



Church of St. Matthew

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"What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see."

October 24, 2021
Thirtieth 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

A week from today is Halloween!

Young people, and some older people await this annual festival enthusiastically. Preceding weeks have been time to decide who I want to be and what costume I want to wear. Treats are prepared for all the visitors who will ring the doorbell on Halloween night.

The observance of Halloween, like Mardi Gras, is a festival, a carnival. It has a rich Christian foundation. The word Halloween is a contraction for "All Hallows Eve" – or the day before the Feast of All Saints.

In some cultures, it is the night to banish Satan. It is a time to put aside fear and embrace confidence and trust. Children dress up in scary costumes and make-up, they try to scare each other and in the process the mask comes off and what initially is fear is banished and trust ensues.

In this preparation for the Feast of All Saints we prepare to commemorate those heroes and heroines of faith who stepped beyond fear and placed themselves trustingly in the hands of God.

Perhaps the fundamental fear most people share is the fear of death – thus the Grim Reaper appears, ghosts and goblins walk the streets, tomb stones are erected in some yards – it is a local expression of life with the Addams Family.

The evening ends and morning dawns – Feast of All Saints it is the feast of all who have embraced the death and resurrection of Jesus and are now born into eternal life.

The liturgy of the Church speaks of those who have conquered death:

"In him, who rose from the dead
our hope of resurrection dawned.

The sadness of death gives way
to the bright promise of immortality."

In some Latin American locales the evening of Halloween is a festive time with music and food and dancing in the streets. At midnight, shrouded in a black hooded garment Death enters the town square. He comes to proclaim his power over all the festival revelers. Before the evening ends everyone must face their fear and dance with Death – knowing that once you dance with death, you have nothing to fear.

Some Christians say that Halloween is diabolical and is devil worship. Forget about that. Enjoy the festival that leads to the celebration of our union with all the Saints of God.

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.

Funeral Ministry The church of St. Matthew invites you to be a part of a compassionate ministry providing hospitality to grieving families. You are needed to help set up and serve post-funeral luncheons to families and their guests. If you can help, please call either **Becky Montgomery 651-292-0521** or **Suzanne Clark 612-819-3752**.

Thank you to the **20+ parishioners & friends** who gathered last Saturday to clean inside the church and the outside parish campus. In less than 3 hours the work was complete! A little over 3 years ago a decision was made to become a **Volunteer Parish**. To keep down expenses volunteers would come forward to do whatever jobs they were able to undertake. The campus-wide cleaning last Saturday was an example of the wisdom of that decision. Not only was a great deal of cleaning accomplished, but also camaraderie was experienced as parishioners gathered to clean and beautify their parish and enjoy the company of each other.

Thank you to **Chris** who volunteered to be a greeter at the Saturday Mass. Some who entered from the Robie St. door commented on how nice it was to be welcomed and offered a song book and a bulletin! We also want to thank **Tim & Tom** who every Saturday greet those who enter through the front doors.

Thank you to the **122 parishioners** who attended the 4:15 pm Mass last Saturday and the **89 parishioners** who attended the 10:15 am Sunday Mass. Thank **You** to **Fr. Adrian** who through his homily, gives us strength and hope as we continue to deal with a pandemic. To **Andy** who handled the opening announcements for 4:15 mass & Linda at 10:15. To our pianist **Jill** Saturday & Sunday and cantor **Andy** on Saturday and **Linda** who was cantor on Sunday. **Phil** who played the Irish Whistle and **Tony** the guitar on Sunday. Lectors **Mary** on Saturday & **Joanne** on Sunday. Eucharistic ministers **Suzanne, Karen & Tim - Saturday; Ginny, Karen & Ellen - Sunday**. Ushers **Tom & Tim Saturday; Ginny & Janelle on Sunday**. Sacristans **Mary - Saturday, Ginny & Joanne - Sunday**. Thank you to **Ginny, Tim, & 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 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**

Welcome To Our Parish Family

On Saturday, October 16, 2021 Father Adrian baptized **Roberto Galaviz, III**. Son of **Roberto Galaviz, Jr.** and **Lindsay Hoffman**. We congratulate the new parents and their son, we welcome you into the Saint Matthew's parish family.

Please come back often, we are here to help Roberto grow in his Catholic faith.



The Sounds and Sights of St. Matt's
The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on October 26th in celebration of Anthony Rivera's birthday.

The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit October 23rd to October 30th for Anthony Rivera.

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 Parent Meeting

Faith Formation 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.

In Sympathy

The parish family of Saint Matthew's extends its' sincere condolences to the family of **Janice Steinbrenner**. Mrs. Steinbrenner died on October 11th. Her funeral Mass was on October 22, 2021.

Jan will be remember for her many years as a member of this parish and always ready to volunteer. Her soft voice and kind smile will be missed by all who knew her. She was always eager to sell us a Paddle Wheel ticket at the Fall Festival or run around town to collect donations for the festival.

Please remember Mrs. Steinbrenner and all the faithful departed in your prayers. May they rest in God peace and love.

Weekly Contributions October 17, 2021 Volunteer Service Hours in Prayer 24 Hours in Service 44

Parish		School	\$ 60
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 2,782	Food Shelf	\$ 120
Electronic Giving	\$ 245	Mission Sunday	\$ 10
PayPal	\$	Total	<u>\$ 190</u>
Baptism	\$ 500	Thank You!	
Masses/Memorials	\$	PayPal QR Code	
Rent	\$	simply scan with your	
Vigil Lights	\$ 40	phone to make an electronic	
Funeral	\$ 450	payment	
Bells/ Lamp	\$ 10		
Raffle	\$ 1,555		
Faith Formation	\$ 250		
Fuel	\$		
Total	<u>\$ 4,432</u>		



Parish Leadership

All emails are @st-matts.org

Rev. Steve Adrian, Sacramental Minister

sadrian

John DelVecchio, Parish Trustee

Jdelvecchio

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pgrant

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kjack

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jillkiltzer

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Parish Pastoral Council

parishcouncil

Members:

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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 24, 2021

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/
Mk 10:46-52

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21
[21a]/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6
[3a]/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6 [6a]/Lk 13:22-30

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

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18 [14a]/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

Mass Intentions

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

Monday, October 25

8:00 am Cancelled

Wednesday, October 27

8:00 am Cancelled

Friday, October 29

8:00 am Cancelled

Saturday, October 30

4:15 pm Our Parish
Living & Deceased Altar & Rosary Members

Sunday, October 31

10:15 am Mass (in person)
Our Parish
✠Anne Curan, in memory of 88th birthday

Calendar of Events

Saturday, October 23

9:00 Synod Meeting Church

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center
4:15 pm Mass (in person) 2nd Collection World Missions

Sunday, October 24

10:15 am Mass (in person) 2nd Collection World Missions
10:15 am Streamed Mass Today
Reconciliation following Mass

Monday, October 25 - Friday, October 29

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

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

Monday, October 25

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

Tuesday, October 26

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

3:30 pm - 9:45 pm GTCYS Church

Wednesday, October 27

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

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

6:45 pm Faith Formation Parish Center

6:45 pm Faith Formation Parent Synod Meeting Church

Thursday, October 28

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

6:00 pm AA Parish Center

Friday, October 29

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, October 30

9:00 Synod Meeting Church

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center

4:15 pm Mass (in person)

Reconciliation following Mass

Sunday, October 31

10:15 am Mass (in person)

10:15 am Streamed Mass Today

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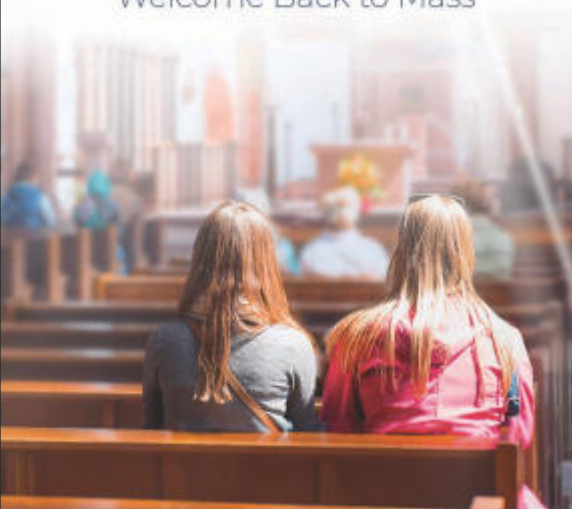
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