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TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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June 9, 2024
10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy Schedule

Masses

Saturday 4:15 PM
Sunday 10:15 AM (*online Mass is on hiatus*)

Reconciliation

1st & 3rd Sunday (after Mass) 11:00 AM
2nd & 4th Saturday (after Mass) 5:00 PM

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

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Friday Closed

Reflection from Father Steve

2025 has been declared a Jubilee year by Pope Francis. The Jubilee year has a long history, beginning in Old Testament times. Then, it was every 70 years that a Jubilee took place. Now, it is every 25 years.

Pope Francis has named the theme of this Jubilee "Pilgrims of Hope."

The Jubilee is a time of new beginnings, the advent of a new generation, and the opportunity to start fresh — a need that individuals and communities have. One cannot carry yesterday on one's shoulders forever. There has to be a fresh opportunity for today and tomorrow; thus the Jubilee.

2025 is also the 60th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council; often called by both religious and secular press as "The most significant event of the 20th century."

The Jubilee year provides an opportunity to reflect on and rediscover the call to be "church for the world" which was to be the work initiated by the Council.

After four years of reflection, study, debate, and mostly prayer, the Council produced a road map for the Church. This road map initiated a rediscovery of the identity of the Church and the role of members of the Church.

It is time to take a fresh look at the Council and see how that map still provides a way for the Church to proclaim the Gospel in an increasingly secular and intolerant world.

I will write a series of reflections on the opportunities the Jubilee and the 60th anniversary of Vatican II to offer a 21st century Church.

Using the coming months to prepare for the anniversary and the Jubilee offers an opportunity to undertake the Jubilee with renewed spirit as Pilgrims of Hope.

Father Steve Adrian

St. Matthew Welcomes All to Our Parish!

New to the area, joining us for the first time or coming home again? Please consider registering with our parish. You can download the registration form from our website or contact Angela (arakow@st-matts.org) at the parish office.



Volunteer Opportunities and Parish Needs

Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!" ~ Isaiah 6:8

Office Receptionist: We are looking for a volunteer to answer phones and greet visitors on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. Volunteer will occasionally help with parish mailings and other clerical jobs. Typing is helpful but not a requirement! If you are able to donate 4 hours/week on Tuesdays, please contact the parish office at 651-224-9793.

Money Counters: We are looking for volunteers to help count the weekly collection twice a month. You would work with a team of 3 or 4 other volunteers. If you feel you have the talent or experience to help with this volunteer opportunity, please call the parish office, 651-224-9793.

Thank You: Last week, the Church of Saint Matthew celebrated the Anointing of the Sick. The majority of the people at each Mass came forward to be anointed. Thank you to all who helped with the Anointing of the Sick. To **Fr. Thomas** who anointed all who desired to receive the sacrament. To our liturgist, **Cristina**, who planned the liturgy. To **Steve** and **Josie** who made it possible for **Fr. Steve** to receive the sacrament with his parishioners. To **Mary** and **Ginny** who assisted Fr. Thomas with the oil. To **Josie, Kathy, Scott, Jeanne, Tim, Tom, Dave, Paul, Steve, Maggie, Kathy** and **Al** who assisted all who came forward to receive the sacrament.

WE ARE A VOLUNTEER PARISH!

Mary Leibl
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Fr. Stephen Adrian, Jeremiah Baker, Jeff Blomgren, Jim & Betty Boeckman, Jerry & Louise Breidel, Holly Casillas, Esperanza Cenicerros, Sue Derringer, Elaine Goldberg, Sean Kane, Michael Karas, The Karas Family, Floro Luque, Diane McFarland, Roberta Otte, Marie Scanlan, Doris Schillinger, Mary Lou Shields, James Stanger, Sr., Patricia Weisman, and Thomas & Kasi Wright.

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.*

Parish Administrator's Note

Parking Lot Project - Please Help

Two weeks ago, I wrote about our parking lot. It's very old, looks terrible, and has unsafe potholes. We want to fix it, not just patch it.

We now have two bids, one for \$89,000 and one for \$99,000. Our Facilities Committee and I are analyzing them, to understand the differences. Redoing the lot is a once in a generation project. We want to do the lot well, and then take good care of it. That's good stewardship.

Last week, I wrote about how we're paying for big projects, using a combination of funds: general collections, Capital Needs contributions, rental revenue, and financing through Catholic Finance Corporation (CFC).

At our May 30 Finance Council* meeting, members recommended we ask for the entire cost of the lot. (The more we raise, the less we pay in CFC interest costs.) That's their challenge to the St. Matt's community. *The Council and I asked Fr. Thomas to speak on this effort at this weekend's Masses, and he agreed.*

There are several ways to give, e.g., PayPal, Capital Needs envelopes, and Electronic Funds Transfers. See also the insert in this week's bulletin.

I know some people schedule their donations over the course of a year. If it's helpful in your planning, please fill out a pledge form. That way, we know where we stand with cash in hand plus pledges over the next 12 months. *As of 6.3.24, we have over \$30,000 in cash and pledges.*

*The Finance Council's discussion included the knowledge that this community came together over the past year, to raise the \$109,000 needed to replace our main electric panel. (Note: the panel replacement is scheduled for June 18-21. We expect campus power to be off for much of that period. We'll know more in a few days.)

Thank you for your support, and have a great week!

*Phil Grant, Administrator
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The Sounds and Sights of Saint Matthew

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.

News and Events

Rosary in the Park is Back!



Once again this summer, the Rosary Society is hosting Rosary in Cherokee Park the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am. All women, men, youth and children are invited to participate in the praying of the rosary. We will convene in or near the large picnic shelter on **Tuesday, June 11 at 10:00 am**. Additional summer dates are Tuesday, July 9 and Tuesday, August 13.

Loaves & Fishes Volunteer Opportunities

Loaves & Fishes is a nonprofit organization with a mission to serve free, healthy meals to Minnesotans where the need is greatest. Currently, approximately **300 meals** are served Monday through Friday out the doors of the Church of St. Matthew. The operations wouldn't be possible without the dedication, passion, and hard work of people like YOU. Learn about individual and group volunteering by contacting the Director of Volunteers and Outreach at Loaves & Fishes, Latisha (volunteer@loavesandfishesmn.org) or check out/sign up through the direct site information link for St. Matthew here: <https://www.loavesandfishesmn.org/community-meal-sites/st-matthews-catholic-church/>

Neighborhood House Collection

Next weekend is the monthly Neighborhood House collection. There will be a basket by the main entrance for you to place your non-perishable or monetary donation. During the month of May 2024, St. Matthew donated **91 pounds** of food. On behalf of Neighborhood House and the people it serves, thank you for your generosity!



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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 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 June 9, 2024

Sunday: Gn 3:9-15/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7bc)/2 Cor 4:13—5:1/Mk 3:20-35

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10/Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 8

4:15 PM Mass
+Bill Brengman
+Carol Dvorak Johnson
+John Leibl

Sunday, June 9

10:15 AM Mass
+Dan D. Roscoe
+Mary Ann Roscoe
+Sam S. Roscoe

Monday, June 10

8:00 AM Cancelled

Tuesday, June 11

8:00 AM Cancelled

Wednesday, June 12

8:00 AM Cancelled

Thursday, June 13

8:00 AM Cancelled

Friday, June 14

8:00 AM Cancelled

Saturday, June 15

4:15 PM Mass
+Leo Kegler and Kevin Kleman
+Don Leibl
+Deceased Rosary Society Members

Sunday, June 16

10:15 AM Mass
+Marjorie DeGraw
+Peggy Leach

Calendar of Events

Monday, June 10 - Friday, June 14

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

Monday, June 10

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

Tuesday, June 11

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parish Office Open
10:00 AM Rosary in the Park at Cherokee Regional Park
6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wednesday, June 12

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM St. Mary's Health Clinic
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parish Office Open
8:00 PM Men's Club Meeting

Thursday, June 13

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parish Office Open
4:30 PM Finance Council Meeting
6:00 PM Crafting Group
7:00 PM AA Meeting

Friday, June 14

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

Saturday, June 15

4:15 PM Mass

Sunday, June 16

10:15 AM Mass
After Mass Confessions

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