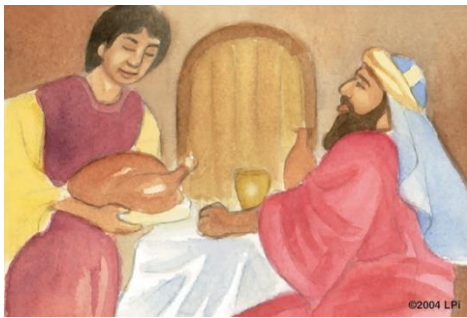


ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST PARISH



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, ‘We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.’” — Lk 17:9-10

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Sat.	Oct 5	5:00 pm – Steve Olson†
Sun.	Oct 6	8:30 am – St. Matthew Families 10:30 am – Marion Roman †

MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues.	Oct 8	9:00 am – Mary & Ed Foegen†
Wed.	Oct 9	9:00 am – Deacon Jay Wingler
Thurs.	Oct 10	9:00 am – Rita Zerwas †
Fri.	Oct 11	9:00 am – Jill Muench†

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Sat.	Oct 12	5:00 pm – Erin Ramos † & Divino Enano†
Sun.	Oct 13	8:30 am – St. Matthew Families 10:30 am – Joe Gregoire †

MASS GREETERS NEEDED

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

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Altar Server Training: Contacting Phil McEvoy at prmcevoy@gmail.com or Dan Linder at dan@linder.org.

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 prmcevoy@gmail.com



EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Two EMHCs needed for the Veteran Home on Sundays. Approximately one hour (10:30-11:30) once a month. These volunteers will join a team of two others. Contact Phil McEvoy at PRMCEVOY@Gmail.com or 402.689.6457.

CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNERS CONGRATULATIONS



Sept 29	Steve Ruskamp	\$50
Sept 30	Bob Wyskowski	\$25
Sept Special	Luke Ludwig	\$114.25
Oct 1	Vanessa Ramos	\$25
Oct 2	Luke Ludwig	\$25
Oct 3	Derek & Jackie Cassoutt	\$25
Oct 4	Bob Wyskowski	\$50
Oct 5	Tommy Reynolds	\$25

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

FAITH DIRECT

Consider e-giving. Visit 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

October 19/20

Maintenance

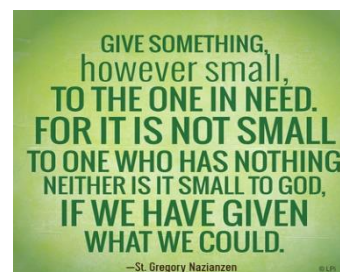
October 26/27

World Mission

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.

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.





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 folder.*

If you are interested in joining or want more information, please contact Dave Boone, Grand Knight, at 402-291-1493 or dbruceb1@gmail.com.

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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

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Health Care Items are available for loan from the Knights: wheelchairs, electric wheelchairs, walkers, crutches and a home-use oxygenator.

Please Note:

If you have borrowed medical equipment and are no longer using it, please contact Phil McEvoy @ 402-689-6457 or at prmevoy@gmail.com for information on how to return it.



WWG WOMEN WORKING FOR GOD

Our next meeting is Tuesday, October 15, 6:30pm in the commons. Join us for a fun time learning cup stacking, and refreshments.

SCRIP GIFT CARDS

Last week's rebate: \$43.37

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.



Looking for administrative assistance to place and process scrip orders. Volunteer(s) must be highly organized, dependable, and have strong computer skills. We will provide training: Call 402-292-7418

PET Blessing

**THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 @ NOON
IN BACK PARKING LOT.**



intrigued by the power of prayer and the mystery of the Little Flower. It's not every day we get to see a 1st class relic. What a great experience!



A Note from Our Principal:

St. Matthew students had the opportunity to see a 1st class relic with their own eyes! Thank you to Gerald and Alice Forget for sharing this relic of St. Therese of Lisieux on her feast day! The students were



ST. MATTHEW HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL Calling all fairies, superheroes and everything in between!

Save the date for the annual **St. Matthew Halloween Carnival** Oct 25 from 6:00 - 8:30 pm. There will be dancing, bounce houses, a photo booth, carnival games, trick or treat alley and more. Be sure to come with your favorite Trick or Treat bucket and awesome Halloween costume!

CONTINUE TO SAVE AND TURN IN:

BOX TOPS We receive 10 cents per label. www.boxtops4education.com. This is actual cash we receive back!

COCA-COLA PRODUCTS How to donate My Coke Rewards points to St. Matthew School:

- Get the codes from hundreds of packages
- Go to mycokerewards.com (register if you are not a member);
- Enter codes to collect points – choose "donate to Your School" from the six ways to spend points.
- Find our school by zip code – 68123. When the school's page comes up, click "Donate Points Now" and enter the amount you want to donate.

OR simply drop off your rewards (lids or codes cut from the boxes) in the bin below the PTO table...and we will do the rest!

Faith Formation

STUDY BEGINNING OCT 10

Join us as we continue the Hearts Afire Parish-based program with the book, *Consoling the Heart of Jesus*, by Fr. Michael Gaitley. This 10-week program focuses on the devotion to Jesus' Sacred Heart and gives us an awareness of God's infinite mercy and how we can give Him joy, showing us the way to console His heart by accepting His love and trusting in Him completely. It is based on the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Come learn more about our beautiful Divine Mercy Image! Classes will be on Thursdays, 6:30-8:00pm, in the school library (Bldg 2). We will begin Oct 10. Cost for the book is \$15. Please contact Janice Todd at 402-871-4699 or janicetoddcmc@msn.com to register by Oct 6 or if you have any questions. No prior Bible Study experience necessary. All are welcome!

LEGION OF MARY NEW AT ST MATTHEW

Become a founding member of our parish's praesidium. The Legion of Mary is an international lay apostolate that promotes the sanctity of its members and performs spiritual works of mercy with the power of the Holy Spirit and the ministering help of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Membership for active members is a weekly meeting and weekly work; auxiliary members provide prayer support. For information contact Nancy Christman at 434-229-7402 with questions.

WEEKLY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR

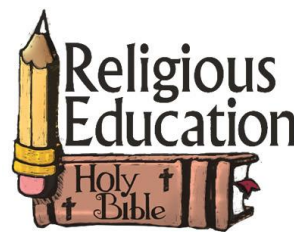
Join your fellow parishioners in a weekly Holy Hour on Sunday evenings from 5pm to 6pm in the St. Matthew Chapel. During the Holy Hour we adore our Lord in Eucharistic Exposition, offer our prayers to include an on-going Novena, and close with Benediction and Evening Prayer (Vespers). Parishes are encouraged 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).

SCRIPTURE STUDY WITH DEACON DEALL

Meeting every Wed. 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.

FORMED.ORG

HAVEN'T SIGNED UP FOR YOUR FREE FORMED ACCOUNT? Visit FORMED.org, click "Sign Up", click "I belong to a Parish or Organization", type in "St. Matthew The Evangelist" (12210 S. 36th St., Ste A Bellevue, NE), click "next", create your FREE New Account. Enjoy the Catholic faith On Demand. Thousands of movies, programs, audio and books instantly. FREE App also available!



FAMILY BASED CATECHESIS

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).

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).

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CERTIFICATION INITIAL TRAINING

St. Matthew Parish is offering Safe Environment Certification Initial Training on **Saturday, October 19th 2019**. The training begins at **9:00 a.m.** and lasts approximately two hours. It will be in the **Worship/Multi-Use (gym) area**. You can register for the training at <https://archomaha.org/safe-environment/#training>. At that link, you can find all available training date and location options that are currently offered by selecting "See All Upcoming Trainings." All training sessions contain the same material, so you're welcome to attend any session that is available and best suits your schedule. To specifically select the St. Matthew training session, use the calendar feature to find the session date above. The link will take you to the CMG (Catholic Mutual Group) website where you'll create an account that is used for signing up, tracking, and documenting your training. If you have any questions about the training or need assistance in signing up for the training, please contact the St. Matthew's Safe Environment Coordinator, Deacon Mark White at mhwhite@archomaha.org



COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

October Collection: Men's & Women's new underwear and socks. Items can be placed in the blue bins, located just inside the doors.

All donations will go to Open Door Mission, Sienna Francis House and the Stephen's Center.



Rosary Crusade 2019

Saturday, October 12

Meet us at the entrance of our parking lot to pray the rosary at 12pm. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion.

We will ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

SAFETY---SAFETY---SAFETY

The parish of Saint Matthew has established a Safety Board which is looking into all issues regarding the safety of our facilities and security for all who use them. The Safety Board is in need of volunteers who will assist in the efforts to ensure our facilities and parishioners are safe while on the parish property during religious services. Volunteers who are interested to serve on our Safety Team must be parish members at least 18 years old, and both females and males are welcome. Since we will be working with our parish youth it will eventually be necessary for all members of the Safety Team to have Archdiocese Safe Environment training, which is available to all at no charge. If interested, please call the parish office, 402 292-7418.

OPEN GYM - BASKETBALL

With basketball season just around the corner, we will be holding Open Gym Sunday afternoons for players registered to play for a St. Matthew team.

TREATS for RCIA

We are looking for parishioners who want to perform a generous act of kindness, volunteers willing to bring a treat for the RCIA group that meets on Sunday afternoons at 2:30 pm. The treat should feed about 12 people and can be brought to the sacristy at your mass time, labeled 'RCIA'. We've filled the September slots, so now we are asking for 4 parishioners who's last name starts with C or D to bring treats on a Sunday in October. Other alphabet letters will be offered the opportunity to participate in the upcoming months (E-F in November, G-H in December, etc) You **MUST** register if you are interested in providing treats. Email Sue at samailhot@archomaha.org or call the parish office.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

THE INSTITUTE FOR PRIESTLY FORMATION

You are cordially invited to the St. John Paul II Fund for Priests Annual Mass and Dinner Thursday, October 24, 2019 in the Christ the King Parish Center. The following priests, who are among the 18 recipients of the *Saint John Paul II Fund for Priest Medallion*, will be honored during the dinner:

Fr. Daniel R. Andrews, Fr. Thomas M. Fangman Jr., Fr. Daniel S. Hendrickson, S.J., Fr. Frank E. Jindra, Fr. Thomas J. Merkel, S.J., Fr. Valentine J. Peter, Fr. John L. Pietramale, Fr. James A. Rafferty, Fr. Thomas Shanahan, S.J., Fr. Daniel F. Soltys, Fr. Ronald S. Wasikowski, Fr. Leo A. Wolpert.

Mass is at 5:30 p.m., followed by cocktails and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$50 per dinner; \$800 for a table of eight. To make a dinner reservation before Oct. 17, go to PriestlyFormation.org/banquet, IPF@creighton.edu or call Linda (402-280-3901).

LIVING LIFE DEEPLY AND FULLY

COME AND SEE

IMMACULATA MONASTERY, NORFOLK

College and Up October 4-6 and November 8-10

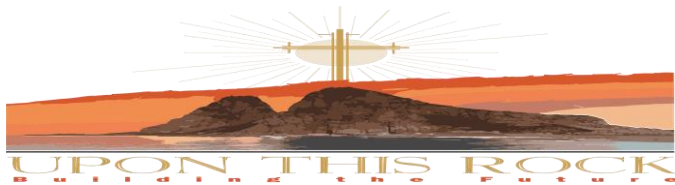
Friday evening – Sunday evening – some flexibility possible

High School Students: October 26-27

vocations@norfolk-osb.org 402-750-2559

Register online at mbsmissionaries.org





Total Pledges: 272
Pledged: \$2,280,961.00
Total Collected: \$1,626,577.77

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Due to the excessive rain, progress on the lower level has slowed. It may be another week or two before we can lay concrete on the lower level. Meanwhile, the wall is nearly complete on the upper level and the concrete boom will be back soon to pour concrete inside the walls. Also, in the next two weeks, the contractor will be laying a fiber line from the new building to the basement of Building 2 to connect to our campus router. This will give IT connectivity between Church and School.



BEAM SIGNING

It's not too late to sign the beam. The beam is still available for signing. The beam is still

located in the overflow parking lot by the Boyd Jones construction trailer. The actual hoisting will be videotaped. Come out and leave your mark.

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'.

FOUNDATION FAMILIES

Families who made a pledge of at least \$1000 to the "Upon this Rock" Capital Campaign, to build our new church, and have contributed at least \$1000 toward that pledge are our 'Foundation Families'! It is not too late to qualify, all one has to do is meet these criteria by the end of the campaign which is December 31, 2020. Foundation Families will be recognized by name, in the Narthex of the new building. Further, they will receive a special "Foundation Family" coin. If you have not received your coin, please stop into the parish office.



2019 COMMEMORATIVE COINS AVAILABLE

The new coins are now available for purchase in the parish office. Coins are \$10. Cases are \$1.

Artists:

Elliot Cook, Side 1 & Rose Black, Side 2



2018 COIN STILL AVAILABLE

There are still a few of our first annual commemorative coins available. All profits benefit the new church. Just stop in the parish office to purchase. \$10 per coin.

Artist: Bryson Banks

Parish Council

Elected Parish Leadership

Rick Holdcroft—President
Jane Lukasina—Vice President
Greg Stoiber - Secretary

Organization Representatives

Fr. Leo—Pastor
Sue Mailhot—Development Director
Wade Horton—Finance Council
Sherry Trupp—WWG
Angie Palmer—School
Dave Boone—Knights of Columbus
Mark White—Religious Education
Dick Lewis—Minutemen

BAKER'S COMMUNITY

REWARD PROGRAM

WE RECEIVED \$728.42 FOR LAST QUARTER'S REBATE!

Thank you for all who participate in this program. REMEMBER *this does not cost you anything or take away from any other reward points you receive.* Consider linking your rewards card to St. Matthew at: 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.



LOVING LIFE MINISTRY

OCTOBER is RESPECT LIFE MONTH Each October the Catholic Church in the US celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life. We invite you to participate in any/all of our upcoming events and ask you to pray with us for the end to abortion.

BABY SHOWER REMINDER The St. Matthew Community is invited to participate in a “Baby Shower” being held to support a single mom who chose life for her baby now through October 15. Please drop off gifts in the Pack ‘n Play in the Commons. There is a box for cards/gift cards.

Suggested gifts: Diapers (Pampers Swaddlers, Size 2 and up), Toiletries (No wipes needed), Monetary Gifts/Gift Cards (clothes not needed), Amazon Gift Cards to go towards her Baby Registry, Savings Bonds for future needs, Cards with prayers, well wishes and support.

Contact Janice Todd – janicetoddcmc@msn.com or 402-871-4699 with any questions. Thank you so much for your generosity!!

LIFE CHAIN The annual Life Chain is this Sun, Oct 6, 2:00 – 3:00pm. We would love to fill our assigned block, the southeast corner of 72nd and Dodge, with our St. Matthew community and LIFE Runners. Come and be witnesses for the dignity of all life in the center of Omaha! If you can’t join us, please pray for a successful event.....that many hearts and minds in our city will come to see the sanctity of all human lives.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE You’re invited to join other Christians around the world for the 40 Days for Life campaign – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion – now thru Nov 3. Pray at home, but more importantly, pray in front of the abortion facility in our city, especially Thurs – Sat when the facility is open. (1002 Mission St, Bellevue) Mark your calendar for the St. Matthew/LIFE Runners’ Prayer Day Sat, Nov 2, from 8:00am – 8:00pm. We also encourage you to sign up for the daily devotionals during the campaign at 40daysforlife.com or get them on the free app and to read the books 40 Days for Life or The Beginning of the End of Abortion during the campaign.

LIFE Runners We would love to grow our St. Matthew Church Chapter. Become a teammate at liferunners.org. LIFE Runners is the world’s largest Pro-Life team with 13,000 teammates ages .1 to 101 in 50 states and 39 nations. Running is optional! Sign up, order “REMEMBER The Unborn” jersey. Wear your jersey in public, especially on the First Wednesday of every month with teammates around the world. 78% of post-abortion women said if ONE person had offered support or if they had ONE supportive sign, they would have chosen life. Be that ONE person and ONE sign to impact hearts and minds for saving lives. Invite others to join the team! Mark your calendar for the LIFE Runners Dinner/Unplanned Movie Night Sat, Oct 26, following 5:00 Mass.

Take warning, O rulers of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear... ~ Ps 2:10-11

Reflection: Pro-abortion politicians say, “The government should not be involved in a personal decision like abortion.” But the government go “too involved” in abortion when it claimed to have the authority to authorize it.

Some say it is none of the government’s business to prohibit abortion. Actually, it is none of the government’s business to permit abortion.

Prayer: Instill in our civic leaders, O God, the proper fear of Your kingship. May they realize the limits of their authority. (Pro-life Reflections for Every Day by Fr. Frank Pavone. Visit priestsforlife.org for all daily reflections. Click on the “Prayer” tab)

St. Matthew

Bellevue, NE



Save the date & plan to join us!

**Fun, Food, Raffles
& Live Auction**

Would you like to help plan this event?

Join us for a planning meeting on

Thursday, Oct. 3 @ 6pm ~ Cardinal Spellman Room

Or contact Sue at samailhot@archomaha.org



Box Tops for Education is going digital!

- They are transitioning from clipping to a digital-only program
- In order to participate in the digital-only program, you must download the Box Top mobile app (you can get it on Google Play or the App Store)
- Once you have the app downloaded and all set up you simply scan your *receipt and the app will find participating products and add them to St. Matthew's earnings online (*receipts must be scanned within 14 days of purchase)
- Earnings are automatically updated online so you can see the school's earnings for the year
- If you prefer, you can send in your receipts and our Box Top Coordinator will scan them for you
- Any products you purchase/have purchased that still have Box Tops on them will be honored-so keep clipping and turning those in the traditional way



Other ways to help St. Matthew earn money!

➤ **Coca-Cola Products:**



Donate your my Coke Reward Points! You can save your Coke and Powerade lids, cut out Coke Codes out of the 12, 24 and 36 can packs and bring to school in a baggie. Please give to your child's teacher or drop off in the container under the PTO Table in the Commons.

➤ **TAGG**

Install the TAGG app, shop at participating businesses. Snap a picture of your receipt and the school will receive a donation.



➤ Choose St. Matthew when you shop via “**Amazon Smile**” (<http://smile.amazon.com/>)



Scrip

Purchase gift cards or e-gift cards. You can elect to credit your rebates toward your tuition or donate your rebates to school or church.

➤ **Hy-Vee Receipts**

Drop your Hy-Vee receipts off through December 31, 2019. Hy-Vee donates, to St. Matthew, \$1.00 for every \$200 of receipts turned in.

➤ **St. Matthew Dinner Nights:**

- Culver's—October 9 4-9pm
- Five Guys—October 21 4-8pm

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

OCTOBER 25, 2019

6:00PM – 8:30PM

- ▶ TRICK OR TREAT STREET
- ▶ DJ AND BOUNCE HOUSE
- ▶ PHOTO BOOTH
- ▶ CARNIVAL GAMES
- ▶ COSTUME CONTESTS
- ▶ PUMPKIN DECORATING

ADMISSION

\$5 – Kids

\$1 - Adults



**Witches in the Kitchen
are Dying to Serve
Your Dinner!**

Dinner available for purchase