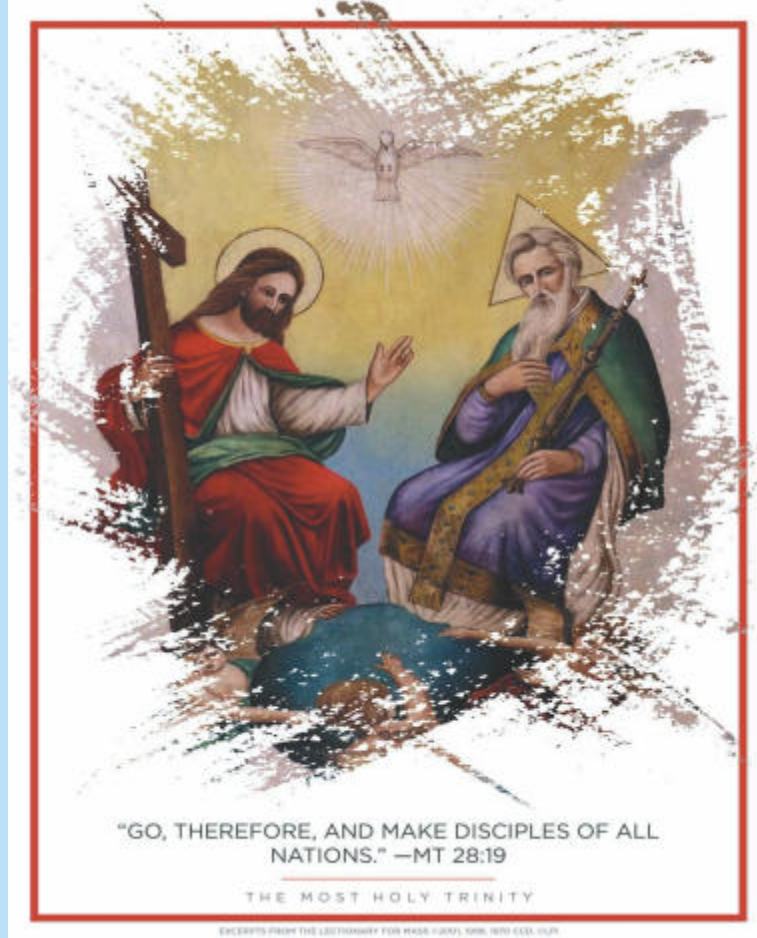




Church of St. Matthew

A Catholic community that is a visible expression of God's love



May 30, 2021
The Most Holy Trinity

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 May 30, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Monday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [1]/Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8 [1b]/Mk 12:38-44

Reflection From Father Steve

It is graduation time; and this year the events will be different from last year –they will be normal, as they have been.

I am brash enough to use this space to offer an open letter to the graduates of 2021.

Dear Graduates

Congratulations, I am proud of you!

I have two messages for you:

I pray that you grow in a deep appreciation of the love of God in your life; a love that is personal, intimate, constant and faithful. You are never alone or abandoned – God is always present – when you ask him to be with you, and when you don't want him there. He never leaves, He never turns his back and he never closes the door.

There is a Canadian author, Louise Penny, who in her dozen and a half mystery novels introduces her central character, Chief Inspector Armand Gamache.

He leads a Homicide Department and some of his officers are young and fresh, just out of the academy. Sometimes they are brash, arrogant and self-absorbed. Sometimes they act recklessly and showboat. Sometimes what they do without thinking it through endangers themselves and others.

Gamache tells them that if they want to be wise people there are four sentences they must learn to say and mean:

**I don't know.
I need help.
I'm sorry.
I was wrong.**

I pray you grow in your ability to say and mean these four sentences. They are the sign of a wise person.

Welcome to the new beginnings that graduation brings. If I can be of any help to you, feel free to call on me.

Fr. Steve

Volunteer Opportunities & Parish Needs



Mary Leibl,
Volunteer Coordinator

“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.

STRAWBERRY CLEANING For several years, members of our parish would gather to clean strawberries for the owner of a booth at the State Fair. We would begin the day before the fair opened and our last day would be the Sunday before Labor Day. Some came every day, some just weekends and others came whenever they could. It was fun and profitable! Last year COVID-19 brought this experience to an end. The governor has stated that there will be a State Fair this summer!! In past years we have earned over \$5000 for a few hours work each day. The more who volunteer the faster the job is completed each day.

If our friends from the Strawberry Booth can re-open this year and you would like to help our parish earn some needed income, please email me at mleibl@st-matts.org. You may also call the Parish Center and leave your name and phone number or email address with the receptionist or on the answering machine. **We need to know approx. how many people may be available to help. If there are not enough volunteer prospects, we will not be able to accept the job! As of now only 6 people have expressed a willingness to volunteer!**

THANK YOU to the **126 parishioners** who attended the in-person Masses Saturday. To **Fr. Adrian** who through his homily, gives us strength and hope. To **Kathy** who handled the opening announcements. To our pianist **Jill** & cantor **Andy**. Lectors **Jeanne & Mooreen**, Eucharistic ministers **Dave, Mary & Paul**. Ushers **Tom, Tim, James & Doris**. Sacristan **Mary**, & slide operator **Ginny**. Thank you to **Alan**, who through his talent films our Masses, making it possible for many of our parishioners to take part on-line.

THANK YOU! As **Faith Formation** takes a break for the summer, we thank Director **Janelle** who oversees and plans all the details for the children of our parish during these trying COVID times. To Staff **Lauren, Lily, Anthony, Ellen, Dave, Valerie & Kathleen**. Also, to the Subs **Ava, Valentina, Mary, Tiffany, Catherine, Lisa, Julie & Jenni**. Thanks to all for another successful year!

THANK YOU to **Pete & James** who did outside “Spring Cleaning” on our parish campus. Cleaning away all the winter sand & dirt & rubbish.

THANK YOU to **Catherine Fee** who donated the beautiful **rose bush** which has been planted in the garden outside the front door of the church. We also thank **Tony & Chris** who planted the rose bush and also continually take care of all the gardens on our campus!!

WE ARE A VOLUNTEER PARISH!!

News and Events

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

For St. Matthew's Covid-19 Mass attendance protocol please visit our website.

MASK CONFUSION!!

The news is full of information regarding the wearing or not wearing of masks indoors and out of doors. To make it simple for our parishioners; **we are in the City of Saint Paul, the City of Saint Paul says wear a mask indoors.**

We will keep you updated as the City of Saint Paul and the Archdiocese gives further directions.

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST



On Saturday, May 22, 2021 Father Stephen Adrian baptized Charles Paul McColley, child of Malorie and Sam McColley and Reia Belle Peterfeso, child of Mirka Martinez and Daniel Peterfeso.

The Church of Saint Matthew's welcomes Charles and Reia as our newest little parish members!

SUMMERTIME STEWARDSHIP

This weekend is the official start of summer! We will begin our weekends at the cabin, camping, perhaps a road trip that was put off from last summer, or something exciting like a trip to Disneyland. No matter where you go Saint Matthew is always here, doing what we do for our community and parish.



Please remember to send in your stewardship envelope when you are away. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Have a safe and happy summer.



THE SOUNDS AND SIGHTS OF ST. MATT'S

The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on June 4th to commemorate the second anniversary of **Mary Jane Sperl's** death. May she and all the faithful departed rest in peace.

The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit May 29 - June 5 in memory of the **Augustine Rodrigues Family Members.**

Contact Linda Rivera at Iriviera@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.

SING A NEW SONG ONTO THE LORD!

Beginning with Pentecost Sunday, a worship aid will be available at each Mass. You will find the lyrics for songs we sing together in worship; songs of praise and thanksgiving! It will be wonderful to hear your voices once again! Do join in the singing and spoken responses (masks in place, of course)!

A special THANK YOU to our cantors who have added so much to our worship services during these many months of pandemic: Linda, John, Kathy, Jeanne, and Andy. As we return to assembly singing, **St. Matthews Music Ministry is looking for more singers, cantors, guitarists, keyboardists, string players, wind instrument players.**

Even if becoming more active in St. Matthew Music Ministry isn't for you at this time, DO return to lifting your voices and your hearts in song at Mass. When you sing, you are affirming what is taking place during the service; you are participating more fully and becoming more at "one" with each other as we approach the Table of the Lord.

Jill Kilzer, Director of Music and Liturgy. jillkilzer@st-matts.org

FATHER ADRIAN'S HOMILY BOOKS ARE HERE

If you placed an order for one of Father Steve's Homily Books please come to the Parish Office to pick up your copy. Or pick it up after Mass this weekend or next. **Cash or check please.**

Everyone who ordered a book has been contacted either by email or with a telephone call. We are hoping to avoid another round of email and phone contacts. There are many books that have not yet been picked up.

Some folks have asked for additional copies, if ordered books are not picked up in the next couple of weeks we will allow ordered books to be purchased as additional books.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS May 23, 2021			
Volunteer Service	Hours in prayer	21	Hours in service 39
Parish			School
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 2,820		Food Shelf
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,773		Homily Books
PayPal	\$ 100		Total
Fuel	\$		\$ 965
Masses/Memorials	\$ 67		Thank You!
Rent	\$ 620		
Vigil Lights	\$ 35		PayPal QR Code
Holy Day	\$ 35		simply scan with your
Bells/ Lamp	\$ 50		phone to make an electronic
Funeral	\$200		
Misc. Donations	\$		
Total	\$ 5,700		



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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, May 29 The Most Holy Trinity Celebrated

4:15 pm Our Parish
Thekla Simmons†
Living & Deceased Rosary/CCW Members†

Sunday, May 30 The Most Holy Trinity

No Streamed Mass Today

Monday, May 31 Memorial Day

8:00 am Cancelled

Tuesday, June 1

8:00 am Cancelled

Saturday, June 5

4:15 pm Our Parish
Arthur Geis†
Bruce David†
Dorinda Martineau†

Sunday, June 6

10:15 am Streamed Mass

Calendar of Events

Saturday, May 29 The Most Holy Trinity

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center

10:00 am GTCYS - School Building

4:15 pm Mass (in person)

Sunday, May 30 The Most Holy Trinity

No Mass Streamed Today

Tuesday, June 1 - Friday, June 4

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

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

Monday, May 31 Memorial Day

Parish Office Closed

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

3:45 - 7:45 pm GTCYS Church

Wednesday, June 2

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

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

Thursday, June 3

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

7:00 pm AA Meeting Parish Center

Friday, June 4

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, June 5

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center

10:00 am GTCYS - School Building

4:15 pm Mass (in person)

Sunday, June 6

10:15 am Streamed Mass

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