether he took up the Cross of Christ with a grudge, we don't know. What we do know is this: Simon did his part faithfully. He stayed near to Christ, carrying the Cross until our Lord reached Golgotha, the site of His crucifixion. We also know that Simon's family were among the first of the early Christians. Staying near to Christ, embracing the Cross (quite literally), transformed his life and the life of his family.

In contrast, near the end of this Gospel account we are told of another reaction to Jesus' passion and death, namely that "all His acquaintances stood at a distance." They knew Jesus! They had heard him preaching and teaching, witnessed His signs and miracles, maybe even benefited personally from them. Perhaps they did not participate in mocking Him or calling for His crucifixion. But they chose to stay a safe distance from Him when the going got tough. Unlike Simon, they refused to go too near to Christ.

Where will you place yourself this week? Keeping your distance from all the pain and suffering Christ endured? Or close by, staying near to Him like Simon did? It is when we go near to Christ that we can be transformed by Him. It is by embracing the crosses in our lives, stewarding them well rather than trying to run from them, that we become His true disciples.

The Catholic Steward



Volunteer Opportunities & Parish Needs

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

Mary Leibl,
Volunteer Coordinator

We need volunteers to continue the work of serving our parish and community. Currently we have 3 opportunities.

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND IMMEDIATELY AFTER WEEKEND MASSES

We have 1 volunteer to take communion to those unable to worship with us, however we need more. This "liturgical" ministry involves taking a pyx with a host from Saturday or Sunday Mass; visiting the person in their home; reading the gospel and sharing a sentence or two from the homily; praying the Lord's Prayer together and then giving the Host to the person. Once we have a few volunteers for this ministry we will then invite people to request that visit. This is different from a pastoral visit in the middle of the week with a goodly amount of conversation in the visit. If you would like more information, please call John Riehle at the parish office.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Come be a part of the music at St. Matthew's during Holy Week and the Easter Season.

In need of Choir members, Cantors, and Instrumentalists. Be part of the music liturgy for Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. Take part in any or all the services. Whatever fits your schedule. For more information you may email **Jill Kilzer at jillkilzer@st-matts.org** or speak to her after one of the weekend masses.

I invite anyone who could help with these volunteer opportunities to contact me through the parish office or email me at mleibl@st-matts.org

Thank You

We are a Volunteer Parish!! The future of our parish depends on our dedicated volunteers.

Thank you to Michael Wood who has volunteered to be a lector at the 4:15 pm Mass on Saturdays.

The **Fish Fry** has been a huge success! After the 1st 5 weeks over **2200 meals** have been served. Thank you to the **Men's Club** and their families who sponsor this event. Thank you to the students and families from Community of Saints School who helped serve the dinners on April 5th.

Palm Sunday
 April 14 - 4:00 p.m.
 Communal Penitential Service
 (General Absolution)



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The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on April 15th anonymously.



**CHURCH OF SAINT MATTHEW
 WORLD FAMOUS FISH FRY**

Good Friday

4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**510 Hall Ave. St. Paul, MN
 Parish Social Hall**

Tater Tots, Cole Slaw, Beverage
 Baked or Fried Fish (4 filets)
 Brownie

Non fish option: grilled cheese sandwich or
 new this year; spaghetti

Beer and Wine Available

**All money taken in this day is donated to
 St. Matthew's General Fund**

On Good Friday we are called to eat less
 One portion of fish is served today - you can purchase
 an additional serving for a reduced price
 Adults \$9.00 Children (6-12) \$5.00 Under 6 Free
 Additional order of fish (4 filets) \$3.00

*Table Service
 No waiting in a buffet line!*

Drive Up Service Also New This Year

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

St. Matthew Faith Formation are nearing the end of the year, only a couple of weeks left to go! Note that our final regular class for the 2018-2019 school year is on April 24. On April 24, students should arrive at 6:30 pm and parents, guardians, and community members are welcome to join us that evening at 7 pm for Mass with light refreshments served afterward.

ROOF REPLACEMENT

Thank you very much for the 'early supporters' of the project. As I have mentioned, the cost (spread out over 25 years of anticipated life) is about \$101 per weekend. Could you "cover" a weekend? What about a Saturday or Sunday?

Please use an envelope near the icon of Saint Matthew. Any clearly marked envelope can also be used.

COMMUNION AFTER THE WEEKEND MASSES

Some folks have stepped forward and are willing to bring communion to those who are unable to attend Mass. This will be a short visit to share the Gospel, a bit of the homily, and then provide communion.

If you know someone who would benefit from this ministry—someone in your family or neighbourhood—please talk with them and then call the parish office with that information.

Thank you very much.
 John Riehle, Parochial Administrator



CRS RICE BOWL LENTEN

Thank you for participating in this year's CRS Rice Bowl, please remember to return your Rice Bowls either on Good Friday or Easter Sunday. Thank you for helping to feed the hungry children of the world.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS April 7, 2019

Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer	19		
Hours in service	18		
Parish		School	\$ 424
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 4,493	Solidarity Sunday	\$ 10
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,271	Total	\$ 434
Vigil Lights	\$ 29	Thank You	
Bells	\$ 20		
Coffee Sunday	\$ 31		
Memorials	\$		
Masses	\$		
Easter Flowers	\$ 415		
Roof Donation	\$ 1,110		
Total	\$ 7,369		

Thank You

Parish Leadership

All emails are @st-matts.org

Rev. Steve Adrian, Sacramental Minister
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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sacraments

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

Bulletin

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 13

4:15 pm Mary Joanne Roubik †

Sunday, April 14

10:15 am Our Parish
Wallace Borgan, Sr. †

Monday, April 15

8:00 am John DelVecchio, Special Intention

Tuesday, April 16

8:00 am Michael J. Walsh †

Friday, April 19

NO 8:00 am Mass

Saturday, April 20

7:00 pm Arthur Geis †

Sunday, April 21

10:15 am Our Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, April 13

4:15 pm Mass

Sunday, April 14 Palm Sunday

9:00 Choir Practice

10:15 am Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word
Reconciliation until 11:30 am

11:15 am Coffee Sunday SH

4:00 pm Communal Penitential Service

Monday, April 15 - Thursday, April 18

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

Monday, April 15

8:00 am Mass

12:00 - 5:00 pm St. Mary Clinic PC

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross CH

Tuesday, April 16

8:00 am Mass

Wednesday, April 17

8:00 am SS/Communion Service

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

6:30-7:45 pm Faith Formation CH-PC

Thursday, April 18 Holy Thursday

9:10 am Mass Community of Saint School

6:00 pm Mass of the Last Supper

Friday, April 19 Good Friday

12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross

3:00 pm Good Friday Liturgy

4:30-7:30 pm Fish Fry (not all you can eat) SH

Saturday, April 20 Holy Saturday

7:00 pm Mass

Sunday, April 21 Easter Sunday

9:00 Choir Practice

10:15 am Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word

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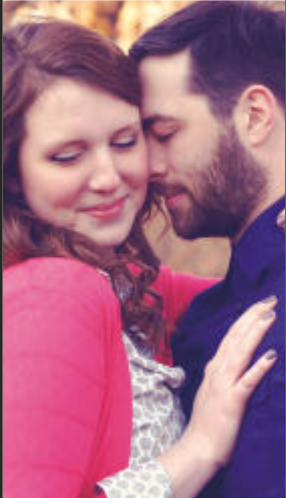


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