Saint Matthew Parish Southborough, MA



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, 10:00AM & 6:00PM

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:Mass: Monday—Friday at 8:00am
Prayer Service: Saturday at 8:00am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

9:00AM-3:00PM, Monday - Friday, or by appointment

PARISH BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

All items must be presented to the Parish Office by Tuesday at 9:00 AM

CONTACT:

Parish Office (Rectory): 508-485-2285, Fax: 508-485-4437

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Tuesday at 6:30pm or by appointment.

Communal Penance Services during Advent and Lent.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Contact Pastor six months in advance to allow for pre-marriage program and arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a Baptism. Baptism Class for parents are held the second Friday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Parish Center.

VISITATION OF THE SICK:

Anyone who is unable to celebrate the Eucharist with us in the Church because of age or illness, please contact the Parish Office.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS:

We welcome new members to our parish family and ask that you contact the Parish Office to register.

St. Matthew Parish Southborough, MA



Saturday January 1, 2022

4:00 Ron Philips, 2nd Anniversary req. by Mary

Purcell

Sunday January 2, 2022

7:30 Robert Green, reg. the Tommaney family

Anne and Bill Pearce, req. by Pat and Jack Lally

10:00 Joseph V. Pyne, 2nd Anniversary, req. the by

friends and family

6:00 Napoleon (Nap) Lelievre, req. by his children

William Paul Lawlor, req. by Tommaney family

Monday January 3, 2022 8:00 Richard Bower

Tuesday January 4, 2022

8:00 Kathryn M Flaherty, req. by Dunkin Donut girls

Wednesday January 5, 2022 8:00 Jeanne Balderas Thursday January 6, 2022

8:00 Paula MacMillan

Friday January 7, 2022

8:00 Barbara Valut Kevrch, Month's Mind, req. Elaine

Desmond

Saturday January 8, 2022

4:00 Frances McCann and Edward McCann, req. by

the family

Sunday January 9, 2022

7:30 10:00

6:00 Jon and Irene Altman, req by the family

PRAYERS-Please pray for all the sick and hospitalized in our parish community including: Virginia Phillips, Gloria Aspesi, Giovanna Moynihan, David and

Madeline Gracia, Annemarie Hackett, Barbara Callahan, Nancy Monahan, Robert Whitney, Richard Coughlin, Tracy Benkowsky, Linda Lane, Sara Riordan, Jerry Philippon, Walker Smith, Philip

Deciscero, Dylan Hackett, Bill Pound, Gregg Merloni, Christine McManus, Evelyn McDonald, Steve Ryan, Thomas Fell, Bernie Bradstreet, Vinnie Acampora, and Joe Paolivi.



CONGRATULATIONS TO

Thomas Sheehan

We welcome him to our community.

Offertory: Last weekend's offertory was \$14,936.00 Thank you for your continued generosity.

On-line offertory for the month of December was \$15,979.00 and the On-line Christmas collection was \$1585.00 along with donations of \$180.00 for Christmas flowers. Thank you for your generosity.

This weekend, the parishes in our diocese will participate in the national collection for The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. Established in 1887, the university is the only American university with ecclesiastical faculties granting canonical degrees in canon law, philosophy and theology.



Time to up date your Contact Information

The new year of 2022 is here and it is the perfect time to update your contact information with St. Matthews Parish Office. Call the Parish Office at 508-485-2285 with your new home address, new email address, or new phone number. Stay up to date with all that St Matthews has to offer, and up coming events.

BIBLE STUDY REMINDER

For those who have registered, a reminder that Bible Study begins on January 13th at 6:45PM. The bible study this year will be by Zoom due to Covid.





Thank You Parishioners and Friends of St Matthew Parish

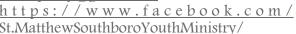
For all those who gave so generously to the Pernet Stars Giving Tree and helped make the Christmas wishes of others come true, and for those who donated grocery cards so that our friends who needed assistance could have delicious Christmas meals, and to all who donated gift cards to the St. Jude's of Waldron Arkansas, and to all the volunteers who worked so tirelessly to pull it all together so that others could have a wonderful Christmas a huge Thank you goes out to each and every one of you. Your love and kindness will be remembered by many this Christmas.



"Many thanks to all who contributed to our beautiful celebration of Christmas: Brenda, Barbara, Robert, Isabelle, David, and Claire, the Altar Servers, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers. We appreciated your ministry. May the New Year bring you His Peace." Fr. James Flynn



Mark Polny, Youth Minister: mark.polny@gmail.com







FIFTEEN WITH GOD every Wednesday 7:30-7:45pm in the church. Middle and high school youth, and their families, are welcome to join us for this quiet, simple

and brief evening prayer. Also available on Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87115379734?
pwd=ZFF2WnBPckd6YWZ6ZktETW5GaE1Rdz09
Meeting ID: 871 1537 9734

GOTCHA COVERED: Thank you to everyone that made a blanket!! Over forty youth and their families made more than fifty blankets.

MISSISSIPPI MISSION TRIP 2022: Save the date!! St. Matthew Youth Ministry hopes to return to Mississippi July 23-July 30. Watch for details! Registration begins January 9th. Info and forms available at church exit. Information meetings Jan 9 after the 10:00am Mass and after the 6:00pm Mass



We exists to help our neighbors in time of need, neighbors helping neighbors

As the weather gets colder let us not forget our friends and neighbors who need our assistance when times are difficult.

The food pantry has asked for the following donations raspberry jelly, Cereal (but please no fruit loops, frosted flakes or cheerios,) cream of wheat, chunky peanut Butter, dill pickles, green olives, olive oil, plastic wrap, pump hand soap, zip lock bags. Donations can be left at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity.



Pre- Cana

Our annual Pre-Cana will be held on January 29. from 8:30 to 4:30 please call the parish office for registration, and further details.





Thank you for your support of the annual Advent Gift Drive to benefit the Pernet Center! "For it is in giving that we receive." – St. Francis of Assisi.

Religious Education – Grades 1-8:

The next religious ed week is Sunday, January 9 through Wednesday, January 12. Children should plan to bring their books with them, wear masks and use hand sanitizer upon arrival.

High School Religious Ed:

The Afternoon Session of High School Religious Ed meets next on Sunday, January 30 from 4:30-5:30pm. Christian Morality and the College Experience with Fr. Flynn for grade 12 will also meet next on January 30 from 7:00-8:00pm. The next Morning Session of High School Religious Ed will be on Sunday, February 6 from 8:30-9:30am.

Confirmation: The Enrollment Mass is scheduled for January 9, 6:00 Mass. The Candidate and Sponsor Meeting will be

held immediately following. Please be in touch with Mrs. Comcowich if you have

any questions or concerns.

First Communion: The next classes are Sunday, January 9 and Wednesday, January 12. Parent meetings to discuss this preparation are scheduled for January 4 at 7:00pm and Wednesday, January 5 at 10:00am; please plan to attend whichever works best with your schedule.



RCIA -Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for any adult interested in becoming Catholic or for those adult Catholics who wish to receive the Sacrament of The Eucharist or Confir-

mation. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in learning more about the RCIA



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Prayer shawls are available for those who are in need of being

"wrapped" in prayer and need some comfort in time of illness, grief, or experiencing a difficult time. Contact the Parish Office if you would like a prayer shawl for yourself or a friend, family, or co-worker, who may benefit from receiving one.

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