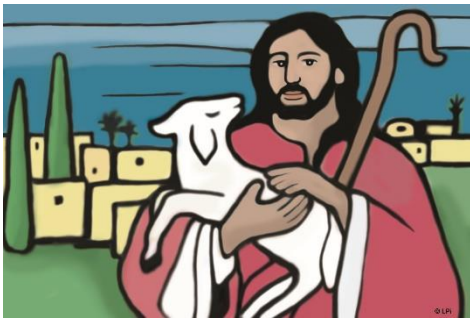


# ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST PARISH



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." - Jn 10:27-28a

## MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Sat. May 11 5:00 pm – Richard & Mary Schneider†  
Sun. May 12 8:30 am – Lillian Benes†  
10:30 am – St. Matthew Families

## MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues. May 14 9:00 am – Rita Johnson†  
Wed. May 15 9:00 am – Forget Family  
Thurs. May 16 9:00 am – Eileen Persichetty†  
Fri. May 17 9:00 am – Tony Constantino†

## MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. May 18 5:00 pm – Joseph Sboto†  
Sun. May 19 8:30 am – Mary Schneider†  
10:30 am – Jerry Frieling  
1:00 pm – St. Matthew Families

## MASS GREETERS NEEDED

*Job Duties include:* Smiling, greeting & handing out misselettes. Contact the parish office. *No prior experience required. Adults please.*

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Altar Server Training is scheduled by contacting Phil McEvoy at [prncevoy@gmail.com](mailto:prncevoy@gmail.com) or Dan Linder at [dan@linder.org](mailto:dan@linder.org).

## CONFIRMATION MASS

Our St. Matthew School and Religious Education youth will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at Mass on Sunday, **May 19th** at 1:00 p.m. in the Worship Area. Archbishop Curtiss is projected to preside at the Mass. Please pray for our youth, and their teachers/catechists, as they enter the final stage of preparation for receiving this Sacrament. All parishioners are invited and welcomed to attend this Mass. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Mark mhwhite@archomaha.org.

## CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNERS CONGRATULATIONS

May	5	Linda Hardman	\$50
May	6	Ellen Wies	\$25
May	7	Tom Brazeal	\$25
May	8	Ben Nicola	\$25
May	9	Derek/Jackie Cassoutt	\$25
May	10	Jeff Lowe	\$25
May	11	Alan Laginess	\$25



*A check will automatically be mailed to all winners, there is no need to claim your prize.*

## FAITH DIRECT

Consider e-giving this year. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) simply click "Give Now" and enter our church code: NE489. Or simply 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.*

## SECOND COLLECTION SCHEDULE

*All checks made out to St. Matthew*

**May 11/12** St. Vincent DePaul  
**May 18/19** Maintenance

*If you are not using envelopes, please write your envelope number and designated fund (e.g. World Mission, Camp. Campaign, etc.) in the memo line. If you no longer wish to receive envelopes, just call or email the parish office 402-292-7418.*

## GIFTS OF STOCK TO ST. MATTHEW

If you wish to gift stocks to St. Matthew Parish, please contact our client associate for Merrill Lynch: Kelsey Nealon 402-496-5146. If possible, please have your broker include YOUR NAME on memos and all corresponding paperwork to help identify from whom transfers are received.



Welcome  
**Benedict-Sebastian  
de Guzman Besabe**  
Baptized May 5



**Knights of Columbus:** Planning meeting is the first Monday each month; General Membership meeting is the third Monday each month. Meetings are at 7:00 pm in the lower level of the parish office. All Knights are invited and welcome to attend both meetings. *If you are not receiving emails, check your spam email.*

If you are interested in joining or want more information, please contact Pat Brennan, Grand Knight, at 402-592-5027.

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

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#### Columbian Squires Chief Counselor

Phil Earsley 402-214-7877

*Health Care Items are available for loan from the Knights: wheelchairs, electric wheelchairs, walkers, crutches and a home-use oxygenator. If you have borrowed and no longer need, please return. If you have items you no longer need and would like to donate, contact Pat Brennan, Grand Knight, at 402-592-5027.*

#### WWG

#### WOMEN WORKING FOR GOD



Thank you to all who baked delicious items for our sale last weekend. There are bowls, pie plates, and cake plates under the WWG table. Please check to see if yours are there. *All remaining items will be moved our hospitality room.*

#### PURPLE YARN NEEDED



Left over from other projects? The yarn is used to make baby hats for the hospitals. It needs to be baby yarn or 3 or 4 ply acrylic. Place the yarn in the baby bin below the WWG table. Thank you!

#### A VISION TO OUR FUTURE

Thank you to all who completed and returned their Annual Appeal Stewardship pledge card. Our goal, through this Stewardship campaign is to negate the unknown and put St Matthew on more firm and consistent financial footing. Your prayerful consideration and participation is greatly appreciated. If you have not yet participated, but would like to do so, you can still drop your pledge card in the collection basket, at the office or it can be mailed to 12210 S. 36<sup>th</sup> Street, Bellevue, NE 68123. *Thank you for your participation as a member of this parish family.*



"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests know to God." Phil. 4:6

Total Pledges: 264

Total Pledged: \$2,268,861.00

Total Collected: \$1,428,728.14

#### CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

We are making great progress on pouring the foundation for our new building. The contractor has poured about half of the perimeter and many of the pads to support the pillars interior to the building. Laying the foundation and underground utilities is scheduled to take place over the next four weeks. Also this month, the contractor will start laying concrete for the parking lots to the south and west of the new building. Finally at the end of the month, expect to see some insulated concrete forms (ICFs) arrive to start assembling the walls.



#### PATHWAY BRICKS

As an ongoing fundraiser Pathway Bricks are being sold for \$100. These bricks will be used to build the actual Pathway to our Church. You may personalize your brick in any way that is meaningful to you. Simply fill out the form located in the Commons or pick one up in the office. Be a part of OUR Pathway, OUR church family, OUR History and, most importantly OUR future! You may also order a brick by clicking the link on our website, under 'Pathway to Our Church'.

#### ST. MATTHEW

#### COMMEMORATIVE COINS

Available in the Parish Office for \$10. All profits will benefit the new church. *Coming soon—the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual commemorative coin.*





### **LOVING LIFE MINISTRY**

**Prayer Vigil** Thank you to those who joined us for our monthly prayer vigil on Friday. For the summer we would love for families to join us for our prayer vigils on the third Saturday of the month – June 15, July 20 and August 17 – from 10:00-11:00am at the Bellevue abortion facility (1002 W. Mission Ave). All are encouraged to pray any Thurs, Fri or Sat, when the facility is open. Let us bring hope and be a joyful presence of love to mothers and families looking for help in the face of a desperate time and be the light of Christ and witnesses to life in our community. If you are a LIFE Runner, please wear your jersey. Prayer booklets to help guide your hour of prayer are available in the Commons.

**LIFE Runners** There is still time to join us for our next LIFE Runners huddle on Sunday, May 19, by participating in Papillion Fun Runs. Come be a public witness in our community. Events are 5K, 10K and Half Marathon. Visit <https://www.papillion.org/605/Papillion-Half-Marathon> to register. We will huddle at 7:00am. Join us on Friday, June 7, to support LIFE Runners as the "Community Organization of the Night" at the Storm Chasers baseball game at Werner Park in Papillion. We will gather at 5:15pm to promote LIFE Runners with our jerseys, a table, and radio interview. Game time is 7:05pm. We have a limited amount of tickets available - \$5/children 12 and under and \$10/adult. Please contact Kevin and Janice Todd at 402-871-4699 or [janice@liferunners.org](mailto:janice@liferunners.org) to reserve your tickets or with any questions. Not a teammate yet? Join our LIFE Runners parish or school chapter at [liferunners.org](http://liferunners.org). LIFE Runners is the world's largest Pro-Life team having over 11,200 teammates ages .1 to 101 in 50 states and 38 nations. Running is optional. Sign up, order "REMEMBER The Unborn" jersey, and wear it in public to impact hearts and minds to save lives.

**A "NEW feminism" affirms the true gift of women...while rejecting the imitation of forms of "male domination"...and seeking to eliminate every form of discrimination, violence, and exploitation. ~ The Gospel of Life, 99**

**Reflection:** The early feminist leader Elizabeth Cady Stanton said, "When we consider that women are treated as property, it is degrading to women that we should treat our children as property to be disposed of as we see fit."  
**Authentic feminism is pro-life!**

**Prayer:** Lord, renew our society with a deeper appreciation of the true genius of women and of their role in a culture of life. (Pro-life Reflections for Every Day by Fr. Frank Pavone. Visit [priestsforlife.org](http://priestsforlife.org) for all daily reflections. Click on the "Prayer" tab.)



### **PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

**JUNE 15/16**

There are two positions opening on parish council this year. If you are interested in running in the next election, contact the parish office. (Council meets in the evening, on the fourth Tuesday of each month.)

#### **Current Parish Leadership**

*Terry Veylupek–President (Elected)  
Phil McEvoy–Vice President (Elected)  
Jane Lukasina (Elected)*

#### **Organization Representatives**

*Fr. Leo–Pastor  
Sue Mailhot– Parish Staff  
Wade Horton–Finance Council  
Sherry Trupp–WWG  
Angie Palmer–School  
Pat Brennan–Knights of Columbus  
Mark White–Religious Education  
Dick Lewis–Minute Men*

Parish Pastoral Council inquiries contact Terry Veylupek at 402-669-8100 or [terry@veycon.com](mailto:terry@veycon.com).



Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is open. We are thankful for any referrals to our school. Go to our website to register- [stmattschool.com](http://stmattschool.com)

### **PRESCHOOL 3 YEAR OLD**

St. Matthew School will be opening a part time 3 year old preschool program. Classes will be Tuesdays and Thursdays during the school year from 8:00-11:00. Program is limited to 10 students. We currently have 6 spots available. Please contact the school office if you are interested. 402-291-2030.

### **"WELCOME" TUITION GRANTS**

NOW through the start of the school year, "Welcome" tuition grants are available at participating Catholic Schools throughout the archdiocese. Elementary age students transferring from a public, private (non-Catholic) or home school are eligible to receive up to a \$1,500 tuition discount. Help us spread the word!



## MOTHER'S DAY ROSE DRIVE TO BENEFIT ESSENTIAL PREGNANCY SERVICES (EPS)



After all masses this Mother's Day weekend, volunteers from the Knights of Columbus and the Squires will be handing out roses in exchange for a suggested \$5 donation per rose to directly support Essential Pregnancy Services (EPS). Honor your mother or a loved one with special gift this Mother's Day with a donation in her honor to EPS. Please consider supporting EPS in their efforts to provide life-affirming pregnancy options and free services for women facing unplanned pregnancies. Thank you and Happy Mother's Day!



To **Claire von Osterheldt** for earning high honors at Duchesne and to those attending Gross High School who have earned a 3.25 GPA or greater for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter: **Ben Barnes, MacKenzie Cook, Abigail Cox, Bayleigh Donahoe, Riley Donahoe, Arianna Green, Delaney Huck, Jillian Linder, Max Metzger, Rebecca Metzger, Jenna Mlnarik, Olivia Petranick, Erin Ruane, Kaitlin Steinauer, Chris Treu, and Jeff Treu.**

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

May collections: Breakfast items: cereal, oatmeal, pop-tarts, coffee and tea. We will also always collect clothing, socks and shoes. Items can be placed in the blue bins located just inside both main entrances.

## SCRIP GIFT CARDS

*Last Week's Rebate: \$61.47*

We are always looking for volunteers to help sell scrip. Duties include: selling scrip cards before and/or after mass, taking inventory and securing cards before and after mass. You can choose which weekends you help. Stop by the table or contact the parish office: 402-292-7418.

## 24 HOUR EUCHARIST ADORATION

Adoration is held every FIRST FRIDAY of the month, from 8:00am Friday through 8:00am Saturday *Multiple people can attend each hour.* If you would like to be a sub, sign up on the table outside of the Chapel. Reminder: If you are unable to keep your commitment, please contact a sub. Contact is Phil McEvoy at 402-689-6457 or prmcvov@gmail.com.



## PARISH SECURITY PLAN DEVELOPMENT MEETING JUNE 12

Although extremely unlikely to occur at St Matthew, it is prudent to develop some procedures and plans to ensure our children and parishioners are safe while on our campus. We will be having a planning meeting on June 12 @ 7pm in the commons to discuss and organize ourselves to develop our parish security plan. If you are interested, please plan to attend. *In particular we are looking for participation from individuals with law enforcement, emergency response, crowd control, ushering, etc.*

## EMHC/LECTOR TRAINING

If you are interested in becoming an EMHC or Lector, contact the parish office to register and plan to attend one of the training sessions listed below, as well as the Mandation Mass. *These sessions are offered once annually in the Omaha Archdiocese. You must register by July 5.*

*Sunday, Aug. 4: St Columbkille, Papillion  
1:30 – 4:30 P.M.*

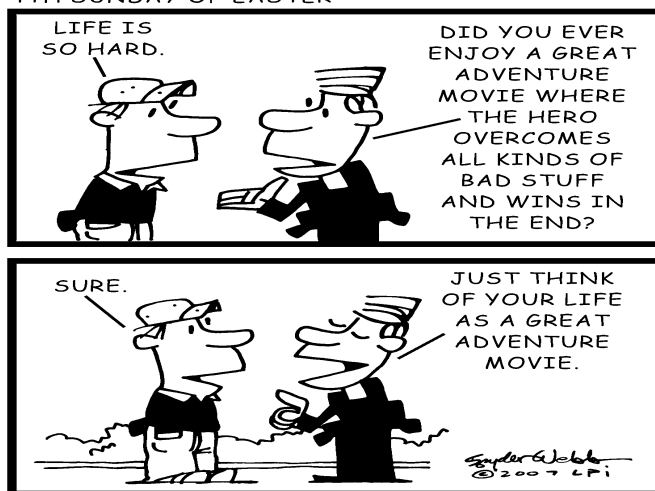
*Tuesday, Aug. 13: St. Leo, Omaha  
7:00 – 10:00 P.M.*

*Monday, Aug. 19: St. Vincent de Paul, Omaha  
7:00 – 10:00 P.M.*

## Mandation Mass

*Thurs., Aug. 29, 2019:  
St. Cecilia - Omaha 7:00pm*

## 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### **FAMILY BASED CATECHESIS**

Registration is now open for next year's RE (FBC) program. Religious Education is the program that used to be known as "CCD." Information and Registration forms are available on the information table in the parish commons--right outside the doors to Mass. You can also find information and registration forms on the parish website under the "Religious Education" tab. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Mark ([mhwhite@archomaha.org](mailto:mhwhite@archomaha.org)).

### **VOLUNTEER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION!**

Please consider using your time and talent in the very rewarding ministry to our parish youth and families in the RE/FBC program. If you are interested in finding out more and/or volunteering to be a catechist (teacher), assistant catechist, or other support position then please contact Deacon Mark ( [mhwhite@archomaha.org](mailto:mhwhite@archomaha.org) ).

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION TABLE**

Deacon Mark, the Director of Religious Education (DRE), will have an information table set up **after all Masses on the weekend of May 18th/19th**. Stop by to find out more information about St. Matthew's Religious Education/Family-Based Catechesis (RE/FBC) program as well as Totus Tuus--this summer's outstanding opportunity for youth. Registration is now open for both programs, so you can also register for next year's RE/FBC and Totus Tuus while you're at the table!

### **REGISTER NOW FOR TOTUS TUUS!**

St. Matthew's parish is excited to again host the Totus Tuus team this summer! It will be from Sunday, July 21st to Friday, July 26th. The Totus Tuus team provides an energetic and Catholic faith-filled encounter with Jesus for our youth in 1st through 12th grades. **PLEASE NOTE**--we have a limit on the number of youth that can attend the 1st to 5th grades program, so please register as soon as possible! Information and Registration forms are available on the information table in the parish commons--right outside the doors to Mass. You can also find information and registration forms on the parish website under the "Religious Education" tab. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Mark ( [mhwhite@archomaha.org](mailto:mhwhite@archomaha.org) ).

### **SCRIPTURE STUDY WITH DEACON DEALL**

Meeting every Wednesday night from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in the Cardinal Spellman Room (lower level of the parish office), parishioners and their families can enjoy a walk through the readings for the upcoming Mass. During this study you'll discuss the history, the people, the writers themselves and the unique situations surrounding the readings and the books in which they're found. Though only an hour, it's filled with information, laughter, learning and most of all, there's lots of food – always food. All are welcome from early teens to kids at heart.

### **WEEKLY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR**

Join your fellow parishioners in a weekly Holy Hour on Sunday evenings from 5pm to 6pm in the St. Matthew Chapel. During the Holy Hour we adore our Lord in Eucharistic Exposition, offer our prayers to include an on-going Novena, and close with Benediction and Evening Prayer (Vespers). Parishes are encouraged to join in community for the Liturgy of the Hours, especially the Evening Prayer on Sundays (Sacrosanctum Concilium). Come offer your prayers for this intention, as well as your own, in the presence of Jesus during this Holy Hour of Exposition. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Mark ([mhwhite@archomaha.org](mailto:mhwhite@archomaha.org)).

### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

"In addition to the myriad feast days honoring Our Lady under her many titles and virtues, the entire month of May is especially given to her praise. In the words of Pope Paul VI, May is "a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God ... For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne." (Catholiccompany.com) In addition, Pope Francis decreed a new feast for Mary last year on May 21 – Mary, Mother of the Church. Learn more about Our Blessed Mother on FORMED.org. Here are just a few suggestions of the many programs, talks, movies and books available FREE for you or do a search on "Mary".

**Program** – 33 Days to Morning Glory

**Book** – The World's First Love: Mary, Mother of God

**Movie** – The Woman

**Audio Book** – The Eternal Woman

**Audio Talk** – Answering Common Objections: Mary (Dr. Scott Hahn)



**St. Matthew**  
**Knights of Columbus**  
**News & Announcements**



**Congratulations to our newest Knight and Family of the Month!**

<b><u>KNIGHT OF THE MONTH</u></b>	<b><u>FAMILY OF THE MONTH</u></b>
APRIL 2019 – DEACON MARK WHITE	APRIL 2019 – BURGOS FAMILY

**Congratulations to our newest 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Knights:**  
**John Knowles and Bob Williamson**

**Congratulations and Welcome to our newest Knights:**  
**Roger Byer and Tom Mlnarik**

**Congratulations to our First Quarter Knights of the Month:**

January: Satch Bradford

February: Mark Kyriss

March: Shaun Richter

**Congratulations to our First Quarter Families of the Month:**

January: The Treu Family

February: The Deall Family

March: The Perez Family

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to all the parishioners and school families who support our activities, which most recently included the Spaghetti Dinner, which benefited the maintenance fund!

**A huge thank you also to those who support the Prayer Vigils at the Bellevue abortion facility!**

You may recall this passage from Matthew 26:40:

... *He said to Peter, “So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?”*

You can really make a difference during this one hour of prayer!

**We hope to see even more parishioners at the next vigil:**

**Mark your calendars for Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> @ 10 AM.**

***Thought about becoming a Knight or need more information about the Knights of Columbus?***

***Please contact Shaun Richter (Membership Director) at 513-478-0914 / [shaun\\_richter@yahoo.com](mailto:shaun_richter@yahoo.com)  
or contact Pat Brennan (Grand Knight) at 402-592-5027 / [pat.brennan.kc11879@gmail.com](mailto:pat.brennan.kc11879@gmail.com)***

# ST. MATTHEW ANNUAL



## June 6 – 8

Thursday/Friday 9am-6pm

Saturday 9am -12pm

### **DONATION DROP OFF TIMES**

Sun. June 2 1pm-4pm

Mon. June 3 9am-6pm

Tue. June 4 9am-6pm

We will accept clean, useful items.

*We will not accept Televisions or Computer equipment.*

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Please sign up via Sign Up Genius.

*Link will be emailed and available on our website on May 13.*

Help is needed for drop off, set up and during the sale.

Also, for clean up and to load left over items onto a truck.

Inquiries to Mary Kay @ 402-733-7454 or tandmmarshall@cox.net.

**All help is truly needed and appreciated!**

# ST. MATTHEW MOBILE APP



A recent change from our app company will require all app users to **reselect** the message notifications they wish to receive.

If you'd like to receive instant notifications from the parish office, or specific groups (e.g. Religious Ed, Knights, Prayer Warriors etc.) follow these steps:

1. Open your app.
2. Click on 'More' in the bottom right corner.
3. Click on 'Message Settings'.
4. Click each group you wish to receive messages from.  
*(Green means you will receive instant messages from that group.)*

Please also check for updates in the app store/google play to ensure best performance.

## Don't have the app yet?

Download from the homepage of our website or:

iPhone users text: ParishApp1 to 555888

Android users text: ParishApp2 to 555888

---Enjoy quick access to bulletins, ministry schedules, Faith Direct giving, daily readings, new church updates and much, much more!

---You can also select to receive notifications from the parish or specific parish groups! To receive notifications, select 'Allow' when prompted while downloading the app. If you wish to do this at a later date, you may do this in your phone's settings (instruction links are available on our website, as well).

--Note: You must have notifications turned on in your phone's settings and the app, to receive instant notifications.

**If you need help, please call or stop by the parish office  
anytime between M-F 9am-3:30pm.**