

Church of St. Matthew - Bulletin Insert

March 2, 2025
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lenten and Easter Worship Schedule

Ash Wednesday - Wednesday, March 5

Ash and Communion Service – 7:00 am
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Stations of the Cross

All Tuesdays during Lent – 12:30 pm
Fridays during Lent – 5:30 pm

Saint Matthew's Fabulous Fish Fry

All Fridays during Lent
4:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Communal Reconciliation Service

Sunday, March 30 – 2:00 pm

Private Confessions

Wednesday, April 2 - 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Wednesday, April 9 - 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Palm Sunday

Saturday, April 12 – 4:15 pm
Sunday, April 13 – 10:15 am



Holy Thursday – April 17

Celebration of the Supper of the Lord – 7:00 pm
Altar of Repose – 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Good Friday – April 18

Altar of Repose continues
Stations of the Cross – Noon Only
Good Friday Service – 3:00 pm
Tenebrae Service – 7:00 pm

Easter Vigil, Saturday – April 19

8:00 pm

Easter Sunday – April 20

10:15 am



Wednesday, March 5, 2025

Ash and Communion Service - 7:00 AM

Ash and Communion Service - 7:00 PM

The evening Ash and Communion Service will be led by Father Kommers with St. Matthew Faith Formation students and catechists actively involved in various roles. Families with children will be at the evening service. All are welcome to this service and the morning service.

First Friday Community Band – March 7

Our next First Friday Community Band get-together is this Friday, March 7. As usual, we'll start jamming at 6:30 p.m. Whether new or experienced on your instrument, you're welcome to sit in. (If 12 or younger, please bring a parent or grandparent. If 13-17, bring a note.)

We're currently focusing on jigs, reels and other dance music. At our last session on February 7, we had people on guitars, banjo, mandolin, piano and in whistle. There's a distinctly Irish/bluegrass vibe. However, all instruments are welcome.

Because this Friday is also a Fish Fry night, that means there'll be live music from 6:30 p.m. on. Strictly speaking, it's not a performance. What we play depends on who shows up!

Phil Grant





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AED and Hands Only CPR Training
Saturday, March 15 at 9:00 AM

The Mendota Heights Fire Department will host an AED and Hands Only CPR Training event for St. Matthew's and other local parishes on Saturday, March 15 at 9:00 AM. The training will take place at the **Mendota Heights Fire Station (2121 Dodd Road)**. There is no fee but registration is required. Please call the parish office to register. **Registrations will be accepted until Wednesday, March 5.** All are welcome.

Coffee Sunday

Our next Coffee Sunday is **March 9 after the 10:15 AM Mass**. Come down to the Social Hall and visit with your fellow parishioners. We hope to see you there!



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.

Parish Mailing

We recently sent out our Lenten mailing. If you have not received it, please notify Angela in the parish office (651-224-9793 or arakow@st-matts.org). We want to make sure everyone's address is up to date.



Community of Saints Catholic School Collection



This weekend is our monthly second collection in support of Community of Saints Regional Catholic School. Thank you for your generous support!



Growing Through Loss - 2025 Spring Series

Growing Through Loss (GTL), which provides support for adults who have experienced loss, is hosting Spring Speaker Series.

GTL is sponsored jointly by the Interdenominational South Suburban Grief Support Coalition, a coalition of 15 churches in the south suburban Minneapolis-St. Paul area.

Location: Church of St. Thomas Becket
 4455 S Robert Trail
 Eagan, MN 55123

Times: March 11 - April 8, 2025

Registration: 6:00 - 6:30 pm

Speaker: 6:30 - 7:20 pm

Support Groups: 7:30 - 8:15 pm

Suggested Donation: \$5.00 per session (all proceeds support the Growing Through Loss ministry)

Each session is complete in itself. You are welcome to attend one or all.

For more information, call **651-452-8261** or visit www.growingthroughlossstcsouth.com