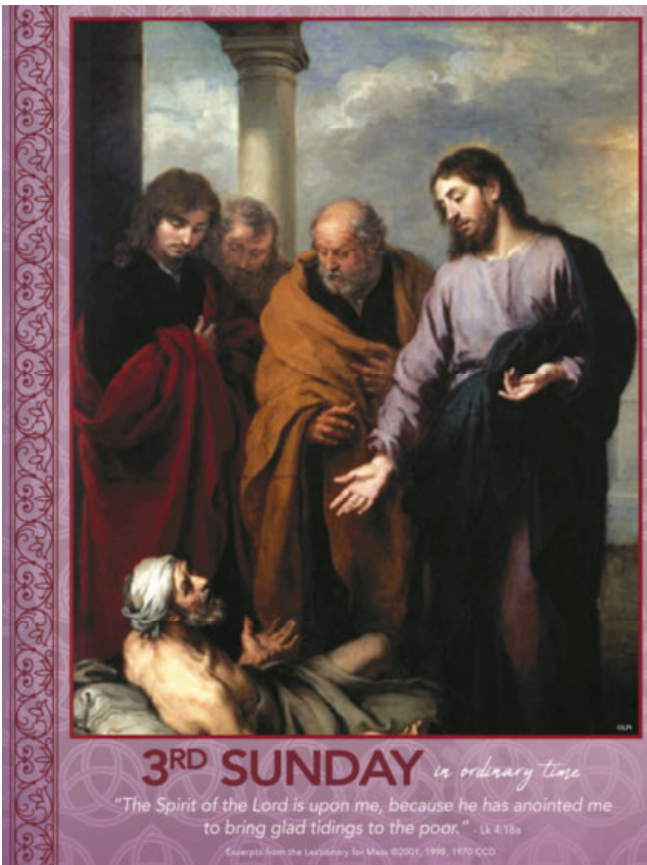




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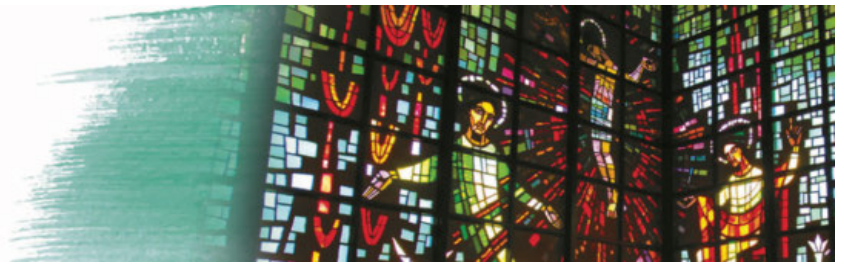
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January 23, 2022



MISSION STATEMENT

St. Matthias Catholic Parish is committed to continuing the ministry of Jesus Christ. We invite and welcome all. Come... live, grow, and be challenged by the message through prayer, formation, and service.



Pastoral Staff

Deacon Stan Lowe, Parish Director
Alissa Turner, School Principal
Brian Jens, Director of Lifelong Faith Formation
Peter Morello, Coordinator of Lifelong Faith Formation
Francine Micklus, Director of Liturgy and Music

Weekend Help Out Priests

Fr. Dave Cooper
Fr. Chuck Schramm
Fr. Bill Stout, OFM
Fr. Charlie Zabler

Parish Officers

Don Vaclav, Trustee Secretary
Paul Ziehler Trustee Treasurer
Mark Kopplin, Parish Council Moderator

Mass Schedule

Tuesday and Thursday 8:15 am
Saturday: 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm; Sunday: 8:00 am and 10:00 am

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday of the month after 4 pm Mass. When a parishioner is hospitalized, homebound, or in a nursing home, please notify the Parish Office.

Rite of Reconciliation

First and third Saturday of the month at 8:30 am

Membership

online at www.stmatthias-milw.org

Contact Information

Parish Phone: 414-321-0893 School Phone: 414-321-0894
Parish Fax: 414-321-1330 School Fax: 414-321-9228

Please call the Parish Office for more information regarding all sacramental preparation and celebration.

Bulletin requests to cpfeifer@stmatthias-milw.org by Monday noon. Bulletin requests are subject to approval.

Saint Matthias Parish

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is – the God of our salvation history or the “gods” of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/
Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/
Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/
1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

PARISH NEWS AND NOTES



Newly Married

Congratulations to Robert Effinger and Alyssa Bayer who were married at St. Matthias on January 22, 2022. May God bless this special couple!



Baptisms

We welcome Bowman, son of Alex and Julia Poite, and Kora, daughter of Jenny and Kristen Sperzel, who were recently baptized at St. Matthias. Congratulations and God bless!

New Covid Protocols for Mass starting this weekend, January 22/23



The City of Milwaukee just passed an ordinance requiring everyone ages 3 yrs. and older to wear a mask while in public buildings. This ordinance applies to St. Matthias Parish. Please bring a mask and wear it for Mass and any other events/meetings held here.

The ordinance will remain in effect through March 1, 2022.



Knights of Columbus Fr. John Endejan Council 16171 will hold their Quarterly Food Drive for the Food Pantry on **Saturday, January 29th** from 8:00am-11:00am in the front circle drive.

Thank you in advance for your donations!



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, January 23, 2022 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Mass—with Liturgy of the Word for Children—Church
- 9:30 am K4—8th Grade Christian Formation—School
- 10:00 am Mass—Church
- 11:30 am Baptism
- 6:30 pm 9th, 10th, & 11th Grade Christian Formation—Church, Steiger Hall & Rms., Parish Office Conf. Rm., Parish Center Rms.

Monday, January 24, 2022

- 7:00 pm River of Life Prayer Group—Church

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

- 8:15 am Mass - Church
- 3:00 pm Jr. Handbells practice—Church
- 6:00 pm Pastoral Council Mtg.—Paris Office Conference Rm.
- 7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 592 Mtg.—Steiger Hall

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

- 3:15 pm Girl Scout Mtg.—Steiger Hall
- 6:30 pm Sister Parish Committee Mtg.—Steiger Hall
- 7:00 pm Centering Prayer—Parish Center Living Rm.
- 7:00 pm Dartball—Steiger Hall

Thursday, January 27, 2022

- 8:15 am All School Mass—Church (masks required)
- 6:30 pm Adult Faith Formation Bible Study—Parish Office Conf. Rm.
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal—Church
- 8:00 pm A New Awakening Group—Parish Center

Friday, January 28, 2022

Saturday, January 29, 2022

- 8:00 am Knights of Columbus Food Drive—Circle drive in front of church
- 4:00 pm Mass—Church
- 6:00 pm Mass—Church

Sunday, January 30, 2022 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Mass—Church
- 10:00 am Mass—Church—Catholic Schools Week
- 6:30 pm 9th & 10th Grade Christian Formation—Church, Steiger Hall & Rms., Parish Office Conf. Rm., Parish Center Rms.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

St. Vincent de Paul is an organization of lay Catholics, following Christ's call to serve the poor and the suffering. Vincentian members establish personal relationships with our neighbors in need, not only providing material assistance such as rent, utilities or food, but also offering friendship, understanding, and prayer. If we can be of assistance to you, please call us at (414) 321-0893 ext. 408.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

The next Food Pantry dates are February 12 and February 26 from 7:30 am-11:00 am. Please drive up in the circle drive in front of St. Matthias Church and stay in your car.

A food pantry volunteer will come to assist you.

The following items are needed:

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| Chef Boyardee | Tuna |
| Soup | Applesauce |
| Canned Veggies | Canned fruit, any kind |
| Rice | Pork and Beans |
| Pasta Sauce | Pasta |
| Hamburger Helper | Cereal |
| Toilet Paper | |

Please do not donate baby food.

Thank you!

Our St. Vincent de Paul food pantry recently received a donation of \$2,500 from Pick and Save/ Metro Market on Coldspring Road. Their generosity is much appreciated!

PARISH WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP WEEK OF: January 16, 2022

These funds represent the majority of the parish income needed to sustain the mission of St. Matthias.

Thanks for all you do!

Finance and Stewardship Committees

Total # Envelopes	246
Total Contributions	\$23,446.93
Year to Date Total	\$479,688.53



Please be aware that during inclement weather if the parish school is closed, the parish office is also closed and there will be no Mass.

Courtesy Announcements

West Milwaukee Lions Club



Start your "SUNDAY" with a **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

WHEN: Sunday, February 6th
8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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Catholic Charities of Milwaukee 2022 Lenten Luncheons

During the luncheons, Archbishop ListECKi will present the Treasures of the Church Awards which honor people for their compassionate service and celebrate the mission of Catholic Charities.

Proceeds from the luncheons support Catholic Charities programs and services.

11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – all lunch times

MONDAY, MARCH 14

Lake Country Luncheon
St. Anthony on the Lake Parish
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TUESDAY, MARCH 22

Greater Milwaukee Area Luncheon
St. Francis de Sales Seminary
3257 S. Lake Drive • St. Francis, WI 53235

MONDAY, MARCH 28

Quad-Counties North Luncheon (Dodge, Fond du Lac, Sheboygan, Washington)
St. Dominic Parish
2133 N. 22nd Street • Sheboygan, WI 53081

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

Tri-Counties South Luncheon (Kenosha, Racine, Walworth)
Bristol Oaks Golf Club
16801 75th Street • Bristol, WI 53104

To register or to find out more information please visit ccmke.org/Lenten-Luncheons

Kids Corner



Prayers and acts of kindness from the children's weekly offerings:

I pray for anyone who is sick or suffering

I pray for everyone that's going through a hard time and that are struggling. I pray for every homeless person.

SAINTS

St. Francis de Sales | January 24



Francis was destined by his father to be a lawyer so that the young man could eventually take his elder's place as a senator from the province of Savoy in France. For this reason Francis was sent to Padua to study law. After receiving his doctorate, he returned home and, in due time, told his parents he wished to enter the priesthood. His father strongly opposed Francis in this, and only after much patient persuasiveness on the part of the gentle Francis did his father finally consent. Francis was ordained and elected provost of the Diocese of Geneva.

At 35, he became bishop of Geneva. While administering his diocese he continued to preach, hear confessions, and catechize the children. His gentle character was a great asset in winning souls. He practiced his own axiom, "A spoonful of honey attracts more flies than a barrelful of vinegar."

Besides his two well-known books, the *Introduction to the Devout Life* and *A Treatise on the Love of God*, he wrote many pamphlets and carried on a vast correspondence. For his writings, he has been named patron of the Catholic Press. His writings, filled with his characteristic gentle spirit, are addressed to lay people. He wants to make them understand that they too are called to be saints. As he wrote in *The Introduction to the Devout Life*: "It is an error, or rather a heresy, to say devotion is incompatible with the life of a soldier, a tradesman, a prince, or a married woman.... It has happened that many have lost perfection in the desert who had preserved it in the world."

Francis de Sales took seriously the words of Christ, "Learn of me for I am meek and humble of heart." As he said himself, it took him 20 years to conquer his quick temper, but no one ever suspected he had such a problem, so overflowing with good nature and kindness was his usual manner of acting. His perennial meekness and sunny disposition won for him the title of "Gentleman Saint."

-Franciscan Media

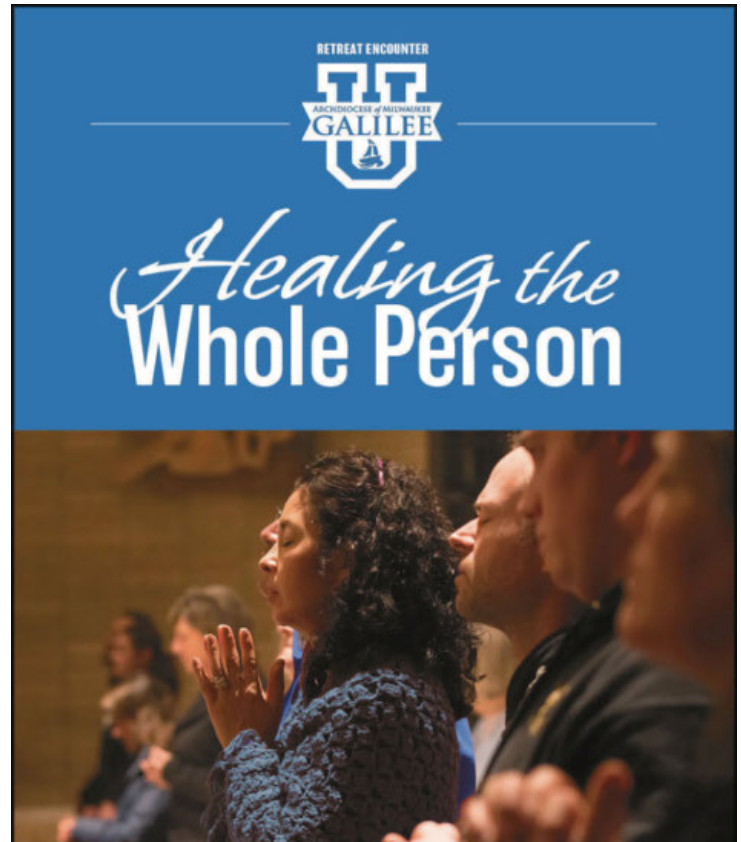
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