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THE LORD.**

PSALM 128

November 19, 2023

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St Matthew's	\$ 40,368	\$ 35,948	89.05%
St Mary	\$ 23,006	\$ 19,320	83.98%
St Francis	\$ 12,032	\$ 12,345	102.60%

Help us reach our goals and help others in the process. **100% of gifts received over our goal will be returned to our parish!**

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Church Collections

Question:

Where does the money go that is collected each week at Church?

Answer:

This is a good question! Every parish has financial obligations, including the basic operation of the buildings, salaries, maintenance, and improvements. In addition, there are schools to support, programs to run, charities to be funded, and operational expenses like hosts and wine for Mass, music books, vestments, and so on. In some cases, cemeteries and other buildings need attention. Finally, there is the diocesan assessment that each parish pays to help run the diocese and the support services provided to each parish.

Most parishes manage to get by with the collection, a few fundraisers and endowments. But contrary to popular opinion, cash flow is also a problem, and many parishes operate in the red. The Finance Committee is responsible for assisting the pastor in fiscal management, and good stewardship is the basis for successful programs.



PRAY FOR US



Weekly Offering

St Matthew's NEEDS*
November 12

\$ 8,700
Not Available
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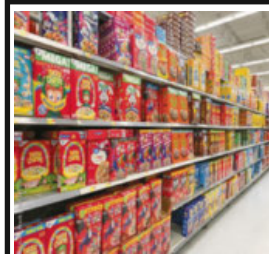
St Mary NEEDS*
November 12

\$ 4,650
Not Available
at time of print

St Francis NEEDS*
November 12

\$ 3,300
Not Available
at time of print

- Needed each week to balance the books and pay our bills. Any shortfall must be made up with fundraising.**



We are collecting CEREAL in November for our food pantries. Please pick up an extra box when doing your grocery shopping. Return to churches please. And THANK YOU for your generosity.



Saint Matthew's Pantry is looking for donations for Christmas dinners. TURKEYS, stuffing, cranberry sauce, corn, potatoes...

Donations are accepted during operating hours:

Monday 9am-12:30pm
Tues / Thurs 9:30am-Noon



Other items always needed~
Deodorant, shampoo, dish/laundry detergent, chicken noodle soup, cereal, chef-Boyardee, meats, pots and pans, can openers, silverware, baby clothes.

SAINT WHO ??

Saint Cecilia
Feast Day: November 22

Saint Cecilia's story, like many of the earliest saints', is largely apocryphal and legendary in nature. According to tradition, Cecilia was born to a wealthy and prominent Roman family. Though she had consecrated her virginity to the Lord, she was married to a man named Valerian. It is said that she was "singing in her heart to the Lord" at her wedding. She confessed her promise of virginity to her new husband revealing that an angel protected her. Valerian would honor her vow only if he too could see the angel. Cecilia told him he would see the angel if he was baptized, which he went to do immediately. When he returned to her, he saw the angel beside her. Cecilia also converted Valerian's brother, Tiburtius.



Unfortunately, it was a turbulent time in Rome for Christians. Valerian and Tiburtius were martyred for burying the bodies of Christians, which was illegal. Cecilia was also targeted for her faith. First authorities attempted to suffocate by locking her in the bath in her home and overheating the room. Some accounts say that she didn't break a sweat and even began to sing. They then sent in an executioner to behead her, but he faltered and was unable to complete his task, only succeeding in mortally wounding her. She remained alive for three days before she died.

The saint's body was exhumed twice, first by Pope Paschal I in 821, then by Cardinal Sfondrato in 1599. Both times her body was found incorrupt, the first saint to exhibit this miracle. St. Cecilia is the patron saint of music and musicians.



Spaghetti dinner at St Francis for election day was a huge success raising over \$6000. Thanks so much to our patrons and volunteers.



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

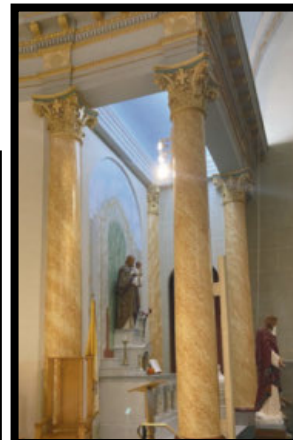
Saint Matthew's Christmas Giving Tree is up.

- Please take an envelope
- Fill it with a gift card from either Wal-Mart OR Target
- Return it in the collection basket by December 3

Our patrons thank you and appreciate your kindness.



St Matthew's
lighting is now complete
and as bright as ever!





Pray for those we have buried this past year.

Thomas Ruszczyk
 Frederick Caccamo
 Frederick Chase Jr
 Brian Wall
 Mary Rosatelli
 Robert Wrobbel
 Sally Gray
 Mark Esce
 Helen Swender
 Jane Gardner
 Louise Badgett
 John Homa
 Sandra Stoutenger
 Martha Schmidt
 Bernice Wooldridge
 Kathryn Crandall
 MaryAnn Hayes
 Martin Murphy
 Joseph Rudy
 Gerald Coss
 Edward Buckley
 Margaret Bray
 Cosimo Altavilla
 Bette Asprinio
 Daniel Wagner
 William Light
 Irene Greveling
 Theresa Kenny
 Lenore Stone
 Rev John J Heagerty
 Russell Brandon Jr
 Mary Barrett
 Joan Czajak
 Lucia Garofalo
 Tara DiLaura
 Dawn Monteleone
 Mary Braungart
 Bonnie Gochanour
 Christopher Browne
 James Baron
 Sarah Crandall
 Louis Cafarchio
 Selma Cafarchio
 Lou Nardello
 Henry Pfaff

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What is the Origin of the St. Michael Prayer?

Father Ray Ryland

On Oct. 1, 1884, Pope Leo XIII had a deeply disturbing mystical experience at Mass. He had just finished celebrating in his private chapel when he suddenly stood transfixed in front of the altar. For perhaps 10 minutes he stood there as if in a trance, his face drained of color. Then he went to his office and composed a prayer to St. Michael. He told his staff the prayer should be offered throughout the Church.

He explained that he had heard two voices in the vicinity of the tabernacle. He believed they were the voices of Our Lord and of Satan. Pope Leo heard Satan boast that he could destroy the Church in 75 or 100 years, if given the opportunity. Then he heard Our Lord give Satan permission to try. (This sounds somewhat similar to what we read in Job 1.)

The prayer which Pope Leo XIII composed was 10 times the length of the version we use today. Use of the prayer was discontinued in 1964. Thirty years later, in his Regina Coeli address, Pope John Paul II revived use of the prayer. He said, "Although the prayer is no longer recited at the end of Mass, I ask every one not to forget it and to recite it to obtain help in the battle against the forces of darkness and against the spirit of the world." The pope clearly intended that we should offer this prayer in our homes as well. The prayer, by the way, is as follows:

**St. Michael the Archangel,
 defend us in battle.
 Be our defense against the wickedness and
 snares of the devil.
 May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
 and do thou,
 O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
 by the power of God,
 thrust into hell Satan,
 and all the evil spirits,
 who prowl about the world
 seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.**

Blood Drive

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Center
 7820 Bridgeport Minoa Rd Bridgeport, NY 13030
 Friday, December 1, 2023 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
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 Ask for Power Red Cells if you are O-, O+, A- or B-

Please pray for the souls of the people for whom
Mass will be offered this coming week

Monday, November 20 @ St Francis
9am Georgia Perolla

Wednesday, November 22 @ St Mary
9am Benjamin Hesler ~ Elizabeth Mostrom

Thursday, November 24 @ St Matthew's
9:30am Marybeth Donnelly ~
Anniversary / Family
Anna Crowley ~ Crowley Family



Friday, November 24 @ St Matthew's
9am **NO MASS**

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday November 25 @ St Matthew's
4:30pm Frank Galuski ~
41st Anniversary / Joanie & Patty
Howard Waite Jr ~
Dom & Valerie Cambareri
Mary Barrett ~ Friends, Pat & Diane

Sunday, November 26 @ St. Matthew's
8am Marybeth Donnelly ~ Family
Tara DiLaura ~ Patti & Marty Moore
John Burns Jr ~
Antoinette Casciano & Family

Sunday, November 26 @ St Francis
9:30am Jim Behr ~ Marie
John Behr ~ Mom
Dick McConnell ~ Jack & Sharron Martin

Sunday, November 26 @ St Mary
11am Norbert, Lois, Leonard & Robert Ring ~
Family
Pro Populo
Anne Sanson ~ Family



YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS:

Helen Berger, Karolyn Samora
Bogdan, Margie Bowhall, Frank &
Sandy Bryant, Dee Buell,
Nancy Cassella, Michelle Cayea,
Maryanne Cook, Chuck & Nancy
Davidson, James & Pat Dygert,
Teddy Emch-Paone, Frances Funke,
Chuck Gaspe, Enrico Geremia, Bob Kelty, John &
Rosemary Luke, Sam Magari, Anne McCarthy,
Andrew Paulus, Pat Piwinski, Mary Rovall, Pat &
Chuck Samora, Richard Spagnolo, Helen Timmins,
Sandy & Dennis Van Auken, Chet Waskiewicz



deepest sympathy & prayers



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Saturdays @ St Matthew's
3:30-4:15pm
Sundays @ St Mary
after 11am mass



2 Maccabees 4:46

It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for
the dead, that they may be loosed from sins.

Pray for Eternal Rest

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
~Amen~



A candle has been lit at
St Mary's for ~

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Ina A Davis
(Ina Simiele, Sharlita Bell, Niles F Bell)

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St Mary's CEMETERY OFFICE HOURS

@ St. Mary's Parish Center

MONDAY EVENINGS

6pm~ 7pm or by appointment

Laura Cavanaugh @ 315-345-8007



PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday ~ Thursday 9am ~ 4pm
OR by appointment —

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St Francis of Assisi

Use either of the above email addresses

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Bridgeport Food Pantry
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at Minoa United Methodist Church

3rd Wednesday of month

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HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS: Please notify the rectory when a family member is admitted to a hospital or nursing home so the clergy can provide for their spiritual needs.

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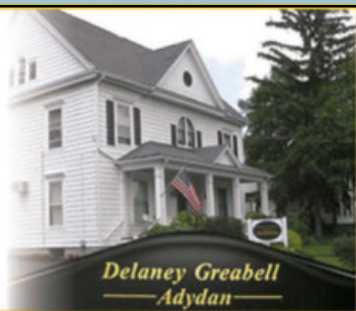
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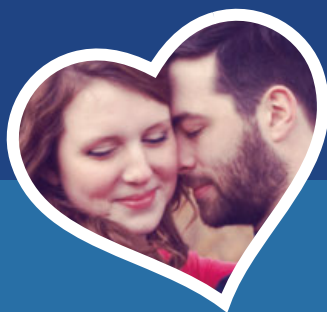
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