



St. Matthew Catholic Church (1909)

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July 11 & 12, 2020

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5 PM Sunday 9 AM

Tuesday 8:30 AM

Wednesday 6:30 PM

Friday 8:30 AM

Confessions

Saturday 4 PM-Sunday 8 AM

(masks should be worn during Confession)

Welcome to St. Matthew Parish

To register and become a member of St. Matthew: Please see Father, Linda Fryman, Rosanne Rawe, or Lisa Cooper to fill out a registration form. We welcome you and hope you enjoy attending Mass at our little parish. We pride ourselves on being a faith family that welcomes all to join and get to know us. If you aren't Catholic and have thought about becoming Catholic or would like to know more about the Catholic faith, please call the rectory and leave a call back number or see Fr. Straub after Mass.

Prayer Requests

Jerry Ehlman, Eileen Ehlman, Sherri Moffett, Kenny Neuspickel, Kathy Barth, Yandell Schneider, Charles Taylor, Ed Gripshover, Joy Sowder, Kathy Proctor, David Roland, Steve Elmlinger, Richard Bacon, Albert Proctor, Sarah Hoffman, Mary Louise Cross, Ken Steffen, and everyone touched by the Corona virus.

This Week's Mass Schedule

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July Birthdays

July 2—Bernie Rawe

July 8—Fr. Straub

July 16—Dennis Baker

July 17—Chris Fryman

July 17—Macy Feinauer

July 24—Kevin Cooper

July 25—Warren Richardson

July 28—Darlene Schütte

July 31—Summer Gullion

The bulletin will be in a new format that Father designed. He feels it will be a simpler and easier to understand format.

July Anniversaries

July 28—Bill & Rita Funke

**God Bless Our Parishioners!
Thank You So Much!**

Weekly Offering

**July 5— Did not count. Office
getting a new floor!**

VERY IMPORTANT!

Please do not forget to mail or drop off your weekly offering for our collection. As most everyone knows, we operate on a very close budget so your weekly gifts are very important. Unfortunately, the bills continue to come in during this time. Your help is greatly appreciated. The mailing address is on the front page of the bulletin. Thank you so much. May God Bless Each and Every One of You!

Catholic Charities continues to respond during these times of uncertainty by offer parenting, family, and individual counseling either through Telehealth or at our Latonia office. For more information call Catholic Charities' Client Care line at 859-581-8974.

Remember If You Are on Vacation

You can easily find a Mass to attend by going to www.masstimes.org and clicking on "Mass near me". We need the Lord in our lives at all times; even when vacationing! Safe travels!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 11, 2020

Mass 5PM

For the Living and Dead Members of Our Parish

Sunday, July 12, 2020

Mass 9AM

For Elizabeth Leming

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

Mass 8:30 AM

For Mike Wong & Charlotte Lahrman

Wednesday, July 15, 2020

Mass—6:30 PM

For the Living and Dead Members of Our Parish

Friday, July 17, 2020

Mass 8:30 AM

For The Special Intentions of the Younger Family

Saturday, July 18, 2020

Mass 5 PM

For the Special Intentions of Christine Wethington

Sunday, July 19, 2020

Mass 9 AM

For the Living and Dead Members of Our Parish

Upcoming Readings

Sunday— July 12

First—Isaiah 55:10-11

Psalm—Psalm 68

Second—Romans 8:18-23

Gospel— Matthew 13:1-23

Monday-July 13

First—Isaiah 1:10-17

Psalm—Psalm 50

Gospel—Matthew 10:34-11:1

Tuesday-July 14

First—Isaiah 7:1-6

Psalm: Psalm 48

Gospel-Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday –July 15

First—Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16

Psalm-Psalm 94

Gospel— Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday-July 16

First— Isalah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19

Psalm—Psalm 102

Gospel—Matthew 11:28-30

Friday-July 17

First— Isalah 38:1-8, 21-22

Psalm—Isalah 38:10-12, 16

Gospel—Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday AM-July 18

First— Micah 2:1-5

Psalm— Psalm 10

Gospel—Matthew 12:14-21

Sunday— July 19

First—Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Psalm—Psalm 86

Second—Romans 8:26-27

Gospel— Matthew 13:24-43

Since we are unsure who will feel comfortable coming back to church at this time, we will not list the Lectors in the bulletin but will ask the prior week who is willing to read the following week. Once we can openly attend church, we will again have a schedule.

Your can read the bulletin on our website The Vigil Mass will not be available for this weekend's Mass. The videographer is going on a short vacation and no one has learned how to do the filming and editing yet. Sorry. We will be back next week with the Mass.

The bulletins posted at www.stmatthewskenton.org.

**We will be ordering grand prize tickets for the festival this week so get ready to sell and pray that we will be able to have the festival on September 20, 2020. We will have the raffle either way.

Parish News

Baby Bottle Campaign

Care Net is once again conducting its Baby Bottle Campaign. The bottles are in the back of church and have also placed outside the church doors for those who are not yet attending Mass due to Covid-19 danger. Please fill them with change, cash, or a check and return by August 2.

Wedding Anniversary Vespers

The Diocese has Vespers for milestone wedding anniversaries each year at the Cathedral. This year's will be on September 27. We need to send in everyone who is having the following anniversaries so the Bishop can send out a congratulatory certificate and invite the couples to the Cathedral to be recognized. Unfortunately, when St. Matthew's database was created, the wedding dates were not entered for existing parishioners. Please let Linda Fryman know your wedding date and place of the ceremony as soon as you can. You can call and leave a message (859-240-2377) or email (frymanlinda@gmail.com). Thanks!

DPAA Pledges Needed!

We were wrong in stating the DPAA goal did not change. It went up by \$400 to \$10,700. We need to make our pledges using the letter and form from the Bishop. Please be as generous as you possibly can since St. Matthew will have to pay the remainder if we do not meet the goal. This is very important to our parish. If you did not receive a form and letter from the Diocese, please let us know because we have some forms in the office. Thank you.

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEEDS HELP.....

As Christians, we are called to help one another. The COVID virus is a scary and lonely thing for some, especially the elderly. Also, many are out of work and cannot provide for their families or themselves. The news is full of frightening predictions. All these things can lead to depression and feelings of isolation, not to mention despair. If you or someone you know needs help in any way, please reach out to us through the rectory phone number, 859-356-6530. We may be able to help or at least find a resource for help. Remember we are here to care for one another.

Thanks to all who helped move furniture last Sunday!

The rectory and office now have a beautiful new vinyl floor. Thank you for sticking around and helping move everything out so this could be completed while Father was away this past week. God bless each of you!

Notes from the Pastor

Communication and Parables

Next week we will have a newly formatted bulletin! We are making the bulletin a little simpler for printing and reading so as to improve our communications. This will be an essential aspect of working together as a parish, especially as we slowly (and hopefully) return to more normal operations. Though things may be different than what you're used to, I hope it will be easy to adapt and improve with this new format.

A pastor cannot work well with and for his parish if he does not communicate what is happening and what needs to be done. I do not want to hide anything from you or leave you in the dark; after all, our parish only exists by your assistance and cooperation. I will be doing everything I can to keep you informed and up to date on what's happening around here. Some things to be looking out for include:

- the financial year-end report sent to the diocese, which states all our income and expenses
- any updates on protocols and standards to be implemented or relieved in the celebration of the Mass
- details on my formal installation as the pastor of St. Matthew by Bishop Foys in October
- plans or details for if we hold our parish festival in September
- any other events or happenings that may come up.

In addition, I will use this article to discuss major topics or ideas from our Catholic faith. We can all use some refreshers from time to time, or perhaps we may learn more about the depths and riches of our sacred tradition as members of the 2000-year-old Catholic Church founded by Jesus Christ. There's always so much to learn and discover about what we believe, how we practice our faith, and about those who have lived as Catholics. Let us explore in detail what is the Catholic faith so that we may obtain the goal of all that Jesus taught and did for us: everlasting life.

Jesus tells us in today's Gospel a parable about the seed and the sower. A parable is a story used by Jesus to demonstrate a deeper moral or spiritual truth. Jesus uses this method of teaching so that we may more deeply receive the truth that He wants us to know and live out. Instead of just spelling it out, Jesus gives us this story for better memorization and reflection. We have Jesus' own interpretation of today's parable at the end of the Gospel reading, but we don't often get an interpretation. Many of the ancient Church fathers have given us various interpretations of the parables to help us understand and implement the Gospel truth.

Let us hear what the Lord has to teach and tell us whenever we hear the Gospel proclaimed. Let us turn to the great teachers and biblical interpreters of the past to better understand the word of God and to live it in our daily lives. May the seed of the Word grow richly in the soil of your heart.

Fr. Jacob Straub