

# Church of St. Matthew - Bulletin Insert

September 29, 2024  
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Boy Scout Wreath and Popcorn Sale

Boy Scout Troop 288, chartered by the Community of Saints Regional Catholic School, will be taking orders for their annual Wreath and Popcorn Sale from **now through Sunday, October 27, 2024.**



Your order will be distributed before and after the Masses the weekend of November 23 and 24. Payments will be collected at distribution.



You can find the order forms and contact information at the back of the church. Please see flyers in the church for pictures of the wreaths.

## The Center for Catholic Social Thought has two upcoming events for the Fall:

***Love of Neighbor and the Fear of Beggars: A Spirituality of the 'Common Good' for our Streets*** with Professor Kelly Johnson (University of Dayton), Friday, Oct. 18, at 6:30 pm, and Saturday, Oct. 19, at 10:00am at the Church of the Assumption, St. Paul, MN. Register free of charge at [catholicsocialthought.org](http://catholicsocialthought.org).

***Dorothy Day and the Christian Revolution: Four Talks with Colin Miller*** on his New Book, *We Are Only Saved Together*. Tuesdays, Oct. 22, Oct. 29, Nov. 5, and Nov. 12 at 5:30 pm at the Church of the Assumption, St. Paul, MN. Register free of charge at [catholicsocialthought.org](http://catholicsocialthought.org).

## 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](mailto:arakow@st-matts.org)) at the parish office.



## Community Band

Calling all St. Matt's instrumentalists: you're invited to our next St. Matt's Community Band session on **Friday, October 4 at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall.**

All levels and instruments are welcome, from beginning musicians on up.

All ages are welcome. Children 12 or younger must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Those aged 13-17 may come on their own. However, they must bring a signed permission slip from a parent or guardian.

Community Band goals: (a) Have fun making music together; (b) Explore instrumental music possibilities for worship and other events; and (c) Play for events here at St. Matt's.

For more information, please email me or call the office.

*Phil Grant, Band Enthusiast*  
[pgrant@st-matts.org](mailto:pgrant@st-matts.org)



## Community of Saints Catholic School Collection

Next weekend's second collection will be in support of Community of Saints Regional Catholic School. Thank you for your generous support!



## 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.

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## How to Get Your Child Baptized at St. Matthew Baptism Preparation Meetings

Interested in having your child baptized at St. Matt's? If so, know that we offer the required Baptism Preparation meeting on a regular basis — usually the third week of every month.

Preparation meetings are held in the church. They are a wonderful opportunity to reflect on God's unimaginable love which we experience through the grace of baptism.

*The next meetings are on:*

- **Tuesday, October 15 at 7:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, October 19 at 10:30 a.m.**

Preparation meetings are required for parents and guardians with children aged six or younger. If you have had a child baptized at St. Matt's in the last five years, you may waive this requirement — but you're invited to attend a meeting if you wish.

Baptism Preparation is an opportunity to connect more deeply with your own faith and relationship with God, as well as your spiritual relationship with your partner/spouse, and the people you've chosen as godparents. It is also a chance to build relationships with other parents of young children.

**Registration is required, at least one week in advance.** To register — or for more information — please contact Cristina Czaia or call the Parish Office (651-224-9793).

*Cristina Czaia*  
*Director of Music and Liturgy*  
*Church of St. Matthew*  
*cczaia@st-matts.org*



## Prayer Requests

Due to a long list of names on our prayer list, the names are divided into groups and rotated weekly for Prayers of the Faithful. Email Angela ([arakow@st-matts.org](mailto:arakow@st-matts.org)) or call the parish office (651-224-9793) with changes to keep our list up to date.

When requesting to add a loved one's name to our bulletin and Prayers of the Faithful, we kindly ask you obtain the individual's permission. Thank you!

Our parish has several ways in which we can pray for others:

1. We include names of those who need our prayers in our bulletin.
2. We include names of those who need our prayers in the Prayers of the Faithful during Mass.
3. You can include names in the Book of Intentions, found in the back of the church.



## Candlelight Rosary Procession

*Friday, October 4 at 7:00 PM*  
*Procession from State Capitol*  
*to Cathedral of Saint Paul*

Come with family and friends to the annual Archdiocesan Candlelight Rosary Procession. Line-up begins at 6:30 p.m. on the State Capitol grounds.

Those who cannot walk the procession route may go directly to the Cathedral to pray the Rosary with those who are in procession. The event concludes at the Cathedral with Marian prayers, Eucharistic Adoration, and Benediction with Archbishop Hebda presiding.

For more information visit  
[minnesotarosaryprocessions.org](http://minnesotarosaryprocessions.org).

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## Mass of Solidarity for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (Year 2: The Mass)

Sunday, September 29, 5:30 p.m.  
Basilica of St. Mary, Minneapolis

This Mass of Solidarity is an occasion to express concern for different vulnerable people on the move, to pray for them as they face many challenges, and to increase awareness about the ways in which our Archdiocese has been enriched by them.

## Volunteering with Loaves & Fishes

Loaves & Fishes is a nonprofit organization with a mission to serve free, healthy meals to Minnesotans where the need is greatest. Loaves & Fishes has been serving free community meals from the St. Matthew Social Hall since 2006. Currently, St. Matthew hosts one of the largest free community meals for the organization.

Volunteers work with a Site Coordinator to chop fruits/veggies, complete salads, and finish entrees during the Preparation/Package shift. Throughout the Service Shift, volunteers pass out meals and greet guests in drive-up or walk-up service. They also assist with keeping service materials organized and light cleanup.

Loaves & Fishes is in need of more volunteers! To volunteer at St. Matthew, go to <https://app.initlive.com:443/JE/sn85yp14q9vcal> to sign up.

For youth participation guidelines, contact Loaves & Fishes Director of Volunteer & Outreach at [volunteer@loavesandfishesmn.org](mailto:volunteer@loavesandfishesmn.org).



## Free Electronic Waste Drive (E-Waste Recycling and Disposal)

Saturday, October 5, 2024  
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM  
Church of St. Mark Parking Lot  
1952 Dayton Ave, St. Paul, MN 55104

One Call Junk Removal, in conjunction with the Church of St. Mark and Saint Joseph's Business Guild, are hosting a FREE electronic waste drive on Saturday, October 5th at the Church of Saint Mark's located in Saint Paul. There is also a \$100 Gift Card Drawing and five \$20 Gift Card Drawings.

### Acceptable Items

#### (2 bulky items ONLY!)

- TV's
- Monitors
- Computers
- Laptops
- Printers
- Kitchen Appliances
- Smartphones
- Radios
- Lightbulbs
- Batteries
- DVD Players
- and More!

### NON Acceptable Items

- Washers
- Dryers
- Stoves
- Refrigerators
- Microwaves
- Other Large Appliances

