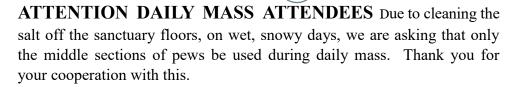
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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Exposition of the Eucharist is every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday starting at 1:00pm on Thursday and ending at 8:00am on Saturday. Please ask the Lord if he is calling you to spend time with Him in adoration. We especially need a second person at each of these hours: Thursday 1:00pm, and 11:00pm; Friday 2:00am, 11:00am, Noon, 4:00pm, and 9:00pm; Saturday 1:00am.

If you cannot commit regularly, being on the sub list is also an option. Please contact Donna Buell or Phil McEvoy via Flocknote. Text SMTE to 84576 or connect with us online at Stmatthewbellevue.flocknote.com



DID YOU KNOW?...

Worship brings heaven to earth through the mass settings, especially the February 12/13 Eucharistic Prayers. It is amazing how heaven and earth are brought together at February 19/20 different times in the Mass in order for us to celebrate as one—Angels, Saints, February 26/27 and us to our Loving God of creation.

Exodus90

For information, please contact Scott Hansen 509-559-9091.

WEEKLY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR

Join your fellow parishioners in a weekly Holy Hour on Sunday evenings from 5:00pm to 6:00pm. During the Holy Hour we adore our Lord in Eucharistic Exposition, offer our prayers as a community, and close with Evening Prayer (Vespers) and Benediction. A Sunday evening Holy Hour Vespers is not just a randomly scheduled event. According to Church tradition, parishes are encouraged to join in community for the Liturgy of the Evening Prayer on Sundays Hours, especially the (Sacrosanctum Concilium). Accordingly, we as the St. Matthew Catholic Community join our prayers, in union with the universal church, for the mission of the Church -- the salvation of souls. Come offer your prayers for this intention, as well as your own, in the presence of Jesus during this Holy Hour of Exposition. Contact Deacon Mark via Flocknote with questions.

FORMED.org - PICK OF THE WEEK

WATCH Reborn – Episode 1: A New Creation LEARN Lection: Mark, Episode 2: Prepare the Way of the Lord **LISTEN** Changed Forever: The Sacrament of Baptism by Fr. Mike Schmitz



Continuing Our Journey

Commitment: \$2,249,083.00

Pledges Collected: \$ 907,017.68

Second Collection Schedule

All checks made out to St. Matthew

January 22/23 One Rose One Life

Envelopes in pew

January 30 **School Need Based Scholarship**

School Need Based February 5 **Scholarship**

Maintenance

Home & Foreign

SVdP

Missions

Envelopes in pews

If you are not using envelopes, please write your envelope number and designated fund (e.g. Maintenance etc.) in the memo line. If you no longer wish to receive envelopes, contact the parish office.

Mass Intentions

January 22

5:00 St. Matthew Families

January 23

9:00 Jeff Vastine **†** 11:00 Barbara Mikno †

January 25

9:00 Alice Forget **†**

January 26

9:00 Maggie Pierce †

January 27

9:00 Robert Murray **†**

January 28

9:00 Joyce & Maurice Current **†**

Religious Education Schedule

February 2 and 16 6:30pm to 7:45pm

March 2 No Class (Ash Wednesday)

March 9 and 16 6:30pm to 7:45 pm

April 6 and 20 6:30pm to 7:45pm

May 4 Family Spaghetti Dinner

PONDER: CONTEMPLATIVE BIBLE STUDY (YEAR C)

This is liturgical Year C, which features the Gospel According to Luke. Themes in this gospel include mercy and forgiveness, joy, the journey, the role of the Holy Spirit and the place of prayer. Join us as we pray with the Sunday readings and listen to what God is revealing to us. If you would like to join, contact Susan Tracy via Flocknotes and I will send you a link to the Zoom meeting and also make sure you have a book. This is an ongoing study, meeting every Tuesday evening from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, but you are welcome to "drop in" whenever you are available.

SUNDAY PREP BIBLE STUDY

Join us for one hour of food, fun, history, and preparation toward understanding Sunday readings. This Bible Study is held Wednesdays, 6:30pm, in the Narthex. Deacon Tom Deall facilitates the bible study.

FREE AMEN APP

Download the free Amen Catholic Prayer app on the App Store or Google Play and enter deeper into the Word. The development and release of this app is an exciting moment for the Augustine Institute in answering Saint John Paul II's call for a New Evangelization—to proclaim the Gospel using new ardor, methods, and expression.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

LOVING LIFE MINISTRY

NEW LIFE RUNNERS FLAG We received our third LIFE Runners flag to fly in front of our St. Matthew School in honor of Ed and Linda Janezcko, who continue to generously support the LR ministry. Thank you, Ed and Linda, for being All In Christ for Pro-Life!!

CELEBRATION OF LIFE DINNER Nebraskans Embracing Life 48th Annual dinner "These are Exciting Times to be Pro-Life," Fri, Jan 28. Speaker, Steven Mosher, President of the Population Research Institute. Go to NebraskansEmbracingLife.org to register/more details.

NE WALK FOR LIFE Join LIFE Runners teammates Sat, Jan 29, in Lincoln for the annual walk sponsored by NE Right to Life. Holy Mass at St. Mary's Church 8:00am, followed by rally at the Capitol 9:00am and walk to the UNL Student Center for Speaker, Ashley Bratcher (award winning actress from Unplanned, the story of Abby Johnsonformer director of a Planned Parenthood facility)

FOOD DISTRIBUTION FOR THE NEEDY...

Wednesdays 3:30pm to 5:30pm in the lower church parking lot by the Parish Office Entrance. **Needed food donations for January:** Peanut Butter and Pasta. Please place them in the K of C food wagon. For more information contact Barb Bolter or Phil McEvoy via Flocknote.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



WWG WOMEN WORKING FOR GOD

January meeting cancelled!

All ladies of the parish are invited to attend our meeting on Tuesday, February 15th in the school commons. Join us! If anyone needs a ride to the meeting, contact Shirrel Medara. Please direct any questions to Shirrel Medara via Flocknote. Hope to see you then!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Monthly Officer Meetings are held the first Monday of each The general month. Member's Meeting is the third Monday of the month. Meetings are 7:00pm in the conference church room (and via Zoom). All Knights are invited and welcome to attend either meeting. If you not receiving are emails with general council information, contact Mark Kyriss to ensure your email address is current. If you need information to become Knight, а contact Mark Kyriss, Grand Knight or Membership Director, Dale Bauermeister, via Flocknote.

God's Work Our Hands

COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

January Collection:

Coats, hats, gloves, blankets and new/gently used adult and children clothes and shoes. All items will be donated to the Stephen Center. These can be placed in the blue bin at the school or the west entrance when you come into church. Thanks for your continued support. December collection was 150 pounds of food to Mater Filius and 254 pounds of food and clothing to the Stephen Center.

BABY HATS ARE NEEDED! For Nebraska Medical Maternity Center. You can place the baby hat in a zip lock bag in the bin next to the WWG table. For more information, please contact Mary Fran Williamson via Flocknote or visit the St. Matthew website under ministry, outreach, baby hats for information and specifics.

NEW WELCOME COMMITTEE! If you would like to have a part in welcoming new parishioners to our community, please contact Mary Lomax via Flocknote.

PRAYER SHAWLS

The next meeting is January, 23 at 2:00pm in the conference room. Contact the Parish Office for information.

HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS NEEDED!

If interested, please contact Mark Lockwood or Amy Adams via Flocknote.

MASS GREETERS

For more information please contact Mary Lomax via Flocknote.

VETERAN'S HOME VOUNTEERS NEEDED

EMHC to take the Eucharist to the Veterans, Sundays from 10:30-11:15am, and Thursdays 12:50-1:45pm. Rotating Schedule. Contact Philip McEvoy via Flocknote. Not an EMHC? Father can give you a temporary Mandation.

SPOUSE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

For more information, please contact Mary Fran Williamson via Flocknote.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Anyone in need of medical equipment, cane, walker, etc. please contact Phil McEvoy via Flocknote.

SECURITY DOORS – LOCKED

As part of the plan to protect parishioners against any form of malicious entry into the church during mass services all church doors are automatically locked 5 minutes after the scheduled mass start time. Entry after this time will be made by the security personnel on duty. All doors are unlocked one hour prior to the scheduled mass for pre-mass activities.

Need a ride to Church? Contact Butch Songcuan 402-933-1646

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

ST. VINCENT de PAUL Just when you think we've turned the corner on this pandemic, it comes back full-force for another round. This time, the government assistance programs are not available and your SVdP volunteers all across the Omaha metro area are seeing the impact. Your dollars helped a woman who had run out of paid leave after surgery by paying her rent. Another single mom of two children, escaped domestic abuse, but was faced with a 7-day eviction notice. We paid her rent with assistance from other SVdP conferences in the area. Your financial contributions prevented a single mother of 8 children from losing their rented home. Her car needed repairs and it was a choice between fixing the vehicle to get to work or paying the rent. A combined financial effort with the Omaha Council, other SVdP conferences and St. Matthew's SVdP prevented this family from being homeless. Our Vincentian volunteer also gave this family food vouchers and bags of fresh food from the St. Matthew drive through food pantry. These families are still in their homes because of your generosity. Without your financial support, none of this would have been possible! Like what we do? Come and join us on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm in the church, lower level conference room.

DUST BUDDIES NEEDED The church cleaners are looking for a couple more volunteers to assist with cleaning on the fifth Monday of the month. Cleaning starts at 9:00am and takes a couple of hours. Please contact Sue Mailhot via Flocknote if interested in participating.



Welcome

Madelynn Clark Murphy

Baptized January 16, 2022

Bulletin Submission Deadline

Submit information for the upcoming bulletin by 12:00pm Tuesday to: acmcfall@archomaha.org. Submissions are subject to edits, review and approval.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to everyone that helped with taking down the Christmas decorations in the church! We could not have done it without you! Hope everyone enjoys their poinsettias!

CHEEL (DIM EOTTEN)			
Jan 2	22	Joakuin E Mendoza	\$25
Jan 2	23	Kirsten Affolder	\$50
Jan 2	24	David Roper	\$25
Jan 2	25	Jennifer Barrett	\$25
Jan 2	26	Jim Mailhot	\$25
Jan 2	27	Laurence Rossi	\$25
Jan 2	28	Kathy Wolter	\$25
A CHECK IS AUTOMATCALLY MAILED			

OUT TO ALL WINNERS.

CALENDAR LOTTERY

YOUTH



School Improvements We have installed a new boiler and water heater in building one. Thank you for your support as we continue to make improvements on our school campus. We also appreciate Mechanical Systems for all their hard work.



PRE-K OPEN HOUSE Join us for our Open House on January 30th at 1:00pm. Come see what St. Matthew has to offer you and your children.



Catholic Schools Week 2022 January 30-February 5

www.NCEA.org/csw #CSW22 Catholic Schools Week is coming up January 30- February 5. Our school and parish will be celebrating together the accomplishments and things that make our school Catholic. Throughout the week our school students will be doing many activities of faith and fun to celebrate what makes us special. Please join us at the pancake breakfast on January 30 sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. All are welcome to continue the celebration with a potluck dinner on February 5, following the 5:00 mass!

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 30

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

> January 30 1:00pm

Pre-K Open House

January 30 to February 5
Catholic Schools Week

February 3 4:00pm to 9:00pm Don & Millie's Night

February 6 to April 3
"The Chosen"

February 8
6:30pm to 9:00pm
Safe Environment Training

February 26Mardi Gras Event

May 6
IT'S ALL FOR JESUS
Golf Tournament



SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Attention Parish Volunteers/
St. Matthew School Volunteer We will be having a Safe Environment Class February 8, 6:30pm to 9:00pm in the Church Sanctuary. Before attending the class, please pre-register on the archdiocese website https://archomaha.org/safe-environment/ for class and background check if needed. Any questions, call the church office at 402 -292-7418 and ask for Lisa Deall or Suzi Brunner.

"We are committed to ensuring that all children can learn with smiles and open hearts from caring leaders in each one of our parishes, schools, and activities." Archdiocese of Omaha



St. Matthew's Knights of Columbus



Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, January 30th 9:30 - 11:00 AM (In the school commons area) Dine-in or Carry Out

Free will offering benefits: Vocations

- Our Delicious Menu:
- » Pancakes
- » French Toast» Scrambled Eggs
- » Bacon
- » Sausage
- » Potato Casserole
- » Fresh Fruit
- » Orange Juice, Milk, and Coffee

We would love for you to join us!

Put It On Your Calendar "The Chosen" at St. Matthew

Season 1 of the critically acclaimed series, "The Chosen," will be showing at St. Matthew on Sunday evenings from February 6 to April 3. Season 1 includes 8 episodes depicting Christ's early ministry with a particular focus on his followers, his "chosen." The sessions are completely free. More details to follow.

TICKETS ON SALE

Visit us in the Narthex to purchase your tickets to this exciting event!

You do not want to miss it!

AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!

We are still in need of auction items. Please bring donations of new, unwrapped items or themed baskets to the Parish Office by January 15. We are looking forward to a wonderful event!



SAVE THE DATE May 6, 2022

2nd Annual IT'S ALL FOR JESUS

Golf Tournament.

Tara Hills Golf Course.



Thursday, February 3, 2022, 4:00pm to 9:00pm, 2208 Pratt Ave

St. Matthew Community receives 20% of total sales on your receipt, dine-in or take-out.

AMAZON SMILE

We received \$210.58 for last quarter's rebate!

If you order from Amazon, please consider using Amazon Smile and designate St. Matthew as your charity. Or use this direct link every time you shop http://smile.amazon.com/ch47-0800122. Amazon donates 0.05% of your purchase price to St. Matthew. Thank you for your support!

BAKER'S COMMUNITY REWARD PROGRAM

We received \$734.33 for last quarter's rebate!

Thank you to the 182 families who participate in this program. Remember this does not cost you anything or take away from any other reward points you receive. To link your rewards card to St. Matthew: www.bakersplus.com/communityrewards

- 1. Click on "I'm a Customer" and sign in to your online account, or create a new account if needed:
- 2. Select "Community Rewards";
- 3. Click on "Enroll Now";
- 4. Enter PF663 and select "St. Matthew"

You may also call: 866-221-4141 to enroll your card.

FAITH DIRECT

Consider e-giving. Visit www.faithdirect.net simply click "Give Now" and enter our church code: NE489. Or call 1-866-507-8757. You can give a one-time gift or sign up for recurring gifts.

TEXT TO GIVE OPTION

To securely make a gift, TEXT a dollar amount to 402-809-4948

You will be asked to complete a one-time registration page with your billing and contact information. After this registration, you can give any time by texting a dollar amount to our phone number. To make it easier, save this number as a contact in your phone for future giving.



SCRIP GIFT CARDS

Rebate: \$28.77

Thank you for your support of our parish scrip program. To order scrip online please contact the Parish Office.

<u>How to get Matt's Money</u> Download the "Raise Right" app. St. Matthew Church and School benefits from every purchase you make.

https://www.stmatthewbellevue.org/scrip-matt-s-money







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