



St. Matthew's
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Bulletin Insert

October 5, 2025
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Women's Social Hour

All adult women of the parish are invited to our first **Women's Social Hour** this coming **Friday, October 10th, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm** in the Parish Center's main floor meeting room. Come for all or part of it. Enjoy the refreshments and socialize with women you know and women you have not yet met. If you can, to help us with planning, please call the parish office (651-224-9793) by Thursday noon to let us know you're coming. Still come, if you haven't called.

You're
Invited!

Community of Saints Prayer Service Honoring Fr. Steve Adrian Wednesday, October 15

Following the All School Mass at Community of Saints on Wednesday, October 15, students, faculty and staff will process over to Riverview Cemetery for a short prayer service at Fr. Steve's niche. All are welcome to attend both Mass and the prayer service or just the prayer service. **All School Mass begins at 9:00 AM.** Prayer service to follow, starting roughly around 9:45 AM. All visitors joining the Mass will need to enter through Door 1 (on Haskell Street) and sign in with school staff.

ALWAYS
REMEMBERED



Coffee Sunday

Our next Coffee Sunday is **October 12th after the Sunday 10:15 AM Mass.**



October Coffee Sunday will be hosted by **the Saint Matthew's Court of the Catholic Order of Foresters (COF)**. COF is a Catholic fraternal benefit society dedicated to helping members achieve financial security through life insurance while supporting the Catholic community through fraternal/social outreach. COF has provided a matching grant for our Giving Thanks fundraiser since it began, and prior to that, for our Fix-It Fundraiser.

Come down to the Social Hall and visit with your fellow parishioners. We hope to see you there!

Rosary Society October Meeting

All women of the community are invited to the **October 14th Rosary Society meeting**, which will be from **12:30 to 2:00 PM** in the lower level of the Parish Center. Come and enjoy refreshments and discuss some new fun activities for the coming year. Your ideas and input are welcome as we make and finalize plans and events for our upcoming program year. You do not need to be a member of the Rosary Society to attend this meeting.

Parish Mailing

We recently mailed out Giving Thanks raffle and Annual Financial Report. 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!

Baptism Preparation Meeting (age 6 and younger)

Preparation meetings are required for parents and guardians with children aged six or younger for baptism. The next meetings are on:

- **Saturday, October 11 at 10:00 AM**
- **Saturday, November 8 at 10:00 AM**

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



Baptism Preparation Meetings (Ages 7 - 13)

For baptism of children ages 7-13, parents and the child must attend a series of three baptism preparation meetings. Godparents are strongly encouraged to attend also. The meetings will be held in the St. Matthew Church at 510 Hall Avenue (unless noted otherwise) on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 PM to 6:45 PM.

For the 2025-2026 academic year, the preparation meetings will take place on the following dates:

***November 12, 2025**

December 17, 2025

January 14, 2026

**November 12th meeting will be in the Parish Center at 490 Hall Avenue.*

Attendance is required for parents/guardians, and their children.

Registration for the baptism preparation classes is required at least one week in advance of the first meeting date. To register, please contact **Cristina Czaia (cczaia@st-matts.org)** or call the Parish Office (651-224-9793).

Help Wanted: AV System

We're looking for one or more volunteers to help us put Mass back online this winter. To do that, we need people who know how our liturgy works, and are willing to learn how to use our audio-visual system.

If you're interested, or if you know someone who might be interested, please talk to Cristina (cczaia@st-matts.org) or me. Thanks!

Phil Grant
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Annunciation Hope and Healing Fund

In partnership with Annunciation, Catholic Community Foundation has established the Annunciation Hope and Healing Fund, a charitable fund that will provide financial support to the Church of the Annunciation for the needs of the church and school, as well as to support those affected by the tragedy. To donate, please visit: ccf-mn.org/support-annunciation



Interested in hearing next week's music lineup ahead of time. Music lineups will now be posted on our Facebook Page. Go check it out!

Turkey Bingo

Saturday, November 8, 2025

**St. Matthew Social Hall
after the 4:15 PM Mass**



Save THE Date

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"MIGRANTS, MISSIONARIES OF HOPE"

Join us for an Archdiocesan Mass of Solidarity for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees



Sunday, October 5, 2025

5 p.m. Cultural Celebration

5:30 p.m. Mass

The Basilica of Saint Mary

"In a world darkened by war and injustice, even when all seems lost, migrants and refugees stand as messengers of hope. Their courage and tenacity bear heroic testimony to a faith that sees beyond what our eyes can see and gives them the strength to defy death on the various contemporary migration routes."

— Message of Pope Leo XIV for the 11th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2025

All are invited to share the richness of their culture by wearing the clothes of their native culture or ethnicity.

The Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis is home to more than 800,000 Catholics celebrating Mass regularly in 11 different languages.



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 26, 2025**.

Your order will be distributed before and after each Mass the weekend of November 22 and 23.

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.



Center for Catholic Social Thought Fall Course: Localism, Good Work, and Technological Society

Thursdays, October 2-December 11, 5:30-7 PM
Assumption, St. Paul

Technology is reaching into ever more remote corners of our lives, and at the same time there is increasing interest in reconnecting with the land as the source of our material life, finding good work, and living locally. How should we think about these issues as Catholics? This course is offered by the Center for Catholic Social Thought and is co-taught by Colin Miller (Ph.D., Duke University) and KC Flynn (Baylor University). Find more information and registration at catholicsocialthought.org/course-on-technology-good-work

We Are the Body of Christ: An Ignatian Approach to Restoring the Humanity of Migrants

How does our faith call us to accompany migrants, who face kidnapping, exploitation, and criminalization? Fr. Brian Strassburger, SJ, Director of the Del Camino Jesuit Border Ministries based in Brownsville, Texas, will talk about the dynamic of migration on the U.S.-Mexico border and in cities throughout the country. Fr. Brian will also offer practical suggestions for stopping the dehumanization of migrants. The talk will be livestreamed or you may come in person on **Monday, October 6, 7:00 pm, St. Thomas More Church, St. Paul**. For more information and registration: <https://ignatianspiritualitycenter.org/event/we-are-the-body-of-christ/>

Center for Catholic Social Thought: Dr. William T. Cavanaugh on Consumerism and Idolatry

Thursday, October 9, 6:30 p.m.
Assumption, St. Paul

William T. Cavanaugh (Ph.D., Duke University) is professor of Catholic Studies and director of the Center for World Catholicism and Intercultural Theology at DePaul university. He will be speaking on Consumerism and Idolatry in our times. This event is co-sponsored by the Murphy Institute for Catholic Thought, Law, and Business at the University of St. Thomas and the Anselm House at the University of Minnesota. Find more information and registration at catholicsocialthought.org/fall-2025-speaking-event