

# Church of St. Matthew

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**April 4, 2021**  
**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

## ***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 April 4, 2021***

**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48  
**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15

## Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

Today, we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ! Our readings today reveal how we can live out the joy of Easter all year long in our day-to-day lives.

Our Gospel portrays the third day after Jesus' death when Mary of Magdala visits Jesus' tomb. Once she saw the stone removed, she ran to tell Simon Peter and John. They ran to the tomb as well, and upon seeing, they believed. We can tell the relationship that these disciples had with Jesus because of the way they responded about Him — they "ran." Mary didn't see the empty tomb and think, "someone else will figure it out." Peter and John didn't hear the news and think, "I will check on it later." They each responded with conviction as they "ran" for Jesus.

We must ask ourselves, "Do I have a relationship with Christ to the point where I am running to Him each day?" The way these disciples responded is how we should respond to Christ. We must avoid complacency, and as intentional disciples, we must stop rationalizing our choices by telling ourselves we will someday get around to putting God first. Every moment throughout our day is an opportunity to respond to God in gratitude, compassion and eagerness. And although there will be moments when we do not "feel" like responding to Him, it is in those moments when we faithfully respond anyway that matters the most.

Let us celebrate this glorious day with prayer and feasting, for Christ is risen! And let us strive to carry this Easter joy with us all year long by how we respond to Christ each day. Happy Easter!

— *Stewardship Reflections & Cover Art by Catholic Stewardship Consultants*



Mary Leibt,  
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

**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.

I invite anyone who could help with this volunteer opportunity to contact me through the parish office or email me at [mleibt@st-matts.org](mailto:mleibt@st-matts.org)

**PREPARING THE SLIDE DECK for Mass Each** Mass has a set of slides that are used so that those who are watch Mass can pray and sing along. The preparation of the slide deck is done in concert with the music director and the celebrant. Training will be provide.

**PROJECT THE SLIDE DECK from a personal computer** After the slide deck is prepared, a volunteer will operate a laptop so songs and prayers will appear on the screen at the appropriate times.

If you are interested in, or if you have questions, about these ministries contact the Parish Center during office hours [or leave a message after regular hours]. Training will be provided. If you know of someone who enjoys working with computers, please share this opportunity with them. It is preferable that more than one person would take part in each of these ministries!

The Community of St Matthew Wishes All of Our Volunteers

A Very Blessed Easter



## News and Events

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

**Even though many members of our parish may have received both vaccination shots, Covid-19 is still here!!** We still need to take precautions. It's common sense and it's the state law. Please consider the following things before coming to Mass, for your sake and the sake of your fellow parishioners too. Thank you.

Saint Matthew welcomes all to our parish. At the same time, we pledge to keep 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 been 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; distance is requested; and signing in for contact tracing is necessary.**
  4. **There will be no singing, except for the cantor!**  
**CHANGES FOR IN-PERSON MASS ATTENDANCE**
    1. The long-handled collection baskets will be used for the regular and any special collections. There will NOT be a basket near the entrance.
    2. Please follow these guidelines for communion reception.
      - A. Use personal sanitizer [that you brought]
      - B. Come forward with your mask in place.
      - C. Keep distance as you come forward.
      - D. Keep your left hand as flat as possible.
      - E. Accept the host from the person distributing; take 2 or 3 steps to the side; move your mask up or down; communicate yourself; replace your mask and return to your place. Thank you.
- TO REPEAT: Refrain from singing; keep your mask in place for the entire time; keep distance from those in other households!!**

Due to early bulletin publication, Fair Share numbers will be updated later.

**We cannot give up  
in the face of evil.  
God is Love and he has  
defeated evil through  
Christ's death and  
resurrection.**

**— Pope Francis —**



**THE SOUNDS AND SIGHTS OF ST. MATT'S**  
The sanctuary lamp will be lit April 3 - April 10  
memory of **John Leibl**.

Contact Linda Rivera at [lriviera@st-matts.org](mailto: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.

**Holy Saturday, April 3**

Easter Vigil -7:00 p.m. – In person only

**Easter Sunday, April 4**

Mass of the Resurrection -10:15 a.m.

In person and streamed online

*On behalf of Father Adrian,  
Father Mathew, John Riehle,  
the Parish Trustees,  
Parish Councils, Volunteers and  
Parish Staff we wish our  
parishioners a blessed  
Easter Season*

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
CHRIST IS RISEN

## Parish Leadership

All emails are @st-matts.org

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## Parish Pastoral Council

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### Members:

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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, April 3

7:00 pm Our Parish  
John Leibl†  
Dorinda Martineau†

### Sunday, April 4

10:15. am Mass Streamed  
Our Parish  
Ann, Matt & Michael Adrian

### Monday, April 5

8:00 am Cancelled

### Tuesday, April 6

8:00 am Cancelled

### Saturday, April 10

7:00 pm Our Parish  
Rudy Saucedo Jr.†  
Jeanne Lord †  
Alicia & Bill Sellars in remembrance of their 75th  
Wedding Anniversary†

### Sunday, April 11

10:15. am Mass Streamed

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday, April 3

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center  
10:00 am GTCYS - School Building  
7:00 pm Mass (in person) **Holy Saturday Easter Vigil**

### Sunday, April 4 Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord

10:15 am Mass In Person & Streamed

### Monday, April 5 - Friday, April 9

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

**Meals Are Being served As Take-Out Only At This Time**

### Monday, April 5

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Parish Office Open

### Tuesday, April 6

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open

3:45 - 7:45 pm GTCYS Church

### Wednesday, April 7

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

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Parish Office Open

Faith Formation No Classes

### Thursday, April 8

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open

7:00 pm AA Meeting Parish Center

### Friday, April 9

Parish Office closed

### Saturday, April 10

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center

10:00 am GTCYS - School Building

4:15 pm Mass (in person)

### Sunday, April 11 Divine Mercy Sunday

10:15 am Streamed

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