Church of St. Matthew

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



You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind ..

October 31, 2021 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy Schedule

Masses

In person 4:15 pm Saturday In person 10:15 am Sunday Streamed 10:15 am Sunday

Reconciliation

2nd and 4th Saturday - 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month following Mass

Baptism, Matrimony, Anointing of the sick Please call the parish office for each

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Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Closed on Friday

Reflection from Father Steve

Monday is the Feast of All Saints and Tuesday is the Feast of All Souls. On both days Mass will be celebrated at 7 pm in Saint Matthew Church.

The Feast of All Saints reminds us that our ancestors, disciples of Jesus, have gone before us and now share the fullness of eternal life. We are related to them; they are members of our extended family.

When we pray the Apostles Creed we say: "I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints..." The Communion of Saints is the teaching that even though these ancestors of ours are not physically present to us, they are nevertheless one with us; we have a living bond with them. They truly are our faith family members.

There is a relationship. In the liturgy we pray:

"Lord, by their (Saint's) way of life you offer us an example, by communion with them you give us companionship, by their prayer, sure support; so that encouraged by so great a cloud of witnesses, we may run as victors in the race before us and with them (Saints) win the imperishable crown of glory."

Reading and meditating on the lives of the Saints is a powerful way of learning the scriptures – their lives are the finest commentary on the Word of God.

All Souls Day is the Church's Memorial Day – the day on which we remember and give thanks for those family and friends who have gone before us. At Mass that day the names of all, who during the last year where buried from Saint Matthew, will be read at the remembrance of the deceased in the Eucharistic Prayer. During November you are invited to write the names of those for whom you wish us to pray in the Remembrance Book.

In praying for the deceased the Church says: "The Lord Jesus is the salvation of the world, the life of the human race, the resurrection of the dead."

The doctrine of "The Communion of Saints" broadens my sense of just to whom I am related – who are my relatives, my kinfolk.

Father Steve

Mass Intentions

If you are interested in scheduling a Mass for a deceased loved one or a special intention, please keep in mind we have only two weekend Mass. Also, many parishioners schedule Masses weeks, if not months in advance. If you wait until the week or two of your desired Mass date your chances of that date being open are very small.

We make every effort to accommodate everyone's wishes but it helps to plan ahead. Thank you for your cooperation.

Volunteer Opportunities & Parish Needs



"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

Mary Leibl, Volunteer Coordinator

Communion to the Homebound

Do you have family, neighbors or friends who are unable to attend Mass? If you would like to take communion to them in their homes, call the Parish Center or see a sacristan before Mass. If you do not have a pyx one will be provided.

Musicians Needed - Saint Matthews Music Ministry is looking for more, cantors, guitarists, keyboardists, string players, & wind instrument players for weekend Masses. Contact Jill Kilzer Director of Music and Liturgy jillkilzer@st-matts.org.

Greeters - Now that we have two Masses each weekend, St. Matthews seeks additional "Greeters" to extend a warm welcome to those arriving for Mass. Your friendly smile and enthusiasm for the Church of St. Matthew parish are all that's needed. To help, contact: <u>Jill.kilzer@st-matts.org</u>, <u>mleibl@st-matts.org</u> or the parish office.

Funeral Ministry The church of St. Matthew invites you to be a part of a compassionate ministry providing hospitality to grieving families. You are needed to help set up and serve post-funeral luncheons to families and their guests. If you can help, please call either Becky Montgomery 651-292-0521 or Suzanne Clark 612-819-3752.

Thank You

To the **94 parishioners** who attended the 4:15 pm Mass last Saturday and the 83 parishioners who attended the 10:15 am Sunday Mass. Thank You to Fr. Adrian who through his homily, gives us strength and hope as we continue to deal with a pandemic. To **Linda** who handled the opening announcements for 4:15 Mass & Joanne at 10:15 am. To our pianist Jill on Saturday & on Sunday. Pianist Phil & guitarist Tony. Cantor Linda & singer Andy on Saturday and to Jeanne who was cantor on Sunday lectors Jeanne on Saturday & Ginny & Joe on Sunday. Eucharistic ministers Mary, Tim & Tom - Saturday; Joanne, Mooreen & Florida - Sunday ushers Tom, Tim & Doris Saturday: Ginny & Steve on Sunday, Sacristans Mary -Saturday, Ginny & Joanne - Sunday. Thank you to Ginny, Ann. & John who took communion to parishioners unable to attend.

We are a volunteer parish!

News and Events

Saint Matthew's motto-to be the Good Samaritan on the banks of the Mississippi.

Sunday, October 31st is Halloween Please watch out for the children having fun Trick or Treating Slow down when driving



Sign Up Now For Tickets

If you would like to receive tickets for the Casper Family/Jameson Pub's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, Saint Matthew's will now be taking names. Please call the Parish Office with your name, address, phone number and number of tickets you require. All meals will be take-out this year.



Book of Deceased Loved Ones

During November, a book will be placed at the front entrance to the church where you may write the names of deceased family & friends. This book will then be moved to the Sanctuary at the beginning of each Mass throughout the month.

Welcome To Our Parish Family

On Sunday, October 24, 2021 Father Adrian baptized Maxwell James Jenniges, son of Caleb and Monica Jenniges. We congratulate the new parents on the birth of their son; we are honored to receive him as a member of our parish family.



Please come back often, we are here to help Maxwell grow in his Catholic faith.

Holy Day Masses

Please note Saint Matthew's will have the following Holy Day Masses

All Saints Day, November 1st, 7:00 pm in the Church All Souls Day, November 2nd, 7:00 pm in the Chapel

Weekly Contributions October 24, 2021 Volunteer Service Hours in Prayer 38 Hours in Service 63

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Parish		School	\$ 450
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 4,559	Food Shelf	\$ 15
Electronic Giving	\$ 1,698	Total	\$ 465
PayPal	\$ 100	Thank You!	
Masses/Memorials	\$ 52		
Holy Day	\$ 20		
Rent	\$ 900	PayPal QR Code	
Vigil Lights	\$ 52	simply scan with your	
Funeral	\$ 200	phone to make an electronic	
Bells/ Lamp	\$ 30	payment	
Faith Formation	\$		
Total	\$ 7,611		



The Sounds and Sights of St. Matt's
The Bells of Saint Matthew ran on October 29th
in celebration of Greg & Vicki Baker's 45th wedding anniversary. Congratulations God's blessing

to you!

The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit October 30 - November 6, 2021 memory of children, **Bruce & Denise David** and Granddaughter, **Bridgette Brerrotta**

Contact Linda Rivera at Irivera@st-matts.org or 651.224.9793 by 1:00 pm Monday-Thursday if you would like to schedule a day to ring the bells, or a week to light the sanctuary lamp for your special memory or event.

Mass and Vaccine Information

At St. Matt's, we follow guidelines from the CDC, the Minnesota Department of Health, and the Archdiocese. As such we offer masks at each of the church entrances for your use with every good wish and strong encouragement. We are not currently requiring masks at Mass. The CDC acknowledges that infections are rare for those who are vaccinated, and severe illness and death are even rarer. While infection is still possible for anyone, each person needs to evaluate their own situation.

Regarding vaccinations, Pope Francis recently said it very well:

"Being vaccinated with vaccines authorized by the competent authorities is an act of love. And contributing to ensure the majority of people are vaccinated is an act of love. "He added: "Vaccination is a simple but profound way of promoting the common good and caring for each other, especially the most vulnerable."

Money Counters

We are looking for volunteers to serve as Money Counters for weekly collections.

Time commitment would be 2 Sundays each month. (3 Sundays in months with 5 weekends.) You will work on teams of 3 — 4 people. Collection will be counted on Sunday mornings immediately after the last Mass. Ideally, we would like people from both Saturday & Sunday Masses to volunteer. On weeks when a Holy Day takes place, that collection too will be counted on the following Sunday. If you like working with numbers and feel you can contribute to this valuable service, contact Mary at mleibl@st-matts.org or call the Parish Center, leave your name & phone numbers and someone will return your call!

New Ministry Schedule

Ginny & Mary will be writing the new Ministry schedule the week of November 7th. This schedule will begin Thanksgiving Day November 25th & go through Sunday February 27th. This schedule will include 2 Masses for Christmas. One at 4:15 pm on Christmas Eve and one at 10:15 am Christmas Day. There will also be only **one** Mass for New Year's which will take place at 10:15 am on New Year's Day. **There is NO** Mass **on New Year's Eve!**

Because Christmas Day & New Years Day are both on Saturdays, there will be **NO 4:15 pm Sunday Anticipatory Mass on those 2 Saturdays!**

Please let us know by **Monday November 7**th at what Masses you will be available, and/or which Masses you cannot serve. Also indicate if you are willing to read the announcements before mass begins. Thank you for your continued service to our Liturgical Ministry.

Parish Leadership

All emails are @st-matts.org

Rev. Steve Adrian, Sacramental Minister

John DelVecchio, Parish Trustee

Jdelvecchio

Phil Grant, Pastoral Administrator

pgrant

Scott Hertzog, Janitor

Kevin Jack, website & social media webmaster

kjack

Jill Kilzer, Music Ministry

jillkilzer

Bernie Klein, Accounts Payable & Receivable

Steve Kowal, Maintenance Engineer

skowal

Reves Ledesma, Janitor

Mary Leibl, Volunteer Coordinator

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Rev. Biju Mathew, Parochial Administrator

frbijum@gmail.com

Linda Rivera, Parish Secretary

Irivera

Janelle Rohr, Faith Formation

jdrohr@pro-ns.net

Karen Thompson, Parish Trustee

Kthompson

Parish Pastoral Council

parishcouncil Members:

Chris Avalos

Janelle Rohr Alan Christensen Linda Sellars Suzanne Clarke Joanne Smith

Phil Grant, Ex Officio Jerald Dosch

Anthony Minus

Finance Council Members

John DelVecchio Joe Stevens Bernie Klein Joanne Smith **Becky Montgomery** Karen Thompson John Sekevitch Phil Grant, Ex Officio

Sacraments

Please contact the Parish Office regarding Baptism, Marriage, First Communon and Confirmation information.

Bulletin

Announcements are due on Monday by 10:00 am for the next Sunday's bulletin. Items received after 10:00 am will appear in the following week's bulletin.

Readings for the week of October 31, 2021

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/ Mk 12:28b-34

Monday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn

3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Tuesday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1 or 4ab]/

Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40a

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a]/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Lk 16:1-8 Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11

[1b]/Lk 16:9-15

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 30

4:15 pm Our Parish

Living & Deceased Altar & Rosary Members

Sunday, October 31

10:15 am Mass (in person)

Our Parish

⊕Anne Curan, in memory of 88th birthday

Monday, November 1 All Saints Day

8:00 am Cancelled

Our Parish

Rudy Saucedo, Jr.

Tuesday, November 2 All Souls Day

7:00 pm Mass (in person) Chapel

Our Parish

Our Beloved Dead

Wednesday, November 3

8:00 am Cancelled

Friday, November 5

8:00 am Cancelled

Saturday, November 6

4:15 pm Our Parish

⊕George Lackner

⊕Alice Scaramuzzo

⊕Dorothy Robinette & Greg Thompson

⊕Dorinda Martineau

Sunday, November 7

10:15 am Mass (in person)

Our Parish

Living & Deceased Altar & Rosary Members

Calendar of Events

Saturday, October 30

9:00 Synod Meeting Church

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center

4:15 pm Mass (in person)

Sunday, October 31

10:15 am Mass (in person)

10:15 am Streamed Mass Today

Monday, November 1 - Friday, November 5

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

Meals Are Being served As Take-Out Only At This Time

Monday, November 1 All Saints Day

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Parish Office Open

7:00 pm Mass (in person) Church

Tuesday, November 2 All Souls Day - Election Day

9:00 am - 1:00 Parish Office Open

3:30 pm - 9:45 pm GTCYS Church

7:00 pm Mass (in person) Chapel

Wednesday, November 3

8:00 am - 5:00 pm St. Mary's Clinic

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Parish Office Open

6:45 pm Faith Formation Parish Center

Thursday, November 4

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Parish Office Open

6:00 pm AA Parish Center

Friday, November 5

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, November 6

Daylight Savings Time Ends Tonight

9:00 Synod Meeting Church

10:00 am AA Meeting Parish Center

4:15 pm Mass (in person)

Sunday, November 7

10:15 am Mass (in person)

10:15 am Streamed Mass Today

Reconciliation following Mass

Community means everything

That's why we're proud to be here to help life go right^T



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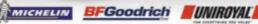
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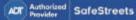
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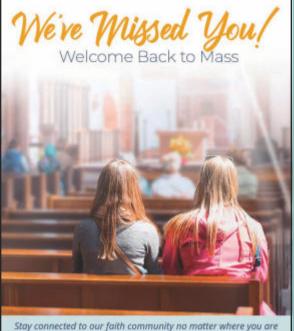
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