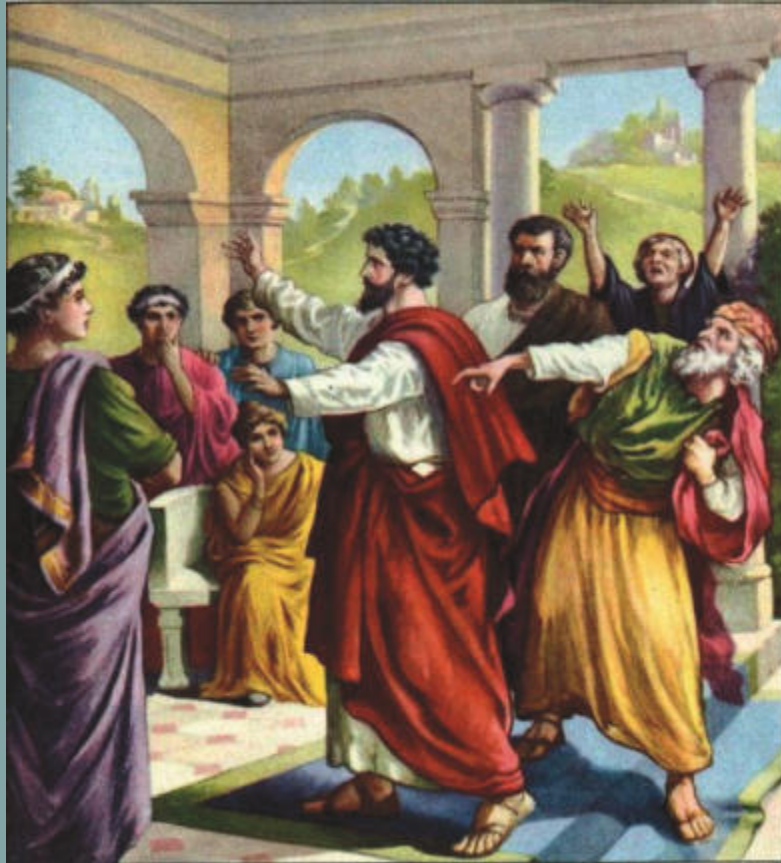


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May 12, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Liturgy Schedule

Monday 8:00 am Mass
Tuesday 8:00 am Mass
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 Mass
Sunday 10:15 am Mass

Reconciliation

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

Prayer Line 651.457.0228

Readings for the week of May 12, 2019

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3, 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17
Wednesday: Acts 12:24--13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

Throughout the Easter season, our readings have given us glimpses into the life of the newborn Church and the bold witness of the early disciples in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to all who would listen. These disciples were the first to live a stewardship way of life and their example is as relevant today as it was 2,000 years ago.

In the First Reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, we catch up with Paul and Barnabas in Antioch. While they certainly have some success in reaching many people there with the message of salvation, others are downright infuriated by their words and send them packing. Yet, we read that “the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.” Overall, it seems as if Paul and Barnabas had failed in Antioch. But this seeming failure has not robbed them of their joy. What’s more, they are filled to the brim with the abundant gifts of the Holy Spirit. How is this possible?

It is only possible because Paul and Barnabas saw themselves as nothing more and nothing less than stewards of Christ and His Good News. This realization brought them freedom — to offer themselves and their lives to others for the sake of the Gospel. The “results” of their efforts were up to God.

This Spirit-filled, joy-filled life is available to all of us, all these years later. It can be achieved when we recognize, like Paul and Barnabas, that all we have and all we are is a gift from God, meant to be shared with others for His glory. Of course, living as God’s stewards does not mean a life of ease or a life free of sacrifice. Sometimes the steward’s life involves great challenges, requiring all the strength and love one has to give. But in the end there is simply no more satisfying way to live.

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,

We need volunteers to continue the work of serving our parish and community. Currently we have 1 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 Sat. or Sun 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.

MOWING GRASS ON PARISH CAMPUS

We have 1 volunteer and are looking for 1 or 2 more to mow the grass on the square block consisting of church, parish center and school. (Casa Guadalupana property is not included.) Volunteers would work on a rotating schedule. Grass would be mowed once a week and mower is provided. If available email mleibl@st-matts.org or call parish center at 224-9793.

THANK YOU!

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

Thank you to **Pat Pendleton** who will begin our new ministry of taking communion to one of our homebound parishioners immediately after Sunday mass.

Thank you to **Carol Murphy, Kathy Thompson** and **Pete Rivera** who handled the blood pressure screenings last weekend. This has proven to be a very valuable ministry

News and Events

ST. MATTHEW'S PATORAL COUNCIL

We invite all parish members to consider serving on the Pastoral Council. Serving on the council is a ministry to the whole parish. There are nine members who serve a 2 year term with a maximum of 6 years. We operate by consensus. Consensus decision-making is a group decision-making process in which group members develop, and agree to support, a decision in the best interest of the whole.

Council members should be willing to commit their time, talent and wisdom in a consultative and collaborative manner. Members are asked to attend monthly meetings. Typically we have ten meetings each year.

After masses on May 18th and 19th council members will answer your questions about the role, responsibilities and decision making process. If you have an interest in discussing, please contact current council members who are listed in the bulletin.

New members will be announced on Pentecost Sunday, June 8th and 9th.

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS - THIS WEEK

The last meeting for Rosary Society will take place on May 14th at 6:45 pm in the Social Hall. We will not meet again until the fall, and hope many members will attend this meeting.

This is also the Funeral Ministry Appreciation Dinner at which Father Adrian is the guest speaker. Father Adrian's talks are always inspiring and thought provoking.

Anyone with an interest in this ministry is invited to attend. Male and female alike, funeral ministry is open to all.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS May 5, 2019

Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer 33
Hours in service 39

Parish		School	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 3,400		\$ 341
Holyday	\$ 295	Total	\$ 341
Mass Intentions	\$ 70	Thank You	
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,271		
Vigil Lights	\$ 27		
Rental	\$ 1,000		
Coffee Sunday	\$ 62		
Roof Donation	\$ 1,048		
Total	\$ 7,173		
Thank You			



The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on May 11th for Rudy Saucedo-Rivera.

Celebrate a birthday, anniversary or other special day in your family's life by ringing the Bells of Saint Matthew. Call Linda Rivera at the parish office to schedule your date.

FIRST COMMUNIONS DURING MASS

We will celebrate First Communion during the Mass at the Sunday, May 19, Mass at 10:15 am. First Communion families will be seated in the two center aisles; they will take the entire center section. Thank you for welcoming, accommodating, and helping us celebrate this sacrament with the children who have been preparing for it either through attendance at Wednesday evening Faith Formation classes or at Community of Saints Regional Catholic School.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD SUMMER BREAK

Thanks to families with children ages 3 to 6 who attended Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10:15 am Sunday Mass, and thanks to the teachers and helpers. We appreciate the service of **Maribel Alvarez, Ellen Schneider, Janelle Rohr, Clara Dubuc, Kameron Morales, and Jolin Tibayon**. Our final children's liturgy for this spring will be at the May 19 Mass. We hope to resume Children's Liturgy of the Word in September. If you would like to be a teacher or a helper in the program when it resumes in the fall, contact Janelle Rohr for more information: Janelle@st-matts.org. High school students who need volunteer hours can be helpers, as can Confirmation candidates.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY CALENDAR

We will be writing the next Ministry Schedule on May 21st. This schedule will cover the dates from June 1st through August 26th. Please let us know if there are any dates you cannot serve, or any dates that you would like to be scheduled. Thanks, again for your continued help.
Jan Lackner jml3242@aol.com 651.457.4766

Have you ever wanted to serve your parish as a Eucharistic minister, lector, usher, sacristan, gift bearer, altar server or greeter? Little training is needed; we need more volunteers for all of the above roles. Please prayerfully consider which one fits your life and talents, and come join our ministry

BAPTISM AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

On Sunday, May 5, 2019 **Christian Lubajua Kitoy**, son of **Emilie and Fabien Kitoy**, was baptized by and received his First Holy Communion from Father Steven Adrian.

Christian is a student of Community of Saint Regional Catholic School. Let us welcome Christian into our Catholic faith family and our parish family of the Church of Saint Matthew. God bless you Christian, welcome to the table of the Lord!

Parish Leadership

All emails are @st-matts.org

Rev. Steve Adrian, Sacramental Minister
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rbanker@stedwardschurch.org

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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, May 11

4:15 pm Rudy Saucedo-Rivera, Special Intention

Sunday, May 12

10:15 am Our Parish
Madeline Perron†

Monday, May 13

8:00 am Betty Miller†

Tuesday, May 14

8:00 am Deacon John Murphy†

Friday, May 17

8:00 am Mary Ann Jolly†

Saturday, May 18

4:15 pm Bob Nowak†

Sunday, May 19

10:15 am Our Parish
Alice Scaramuzzo†

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, May 11

4:15 pm Mass
First Holy Communion

Sunday, May 12 Mother's Day

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

11:15 am Coffee Sunday

Reconciliation after Mass until 11:30 am

Monday, May 13

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

Monday, May 13

8:00 am Mass
12:00 - 5:00 pm St. Mary Clinic PC

Tuesday, May 14

8:00 am Mass
6:45 pm Rosary Meeting/Funeral Ministry Dinner SH

Wednesday, May 15

8:00 am SS/Communion Service
8:00 am - 5:30 pm St. Mary's Clinic

Thursday, May 16

9:10 am Mass Community of Saints School

Friday, May 17

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, May 18

4:15 pm Mass
Food Collection for Neighborhood House
Reconciliation after Mass until 5:30 am

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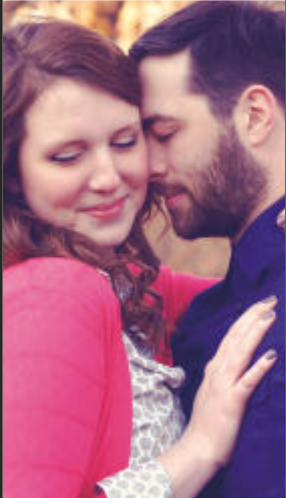
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