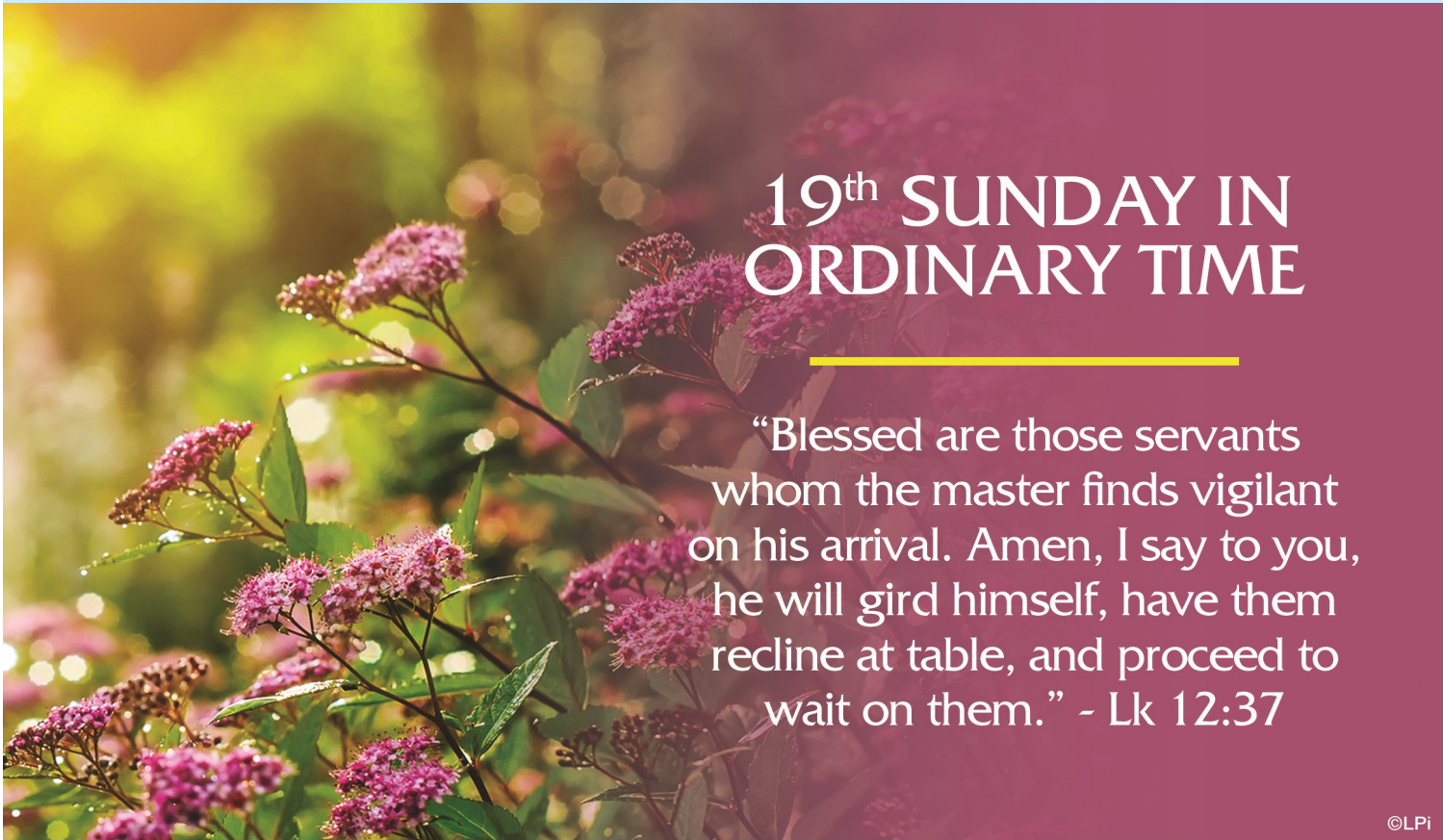




# Church of St. Matthew

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



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

“Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them.” - Lk 12:37

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### August 7, 2022 19th 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

Please contact the parish office regarding *Baptism, Matrimony, First Communion, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick*

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#### Office Hours

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

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

Fridays Closed

## Reflection from Father Steve

- **Next Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, is the Annual Saint Matt's Mass in the Park with Buffet following -**

This annual event usually takes place on the weekend closest to the Feast of the Assumption, August 15<sup>th</sup>. The relaxed atmosphere of the park provides a different experience of prayer and liturgy as well as an opportunity to visit with fellow parish members and their families and friends.

The Men's Club provides the meat; the Rosary Society provides the table setting (paper plates and plastic cutlery). You are invited to bring a side dish and beverage. Bring a lawn chair; or a blanket if you plan to sit on the grass.

Invite your neighbors and friends to join you; they will receive an experience of our parish—we pray and we share hospitality. If you have friends or family who have not been to church for a time, invite them. This can be an opportunity to come to church in a relaxed manner – for those who have not been to church in a while the relaxed atmosphere is far less threatening.

The origin of the word "church" means a gathering of people, not a building. "Doing church" in nature is a different experience for us. In the Acts of the Apostles we read about Paul and Barnabas in a gentile town preaching the Good News of the mercy of God made visible in Jesus. After preaching they looked for a synagogue for prayer. Because of a very small portion of the population was Jewish there was no building. Going out of town they walked along the riverbank and there found a group of women at prayer, Paul and Barnabas joined them.

After praying the Apostles were invited to stay at the house of one of the leading Jewish women. We are told that the presence of the Apostles, their preaching and their joining in prayer led the woman and her whole family to be baptized.

Coming together on the grass in prayer can be an occasion of grace.

*Father Steve Adrian*

## 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

**GARDENING:** We are looking for volunteers who like to garden! A dedicated parishioner has been tending to the garden as time permits. But it is too much for 1 person! We would like to have multiple volunteers who will take it upon themselves to do what is needed when they see the garden needs some attention. Right now, the garden in front of the church could use some weeding. If you have the time, and the tools needed, we would greatly appreciate your help. If you have any further questions, you may contact the parish office at (651) 224-9793.

**PAINTING PROJECT:** Classrooms, in the lower level of the old section of the school, need to be painted. Quantum STEAM Academy, the tenant in our school building, will be starting a preschool program in the fall. We want to have those classrooms clean and "inviting" for the young students who will be joining the school. We are asking for volunteers to help paint the classrooms. If you can help with this project, call John Del Vecchio at (651) 221-0871. You may also call the parish office (651) 224-9793 and leave your name and contact number.

**SATURDAY MASS FILMING:** We need a volunteer to operate the slide projector during the Saturday Mass filming. No experience necessary!

There is also an opportunity for anyone who might have the desire to learn about the filming process, such as positioning the cameras and other duties that go into filming the Saturday Mass for Sunday viewing. Volunteers would work under the guidance of Alan, who has been filming our Masses for almost 30 months.

**THANK YOU:** To the **99 people** who attended the Saturday Mass and **97** who worshipped on Sunday. Thank you to **Fr. Leo Schneider** who celebrated Mass with us on Saturday and **Fr. Rodger Bauman** on Sunday as Fr. Steve enjoys a well-deserved vacation. To our pianist **Bryan** with **Phil** on trumpet Saturday; **Jill** on Sunday. Our cantor **Cristina** on Saturday; **Shelly** on Sunday with singer **Andy**. Thank you to **Kathy** who read the announcements on Saturday and **John** on Sunday. We thank lectors **Zach** on Saturday and **Ginny** on Sunday. Thank you to **Steve** and **Josie** who brought the Offertory gifts forward on Saturday. Eucharist Ministers **Fr. Leo, Josie, Kathy** and **Tim** on Saturday; **Fr. Rodger, Joanne** and **John** on Sunday. Thank you to ushers **Tim, Tom** and **Doris** on Saturday; **Al** and **Steve** on Sunday. To greeters **Chris, Doris, Tom** and **Tim** on Saturday. Thank you to sacristans **Mary** on Saturday; **Joanne** and **Ginny** on Sunday. Thank you to **Tim, Corrine, Josie, Tom, Joe** and **Ginny** who took the Eucharist to parishioners unable to attend Mass in person.

**THANK YOU:** To **Katie** who vacuums and dusts the church and chapel every week.



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

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.



## Parish Administrator's Note

### FINANCE COUNCIL, BUDGET

Our Finance Council meets 11 times a year, always seeking to manage our parish finances as well as possible. At our most recent meeting on July 28, for example, we reviewed the status of our million-dollar mortgage loan with Catholic Finance Corporation (CFC).

A little history: In May of 2016, St. Matt's took out that CFC loan in order to install an elevator in the school building. An elevator was necessary to meet requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), which covers any institution receiving public money—such as the charter public school renting our school building.

The elevator portion of the loan was \$800,000. The other portion of the loan, for \$200,000, was for work on the boilers which serve all buildings on campus.

We're now six years into paying off that loan. The elevator portion will be paid off in May of 2026, and the boiler portion will be paid off in 2036. School rent payments cover the CFC loan payments, roughly \$10,000 per month.

All this discussion was part of a larger conversation about our proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, which began July 1. Thanks to advice from the Parish Accounting Service Center (PASC) as well as CFC, our new budget will have improved detail. That helps our management of parish finances. (It also helps that I've now been here for over a year, and I'm working with a strong group of Finance Council members.)

As I've written in previous columns, we're heading in a budget direction that more clearly accounts for our capital needs as well as our usual operational needs. I'll keep you posted here. In the fall, we'll mail out further information about the parish's financial condition.

Well-managed finances are essential, but they're not the mission of our parish. Rather, they support our mission: to be a Catholic community that is a visible expression of God's love. Thank you for your prayers, volunteering, and contributions—they all support our mission.

Let me know if you have any questions. Have a great week!

*Phil Grant*

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### 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.



### 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, Jeff Blomgren, Louise Breidel, Carolina Gomez, The Karas Family, Bernie Klein, Reyes Ledesma, Greg Lothenbach, Kendrick Morrison, Annamarie Moseng, Pablo Munoz, Ann Myran, Lisa Norton, Pam Perkovich, Elaine Pesek, 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



#### MASS IN THE PARK AND PICNIC

St. Matt's annual Mass in the Park and Picnic will be on **Saturday, August 13 at 4:30 PM** in the Cherokee Regional Park. The Men's Club will provide burgers, brats and hot dogs. Rosary Society will provide paper products and some serving utensils. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and a dish to share (drinks are not provided - please bring your own). All are welcome!

#### PRAYING THE ROSARY

You are invited to join Rosary Society members and others as we gather to pray the rosary together in Cherokee Park on **Tuesday, August 9 at 10:00 AM**. We will gather by the intersection of Chippewa and Winona. Please bring your own chair and rosary if you have them. Extra chairs and rosaries will be available if you need one.



#### COMMUNITY OF SAINTS DONATION

There will be a second collection after Communion for the Community of Saints Catholic School this weekend. Thank you for your generous support!

### Faith Formation News

#### FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED

The St. Matthew Faith Formation program for public school students in Grades 1 to 10 will resume September 21 and we have openings for teachers. Volunteers should enjoy helping children know, love, and serve Jesus and their neighbor, as they learn more about their Catholic faith. We need a teacher for the youngest kids in the program and a teacher for middle school-age kids. Classes are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM between September and April. Curriculum and supplies are provided. High school students who need service hours are welcome to teach. If a weekly commitment is too much, please consider being a substitute or helping with specific events. To find out more, call or text Janelle Rohr, Faith Formation Director at (651) 242-6004 or send an email to [janelle@st-matts.org](mailto:janelle@st-matts.org).

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## Finance Council Members

Alan Christensen	John Sekevitch
John Del Vecchio	Joe Stevens
Bernie Klein	Joanne Smith
Jackie Lackner	Karen Thompson
Becky Montgomery	Phil Grant, Ex Officio

### **Bulletin**

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

### **Readings for the week of August 7, 2022**

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/  
Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

## Mass Intentions

### **Saturday, August 6**

4:15 PM Mass  
Our Parish  
+Leo Kegler  
+Kevin Kleman

### **Sunday, August 7**

10:15 AM Mass  
Our Parish  
+Arthur Geis

### **Monday, August 8**

9:00 AM Cancelled

### **Tuesday, August 9**

8:00 AM Cancelled

### **Wednesday, August 10**

8:00 AM Cancelled

### **Thursday, August 11**

8:00 AM Cancelled

### **Friday, August 12**

8:00 AM Cancelled

### **Saturday, August 13**

4:15 PM Mass  
Our Parish  
+Leo Kegler  
+Richard McKane

### **Sunday, August 14**

10:15 PM Mass  
Our Parish  
+Joyce Burgess  
Living and Deceased Members of Rosary Society

## Calendar of Events

### **Monday, August 8 - Friday, August 12**

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

### **Monday, August 8**

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

### **Tuesday, August 9**

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parish Office Open

### **Wednesday, August 10**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM St. Mary's Clinic  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Parish Office Open

### **Thursday, August 11**

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

### **Friday, August 12**

### **Saturday, August 13**

10:00 AM AA Meeting  
4:30 PM Mass in the Park at Cherokee Regional  
Park (in-person)  
NO Confession after Mass

### **Sunday, August 14**

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

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