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.
To My Brothers and Sisters in Faith,

There are definitely unusual and stressful times we are all part of. Wearing face masks and social distancing to no hugging and no traveling to visit our loved ones.

We are all experiencing difficulties during these times. But no more than those neighbors, families and friends with dementia and the heroes who are caring for them with very little or no help or breaks.

Arden Courts of Sterling Heights has developed an individual caring plan for those living with dementia. Our community and their caring plans take in to account all that is needed for these individuals to live a happy, healthy, active and safe life. All of this care we have for our residents helps alleviate the stress, worry and exhaustion of these individuals caring for their family members or friends.

At Arden Courts of Sterling Heights, we are very focused on lending a helping and loving hand to those personal caregivers within your church family. We would like these true heroes to take the opportunity to step back and get some much needed rest and relaxation from their caregiving duties.

Let our caring Arden Courts family love and take care of those family and friends living with dementia? Please read the pamphlet I have included about our respite program and if you have any more questions please don’t hesitate to contact me.

All the best,

Timothy Rodriquez
Memory Care Advisor
Arden Courts of Sterling Heights

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2020

SUN 6/14
2 Cor 1:3-11, 14-16/Isa 14:1-15, 18-19/2 Cor 10:15-24/1 Cor 10:10-17/a 6:51-58

MON 6/15
1 Kgs 11:1-5/Isa 58:1-9

TUE 6/16
1 Kgs 11:1-14/Isa 58:1-9
d 15:1-6/Isa 58:10-13

WED 6/17
1 Kgs 11:1-14/Isa 58:1-9

THU 6/18
1 Kgs 11:1-14/Isa 58:1-9

FRI 6/19
1 Kgs 11:1-14/Isa 58:1-9

SAT 6/20
1 Kgs 11:1-14/Isa 58:1-9

SUN 6/21
1 Kgs 11:1-14/Isa 58:1-9

CENSURES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2020

Sunday:
The Most Holy Body, and Blood of Christ, Heal Day

Friday:
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday:
The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, World Refugee Day

Live the Liturgy

Inspiration for the Week

They recognized him in the breaking of bread. This was the amazing revelation or epiphany that occurred on the Road to Emmaus. Bread had been transformed into the Body of Christ, opened the eyes of the disciples and showed them who was really was Christ. Their hearts were burning, sometimes we stagger without our own in the Eucharist because we make it too much of an intellectual challenge. If God dwells with you in the Incarnation of Christ, then you’re not possible for God to take simple elements of bread and wine and transform them into His Body and Blood. Affirm your faith today that the Eucharist you receive is God Himself. Become what you eat and allow God to embrace your soul and touch that part of you that no one else can touch.

I have called you by name, and you are mine.
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Anthony Vitale
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Peter Wegand
Dave Williams
Greg Wilk
Fred Wolfe
Pat Wolfe
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Trever Zimmerman
Mary Ziskie
Pope Francis recalled the 5th anniversary of his encyclical “Laudato si’: On the Care for our Common Home.” He said the document sought to “call attention to the cry of the Earth and of the poor.” … He invited everyone to take part in the Laudato si’ Year, that runs from 24 May 2020 until 24 May 2021. vaticannews.va/en/pope/news

Loving God,
Creator of Heaven, Earth, and all therein contained.
Open our minds and touch our hearts,
so that we can be part of Creation, your gift.
Be present to those in need in these difficult times,
so that we can be part of Creation, your gift.
Enable us to succeed in listening and responding
to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.
May their current sufferings become the birth-pangs
of a more fraternal and sustainable world.
We pray through Christ our Lord, under the loving gaze
of Mary Help of Christians, Amen.

Julie Kalkowski, Creighton’s Financial Hope Collaborative
As I sat with these readings several weeks ago, all’s I could think of was how the Israelites wandered in the desert for 40 years. Were they so hard hearted that God tested them for more than a generation? We’re not even 40 weeks into this pandemic in America and already the signs of strain are evident. The other theme that kept surfacing was that God fed them. God provided the sustenance they needed to continue their journey. However, I stepped away from today’s readings when both my mother and mother-in-law entered hospice care within days of each other. My beloved mother-in-law, Elaine, passed on…. Due to COVID-19, no family was able to be with Elaine when she died. Knowing that none of us could be there during her deathwatch was the most difficult part of these past few weeks. As I racked my brains trying to figure out how to let Elaine know we were ‘with’ her, both my daughters did something that so reminded me of Elaine, I found the answer. My oldest daughter has her sense of delight and laughs just the way she did. My youngest daughter has Elaine’s steely resolve to be able to do very difficult things because they need to be done. Knowing part of Elaine will live on in my daughters provided me some comfort. That comfort led me back to today’s readings on this solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. By gifting us with an ongoing reminder of himself in the Eucharist, Jesus physically lets us know he is still with us. He did and will continue to feed us. Jesus knew our human nature so well. How else could we human beings carry on Jesus’ teachings without a lasting tangible presence? The Eucharist can provide us the resolve and ability to fulfill God’s greatest commandment to love one another.
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