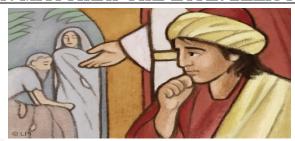
ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST PARISH



"Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions. Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the

kingdom of God!" - Mk 10:21c-23

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Sat. Oct 9 5:00pm – St. Matthew Families Sun Oct 10 9:00am – Mary Jo Taylor † 11:00am – Darlene Veylupek †

MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues. Oct 12 9:00am – Robert Capaldo †
Wed. Oct 13 9:00am – Michael Whalen †
Thur. Oct 14 9:00am – Lois & Dave Kosch
Anniversary
Fri. Oct 15 9:00am – George Kathman †

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. Oct 16 5:00pm – Rev. Dennis R Stolinski†

Julia Caputo†

Sun Oct 17 9:00am – Pat Clapp†

11:00am – St. Matthew Families

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish a Mass celebrated for a special need or the welfare of someone, please email Patsy at pahart@archomaha.org or call 402-292-7418. Mass Intentions can be scheduled a year out. We are now scheduling intentions between now and September of 2022. We may also send Mass intentions to the Archdiocese to have them sent to missions. These masses may not be able to be offered on a specific date. Even if we don't witness the mass, all spiritual graces are still conferred.

SECOND COLLECTION SCHEDULE

All checks made out to St. Matthew

October 16......Maintenance

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.

Bulletin Submission Deadline:

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

EUCHARIST ADORATION NEW DAY AND TIME ADDED

Exposition of the Eucharist is every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday starting at 7:00pm on Thursday and ending at 8:00am on Saturday. To participate regularly or substitute as needed, please contact Donna Buell or Phil McEvoy via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert). Currently, we have openings in the Eucharistic Adoration schedule. There is already one person scheduled at each of these hours, but two people are needed. A second person is needed for Thursday: 11:00pm; Friday:1:00am, 2:00am, 7:00am, 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:00pm; Saturday: 1:00am. We would like to expand the Adoration hours either before the current 7:00pm start time on Thursday or after the 8:00am closing on Saturday. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Buell or Phil McEvoy via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert)

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Recently you received a letter from Archbishop Lucas inviting your support of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal (there has been a printing delay, and letters should be out in the next couple of weeks). Please give prayerful consideration to your response. Our financial goal for this year's Annual Appeal is \$42,734.00 and our participation goal is 24.3%. Together, through the help of the Holy Spirit, we will create a culture of unity, evangelization, leadership and mercy.

STEPHEN MINISTRY FEED BACK

Sept. 18th & 19th, Stephen Ministry was introduced to the congregation and representatives were available after mass and handed out over 200 Stephen Ministry cards. We hope that you have these cards to reflect on and pray about a possible calling for yourself. If you were unable to attend mass that weekend, Stephen Ministry is "Christ Caring for People Through People" to our parishioners. Here is the website for your review (https://www.stephenministries.org/). Please email Fr Leo or the Council (stmatthew.bel@archomaha.org SUBJECT LINE: Stephen Ministry) and let them know if you feel that this is a ministry for Saint Matthew. This ministry requires support from those within our parish. Training to become a Stephen Minister is required. Without our own trained Ministers, our ministry here would not be sustainable and those needing care may not receive the care they need. Please pray about it, and let Dan Taylor (402) 707-4581, StephenMinisterDanTaylor@gmail.com, (current St. Mary's chapter leader) and Fr Leo and Parish Council know your thoughts on these questions. Thank you.





HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS NEEDED!

We would like to identify a pool of medical personnel that would be available to provide care, if needed, at each mass. If interested,

please contact Mark Lockwood or Amy Adams via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert).



SECURITY-SECURITY-SECURITY

The parish of Saint Matthew has established a Safety Board under which falls our Security

Team. This team provides security services for all the weekend and holy day masses. If interested or for additional information, please contact Greg Stoiber or Dick Lewis via Flocknotes (see Flocknote insert).

SEEKING MASS GREETERS

The Evangelization Committee is seeking parish members who would be willing to welcome worshippers in the narthex before all of the weekend Masses. It is a small commitment which can reap great rewards! If you are interested, please contact Mary Lomax via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert).

MEMORIAL DONATIONS TO PARISH

Memorial donations for the parish should be made payable to St. Matthew, with the memo line designating specifics (i.e., Building Fund, General Use, etc., and name of honoree or deceased). Checks made out to families or other organizations are not acknowledged by the parish Memorials Committee unless St. Matthew is the payee.

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

October 12-16

We are updating our photo directory and we are hoping you will be a part of it. Every family that participates will receive a free 8x10 photo and a St. Matthew photo directory. Starting September 4 through October 9, after each mass, we will begin assisting our parish members with making their appointments for the church directory. Computers will be set up in the Narthex. If you would like to volunteer to help with making appointments after masses, please email Pat Dolezal at pdolezal@cox.net.

Please make appointments at this link: https://instant-scheduling.com/sch.php?kn=763&typId=63655&step=2

SPOUSE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

If you are interested in participating in a quarterly widow/widowers support group please contact Mary Fran Williamson via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert).

AMAZON SMILE

We received \$204.93 for last quarter's rebate!

If you order from Amazon, please consider using Smile. Amazon and designate St. Matthew as your charity. Or use this direct link every time you shop http://smile.amazon.com/ch47-0800122. Amazon donates 0.5% of your purchase price to St. Matthew. Thank you for your support!

SCRIP GIFT CARDS

Rebate: \$20.52

Thank you for your support of our parish scrip program To order Scrip online. https://shop.shopwithscrip.com/ Parish Office also has scrip on hand and ordering every two weeks.

BAKER'S COMMUNITY REWARD PROGRAM

We received \$756.55 for last quarter's rebate!

Thank you to the 174 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.



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.

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.

ST. MATTHEW CALENDAR LOTTERY

See Ed Janeczko in the Narthex or purchase in the Parish/School office. A fundraiser for St. Matthew School and Parish 365 individual prizes, one per day throughout 2022. Prizes range from \$25 to \$500. **\$25.00 per Ticket.** Winners need not be present. Drawing to be held NLT December 31, 2020. A donation of \$25 entitles each ticket holder a chance to win one of 365 daily prizes and 12 special monthly prizes, awarded for each day/month of 2022. All ticket holders have 365 chances to win, as all are eligible for each and every daily and monthly prize for the year. Sales will continue through late December 2021 or the date of drawing; if all are sold prior to the closing date, late entries will be returned.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes begin this week and will be held every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 6:30pm to 7:45pm. It is not too late to sign up. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help, contact Lisa Deall in the RE Office 402-547-5361 or via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert). Next class will be October 20.

The St. Matthew Religious Education Program has begun. Starting this year, we are returning to a traditional religious education meeting twice per month. While waiting for students, parents can enjoy snacks and "Sunday Mass Preparation" with Deacon Tom, in the main conference room, at 6:30. With more than seven years in religious education, I am honored and excited to serve our parish and families as the Religious Education Director. Thank you and God Bless! Lisa Deall

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 and Vespers is not just a randomly scheduled event. According to Church tradition, parishes are encouraged to join in community for the Liturgy of the Hours, especially the Evening Prayer on Sundays (Sacrosanctum Concilium). Accordingly, we as the St. Matthew's 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 (see Flocknote insert) with questions.

SUNDAY PREP BIBLE STUDY

Join us for one hour of food, fun, history, and preparation toward understanding Sunday readings. This is held Wednesdays, 6:30pm, in the CSR conference room. To attend, come to the southwest corner at the back of the church. Come in the doors by the sign "Parish Office". Deacon Tom Deall facilitates the bible study.

> Thank You all for the wonderful birthday memories! Fr. Leo

NEW SCRIPTURE STUDY!

This is Year B in our liturgical cycle, which focuses on the Gospel according to Mark. What does Mark's gospel have to tell us about Jesus, and why is it important to hear this unique perspective? We explore these questions (and more) in a Scripture study every Tuesday evening via Zoom. Using the book Ponder from Little Rock Scripture, we pray with the Sunday readings and listen to what God is revealing to us. Our prayer method is Lectio Divina, but we have also used Ignatian contemplation, and our own life experiences, along with lively and life-giving discussion. 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 7:00pm to 8:30pm, but you are welcome to "drop in" when you are available.

Introduction to the Bible begins September 22nd

Whether you have had a lot of experience with Scripture, or not very much at all, you can benefit from this course. Have you ever wondered about the difference between Catholic and Protestant Bibles? Is there a difference in the way Catholics study and use Scripture in liturgy and prayers? What is meant by "divine inspiration"? How has the Second Vatican Council shaped the way Catholics think about and interpret Sacred Scripture? We will explore these questions and much more in a 7-week course entitled, An Introduction to the Bible.

If there is enough interest, I plan to offer and in-person class in the conference room at St. Matthew on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11 AM, and a Wednesday evening online option via Zoom from 7-8:30 PM. Please contact Susan Tracy via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert) if you have any questions or would like to register for the class. Your understanding of the Bible will be enriched by taking this class. Cost of the study set is \$15, but no one will be turned away because of lack of funds. Please join me!

SUNDAY EVENING ADULT **FAITH FORMATION** THE BIBLE AND THE VIRGIN MARY

This Bible Study unveils the mystery of Our Lady that is woven into the fabric of Sacred Scripture. In this beautiful and aweinspiring series based on Dr. Scott Hahn's book Hail, Holy Queen, watch the Mary of doctrine and devotion come alive in a powerful, new way! The Bible Study will meet on Sunday from 6:00pm to 7:00pm starting on September 19. This is a twelve-week study which is scheduled to end before Christmas. Free pizza and "refreshments". The study will meet in the new conference room in the southwest corner of the lower level of the new building. If interested, please contact Rick Holdcroft, via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert).

CONTINUING OUR JOURNEY

Commitment: \$2,249,083.00 Pledges Collected:

\$ 690,652.31



LOVING LIFE MINISTRY OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH!!!

LIFE Runners Thank you so much to Roberta Mullen, the Lukasina's, the Janeczko's, the Lomax's, the Weber's, the Medera's and the Alday's for helping to "gift" jerseys to our new students, teachers, and staff this year!! Thank you for helping to instill in our students the sanctity and dignity of all human life, born and unborn. With teamwork, the total cost was covered!! Cheers!

Not a teammate yet? It's the perfect month to join our St. Matthew Church chapter! LIFE Runners use prayer and teamwork to defend Life from conception to natural death. Running optional. Faith required. Sign up to get your "REMEMBER The Unborn – Jer 1:5" jersey and team updates/devotions at liferunners.org/signup. Invite others to join us. All In Christ for Pro-Life! Contact Kevin and Janice Todd at 402-871-4699 or janicetoddcmc@msn.com with any questions.

LIFE CHAIN Thank you to those who participated in this year's Life Chain, witnessing for life in the center of Omaha! We pray that we impacted many hearts and minds in our city, that many will come to believe in and speak up for the dignity and sanctity of all human lives.

PRAYER VIGIL Thank you to those who prayed during our monthly prayer vigil. Please mark your calendar for our next vigil on Fri, Nov 12, 10:00-11:00am, at the Bellevue abortion facility (1002 W Mission). We also encourage you to come pray for/with us each Saturday morning, 7:30-8:30am. When the facility is open, we do sidewalk outreach to moms arriving for appointments; if it is closed, we pray for the end to abortion. Let us bring hope and be a joyful presence of love to mothers, fathers and families looking for help in the face of a desperate time, be the light of Christ in our community, and pray for the conversion of Carhart and the workers.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL CAMPAIGN Thank you to those who prayed during our sponsored prayer day for this campaign!! May the Lord bless you abundantly for your prayers and sacrifice for life! The campaign goes through Oct 31. Please continue to pray and fast for an end to abortion. Pray at home, but more importantly, pray in front of the abortion facility in our city (1002 Mission St, Bellevue). Order one of Shawn Carney's (co-founder of 40 Days for Life) books to read during the campaign to be informed and inspired: 40 Days for Life, The Beginning of the End of Abortion, To The Heart of the Matter or What to Say When. Visit 40daysforlife.com for more info.

"Serpents and Doves" by Scofield Thomas (Oct 4) Behold, I am sending you like sheep in the midst of wolves, so be shrewd as serpents and simple as doves. ~ Mt 10:16 **Reflection:** "Beware of people, for they will hand you over to courts and scourge you in their synagogues, and you will be led before governors and kings for My sake as a witness before them and the pagans." It is easy to see this happening in our daily lives. The sanctity of life is not valued by our society. As our freedoms, rights and values are increasingly constricted it seems as if the encroaching darkness we feel is the slow fading of hope. However, God is our eternal light and refuge!

Challenge: Allow God to shape your environment to convey the simple message that all life is a gift from God. (LIFE Runners Daily Devotions by Dr. Patrick Castle & Bernadette Costello visit www.liferunners.org/gear)

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH "Jesus and Mary not only bent their wills to Joseph's, for he was head of the Holy Family, but they lovingly surrendered their hearts to him as well." ~ St. Peter Julian Eymard (St. Joseph Gems by Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC)

GET SIGNED UP FOR YOUR FREE FORMED ACCOUNT!

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

- 1. Go to formed.org/signup
- 2. Select "Sign up as a parishioner" then enter "St. Matthew The Evangelist" (12210 S. 36th St., Ste A Bellevue, NE)
- 3. Enter your name and email address
- 4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

How to access your FREE FORMED account on a phone:It's easy with email authentication! First, you open your email account on your phone. Then open formed.org and select "sign in" in the top right. Then type in your email address and go check your email which will contain a new email with a button to click to confirm. And you're in!

Enjoy the Catholic faith On Demand. Thousands of movies, programs, audio talks and books instantly. Wonderful content for kids and families.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Monthly Officer Meetings are held the first Monday of each month. The general Member's Meeting is the third Monday of the month. Meetings are 7:00pm in the new church conference room (and via Zoom). All

Knights are invited and welcome to attend either meeting. If you are not receiving emails with general council information, contact Dave Boone to ensure your email address is current. If you need information to become a Knight, contact Mark Kyriss, Grand Knight or Membership Director, Dale Bauermeister, via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert).

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



WWG WOMEN WORKING FOR GOD

We are meeting again! All ladies of the parish are invited to attend our meeting on Tuesday October

19 at 6:30pm in the school commons. Please join us and we get reacquainted, meet new friends, and work for our parish. Please direct any questions to Shirrel Medara via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert). Hope to see then!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Make a difference in your Bellevue community! The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVdP) of St. Matthew assists our neighbors in their time of financial, emotional and spiritual need. If you would like to learn more about the mission of St. Vincent de Paul, or if you are interested in becoming a Vincentian, please join us on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm in the lower level conference room at St. Matthew. You may also call the church office and one of our Vincentians will respond to your request.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

October Collection:

New men's and women's underwear and socks. Any clothes and shoes gently used.

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, September collection was 87 pounds of food and clothing to the Stephen Center.



CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNERS

October 3	Jeff & Jennifer Barnes	\$ 50
October 4	St. Matthew Church	\$ 50
	Fr. Leo's Birthday	
October 5	Jane Christensen	\$ 25
October 6	Jessie Stanek	\$ 25
October 7	Ariel Tompsett	\$ 25
October 8	Edward & Linda Janeczko	\$ 25
October 9	Pierce Tomlinson	\$ 25

A CHECK IS AUTOMATICALLY MAILED OUT TO ALL WINNERS.



PARA NEEDED

St. Matthew School is looking for a para to work in 1st grade from 9:30-12:00 M-F. Duties include: supervising students, assisting in small groups, lunch duty,

recess duty. Please contact Principal Angie Palmer if you are interested. principal@stmattschool.com



OUR FOOD DRIVE COLLECTED OVER 1600 POUNDS OF FOOD FOR THE BELLEVUE FOOD PANTRY!

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Our Middle School had the opportunity for teambuilding and fellowship during their camp out at Camp Rivercrest. A great time was had by all.



2021/2022 BASKETBALL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Basketball teams for St. Matthew and Religious Education students in K-8th grades

are now forming. For more information contact Nic Crampton, via Flocknote (see Flocknote insert).

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 8TH GRADE GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM

They had a first place finish in the silver division at the Marian Tournament last weekend. Way to go girls!



MARDI GRAS SAVE THE DATE: FEBRUARY 26, 2022

The Mardi Gras committee is asking you to consider donating items for our silent and oral auctions. Items such as weekend or weeklong time shares, tickets to games or concerts, airline and hotel points, golf outings or dinners, symphony tickets, gift cards, new unopened items for camping, gardening, fishing, etc.. Monetary donations also accepted. Please contact Joann Price at 402-297-1027 if you have questions.



SAVE THE DATE VENDORS WANTED! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

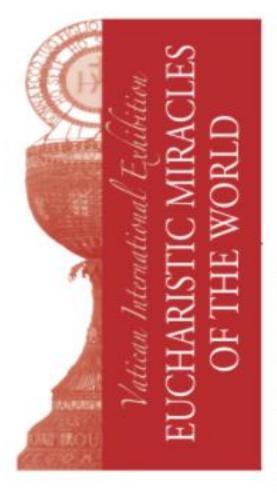
St. Matthew Annual Craft Show. Sponsored by St. Matthew School PTO. Saturday November 13, 2021 from 9:00am to 3:00pm. \$1 admission. Deadline for vendor sign up is October 2. Contact Carin Crampton for more information, stmatthewschoolcraftshow@gmail.com



FLOCKNOTE KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US!

Receive Parish information and have access to ministry notifications Text SMTE to 84576 or connect with us online:

stmatthewbellevue.flocknote.com



Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit

St. Matthew Narthex November 13-21

Knights of the Holy Eucharist Talk Sunday, Nov. 14, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. (In the Church)

Public viewing times of miracles exhibit:

Sunday, Nov. 14, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Knights of the Holy Eucharist Talk 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Vespers

Tuesday, Nov. 16, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 18, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 21, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Vespers

Immediately following the weekend Masses: 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, Nov. 13 and 20 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses on Sunday, Nov. 14 and 21

The exhibit features 39 beautiful panels that highlight some of the most powerful Eucharistic miracles of the world. The panels feature both graphic and written depictions of the miracles.



Display is FREE to view.



Display on Ioan from Spirit Catholic Radio spiritcatholicradio.com/miracles



VENDORS NEEDED!

ST. MATTHEW PTO ANNUAL FALL CRAFT SHOW

WHEN: NOVEMBER 13, 2021, 9AM-3PM

WHERE: ST. MATTHEW GYM AND COMMONS

CRAFTERS, DIRECT SALES, AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES ARE ALL WELCOME!

FOR APPLICATION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE EMAIL

STMATTHEWSCHOOLCRAFTSHOW@GMAIL.COM.



PICK OF THE WEEK

Oct 10, 2021

WATCH

JOHN XXIII: THE POPE OF PEACE

This movie tells the whole life story of John XXIII from his youth through his young priesthood, episcopacy, life as cardinal, and eventually his life as Pope. Elected supposedly as an "interim Pope" who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council.



LEARN

DIVINE MERCY WITH FATHER MICHAEL GAITLEY EPISODE 6: FATIMA

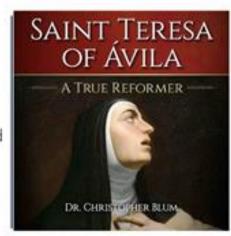


Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael
Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's
love and mercy in this 10-part series. Against
the backdrop of a world engulfed in war, the
prophetic drama surrounding a small town in
Portugal captures the minds and hearts of
believers and unbelievers alike. In this
episode of learn about Pope Benedict XV
and the apparitions at Fatima.

LISTEN

SAINT TERESA OF ÁVILA: A TRUE REFORMER BY CHRISTOPHER BLUM

Dr. Christopher Blum unfolds the inspiring life of St.
Teresa and her important role in the Catholic
Reformation. After having already been a nun for twenty
years, she had a radical transformation in her own life and
then became one of the most powerful forces for
bringing about conversion and positive change in the
history of the Church. Listen and learn about this Mystic,
Doctor of the Church, and True Reformer.



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