Mission Statement

St. Matthias Parish is committed to becoming a prayerful community by celebrating the Sacraments together, and supporting the parish and one another by sharing the time, talents and treasures God has given us. Through prayer and good works we will strive to grow in peace and unity with God and our community.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Jesus] answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." - Lk 9:60

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY
4TH OF JULY

The Feast of Saints Peter & Paul
June 29
| SATURDAY, JUNE 29 | 4:30 p.m. ~ | †George Keller– by Leonard & Donna Kmiecik |
| SUNDAY, JUNE 30 | 8:30 a.m. ~ | †Francine Lemont– by Husband & Son |
|                  | 11:00 a.m. ~ | ♥ St. Matthias Parishioners |
| TUESDAY, JULY 2  |            | ♥ St. Matthias Parishioners |
| WEDNESDAY, JULY 3 | †♥ St. Matthias Parishioners |
| THURSDAY, JULY 4 | Happy July 4th |
| SATURDAY, JULY 6 | 4:30 p.m. ~ | †Donald & Patricia McNamara– by Family |
|                  |            | †Donald Joseph Gianino– by Wife Jackie |
|                  |            | †Robert & Rosemary Conflitti—by Margaret Conflitti |
| SUNDAY, JULY 7   | 8:30 a.m. ~ | †Bill Schaffstein– by Friends |
|                  |            | †Florence & Henry Jakubowski– by Family |
|                  |            | †Jon Kline– by Agnes and Anita |
|                  |            | †Rose Battani– by Scenga Family |
|                  | 11:00 a.m. ~ | ♥ St. Matthias Parishioners |
| SATURDAY, JUNE 29 | 3:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS |
|                  | 4:30 p.m. MASS |
| SUNDAY, JUNE 30  | 8:30 a.m. MASS |
|                  | 11:00 a.m. MASS |
| MONDAY, JULY 1   | Office 8:30 AM—1:00 PM |
| TUESDAY, JULY 2  | 9:00 a.m. MASS |
| WEDNESDAY, JULY 3 | 9:00 a.m. MASS |
|                  | 9:00 a.m. SVDP |
|                  | 8:00 p.m. AA AND AL-ANON |
| THURSDAY, JULY 4 | Happy 4th of July |
|                  | Church & Offices CLOSED |
| FRIDAY, JULY 5   | Church & Offices CLOSED |
| SATURDAY, JULY 6 | 3:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS |
|                  | 4:30 p.m. MASS |
| SUNDAY, JULY 7   | 8:30 a.m. MASS |
|                  | 11:00 a.m. MASS |

Please remember the family of
†Vincent Lizzio

who entered eternal life.
May He Forever Rest in Peace.

WEDDING BANNS
Hillary Swantek & Jeremy Harris
7/5/2019
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Amanda Celeste
Fara Chirco
Sue Clements
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Linda Deman
Tom Dembeck
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Loretta Hart
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Bernard Latawiecz
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Edward Malarick
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Phyllis Marek
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John Niedowlika
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Terri Reetz
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Chris Salade
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Kyle Scott
Dennis Selengowski
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Tahlia Serafinowskvi
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Vokes Family
Betty Wajda
Marty Wajda
Stephanie Wesson
Greg Wilk
Pat Wolfe
Brenda Zaremba
Mary Ziskie

**Ministry Schedule**

**Saturday, July 6 - 4:30 p.m.**

**Presider:** Fr. Francisco

**Lector:** Pat Zelenak

**Altar Servers:** Valeria & Daniela

**Sunday, July 7 - 8:30 a.m.**

**Presider:** Fr. Francisco

**Lector:** Fara Bommarito

**Altar Servers:** Bommarito Family

**Sunday, July 7 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Presider:** Fr. Francisco

**Lector:** Lori Ciotti

**Altar Servers:** Joseph Juliano & Evan Ciclian
How do I prepare for Mass on Sunday? A few of us are saying, "I prepare by getting my family to church, with the least amount of fighting." All of us have, at one time or another, had the experience of being there at the beginning of Mass and feeling miles away. It can seem that we are totally distracted by everything, anything going on around us, and by a long list of things, emotions, memories, that find their way into our consciousness the minute Mass starts. This very common experience offers us the opportunity to reflect upon what we can do to make our experience of Mass much richer, enjoyable, and helpful for our faith life.

**It starts with an attitude**  If I think about going to Mass merely as "fulfilling my Sunday obligation," I've already lowered the bar terribly to begin with. The Church - the whole People of God - asks us to come together to give thanks and praise to God and because the Mass makes us who we are as Church. The Second Vatican Council's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy tells us that the Eucharist (which means "Thanksgiving") is the "source and the summit" of our faith life. Our faith life comes from the liturgy and when we celebrate the liturgy well, that celebration is the best expression of our faith life. The Constitution sought to renew the liturgy so that we might all have "fully conscious and active participation" in it. How different this vision is from "attending Mass!" We can think about preparing for the liturgy the way we'd prepare for anything we want to participate in fully. If we are going to a new movie that is out, we might read several reviews and get connected with the buzz about the movie. If we are going to sporting event, it always helps our involvement if we stay up to date with the teams and know something about the players and some of the team stats. If we are going to a committee meeting or a neighborhood organization gathering, we'd typically get ourselves ready to know the issues and be ready to participate in the event. The trouble is with the Mass is that we don't tend to think about our genuine participation in it. We can have a lot of experience of not "getting anything out of it," when we don't prepare to be engaged in the actions of the liturgy and give ourselves to them. So, we are going to briefly reflect on some possibilities for doing just that. **It starts at home** Thinking of the Eucharist as a celebration for which we need to be fully conscious and in which we will actively participate starts with knowing what we will be celebrating. If we're going to an ethnic festival, we have a different interior sense, depending upon what we're going to. If we're going to an Irish-fest celebration, and we're Irish, all kinds of things will align with our spirits with that celebration. We might tell our children some family stories and we will have memories to recount of past celebrations. If we are going to a Cinco de Mayo celebration, in the United States - commemorating the victory of Mexico over the French at the beginning of the American Civil War - and our family is not very familiar with the history of this celebration and what it means for the Mexican-American communities in the U.S., we will look up this information and share it with our family so that we are ready to enter into the celebration. In both examples, knowing the cultural and historical background of the celebration helps so much to enjoy the symbolism and take part in it more fully.

**What's going on with this liturgy and how do I find out?** Often the previous week's parish bulletin will help us know what the next Sunday is all about. In addition, there are web sites, like Creighton Online Ministries site, which provide reflections, a Weekly Guide, and special seasonal helps, to get to know what is going on, as well as helps to understand the Liturgical Year. Gradually, we will grow in a sense of the rhythms and the context of the whole year and we won't want to miss what is coming up in the weeks ahead. And, when we do fully participate, the relationship between the liturgy and our lives grows. Is this a Sunday of Advent or Lent? Is it a special solemnity or feast - like the Holy Trinity or Corpus Christi? Is it one of the Sundays of Ordinary Time? Eventually, we will get to know how these seasons work and how the readings work in those seasons.  

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If you are interested in serving our Parish in a special way, please consider being a Lector. People are needed for the 11:00 Mass on Sundays. There is training available along with a book to explain the readings. You will only be scheduled according to your schedule. We need people to begin this special ministry beginning in July. Please call Denise at 586-566-7546. Thank You and God Bless you for considering this opportunity to serve.

CSA Update as of June 20, 2019

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Total Pledged........ $ 38,441.00
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