



Church of St. Matthew

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September 29, 2019
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordered Time

Liturgy Schedule

Monday	8:00 am	Mass
Tuesday	8:00 am	Mass
Wednesday	8:00 am	Scripture/Communion Service
Thursday	9:10 am	Mass Community of Saints School
Friday	8:00 am	Mass
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 September 29, 2019

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31
Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9ab]/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/Lk 10:17-24

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

We all have been given great power by God in the form of Time, Talents, and Treasure. Today's readings remind us that this power is meant to be used for great good. And, the failure to do so has eternal consequences.

We see the urgency for us to put our powers to good use in today's Gospel passage from Luke. Our Lord tells the rather chilling parable of the rich man who ignored poor Lazarus during their lifetimes. At the moment of the rich man's death, he goes down to the netherworld while Lazarus is taken to the eternal joy and comfort in the bosom of Abraham. The rich man keenly regrets his indifference towards the needs of Lazarus, but it is too late for regret. His choices have played out, and now the rich man will face the consequences of his failure to use the gifts God gave him.

Pursuit of God's kingdom and care for the poor are not trifling matters. Our Lord makes this clear to us over and over in the Scriptures and the constant teachings of our 2,000 year-old Church. We are free to ignore these teachings and live instead for ourselves. But there will be tragic results for us in the end. And, because we are made for eternity, living selfishly on this earth doesn't really bring us true happiness anyway.

So how can we use our great powers for great good? By embracing a stewardship way of life. By putting God first in all areas of our lives — in the way we spend our time, the ways we share our talents, the ways we give of our financial resources. Stewardship living calls us out of our comfort zone and into commitment to the Lord and the things that matter to Him.

- The Catholic Steward

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Mary Leibl,
Volunteer
Coordinator

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

We need volunteers to continue the work of serving our parish and community. Currently we have 2 continuing opportunities.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD, TEACHERS AND HELPERS NEEDED

From mid-September until mid-May, children ages 3 to 6 may participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:15 am Mass; the children are in the chapel about 20 minutes for age-appropriate instruction and crafts. We need more teachers and teen helpers to consistently offer the program every weekend. Curriculum and supplies are provided. For more information about what is involved, email Faith Formation director Janelle Rohr at Janelle@st-matts.org or call her at 651-457-3522.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Need Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs), Registered Nurses (RNs), Physicians and EMTs who would be willing to volunteer on the first weekend of the month, after Saturday & Sunday Masses. Blood pressure cuffs will be provided.

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!

Thank you to Pat Moser who has volunteered to be a substitute receptionist in the parish office.

News and Events

CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME - EARTH

A special thanks to Becky Montgomery, Karen Thompson, Jerald Dosch and the Men's Club, not only for giving of their time, but also for their generous donation of items that made our Fall Festival more earth friendly. Every small action matters. When billions of people do that one thing it can change the world.



FALL FESTIVAL WRAP-UP MEETING



After many months of planning, and the work of countless volunteers, two weeks ago we enjoyed our 2019 Fall Festival!

We will have a "Wrap-Up" meeting on **Monday September 30th at 6:30 pm in**

the Parish Center. We will share feedback on this year's festival and opinions on "where do we go from here." If you have ideas for future fundraisers this will be a time to offer suggestions! We Are a Volunteer Parish." Our success and our future depends on all of us working Together.

COMMUNITY OF SAINTS NEWS

Pozole in the Park was a HUGE success! We fed approximately 150 people, and many kids played free games such as fort building, basketball, face painting, yard games and arts and crafts. The rain held off for us, and we are so grateful! Fundraising totals will be published next week--all proceeds go toward our 8th grade field trip to Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center.

Community of Saints school year is off to a great start! Our K-8 enrollment has reached over 200 students, and we are so excited to have several new additions to our community! Thank you to our school families and sponsoring parish members for spreading the word about the high quality, faith based educational experience we provide for our families.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS September 22, 2019

Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer

Hours in service

Parish			
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 3,305		
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,418	School	\$ 401
Vigil Lights	\$ 13		
Coffee Sunday	\$ 45		
Funeral Stipend	\$ 350		
Bells	\$ 47	Total	\$ 401
Masses	\$ 32	Thank You	
Faith Formation	\$ 550		
Fall Festival	\$ 145		
Silent Auction	\$ 2,314		
Roof Donation	\$		
Ramp Donation	\$		
Rent	\$		
Total	\$ 8,219		

Thank You



The Bells of Saint Matthew are ringing on September 29th by anonymous parishioner.

The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on September 29th to celebrate Joe and Hope Savard's 59th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Joe and Hope, God's blessings to you and many more happy years together.

The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on September 29th in memory of Deacon John & Carol Murphy.

The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on October 5th to celebrate John Sperl's 95th birthday. Happy birthday, John.

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 special date.

AARP DRIVER COURSE AT ST. MATTS. THERE IS STILL TIME TO REGISTER

The course will be on Thursday, October 17th from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm in the social hall. Please enter from the parking lot. \$15 for AARP member; \$20 for non-members; payable at the door. **Registration only by phone to the parish center; 651.224.9793.**



FALL FESTIVAL LAWN SIGNS

Did you take a lawn sign for the Festival? We thank you for posting it this year, it is now time to return it to the Parish Center or bring it with you to Mass. Signs will be reused for Fall Festival 2020!

COFFEE SUNDAYS HAVE RETURNED

Following most Sunday Masses from September to June we have coffee and treats in the Social Hall. On some Sundays we have a full wonderful breakfast.



Help is needed to plan and serve these Sunday morning gatherings. If you have a large family, card group, girls coffee klatch, or can just pitch in, please call the Parish Center and speak with Linda Rivera.

BOY SCOUT POPCORN & CHRISTMAS WREATHS SALES AND ORDERS THIS WEEKEND

On September 28th and 29, before and after Masses, Boy Scout Troop 288, Chartered by Community of Saints School, will be taking orders for Christmas Wreaths and Garland. We will also be selling Gourmet Popcorn. We will be at the back of church by the Scrip Table. If you miss those days we will be back the weekend of Saturday, October 26th and Sunday, October 27th. If you have any questions or are not able to make it either of these two weekends you can call Joan at 651.227.6167.



Please remember the Church of Saint Matthew in your estate plan, will or trust.

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 4:00 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, September 28

4:15 pm Deacon John Murphy†

Sunday, September 29

10:15 am Our Parish
Rose & Joseph Karas, Sr.†

Monday, September 30

8:00 am John DeIVecchio, Special Intention

Tuesday, October 1

8:00 am Pam, Lucille & Robert Stickler, Sr.†

Friday, October 4

8:00 am Mary Jane Sperl†

Saturday, October 5

4:15 pm Alice Scaramuzzo†

Sunday, October 6

10:15 am Our Parish
Deacon John & Carol Murphy†

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, September 28

4:15 pm Mass
Boy Scouts Popcorn/Wreath Sales Orders

Sunday, September 29

10:15 am Mass with Children Liturgy of the Word
Boy Scouts Popcorn/Wreath Sales Orders
Reconciliation following Mass
Coffee Sunday following Mass SH

Monday – Friday September 30– October 6

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

Monday, September 30

12:00 - 5:00 pm St. Mary Clinic PC
6:30 pm Fall Festival Follow-up Meeting PC

Tuesday, October 1

Wednesday, October 2

8:00 am - 5:30 pm St. Mary's Clinic
6:30 pm Faith Formation Classes CH/PC
7:30 pm Men's Club Board Meeting SH

Thursday, October 3

9:10 am Mass at COS

Friday, October 4

Saturday, October 5

4:15 pm Mass
Reconciliation following Mass
Blood Pressure Screening following Mass

Sunday, October 6

10:15 am Mass with Children Liturgy of the Word
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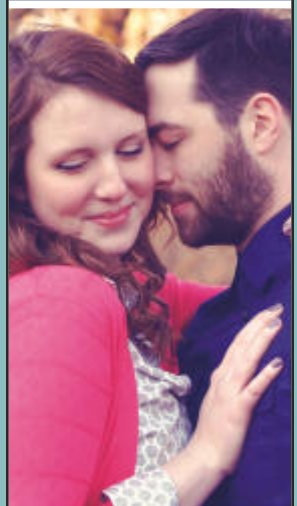
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