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*"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind....
You shall love your neighbor as yourself."*

October 25, 2020

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordered Time

Liturgy Schedule

Masses

In person 4:15 pm Saturday
Streamed 10:15 am Sunday

Reconciliation

2nd and 4th Saturday of the month
following 4:15 pm Mass

Baptism, Matrimony, Anointing of the sick

Please call the parish office for each

Prayer Line 651.457.0228

Readings for the week of October 25, 2020

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/1
Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

Monday: Eph 4:32—5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf.
Eph 5:1]/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [1a]/Lk
13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk
6:12-16

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk
13:31-35

Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 14:1-
6

Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-
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Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

Today's readings are all about the radical love of God for His people and the radical love we are called to live out in response. The stewardship way of life is nothing more and nothing less than the practical application of loving God and neighbor in our daily lives.

Jesus sums up the message of all the prophets, as well as the purpose of all God's laws in today's Gospel passage, from Matthew. It is a message we have likely grown up hearing — but it is so beautiful and so challenging, it bears repeating again and again. It is Christ's response to a question about which commandment is greatest. His answer reveals both the greatest and the second greatest commandments.

He says, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind... The second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself."

How is the second like the first? What do the two commands have in common? Love.

Love God first and love neighbor as self. This is the heart of the stewardship way of life — simple enough for a child to understand, challenging enough to be the life's work of every "grown-up."

The Catholic Steward

Cover art provided by Catholic Studies Program at St. Louis University : Ford Maddox Brown, Jesus washing Peter's feet at the Last Supper, 1852-6



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

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND

Do you have family, neighbors or friends who are unable to attend Mass? If you would like to take communion to them in their homes, call the Parish Center or see a Sacristan before mass. If you do not have a pyx one will be provided.

Nearly 3 years ago our parish made the decision to become a **Volunteer Parish**. It has been through the generosity of our volunteers that we are able to exist. If you have ever considered other ways you felt you could volunteer, some way, other than what you have seen listed, please contact the Parish Center or mleibl@st-matts.org.

I invite anyone who could help with this volunteer opportunity 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 the **65** parishioners. As we continue to film that Mass for those who wish to attend the **Sunday Mass online**, we thank our celebrant **Fr. Adrian** who offers Mass for us and through the words of his homily gives us strength & hope as we live through these trying days. To **John** who assists where needed and makes sure everyone & everything is where it needs to be. To our pianist **Jill** and our cantor **Linda**. To **Mary & Tim** who presented the readings and to Eucharistic ministers **Kathy & Ellen**. Thank you to our ushers **Tim & Tom** & doorman **Mike**. Thanks to **Ginny** our server/sacristan. We are all especially grateful to **Alan!!** He came forward last March and offered to film all our services. He then edits the production and puts it out on the web for all to view! He makes it possible for us to come together and worship as a parish, during an exceedingly difficult time. If you were not able to join the service as it happened, you can watch the Mass on the **st-matts.org**. **Website/Facebook page** or on **YouTube**.

THANK YOU to **Pete and Tim** who blew & bagged the fallen leaves from the parish property.

News and Events

Saint Matthew's motto-to be the Good Samaritan on the banks of the Mississippi.

BEFORE ATTENDING MASS, STOP, THINK, CONSIDER

While Saint Matthew welcomes all to our parish, we want to have a safe environment for everyone. Before attending Mass, please consider the following questions and if you answer "yes", please do not attend Mass in person, but rather follow us on our website.

1. In the past 14 days have you exposed to Covid-19 or been in contact with someone who has been exposed?
2. Are you or any one you know experiencing any of the following symptoms you cannot attribute to another condition; fever, chills, new cough, new sore throat, new headache, new loss of smell or taste, new muscle aches or new shortness of breath?
3. **For everyone's safety and health, masks are required.**

CHANGES FOR IN-PERSON MASS ATTENDANCE

1. The long-handled collection baskets that were ordered many months ago have arrived—finally. The ushers will take up the collections [both for the parish and special collections] at the usual times of the Mass. There will NOT be a basket near the entrance.
2. Everyone coming will be asked to record their name and telephone number on a sign-in sheet. The only—but important—reason for this is the use of that information for contact tracing. [To date we have not had any cases of COVID-19 connected to attendance at Mass. There is no guarantee that our 'clean record' will continue.]

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS October 18, 2020

Volunteer Service

Hours in prayer 19
Hours in service 19

Parish

Envelopes/Cash \$ 2,890
Electronic Giving \$ 245
Rent \$ 13,923
PayPal \$ 130
Faith Formation \$ 0
Fuel \$ 100
Bells \$ 0
Masses \$ 0
Sanctuary Lamp \$ 10
Vigil Lights \$ 27
Sanctuary Lamps \$ 0

School

\$ 50
Giving Thanks \$ 6,760
Mission Sunday \$ 90
Food Shelf \$ 275
Total \$ 7,175

Thank You!

PayPal QR Code

simply scan with your phone to make an electronic stewardship offering.

Total \$ 17,325
Thank You!



THE SOUNDS AND SIGHTS OF ST. MATT'S

The sanctuary lamp will be lit October 24 to October 31 for **Father Paul Casper, SCJ**, Saint Matthew class of 1944.

Contact Linda Rivera at lriviera@st-matts.org or 651.224.9793 by 1:00 pm Monday-Thursday if you would like to schedule a day to ring the bells, or a week to light the sanctuary lamp for your special memory or event.

HAVE YOU ENTERED TO WIN?

Many parishioners and friends of Saint Matthew's have already returned their entry for our first **"Giving Thanks In November Fund Raiser"** Each day of November is a day to win, but to do this **you must have returned your envelope by October 28th**

The Catholic Oder of Foresters is also matching funds in lieu of the annual Fix It Dinner match.

This fund raiser will help us build a much needed handicap accessible restroom near the current restrooms in the social hall.

Good luck to everyone to donates to our fund raiser.

IPHONES NEEDED

Our amazing video/cameraman Alan Christensen is in need of additional iPhones to improve and enhance our Sunday on-line Masses. Please bring them to Saturday Mass or drop them off at the Parish Center during business hours. iPhone 6, and later are needed. Your donation to the parish will be greatly appreciated and possibly a tax donation too!



FEAST OF ALL SOULS DAY

Fr. Adrian will celebrate Mass for the Feast of All Souls Day—7:00 pm , Monday, November 2nd. All are invited to attend with masks and distancing, please.

THANKSGIVING DINNER FROM JAMESON IRISH PUB (FORMERLY CHEROKEE TAVERN)

The good news is the wonderful tradition of the free Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings will continue this year! Due to Covid-19 there are a few changes; there will be **NO** dine-in-service, **all meals will be pick-up only.**

Meals will be available for pick up Thanksgiving Day, November 26th at the Church of Saint Joseph parking lot, 1154 Seminole Avenue, West Saint Paul. To make a reservation to pick up your meals please contact Linda Rivera at the parish center at 651.224.9793 with your name, pick-up time, and number of meals of meals you will be picking up. There are three time slots for pick up 10:30 - 11:00 am, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm or 12:00 - 1:00 pm .

ISAAC'S BLESSING BAGS

Isaac Garcia began collecting items to donate to homeless individuals when he was a 7th grader at COS. Isaac did it again as an 8th grader. Saint Matthew's parish donated hundreds of items to help fill his Blessing Bags. Isaac's Blessing Bags now has non-profit status—your donations will be tax-deductible. Isaac is now a freshman at Cretin Derham Hall High School. He will be collecting items for his bags October 25th – December 5th. During that time, we will be collecting items in the church before Saturday Masses and Monday – Thursday items may be brought to the Parish Center during business hours. Isaac will speak to the parish this weekend—in person on Saturday; via video on Sunday.

Parish Leadership

All emails are @st-matts.org

Rev. Steve Adrian, Sacramental Minister
sadrian

John DelVecchio, Parish Trustee
jdelvecchio

Scott Hertzog, Janitor

Kevin Jack, website & social media webmaster
kevinjack

Jill Kilzer, Music Ministry
jillkilzer

Bernie Klein, Accounts Payable & Receivable
bklein

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skowal

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Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Closed on Friday

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 24/ Sunday 25

4:15 pm Our Parish
Alice Scaramuzzo†
Arlene Palermo†
Anthony Rivera, Special Intention

Monday, October 26

8:00 am Cancelled

Tuesday, October 27

8:00 am Cancelled

Friday, October 30

8:00 am Cancelled

Saturday, October 31/ November 1—All Saints Day

4:15 pm Our Parish
Pauline Dalzell†
Arthur Geis†
Marina T. Galep†
Raymond J. Galep†

Calendar of Events

Saturday, October 24

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center
9:30 am Harmony GTCYS—school building
4:15 pm Mass with Confirmation Launch No. 2
5:15 pm Leadership Listening

Sunday October 25

10:15 am Mass Streamed

Monday, October 26- Friday October 30

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Loaves & Fishes **Meals Are Being Served As Take-Out Only At This Time**

Monday, October 26

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open
St. Mary's Clinic Cancelled

Tuesday, October 27

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open
5:00 pm GTCYS Church

Wednesday, October 28

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Parish Office Open
1:00 pm St. Mary's Clinic - by appointment only
Faith Formation K-10 Check Schedule For Class Start Time

Thursday, October 29

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open
4:30 pm Finance Meeting via Zoom
7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting via Zoom

Friday, October 30

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, October 31

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center
9:30 am Harmony GTCYS—school building
Sunday November 1 Feast of All Saint
10:15 am Mass Streamed

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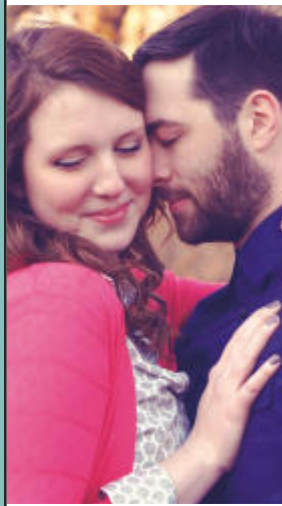
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