

# Church of St. Matthew

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**October 20, 2019**

**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordered Time**

#### **Liturgy Schedule**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Scripture/Communion Service
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:10 am</b>	Mass Community of Saints School
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4:15 pm</b>	Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10:15 am</b>	Mass

#### **Reconciliation**

**1st & 3rd Saturday** After 4:15 pm Mass  
**2nd & 4th Sunday** After 10:15 am Mass

**Prayer Line** 651.457.0228

#### **Readings for the week of October 20, 2019**

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 2]/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8  
Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Lk 12:13-21  
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Lk 12:35-38  
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Lk 12:39-48  
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53  
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68b]/Lk 12:54-59  
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9

## Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation and service. Today's readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and our in parish community.

Our Lord Himself calls us to prayer — and persistence in prayer — in the Gospel passage from Luke. Jesus tells the parable of the nagging widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. Jesus goes to great lengths to describe this judge, saying he “neither feared God nor respected any human.” Yet even this corrupt judge responds with a just judgment because of the widow's persistence.

Jesus uses this outlandish example to draw a vivid contrast between a reluctant, dishonest judge and our loving, all-merciful Father. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him.

If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response from the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response, whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us.

Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We must lean on each other in our communities — family and parish — as we support each other in prayer. A strong pillar of prayer will make all our other stewardship efforts fruitful.

- *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 4 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](mailto: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.

### MUSICIANS

In need of Choir members, Cantors & Instrumentalists. The choir sings for Sunday 10:15 am Mass and practices on alternate weeks September- May. The Choir practices at 9:15 am. Next practice will be Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Cantors and instrumentalists are needed for both weekend masses.

### FAITH FORMATION

Looking for hospitality coordinators: Will plan & Organize food, drinks, service, set-up, and clean-up at 4-5 events in October, December, February, March & April. Recruit helpers & contributors. Need to enjoy being around kids. Best if 2 persons who work well together shared the coordinating job.

**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](mailto:mleibl@st-matts.org)**

### THANK YOU!

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

The new ramp is completed and the entrance to the church looks so much nicer!!

We thank Pete Rivera who patched the hole in front of the south entrance door.

## News and Events

### SAVE THE PLANET

"You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending." - C.C. Lewis



Repair, Reuse, Reclaim, Repurpose! Be the change you wish to see.

### ROSARY/CCW NEWS

On Monday, October 28th beginning at Noon in our chapel the traveling picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe will visit Saint Matthew's. We will have Rosary and novena prayers at Noon. The picture will remain for all those who wish to stay and pray longer.



We invite men and women to come join in this vigil.

This event is co-sponsored by St. Matthew's Rosary/CCW and Our Lady of Guadalupe's Guadalupanas.

### COMMUNITY DINNER AND CONFIRMATION LAUNCH

Students in grades 8 and above who would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in spring 2020 through St. Matthew parish are invited to our Confirmation launch on Saturday, October 26. Parents/guardians should also attend, and other family members are invited, too. Join us for the 4:15 Saturday Mass and then come downstairs to the Social Hall for a potluck meal and a short meeting. Please RSVP to Janelle Rohr, Faith Formation coordinator, via email [Janelle@st-matts.org](mailto:Janelle@st-matts.org) or telephone 651-457-3522. The Confirmation launch is for the Wednesday evening Faith Formation 8th grade and above students and for Community of Saints 8th graders who plan to be confirmed with St. Matthew. **All persons attending the Mass that day, October 26, are welcome to join us in the Social Hall for supper—not just Confirmation families.**

### GARDENING THANKS

A Special thanks to Chris and Tony Wilfahrt who removed the "ramp plants" before work was begun; and thanks to them for "re-planting." Your hard work adds to the beauty of the "new" front entrance!

### WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS October 13, 2019

#### Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer 7  
Hours in service 25

Parish		School	\$ 55
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 3,113		
Electronic Giving	\$ 242	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 55</b>
Vigil Lights	\$ 32	<b>Thank You</b>	
Coffee Sunday	\$		
Bells	\$		
Masses	\$ 64		
Silent Auction	\$ 20		
Funeral	\$ 550		
Fix It Dinner	\$ 20		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,041</b>		
<b>Thank You</b>			



The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on October 26th for Anthony Rivera.

What happy, exciting or memorable event in your family life would like to mark by ringing the "Bells of Saint Matthew"?

Call Linda Rivera at the parish office to schedule your special date.

### Saint Matthew's Parish Council Oct. 24, 2019 Agenda

1. Reflection
  2. Meeting Dates, Facilitator and Note Taker Schedule
  3. Listening Weekend
  4. Finance Council Report
  5. Fall Festival Wrap-Up Meeting
  6. Archdiocesan Pre-Synod Prayer & Listening Events
  7. Fix-It Dinner
  8. Updates:
    - a. Buildings and Facilities
    - b. Community of Saints
    - c. Loaves and Fishes
    - d. Casa Guadalupana
    - e. Saint Mary's Health Clinic
    - f. Men's Club
    - g. Rosary Society
    - h. Lay Advisory Board
    - i. Liturgy
    - j. Faith Formation
    - k. Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service
  9. Parish Priorities Updates:
    - Parish Council – new members bringing membership to 9
    - Facebook
    - Earth Care
    - Increased utilization of technology
    - Family Involvement
    - Adult Enrichment
  10. Other Business
- Next Meeting: Dec. 5 Facilitator: Barb Strom  
Note Taker:

### RAMP/RAILING UPDATE

The men from Krech Ironworks visited on Monday to take the specific measurements for the railings. Their backlog is about three weeks; we should expect installation in about that time.

Thank you for your patience; and thanks to all those who helped "foot the bill". Everyone agrees that the change in the front of the church is dramatic; and the ramp will be so much easier to use.



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

**Parish Leadership**

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mleibl

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Karen Thompson, Parish Trustee  
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Parish Pastoral Council  
parishcouncil

**Members:**

Suzanne Clarke                      Becky Montgomery

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Jackie Lackner                      Barbara Strom

John Riehle, Ex Officio

**Finance Council Members**

John DelVecchio                      Joe Stevens

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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, October 19**

4:15 pm Pam, Lucille & Robert Stickler Sr. †

### **Sunday, October 20**

10:15 am Our Parish

Rose, Joseph, Jr. & Joseph Karas Sr. †

### **Monday, October 21**

8:00 am Pauline Dalzell †

### **Tuesday, October 22**

8:00 am Gilbert DeLaO, Special Intention

### **Friday, October 25**

8:00 am Marcus T. McEllistrem †

### **Saturday, October 26**

4:15 pm Anthony Rivera, Special Intention

Jim Thompson †

### **Sunday, October 27**

10:15 am Our Parish

Rudy Morales †

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **Saturday, October 19**

10:30 am Baptism Class PC

4:15 pm Mass

Anointing during Mass

Food Collection for Neighborhood House

Council Members Available After Masses

Reconciliation following Mass

### **Sunday, October 20**

10:15 am Mass with Children Liturgy of the Word

Anointing during Mass

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Coffee Sunday following Mass SH

### **Monday – Friday October 21– October 25**

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

### **Monday, October 21**

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

### **Tuesday, October 22**

### **Wednesday, October 23**

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

6:30 pm Faith Formation Classes

### **Thursday, October 24**

9:10 am Mass at COS

4:00 pm Finance Meeting PC

6:00 pm Leadership Dinner PC

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting PC

### **Friday, October 25**

### **Saturday, October 26**

4:15 pm Mass with **Confirmation Launch**

Community Dinner Following Mass SH

Boy Scout Popcorn/Wreath Sales following Mass

### **Sunday, October 27**

10:15 am Mass with Children Liturgy of the Word

Reconciliation following Mass

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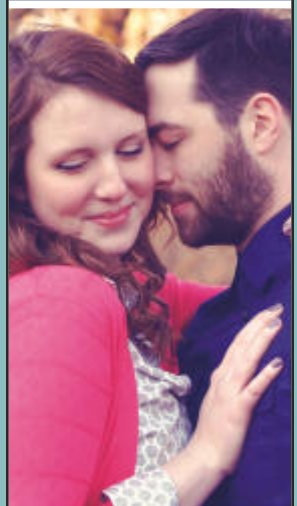
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