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29th SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:45

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October 17, 2021

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy Schedule

Masses

In person 4:15 pm Saturday

In person 10:15 am Sunday

Streamed 10:15 am Sunday

Reconciliation

**2nd and 4th Saturday - 1st and 3rd Sunday
of the month following Mass**

Baptism, Matrimony, Anointing of the sick

Please call the parish office for each

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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

Reflection from Father Steve

Do you read? Does reading take up a piece of your day? I read, and I have been a reader since childhood – novels, biographies, mysteries, science fiction, etc. I also read the newspapers daily. I read books and magazines that are professional and I do spiritual reading. I read the Good News and I read the daily news.

People talk about reading the newspaper on line. I can't do that. I want to feel the broadsheet in my two hands; I want to turn the pages, not scroll down; I want the smell and feel of printer's ink.

Side bar: my dad was a printer, first for a commercial publisher then for a newspaper. He never came home without printer's ink on his hands. The smell of newspaper reminds me of him.

I come from a time when everyone read the newspaper. The question at the water cooler was "Did you see the paper today?"

Good writing opens doors through which I can walk and experience something or someone I would never connect with except through the printed word. I like reading the book much more than watching the movie. In reading the novel my imagination draws wonderful pictures that accompany the written word. At the movie I am often disappointed – the pictures on the screen are nowhere as good as the pictures in my imagination.

As the years went by I sought to read books written by authors at my age. Does the author see the world as I do? Does the author feel what I feel and desire what I desire? Does the author show me another way to view my life at my age and in my place? I try to make friends, buddies with authors of my age.

For a while now I choose an author of the year – a novelist or poet – and try to read the writings of that author and as many books about the author and their writing that I can find. Some of my "year long authors" have been Graham Greene, Evelyn Waugh, Flannery O'Connor, J.R.R. Tolkien, Ellery Queen, Earl Stanley Gardner, Agatha Christie, Rex Stout.

I am so grateful I learned to read. Do you read to your children or grandchildren? Do you have them read to you? Do you have a library card? Is it worn from use? I hope so

Father 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 the 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.

Musicians Needed - Saint Matthews Music Ministry is looking for more, cantors, guitarists, keyboardists, string players, & wind instrument players for weekend Masses. Contact Jill Kilzer Director of Music and Liturgy jillkilzer@st-matts.org.

Greeters - Now that we have two Masses each weekend, St. Matthews seeks additional "Greeters" to extend a warm welcome to those arriving for Mass. Your friendly smile and enthusiasm for the Church of St. Matthew parish are all that's needed. To help, contact: Jill.kilzer@st-matts.org, mleibl@st-matts.org or the parish office.

Thank You to all who signed up to help with the annual **Parish Clean-Up**.

Thank You Linda, Ann, Marilyn, Chris, Elaine & Patty who are our **Volunteer Receptionists** Monday – Thursday. They are the "Good Samaritans" of St. Matthews, who make all feel welcome. Whether it be helping someone calling the office for information or a guest visiting the Parish Center. They also help the office staff prepare mailings, put inserts into the weekly bulletins and many other office jobs.

Thank You to the **139 parishioners** who attended the 4:15 pm Mass last Saturday. and the **60 parishioners** who attended the 10:15 am Sunday Mass. Thank you to **Fr. Adrian** who through his homily, gives us strength and hope. To **Kathy** who handled the opening announcements for 4:15 pm Mass & Linda at 10:15 am Mass. To our pianist **Jill** and to **Phil** who played the Irish Whistle. To cantor **Kathy** on Saturday. Pianist **Jill** with cantor **Linda** and singer **Andy** on Sunday. Lectors **Kathy** on Saturday; **Joanne & Ginny** - Sunday. Eucharistic ministers **Ann, Mary & Paul** - Saturday; **Josie, Joe & Florida** - Sunday. Ushers **Tom & Tim Saturday; Ginny & Steve** on Sunday. Sacristans **Mary - Saturday, Ginny & Joanne** - Sunday. Thank you to **Ginny, Tim, Ann, Dave & John** who took communion to parishioners unable to attend. Thank you to **Alan**, who through his talent films our Masses, making it possible for many of our parishioners to take part on-line.

We are a volunteer parish!

News and Events

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

Planning Ahead for Thanksgiving

The Parish Center received information that the **Casper family** and the owners of **Jameson's Pub** will again provide their annual Thanksgiving dinner to those who cannot provide dinner for themselves.

The Parish Center will take reservations for meals the first week in November. Mark the date on your calendar.

Giving Thanks In November Fund Raiser

**Have you sent in your winning entry?
You can't be a winner if you don't enter!**

Saint Matthew's Second Annual Giving Thanks in November Fund Raiser is now on. All registered parishioners were mailed entry forms **..due by October 26th**. You are entered to win each day of November and could win \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100, \$125, \$150 or the grand prize of \$1,000. You can donate as many times as you wish. You must be 18 years of age to enter. Proceeds from this fund raiser will be used to purchase new computers, upgrade Wi-Fi and repair the school roof. You can enter after Mass or come to the Parish Office during normal office hours.

**Let's make the 2021 Giving Thanks Fund Raiser
as successful as 2020
Send in your entry today**

In Sympathy

The parish family of Saint Matthew's extends its condolences to the family of **Richard Steinhoff**. Mr. Steinhoff died on October 2nd. His funeral Mass was on October 12, 2021. Many of you will remember his wife, **Jackie**, she was Saint Matthew's organist for many years.

May Mr. Steinhoff and all the faithful departed rest in God's peace and love.

Weekly Contributions October 10, 2021		Volunteer Service Hours in Prayer 29 Hours in Service 42	
Parish		School	\$ 140
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 4,031	Food Shelf	\$ 20
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,590	Casa	\$ 150
PayPal	\$	Total	\$ 340
Misc. Donations	\$	Thank You!	
Masses/Memorials	\$	PayPal QR Code	
Rent	\$	simply scan with your	
Vigil Lights	\$ 25	phone to make an electronic	
Holy Day	\$	payment	
Bells/ Lamp	\$		
Raffle	\$ 3,400		
Faith Formation	\$ 130		
Fuel	\$		
Total	\$ 9,176		



**The Sounds and Sights of St. Matt's
The Sanctuary Lamp** will be lit October 16th to
October 23rd in memory of **Dorinda Martineau**.

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.

Mass and Vaccine Information

At St. Matt's, we follow guidelines from the CDC, the Minnesota Department of Health, and the Archdiocese. As such we offer masks at each of the church entrances for your use with every good wish and strong encouragement. We are not currently requiring masks at Mass. The CDC acknowledges that infections are rare for those who are vaccinated, and severe illness and death are even rarer. While infection is still possible for anyone, each person needs to evaluate their own situation.

Regarding vaccinations, Pope Francis recently said it very well:

"Being vaccinated with vaccines authorized by the competent authorities is an act of love. And contributing to ensure the majority of people are vaccinated is an act of love. "He added: "Vaccination is a simple but profound way of promoting the common good and caring for each other, especially the most vulnerable."

Faith Formation Fall Break, Parent Meeting

Faith Formation students in grades K to 10 do NOT have class on Wednesday, October 20, due to the Education Minnesota conference fall break. Class resumes on October 27 in the Parish Center; start times range from 6:30 to 7:45 pm, depending on the grade. On October 27, parents, please plan to attend a Synod meeting in church from 6:45 to 7:45 pm while your students are in their classes. Inside church, we will wear face masks and will sit distanced from those who do not live in our household to show care for one another's well-being and safety and in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Minnesota Department of Health guidance.

Boy Scout Troop 288 Christmas Wreaths & Popcorn

The deadline to order gourmet popcorn and Christmas wreaths and swags and other decor is **this Sunday**. Our parish/school Troop 288 has long sold holiday decoration and really delicious popcorn.



Your orders will arrive here at church around the weekend of Thanksgiving. The popcorn makes a great gift for a friend, neighbor or co-worker. Of course it is always wonderful to have for yourself too. The wreaths, swags and garland are beautiful and long lasting.

Contact Scout leader Joan Smith at 651.227.6167 to place your order.

Funds raised are used to help Scouts with new equipment and camping trips. Please support them in their annual fund raiser.

Parish Leadership

All emails are @st-matts.org

Rev. Steve Adrian, Sacramental Minister
sadrian
John DeIVecchio, Parish Trustee
Jdelvecchio
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pgrant
Scott Hertzog, Janitor
Kevin Jack, website & social media webmaster
kjack
Jill Kilzer, Music Ministry
jillkilzer
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lrivera
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jdrohr@pro-ns.net
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kthompson

Parish Pastoral Council

parishcouncil

Members:

Chris Avalos	Janelle Rohr
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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.*

Readings for the week of October 17, 2021

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 16

4:15 pm Our Parish
✠Dorinda Martineau
✠Pam, Lucille and Robert Stickler, Sr.

Sunday, October 17

10:15 am Mass (in person)
Our Parish
✠Ted & Connie Rivera and Linda Owens

Monday, October 18

8:00 am Cancelled

Wednesday, October 20

8:00 am Cancelled

Friday, October 22

8:00 am Cancelled

Saturday, October 23

4:15 pm Our Parish
✠Thekla Simmons
✠Anthony Rivera Special Intention.

Sunday, October 24

10:15 am Mass (in person)
Our Parish
✠Michael Wood

Calendar of Events

Saturday, October 16

9:00 am Fall Church and Campus Cleaning

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center
4:15 pm Mass (in person) with Collection for Neighborhood House

Sunday, October 17

10:15 am Mass (in person) with Collection for Neighborhood House

Reconciliation following Mass

10:15 am Streamed Mass Today

Monday, October 18 - Friday, October 22

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

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

Monday, October 18

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

Tuesday, October 19

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

4:45 pm - 9:45 pm GTCYS Church

Wednesday, October 20

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

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

No Faith Formation Classes this week - MEA

Thursday, October 21

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

4:00 pm Finance Meeting Hybrid, Parish Center

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting Hybrid, Parish Center

Friday, October 22

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, October 23

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center

4:15 pm Mass (in person) 2nd Collection World Missions

Reconciliation following Mass

Sunday, October 24

10:15 am Mass (in person) 2nd Collection World Missions

10:15 am Streamed Mass Today

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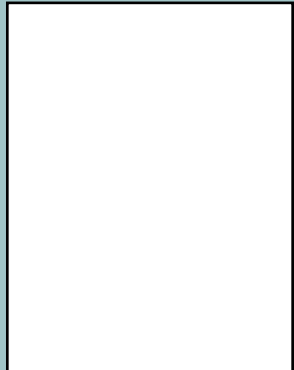
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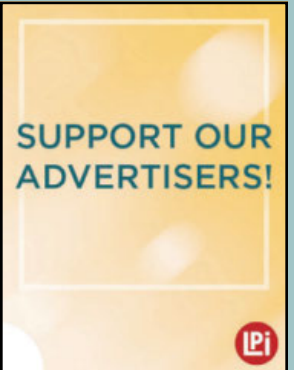
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