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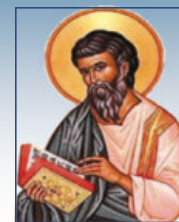
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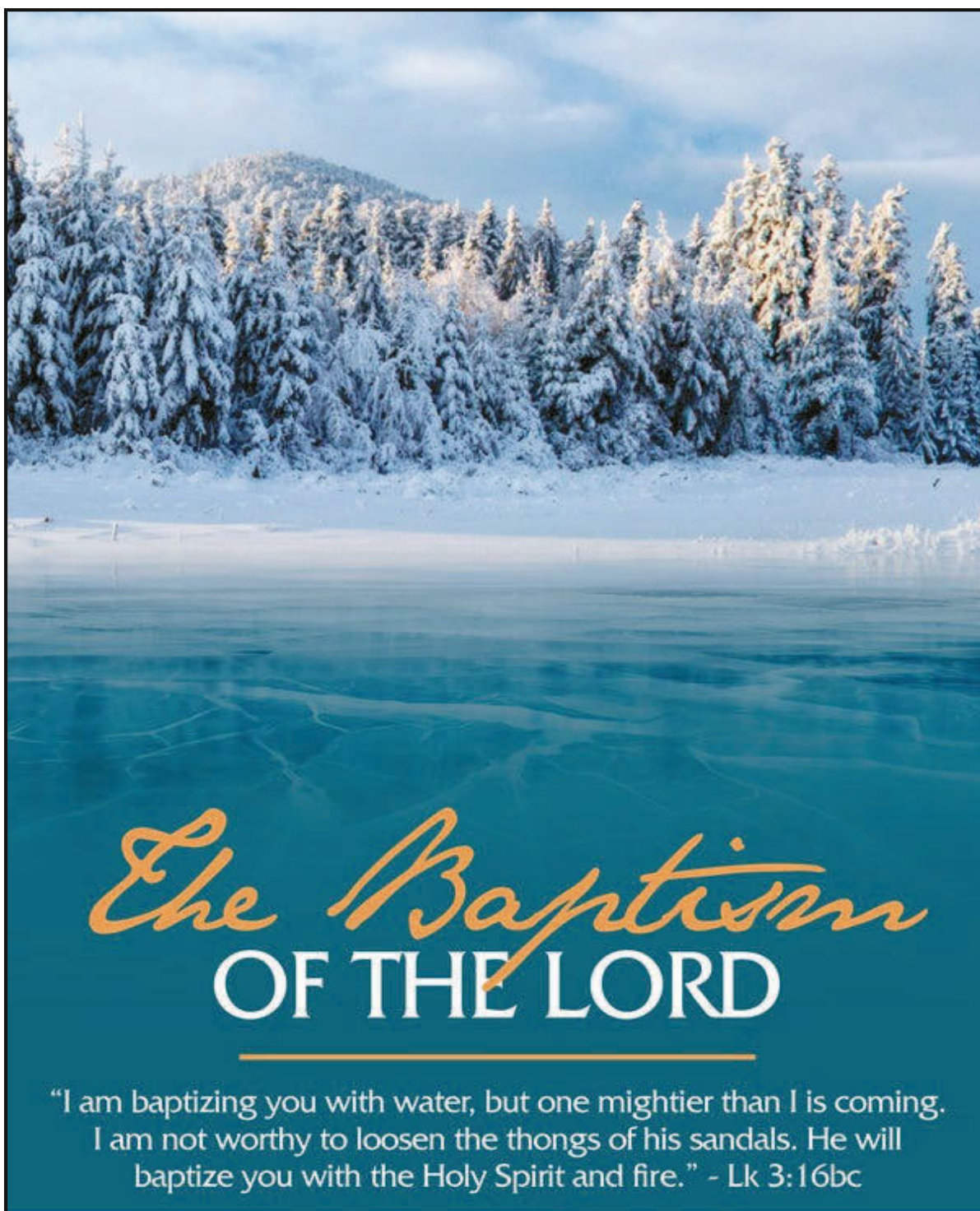
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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - JANUARY 9TH, 2022



The Baptism **OF THE LORD**

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

**JAN 9
PANCAKE
BREAKFAST**
Cafeteria
7:00-11:00am

**JAN 9
RCIA
1st MEETING**
Walnut Room
10:00am

**JAN 15
MEN'S CLUB
DINNER &
TRIVIA**
Gym
6:30pm

**JAN 29 & 30
BLOOD
PRESSURE
CHECKS**
After Masses

**JAN 31-FEB 4
CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS
WEEK**

**FEB 3
COME & SEE
SCHOOL
OPEN HOUSE**
School
5:00pm

Mass Intentions

Sat, Jan 8 5:30pm	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD FRANCES & WHITNEY WEHR
Sun, Jan 9 9:00am	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD FRANK & JOHN MADER
Thu, Jan 13 8:10am	ST. HILARY FR. JIM SAUER
Sat, Jan 15 5:30pm	2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME STEVE FOLZ
Sun, Jan 16 9:00am	2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME BILL, MARK, ROB & JON DAVID

MT. VERNON FOOD PANTRY JANUARY ... JELLY

St. Matthew

Stewardship of Treasure

Christmas Collections 12/25/2021.....\$9,685

We Share\$650

Youth Collection.....\$0

Total Giving \$10,335

Fiscal Year to Date Giving 12/25/2021....\$183,758

Weekly Giving of 12/26/2021.....\$1,609

We Share\$3,067

Youth Collection.....\$1

Total Giving \$4,677

Fiscal Year to Date Giving 12/26/2021....\$188,435

Weekly Goal...\$9,276

Weekly Giving of 1/2/2022.....\$5,769

We Share\$2,590

Youth Collection.....\$1

Total Giving \$8,360

Fiscal Year to Date Giving 1/2/2022....\$196,795

Weekly Goal...\$9,276

*"Your greatness is not what you have,
It's what you give."*

To view Pictorial Directory on our website, go to:
WWW.STMATTHEWPARISH.US - PW is STM12

The cost to light a Prayer Candle is \$3.00

Online bulletin:

<https://www.parishesonline.com/find/st-matthew-parish-47620>

Online giving: stmatthewparish.churchgiving.com

Ministers Schedules

BAPTISM OF THE LORD	Sat, Jan 8 5:30 pm	Sun, Jan 9 9:00 am
Lectors	Glen Kuper	Susan Benton
Extraordinary Ministers	Melinda Garman	John Hendricks
	Sat, Jan 15 5:30 pm	Sun, Jan 16 9:00 am
Lectors	Michelle Hudson	Jamie Yarber
Extraordinary Ministers	Michelle Hudson	Ted Boarman

St. Matthew Happenings

Reconciliation	Sat	Jan 8	6:30pm	Church
Pancake Breakfast	Sun	Jan 9	7-11am	Cafeteria
RCIA	Sun	Jan 9	10:00am	WR
JH/HS Youth Group	Sun	Jan 9	10:00am	YG Rooms
Auction Committee	Mon	Jan 10	6:00pm	Off-Site
Wrestling Practice	Tue	Jan 11	6:00pm	Gym
Busy Hands	Wed	Jan 12	10:00am	WR
PPC	Wed	Jan 12	6:30pm	WR
Wrestling Practice	Thu	Jan 13	6:00pm	Gym
Reconciliation	Sat	Jan 15	6:30pm	Church
MLK Jr Day - School & Office CLOSED	Mon	Jan 17	Campus	Closed

WeShare - Online Giving

Have you considered setting up automated giving for St. Matthew? Just go to: <https://stmatthewparish.churchgiving.com/> or point your cell phone camera at this QR code. It's easy and safe and allows you to give as much or as often as you like! Thank you so much for your generosity!



PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS

YES! WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO JOIN OUR WHITE GLOVE COMMITTEE!!



IS THAT SOMEONE YOU??

The family of St. Matthew and the White Glove Committee (that's the group of men and women who clean the church so we can have a nice environment to worship in) are looking for someone in our parish family who might be willing to join an awesome team that works together to clean the church about once a month. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 812-838-2535 or Cathie Schaffstein at 812-985-9604.

ARE YOU READY TO FIESTA??

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Matthew School Benefit Auction



Sat, March 5, 2022



Tickets on sale soon!

Item donations are currently being accepted - forms are available in the back of church!

Half Pot, Raffles, Amazing Auction Items

... Keep watching for more details!!

With Sympathy

Linda Sue Zenthoefler, 78, of Mt. Vernon, IN, passed away January 3, 2022. Linda is a member of St. Matthew Church. She was born April 4, 1943 to Raymond & Esther Hoenert. Linda is survived by her husband of 62 years, Donald "Sandy" Zenthoefler; daughters, Donna Reese and Denise Frazier; son, Donald Ray Zenthoefler, Jr. (Gloria); grandchildren, Amanda Morrow, Alex Reese, Julianne Foehr (William), Zachary Frazier and Dustan Zenthoefler; great-grandchildren, Arrio Morrow and Prezleigh Foehr; sister, Carolyn Ayers (Cecil); several nieces, nephews and cousins. Please keep the Zenthoefler family in your prayers.

Looking to save taxes on your Required Minimum Distribution while helping St. Matthew?

If you have to take a required minimum distribution from your IRA because you are over age 72, you can donate some or all of your required minimum distribution to St. Matthew (and other charities) and avoid paying tax on that amount. Your broker or IRA custodian must send the money directly from your IRA to St. Matthew. (That is, you can't take the money out and write a check to St. Matthew later. It must be a direct transfer.) Check with your broker or IRA custodian for more information.

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(St. Matthew contact - Don Baier)

Or call 425-3485

The Baptism of the Lord

After Jesus was baptized, he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and a voice was heard "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As we give to the poor, we also can hear these same words.

As you help those who are suffering, know in your heart the truth of the words "you are my beloved with whom I am well pleased."

MD Now Enrolling for 2022-23

New student applications are now available on our website: materdeiwildcats.com. Tuition assistance is available! Contact Enrollment Manager Jill Seiler at jseiler@evdio.org or 812-426-2258 for more information.

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National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (800-273-8255)

National Domestic Violence Lifeline (800-799-7233)

Join in the fellowship...

Saturday Evening Mass: 5:30pm
Sunday Mass: 9:00am
Confession: 6:30pm Following the Evening Mass
Baptism: By Appointment
Marriages: Contact the Pastor/Deacon at least 6 mo. in advance

St. Matthew School (K-5)
401 Mulberry Street • Mount Vernon, IN 47620
Phone: 812-838-3621 • www.stmatthewparish.us
Christan Shockley, Principal • cshockley@evdio.org

St. Matthew Child Care Ministry
423 Walnut Street • Mount Vernon, IN 47620
Phone: 812-838-1995
Heidi Martin, Director • hmartin@evdio.org

**For Emergencies Contact Donett May
812-307-0252**



Our Parish Staff

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- **Prayer Chain, Frank Liberti**.frankliberti@twc.com - 812-430-1462
- **Holy Helpers, Cathie Schaffstein** - 812-985-9604
- **Communion to the homebound**
- **Wedding Coordinator, Keely Burkhardt** - 812-319-5452
- **RCIA Coordinator: Deacon Tom Evans** - tevens@evdio.org

To register with the parish or to arrange for the celebration of sacraments, please contact the parish office at 812-838-2535.

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8am-3pm; Fri - Closed

St. Matthew Parish Pastoral Council

Amelia Gonzalez, Chairperson	amelialgonzalez@gmail.com
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VISION STATEMENT:

"St. Matthew Parish strives to be *Christ to others.*"



Parish Pastoral Council - 2nd Wednesday

Amelia Gonzalez, Chairperson

Finance Council - 4th Wednesday

Melinda Garman, Chairperson

School Council - 1st Wednesday

Gordon Green, Chairperson

Parish Social Outreach Commission - 3rd Wednesday

Eric May, Chairperson

Spiritual Life and Worship - 4th Wednesday

Bridget Seifert, Chairperson



Planned Giving to St. Matthew

As you set up or review your will, please consider showing your thankfulness to the role St. Matthew has played in your faith life and consider remembering St. Matthew with a financial bequest amount or percentage.

Buy Low and Donate High!

Are you interested in donating Stocks or Mutual Funds to St. Matthew Catholic Church? We have had several requests to be able to accept these forms of donations and we are proud to let you know that YES! WE CAN!

WeShare - Is Online Giving Right for You?



Stewardship is living thankfulness. Giving of time, talent and treasure to glorify God through the gifts he has given you. There are so many ways to exercise being a good steward, automated giving is but one. Many are finding it helpful in order to fulfill their desire in making a consistent gift. Is automated giving right for you? If you are interested in safe and secure online, automated giving, see the website below, or for assistance with set up, call or come by the parish office. We are happy to assist you!

stmatthewparish.churchgiving.com



A Message from Fr Ryan:

Thanks be to God, a basic rule of the spiritual life is that the Resurrection always follows the Cross. The Creed reflects this with its next statement – Jesus “suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.”

That’s a funny line, “in accordance with the Scriptures”! By the “Scriptures” the Fathers at Nicea meant the Old Testament. Where in the Old Testament can we find anything about the Resurrection of the God-man after death?

We have to read the Old Testament, especially the prophets, with the understanding that the authors were speaking of Christ without knowing Christ. The entire Bible points to Jesus, and in the Old Testament this is through prophecy. Look at Isaiah 53, Psalm 16, and the story of Jonah and the Whale to understand more about how the prophets point to Jesus.

Do you read your Bible every day? You should! It’s still early in the year, so this would be a good New Year’s resolution. Pick up your Bible, blow the dust off the cover, and start reading with the first chapter of the Gospel of Matthew. After you work your way through the New Testament, go back to the Old Testament. Once you’ve finished, you can start over again! Each time you read your Bible, you’ll gain new insight, have new questions, and deepen your relationship with God.

Yours,

Father Ryan Hilderbrand



ST. MATTHEW MEN’S CLUB APPRECIATION DINNER TRIVIA NIGHT!

It’s not too late to be included in the
Men’s Club Appreciation Dinner
for you and your wife on
January 15, 2022

After the 5:30pm Mass!

The dinner is free but you will be expected to pay
Your \$10.00 for 2022 Men’s Club dues. Dues are
not required for those 65 years old or older.

Absolute final date for reservations is
Monday, January 10, 2022.

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!

Call Tom Hoehn at 812-455-7848,
Ted Boarman at 812-499-9712,
or Frank Winiger at 812-598-9990

Are You Ready to Learn More About the Catholic Church?

**RCIA ~ Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Begins THIS Sunday, January 9th!**

Have you or someone you know wanted to learn
more about the Catholic faith or considered joining
the Catholic Church?

RCIA classes will begin following 9:00am Mass
in the Walnut Room this Sunday.



Please join us!!

Is Christ calling you??

Contact the Parish Office if you are interested, but
unable to attend this weekend 812-838-2535 or
email Deacon Tom Evans at tevans@evdio.org.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

We collected \$2,547 for Owensboro Catholic
Charities Tornado Relief Fund. Thank you for your
generous contributions for our brothers and sisters in
Kentucky that are still suffering from the devastation
of last months tornados. God bless you.

Our Men’s Club Pancake & Sausage Breakfast is Back!!



Join us in the gym THIS Sunday morning
from 7:00-11:00am for that
delicious pancake & sausage breakfast
we’ve all missed so much!

Eat here or get carry out!

Don’t forget to buy some sausage
to take with you!!



ADULT LIFE

“SOUPS ON!”

Come eat with us!

January 20, 2022

11:30am in the Walnut Room
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