

## Church of Saint Matthew – May 2, 2021

### SAINT MATTHEW WELCOMES ALL TO OUR PARISH

New to the area, joining us for the first time or coming home again? Please contact Linda Rivera at [lriviera@st-matts.org](mailto:lriviera@st-matts.org) to register as a member of our parish family, we will be happy to get you signed up or welcome you back.

### THE POWER OF PRAYER

You can request prayers for yourself, family and friends by calling St. Matthew's Prayer Line 651.457.0228. You can request prayers for healing, family unhappiness, help to find a job, addiction to name a few. All requests are confidential.

### PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please remember in your prayer our parish family and friends who are ill or in need of our prayers. Pray for their recovery and for their family members who are with them and caring for them. Especially, **Pat Pendleton, Cecelia Glenn, Anita Mahler, Erin Jack, Jerry Jenniges, and Jan Steinbrenner.**

**If you have a loved one you would like to add to this list, please call the Parish office, provide us with your name and the name of your loved one.** We are strong as a community praying together.

### A LITTLE SPIRITUAL HELP TO GET US THROUGH THESE TOUGH TIMES

#### ACT OF CONTRITION

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In His name, my God, have mercy.

#### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

### AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOODS

#### ARCHDIOCESE COVID-19 ANOINTING CORPS

On your few moments throughout the day help the Covid-19 Anointing Corps by praying for the sick, their families and the priest.

Please pray two times: one Our Father for the individual suffering; one Hail Mary for the family's comfort; and one Glory Be for the priest and the medical team ministering to them. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. St. Roch, pray for us.

### PRAYERS AND SUPPORT FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS

Health care workers: Catholic faithful throughout the archdiocese are dedicated to praying for you!

Visit [archspm.org/covid19prayers](http://archspm.org/covid19prayers) to submit a prayer request. On this page, you may also sign up for a weekly email, watch encouraging videos, and find resources for support.

Want to join in praying for health care workers? Commit to daily prayer for health care workers by texting archspm-healthcare to 55321 or signing up at [eva.us/archspm-healthcare](http://eva.us/archspm-healthcare). You will receive a weekly message with a link to names of health care workers to keep in your prayers.

### SYNOD AT HOME: TIPS & TOOLS FOR GROWING IN FAITH

Learn more about the **Archdiocesan Synod** and find past series, including Praying with Scripture, Healing and Hope Retreat, and Faith and Culture, at [archspm.org/synod](http://archspm.org/synod).

### COVID-19 VACCINES (This information is from the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis)

If you are concerned about ethical use of the Covid-19 vaccines the USCCB as well as the Vatican have put together several articles on this issue for Catholic. Please read the information first hand for yourself to be better informed.

- The USCCB Responds:
  - **U.S. Bishop Chairmen for Doctrine and for Pro-Life Address the Use of the Johnson & Johnson Covid-19 Vaccine**
  - **Answers to Key Ethical Questions about COVID-19 Vaccines**
- The Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith:
  - **Note on the Morality of using some anti-COVID-19 Vaccines**
- The Vatican Covid-19 Commission in collaboration with the Pontifical Academy for Life

## **SAINT JOSEPH PRAYER BOOK**

As a part of the celebration of the Year of Saint Joseph in our archdiocese, the Saint Joseph Business Guild is publishing and printing The Saint Joseph Prayer Book, available in both English and Spanish. This 4" x 6" prayer book has 100+ pages of prayers to and meditations on the wonders of Saint Joseph. Grow deeper in your faith and your love for Jesus' earthly father with the Saint Joseph Prayer Book. Pick up a copy at Leaflet Missal or order online at [leafletonline.com](http://leafletonline.com) (product #35105).

## **CUPPA JOE: 10 TALKS ON THE 10 WONDERS OF SAINT JOSEPH**

**First Tuesday of the month, March – December 2021, 4 p.m.**

Cuppa Joe is a series of 10 talks by 10 theologians on the 10 wonders of Saint Joseph, taking place at 10 locations in our archdiocese entrusted to the patronage of our spiritual father. These talks will premiere the first Tuesday of the month, March – December, at 4 p.m. – just in time for your afternoon coffee. Talks will be posted on Facebook, YouTube and Instagram – and at [archspm.org/synod/stjoseph/](http://archspm.org/synod/stjoseph/)

## **FRATELLI TUTTI**

**Three sessions remain: March 23, April 27, and May 25, 7-8:30 p.m. via Zoom**

The Center for Mission is hosting a five-part series of presentations and discussions to dive into this very important encyclical from Pope Francis. This online series will feature specially selected speakers to lead us to discern how Fratelli Tutti can influence and enrich our lives. This series is open to all. Visit [centerformission.org/whats-new/](http://centerformission.org/whats-new/) to sign up! Contact Adam Fitzpatrick for more information at [Fitzpatricka@archspm.org](mailto:Fitzpatricka@archspm.org), or 651.291.4410.

## **SACRED RELICS OF THE SAINTS: TREASURES OF THE CURCH**

**Date(s):** Wednesday, May 12 and Saturday, May 15

**Locations:** Various (See below)

**More Information:** [TreasuresoftheChurch.com](http://TreasuresoftheChurch.com)

The exposition begins with Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross offering a presentation on relics that provides the catechetical and spiritual basis for the veneration that follows. Among the treasures in this extraordinary Vatican collection of over 150 relics will be relics of St. Joseph, St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. There will also be a portion of the Veil of Our Lady and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world.

### **Locations in the Archdiocese:**

- [Epiphany, Coon Rapids](#): Wednesday, May 12, 7 – 9 p.m.
- [St. Dominic, Northfield](#): Saturday, May 15, 6 p.m. [Read more.](#)

## **ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE DAY**

**Saturday, June 5, 10 a.m., Cathedral of Saint Paul**

This celebration includes Mass, renewal of vows, and a short reception. Couples celebrating their silver and golden anniversaries will be honored in a special way. Families and friends of all couples are welcome! In-Person Registration is required by contacting 651.291.4488. Social Distancing will be observed. Couples married one year or more may request a commemorative certificate signed by Archbishop Hebda. To request a certificate, please contact the Office of Marriage, Family & Life by May 30 at 651.291.4488