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July 10, 2022



15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight.” - Lk 10:33

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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 5:30 PM
Wednesday 8:00 AM
Thursday 8:00 AM
Friday 8:00 AM
Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:45 PM or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

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WELCOME TO ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC COMMUNITY!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 909 ANNUAL CHARITY RAFFLE

The K of C's annual raffle for our charities is in progress! The top prize is \$1,000 or 2 season tickets to all Hawkeye home football games (WINNER'S CHOICE).

Chances are \$1.00 per chance (no limits), payable by cash or check to K of C 909.

A representative from the Knights will be stationed by the elevator area of Kearn Hall before and after all of the 3 Masses the weekend of July 23-24th and July 30-31st.

The proceeds are used for college scholarships for Xavier High School students and seminarians studying for the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. There will be other prizes, to be determined.

NOTE: If one of the top three prizes is not won by someone who purchased a ticket from the St. Matthew weekend(s) raffle sales, a drawing will be held from all of the tickets sold at St. Matthew (ONLY) for a \$100.00 restaurant gift card.

Last year's gift card winner was Dr. John Wollner M.D.



St. Matthew's Holy Name Men's Group

The men of Holy Name invite you to join us on Sunday, July 10th for breakfast after the 8AM Mass in the Rosary room, which is located downstairs. We are a parish men's group dedicated to fostering fellowship and parish stewardship through service and goodness.

Our Mission is to:

*Live the Gospel-Engage Men of the Parish
& Beautify the Parish Grounds*

CATHOLIC WORKER HOUSE MEALS

Two of the St. Matthew teams need new members to help take a meal once per month to the Catholic Worker House. The teams have four members each—two take an entrée, one takes a potato side dish, and one take a vegetable side dish.

The two teams that each need an additional member take meals on the fourth Wednesday and the fourth Thursday of each month. The meal items can be dropped off anytime during the day, but need to be delivered by 5:30pm. If you would like to help in this way, or would like to be put on the sub list, please contact Helen Flynn at 319-363-0538 or heflynn3@mchsi.com. Thank you!



Plastic SPOONS Plastic SPOONS Plastic SPOONS !

We include plastic utensils in our Homeless Bags. We have gone through the large supply that we had over the winter. There are plenty of knives, & some Forks, but we are out of SPOONS.



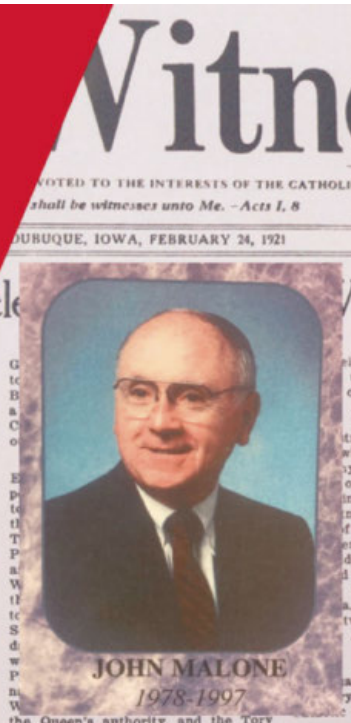
Thank you for your continued support for Metro Catholic Outreach.

All donations are appreciated and you can even donate from your car — call the office at 319-739-5490 when you arrive and we will come out to collect your donation. Volunteers at our main location (420 6th St SE) & our garden at Prairiewoods (120 Boyson Rd, Hiawatha) are always welcome. Email us at info@metro catholic outreach.org to sign up.

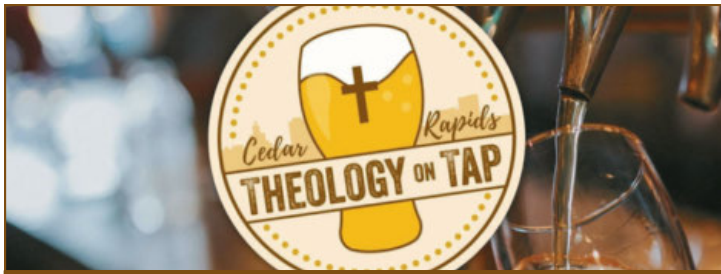
FACT #21

Deacon John Malone became the first deacon to serve St. Matthew, beginning in 1977, and serving for 25 years.

52 FACTS ABOUT ST. MATTHEW TO CELEBRATE ALL 52 WEEKS OF OUR PARISH CENTENNIAL!



**BULLETIN ITEMS ARE DUE
MONDAYS BY NOON TO**
bulletins@stmatthewcr.org
or bkowalsky@stmatthewcr.org



All 21-39 year old's are invited to join us at:

Parlor City on July 21st at 6pm

to hear from Paul Lee on "Practical Evangelism."

First drink is on us!

Check out facebook.com/CRTToT for more information.

Interested in learning more about Jesus??



Come and join us at Alpha on
Monday nights at 6:30 PM in the Rosary.
Lite meal and beverages are served.

For more information contact Billie at:
bburhite@stmatthewcr.org

What Jesus Doesn't Say

"If Jesus wanted us to (fill in the blank), he would have said so."

We hear this argument applied to every controversial topic under the sun — and even some not-so-controversial topics, too. Whenever someone is trying to make a case for a decision they have already made, they call in Jesus' scriptural silence on the matter as their expert, unimpeachable witness.

And sure, there's much Jesus doesn't talk about in the Gospels. But by this logic, we would have to assume that Jesus doesn't care, for instance, if we drive well over the speed limit (he doesn't discuss cars and highways in the Bible) or what we do online (he never mentions the Internet or websites at all!), when we know that certainly is just not the case.

Like the scholar of the Jewish law who challenges Jesus to define who exactly his "neighbor" is, we can argue semantics all we want. But if we rest in prayer and look deep into our hearts, we know what path we need to take, and it's usually not the easy one.

I find that I do this plenty in ways that are far more subtle. I lament that the situation facing me is not sufficiently "black and white." I become frustrated by the shades of moral grey and toss up my hands, claiming I don't know what the right answer is, insisting that I can't be blamed for the ramifications of whatever decision I make.

What I need to be doing in these situations is asking God for His guidance, even if it makes me nervous. I need to be like the scholar. He was brave enough to ask, even though I think he knew he wouldn't particularly like the answer. Let's strive for that same courage. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GREEN SQUARE MEALS

St. Matthew provides 3-6 people to serve in the dining hall the third and fifth Friday of each month. Volunteers need to be there by 3:45 for prep until clean up around 5:30.

You may volunteer as an individual or as a family or group.

**Pre-teens are welcome with an adult.*



2022 DATES: July 15 & 29 / Aug 19 / Sept 16 & 30 /
Oct 21 / Nov 18 / Dec 16 & 30

CONTACT: Greg Becker - gbecker@mchsi.com

St. Matthew Centennial

Celebrating 100 Years

August 27, 2022 ~ Birthday Party

A party in our parking lot, complete with food trucks and Dueling Pianos! Mass will be celebrated at 5, followed by dinner at 6 and entertainment at 6:30.

September 17-20, 2022 ~ Parish Mission

We welcome Fr. Bill Garrott, O.P. who will be visiting us for a few days. Fr. Garrott is a very talented Dominican who will give the homilies and offer reflections each evening.

November 7-17, 2022 ~ Pilgrimage to Italy

Father Loecke and a group of St. Matthew parishioners will tour Venice, Florence, Assisi, and Rome.

December 3, 2022 ~ Centennial Mass

Archbishop Jackels will help us commemorate our centennial at 4:00 Mass.

If you would like to get registered as a parishioner,
please contact the Parish Office
to schedule a meeting at
319-363-8269

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Denise & Greg at (563)920-9419
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Upcoming dates are
September 9-11, 2022 in Dubuque
November 18-20 in Holstein, Iowa.

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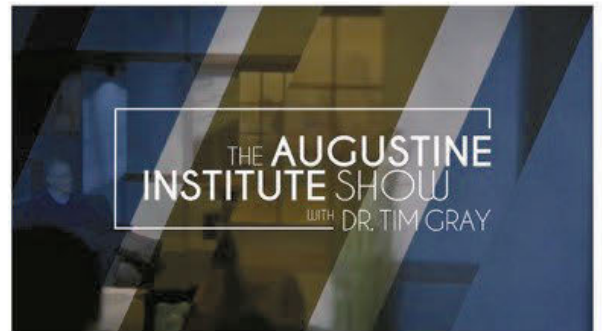
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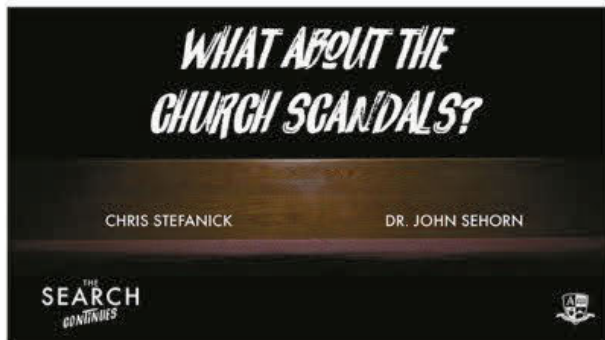
THE AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE SHOW WITH DR. TIM GRAY - GUEST DR. MICHAEL BARBER

How do we respond when we are asked, "Are you saved?" In this episode of the Augustine Institute Show, Drs. Tim Gray and Michael Barber discuss what salvation means, and how faith and works aid us in our journey. To learn more, check out Dr. Barber's book, *Salvation: What Every Catholic Should Know!*



LEARN

THE SEARCH CONTINUES: WHAT ABOUT CHURCH SCANDALS?



In some way or another, we have all been affected by Church scandals. In this episode of The Search Continues, Chris Stefanick and Dr. John Sehorn discuss how we are to respond to these evils. In doing so, they remind us to fight for the Church and perpetually call her members to live up to their callings.

LISTEN

TRUTH TO INSPIRE: ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, otherwise known as the "Lily of the Mohawks," became our first Native American Saint after her canonization in 2012. During her life, young Kateri suffered much ridicule due to her counter-cultural decision to remain a virgin out of love for Christ. As we celebrate Kateri's feast day today, enjoy this short audio book that describes Kateri's journey to Our Lord within the context of her native tribe.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Lily of the Mohawks



WEEKLY CALENDAR

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 11, 2022

6:30 P Alpha

Tuesday, July 12

5:30 P MASS

† Virginia Donathan

6:00 P Eucharistic Adoration, until 9 PM

Wednesday, July 13

8:00 A MASS

† Brad Burhite

Thursday, July 14

8:00 A MASS

† Gary & Judy Stevens

8:30 A Eucharistic Adoration, until 12 PM

7:00 P Men of Action (with Gary Smith)

Friday, July 15

8:00 A MASS

† Owen Geiken

Saturday, July 16

2:45 P Reconciliation

4:00 P MASS

† Mary Simmons

Sunday, July 17

8:00 A MASS

† Charles Stark Family

10:30 A MASS

† For the People of St. Matthew

Observances for the week of July 10, 2022

Monday: St. Benedict, Abbot

Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. Henry

Thursday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Friday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday, July 11

Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday, July 12

Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 13

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday, July 14

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday, July 15

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday, July 16

Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

Sunday, July 17

Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42



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