



# Church of St. Matthew

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## 15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight.”

- Lk 10:33

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### July 10, 2022 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Liturgy Schedule

##### **Masses**

**Saturday 4:15 PM (in-person)**

**Sunday 10:15 AM (in-person)**

**Sunday 10:15 AM (Saturday Mass available for viewing online)**

##### **Reconciliation**

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday and 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month following Mass**

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Mondays & Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Fridays Closed

## Reflection from Father Steve

By this time the annual array of graduation parties and receptions are over, or mostly over. I write this reflection as an open letter to 2022 graduates.

You have been through two years of a totally unexpected life – no one was prepared for it. COVID-19 turned everything upside down. You have been through it, and God willing you survived.

You had the experience of finding yourself in unexpected situations; not a bad prelude to the next challenge in your life. You may be going to another school, or entering the military, you may be taking a “year off” to earn some money for tuition a year from now.

Whatever you do, you have been through a commencement – a ritual of new beginnings. A new opportunity opens to you.

Set your goals, your reach. Be bold and at the same time realistic. Without goals life is aimless. If you don't know where you're going any road will get you there.

Once you set a goal, keep your eye on the prize. There will be a multitude of distractions. If you are seduced by these distractions, you wander off course and lose sight of the goal.

The first question is “Where am I going?” Once answered, the second question is “Who am I going to take along with me?”

You cannot recruit your traveling partners until you are fixed on your goal; and your partners need to buy into the goal and truly walk the road with you. The journey is not a solo adventure. You will get tired and perhaps a bit disillusioned, you need partners who encourage you. These partners can be family members, peers, teachers, neighbors, etc. Remember, you invite your partners on the condition they buy into your goal.

You can do it. I know you can. I pray for you.

*Father Steve Adrian*

### FR. ADRIAN IS ON VACATION

Fr, Adrian will be on vacation from July 4 to July 31, 2022. Fr. Thomas Kommers will be substituting for Father Adrian. We are glad to have Fr. Kommers back at St. Matt's. We wish Fr. Adrian a very restful and relaxing vacation!

## Volunteer Opportunities and 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

**GREETERS:** St. Matthew parish seeks additional “Greeters” for Sunday Masses. We welcome people who are able to extend a warm welcome to those arriving for Mass. Your friendly smile and enthusiasm for the Church of St. Matthew are all that is needed. To help, contact: [jill.kilzer@st-matts.org](mailto:jill.kilzer@st-matts.org), [mleibl@st-matts.org](mailto:mleibl@st-matts.org) or the Parish Office.

**SHARING AND CARING HANDS** is looking for volunteers to help with the Reading Program for Children which is held at Mary's Place in Minneapolis. This program pairs volunteers one-on-one with the Mary's Place children, many of whom have never had someone to sit and read with them. Students read aloud to volunteers for 30 minute sessions. Volunteers need to be ages 16+ and are provided an orientation training before working with students.

Their summer schedule is July 11 to August 17 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 3:30 – 5:30 PM. Volunteers pick one day per week to commit to. Please contact (612) 596-3418 or [kklement@sharingandcaringhands.org](mailto:kklement@sharingandcaringhands.org) to sign up.

**MINISTRY OF COMPASSION:** Each week, we have several parishioners, listed in the bulletin and included in the Intercessions at Mass, who need our prayers as they deal with health issues. We are looking for a volunteer who would be willing to occasionally call to let these families know we care about their loved ones, and if needed, we will continue listing them in the weekly bulletin. We already have one volunteer (Jerry) for this ministry and would like to have more volunteers. If you feel this is a ministry you would like to be a part of, please call the Parish Office or email Mary Leibl at [mleibl@st-matts.org](mailto:mleibl@st-matts.org).

**THANK YOU:** To our faithful volunteers who weekly work at the reception desk: **Linda, Ann, Marilyn, Chris, Elaine** and **Patty**. Also, to **Corrine, Josie** and **Kathy** who substitute when needed! They are the “Face & Voice” of St. Matthew Parish!

**WE ARE A VOLUNTEER PARISH!**



### THE SOUNDS AND SIGHTS OF ST. MATT'S

The Bells of Saint Matthew will ring on July 12, 2022 for **Gerald and Louise Breidel's 60th Wedding Anniversary**.

If you would like to schedule a day to ring the bells, or a week to light the sanctuary lamp for your special memory, person or event, please contact the Parish Office at (651) 224-9793 by 1:00 PM Monday – Thursday.



### SAVE THE DATE

St. Matthew's annual picnic and Mass in the park will be on **Saturday, August 13 at 4:30 PM** at the Cherokee Regional Park in St. Paul. We hope to see you there!

## Parish Administrator's Note

### CAMP, COOPERATION, AND COMMUNITY

Last week, I wrote a bit about one of my favorite weeks of the year: Danebod Family Camp. I've attended since 1981, enjoying my hobbies of singing, dancing, crafts, conversation, and more.

As I mentioned, one of our camp discussions drew on Oliver Burkeman's 2021 book, *Four Thousand Weeks: Time Management for Mortals*. Besides promoting hobbies, Burkeman also highlighted how important it is to engage with others: "Almost everything worth doing . . . depends on cooperating with others, and therefore on exposing yourself to the emotional uncertainties of relationships."

Which brings me to St. Matt's. Among the many joys I have in working here are the opportunities I have to cooperate with others: staff members, volunteers, parishioners, and even the occasional vendor or chance visitor. I freely admit I'm kind of a people person. It's been great to develop many relationships already, and I look forward to even more.

Here's the bonus: every person I encounter is an opportunity to honor our mission to be a Catholic community that is a visible expression of God's love.

St. Matt's is pretty special. As a relative newcomer, I want to affirm that. I've enjoyed my work with other communities, but frankly, many of them haven't measured up to what I've experienced here in terms of hospitality, volunteerism, and dedication.

I'm writing this column before our Finance and Parish Council June meetings, so reports on Council activities will have to wait another week.

Have a great week!

*Phil Grant*

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Congratulation to **Gerald and Louise Breidel** as they celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Have you moved recently? Changed your phone number? If so, please contact the Parish Office to update your contact information. If you do not receive mailings from our parish, please consider registering with our parish. You can download the registration form from our website or contact Angela at the Parish Office.



### PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please remember in your prayers our parish family and friends who are ill or in need of prayers. Pray for their recovery and for their family members who are with them and caring for them: **Jeremiah Baker, Louise Breidel, Carolina Gomez, The Karas Family, Bernie Klein, Reyes Ledesma, Greg Lothenbach, Kendrick Morrison, Annamarie Moseng, Pam Perkovich, Virgil Roethler, Marie Scanlan and Chris Stevens.**



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.*

### News and Events

#### ROSARY IN CHEROKEE PARK

All are invited to join Rosary Society members and others as we gather to pray the rosary together in Cherokee Park on **Tuesday, July 12th at 10:00 AM**. We will gather under the shade trees near the intersection of Chippewa and Winona. Bring a chair and rosary if you have one. There will be extras of both available.

#### MIESVILLE MUDHENS

St. Matthew's Men's Club is hosting a bus trip to Miesville, MN for Mudhens baseball game on **Wednesday, July 13**. We invite anyone (men, women and accompanied children) to hop on the bus with us. Refreshments will be available on the bus. Ballpark admission is \$3 for age 18 and up and free under 18. We leave St. Matthew's at 6:00 PM and arrive by 7:00 PM. Ballpark concessions will be open and there are two restaurants close to the ballpark (King's Bar & Grill or Wiederholt's Supper Club). Game time is 8:00 PM. Questions or to reserve a spot on the bus, contact Tim Nowak at (612) 269-9471 or [timothy.nowak@usfamily.net](mailto:timothy.nowak@usfamily.net).

#### GAB IN THE PARK!

Gifted and Belonging (GAB), a Catholic social group for young adults with and without disabilities, will be hosting summer fun at Harmon Park in West St. Paul from **6:00 - 8:00 PM on July 15 and August 19**. Signs will be posted on Bernard Street. Bring your lawn chairs, favorite yard games or outdoor activities, snacks to share and your beverage! For more information please contact: [giftedandbelonging@gmail.com](mailto:giftedandbelonging@gmail.com)".

#### STATE FAIR STRAWBERRY BOOTH - SAVE THE DATE!

Beginning **Wednesday, August 24 and continuing through Sunday September 4**, St. Matthew parishioners and friends will again be cleaning strawberries for a booth at the State Fair. The booth owners are estimating that they will have twice the amount of berries this year as compared to last year! Cleaning will begin at 8:00 AM each day. Depending on the amount of berries, cleaning will be done around Noon. The socializing is fantastic!! Mark your calendars to take part in the "Great St. Matthews Get-Together"!!



## Parish Leadership

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### **Bulletin**

Announcements are due on **Monday by 10:00 AM** for the next Sunday's bulletin. Items should be sent to Phil Grant at pgrant@st-matts.org. *Items received after 10:00 AM will appear in the following week's bulletin.*

### **Readings for the week of July 10, 2022**

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9])/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

## Mass Intentions

### **Saturday, July 9**

4:15 PM Mass  
Our Parish  
+Arthur Geis  
+Leo Kegler

### **Sunday, July 10**

10:15 AM Mass  
Our Parish

### **Monday, July 11**

9:00 AM Cancelled

### **Tuesday, July 12**

8:00 AM Cancelled

### **Wednesday, July 13**

8:00 AM Cancelled

### **Thursday, July 14**

8:00 AM Cancelled

### **Friday, July 15**

8:00 AM Cancelled

### **Saturday, July 16**

4:15 PM Mass  
Our Parish  
+Leo Kegler  
+Kevin Kleman  
+Mr. and Mrs. E. Thomas McKane

### **Sunday, July 17**

10:15 PM Mass  
Our Parish

## Calendar of Events

### **Monday, June 11 - Friday, July 15**

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Loaves & Fishes  
*Meals are being served as take-out only at this time*

### **Monday, July 11**

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Parish Office Open  
7:00 PM AA Meeting

### **Tuesday, July 12**

10:00 AM Rosary in Cherokee Park  
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parish Office Open

### **Wednesday, July 13**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM St. Mary's Clinic  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Parish Office Open  
6:00 PM Men's Club Miesville Mudhens Outing

### **Thursday, July 14**

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parish Office Open  
6:00 PM AA Meeting

### **Friday, July 15**

### **Saturday, July 16**

10:00 AM AA Meeting  
4:15 PM Mass (in-person)

### **Sunday, July 17**

10:15 AM Mass (in-person)  
10:15 AM Saturday Mass available online  
Confession after Mass

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