

Church of St. Matthew

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November 10, 2019 Thirty-second 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 4:15 pm Mass
2nd & 4th Sunday After 10:15 am Mass

Prayer Line 651.457.0228

Readings for the week of November 10, 2019

Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/2 Thes 2:16—3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38
Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Wis 2:23—3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 [2a]/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

Today's readings challenge us to focus on the "why" of stewardship. Why embrace this challenging way of life when it seems hard enough just to meet the demands of our daily lives and responsibilities? Because this life is not all there is. While we cannot earn our way into Heaven, what we do now with the life God has given us has eternal consequences. Stewardship living helps us to keep focused on our hoped-for destination in the choices we make each day.

In our Gospel passage from Luke, Christ reminds us we were made for more than just this life, and our choices have eternal consequences. In this passage our Lord corrects some Saducees for their mistaken notion that there is no resurrection. He instructs that "those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead... can no longer die, for they are like angels; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise.

Stewardship is not about the particular amount or kind of time, talent and treasure that we offer. It is about the conviction that everything we have is a gift from our loving God. Revisiting these three aspects of our lives on a regular basis, prayerfully discerning the best use of our gifts, and putting this down in writing clarifies and strengthens our conviction to put God first.

That is the "why" of stewardship.

- 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 3 continuing opportunities.

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, November 17th. Cantors and instrumentalists are needed for both weekend masses.

LOAVES AND FISHES

Loaves and Fishes welcome all who would like to help serve meals and/or help with clean-up after the guests leave. If you would like to help in this act of service, come to the Social Hall any Monday-Friday 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm.

THANK YOU!

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

Thank you to all who helped to make the Fix-it Dinner a success. To Gregg who prepared the meal and to those who helped to serve and cleanup. To Kathy and Al who provided Bottle Lotto to entertain our younger guests. To JoAnne and Suzanne who offered Gift Baskets and other items at discounted prices. A great start to Christmas Shopping. Finally, a huge **Thank You** to all who came to the Social Hall to enjoy good food and fellowship. Many comments were heard regarding how nice it was to get together and visit with those we usually only see in church. That perhaps the parish needs to socialize more often. If anyone has suggestions on ways to do this more often email mleibl@st-matts.org. We are always looking for new ideas!

Thank You to Isaac Garcia who spoke at the Masses last weekend sharing how, as a 6th grader, he decided to offer **Isaac's Blessing's Bags** to people who gathered at a homeless shelter. A reminder that through the weekend of December 7 & 8th we will be helping Isaac by donating items for his Blessings Bags. Leave your donations by the Scrip Table.

News and Events

SAVE THE PLANET

"Modern society will find no solution to the ecological problem unless it takes a serious look at its lifestyle." Pope John Paul II



We all have the power to make changes where we are...No good choice is too small. Any progress is still progress.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE REMINDER

We will be writing the next Liturgy schedule on November 19th. This schedule will cover the dates from November 30 through February 23. Please let us know of any dates you are unavailable during this time frame, or any dates you WANT to be scheduled. Thank you again for your continued help! Jan Lackner 651.457.4766 jml3242@aol.com

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. STEVE

Mark your calendar: Father Steve will present three semesters of Bible Study. The first will be about the Gospel of Matthew [as we begin the year of Matthew in Advent]. Three Saturday mornings, with some drink and a bit of food for the body; and lots of food for the mind and soul. Saturday mornings from 9:15 to 11:00am. The first semester will be Saturdays, December 7, 14, and 21.

Watch for a semester in Lent about the Passion Story in Matthew; then a semester in Eastertime about the Acts of the Apostles.

Pre-registration is not necessary, but it would be very helpful. Please call the office. 651.224.9793

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

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS November 3, 2019

Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer 26
Hours in service 56

Parish		School	\$ 666
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 4,111		
Electronic Giving	\$ 242	Total	\$ 666
Vigil Lights	\$ 46	Thank You	
Coffee Sunday	\$		
Masses	\$ 66		
Funeral Stipend	\$ 550		
All Souls	\$ 494		
Fix-it-Dinner	\$ 235		
Fall Festival	\$ 805		
Total	\$ 6,549		
Thank You			



The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on November 17th to celebrate Victor Mercado's birthday.

The Bells will ring on November 17th in memory Mary Jane Sperl.

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



CONFIRMATION LAUNCH

On Saturday, October 26th, Confirmation candidates were presented to the parish during the 4:15 pm Mass. Following Mass students, families and parishioners enjoyed a community dinner in the Social Hall. Everyone was treated to a fine meal and had a great evening together. Please pray for our students as they prepare for Confirmation this spring.

CHEROKEE TAVERN THANKSGIVING DINNER

A full, all the trimmings turkey dinner will again be provided to all who will be alone on Thanksgiving. Or perhaps you are unable to provide a meal for yourself.



The meal will be served at the Church of St. Joseph on Seminole Ave. in West St. Paul. You must have tickets for this dinner; dine in and take-out are available. Please call the Parish Office at 651.224.9793 to reserve your seat or meal. **Deadline to reserve tickets is November 19th.**

MEMORIAL BOOK

There is a special "Memorial Book" in which you can write the names of your deceased loved ones. We will remember these individuals throughout the month of November.

You will find the book located on the altar platform during weekend Masses and in the chapel during the week.

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

West Side churches will hold an Ecumenical Service at St. Matthew's on November 27th at 7:00 pm. Congregations of all communities are invited to attend this West Side Service. Please invite your family and friends to join you.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Fr. Adrian will celebrate Mass at **9:00 am** on Thanksgiving morning, November 28th. We hope you will attend before your big feast!!

Parish Leadership

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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, November 9

4:15 pm Joe Kegler & Bob Snyder†

Sunday, November 10

10:15 am Our Parish; Bob Nowak†

Monday, November 11

8:00 am Rose, Joseph, Jr. & Joseph Karas, Sr.†

Tuesday, November 12

8:00 am Living & Deceased Rosary/CCW Members

Friday, November 15

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

Saturday, November 16

4:15 pm Mary Jane Sperl†

Sunday, November 17

10:15 am Our Parish;
Victor Mercado, Special Intention
Pearl & John Bejblik†

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, November 9

4:15 pm Mass with Baptism

5:00 pm Turkey Bingo

Sunday, November 10

10:15 am Mass with Children Liturgy of the Word

Reconciliation after Mass

Coffee Sunday following Mass SH

Monday – Friday November 11– November 15

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

Monday, November 11

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

Tuesday, November 12

1:00 pm Rosary/CCW Meeting PC

Wednesday, November 13

8:00 am - 12:00 pm St. Mary's Clinic

6:30 pm Faith Formation Classes

8:00 pm Men's Club Meeting

Thursday, November 14

9:10 am Mass at COS

Friday, November 15

Saturday, November 16

10:30 am Baptism Class PC

4:15 pm Mass

Reconciliation after Mass

Sunday, November 17

10:15 am Mass with Children Liturgy of the Word

Coffee Sunday following Mass SH

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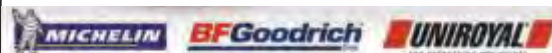
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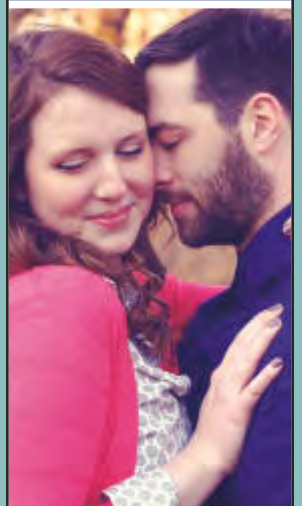
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