

ST. PIUS X AND ST. MATTHEW PARISHES

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."

Matthew 16:24

St. Pius X parish**PARISH STAFF**

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SUNDAY MASSES

4:30 p.m. (Sat.)

HOLYDAY MASSES

Consult weekly bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents must attend a workshop in preparation for Baptism.
 Call the rectory office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturdays 3:30 to 4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the parish priest at least 9 months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Call the parish office to arrange.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Call the office if you are aware of anyone who is homebound.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday, 10:00 am written or via email

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SUNDAY MASSES

11:00 a.m.; 3:00 p.m. Extraordinary Form Mass

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Mondays 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Saturdays 10:30 a.m.
 Sundays 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

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*The Weekly Calendar***St. Pius X****22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(†Mass Intention)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, Labor Day**

No Mass/parish offices closed

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

7:40 Rosary (church)

8:00 † Judy Lancaster by John Lancaster
 (birthday remembrance)

8:30 Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion (church)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

3:30 Confessions

4:30 † Norm Hamelin by Carmen and Bill Glowney

*The Weekly Calendar***St. Matthew****22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time****Traditional Latin Mass: 14th Sunday after Pentecost**

(†Mass Intention)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

11:00 † Mary Dobos by Faith Yassick

12:00 Sunday Social coffee and donuts
 (church basement)

1:30 Confessions

3:00 † The parishes of St. Matthew and St. Pius X

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, Labor Day

No Mass/parish offices closed

No Adoration

No Confessions

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

12:10 † T. Michael McCabe by Patrick McCabe

6:30 *Athirst for the Spirit* women's study begins (Grand Blanc)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

10:00 Interior Freedom study (Grand Blanc)

12:10 † William Dailey by Pat Dailey

6:30 Confirmation preparation begins

7:00 The Bible and Church Fathers study
 (church basement)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:10 † Matthew Revord by Richard Jobbagy

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

10:30 No Confessions

Don Antonio's Dispatch...

Happy Labor Day Weekend! I hope you are all able to enjoy the holiday on Monday. In my youth, we would spend the weekend up in Mackinaw and walk the Mackinac Bridge on Labor Day. Safe travels to anyone who is traveling! Our offices will be closed at both St. Pius X and St. Matthew, and there will be no Mass, adoration or confessions on Monday.

Friday is the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Blessed Mother's birthday! Make sure you tell your spiritual mother happy birthday, maybe by praying an extra few Hail Marys or a Hail, Holy Queen!

Saturday is my birthday, and I'll be turning the big 4-0. I'll be taking some time off to celebrate and doing some bourbon tasting in Kentucky, as well as listening to some country music in Nashville. We'll have our regular Mass schedule for the days I'll be gone.

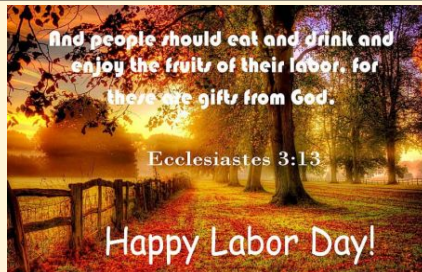
Our deacons will also be gone on convocation. Please pray for them as they gather for formation, rest, and fraternity.

Here's our *Catechism* paragraph for the week:

The Lord grieves over the rich, because they find their consolation in the abundance of goods (cf. Lk. 6:24). "Let the proud seek and love earthly kingdoms, but blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven (St. Augustine of Hippo)." Abandonment to the providence of the Father in heaven frees us from anxiety about tomorrow. Trust in God is a preparation for the blessedness of the poor. They shall see God. (n. 2547)

Monday, September 4, there will be no Mass at St. Pius X and St. Matthew parishes. Both offices will be closed in observance of Labor Day.

There will be no Adoration and no Confessions at St. Matthew parish



St. Matthew Library - Down by the bride's room we have a theological library which was organized by one of our parishioners. You are welcome to check-out books for your formation.

However, please do not simply add books to the library without having Fr. Anthony approve of them beforehand. We want to make sure that all of our books are truly edifying for the faith. Thank you!



The Altar Society at St. Pius X will hold their monthly meeting on **Monday, September 11 at 1:00 pm** in the parish center. Refreshments and dessert will be served. All women of the parishes are welcome. A short business meeting will be

held.

St. Pius X Weekly Collection

Week of:	8/27/23
Anticipated income	\$ 4,500.00
Actual income	\$ 3,296.33
Over (under)	\$ (1,203.67)

Lector for September 9, St. Pius X

4:30 P Jansen

**Lector for September 10, St. Matthew**

11:00 M Wilson

ALTAR CARE, St. Pius X-Team 3

Kathy Hartner, Linda Helmka

**Readings for September 3
22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time**

*My soul is thirsting
for you, O Lord
my God.*

Jeremiah 20: 7-9

Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

Romans 12: 1-2

Matthew 16: 21=27

**Extraordinary Form Readings for September 3
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Galatians 5: 16-24

Psalms 117: 8-9

Matthew 6: 24-33

Monthly Parish Intention

*Lord, with your watchful care, heal me in your embrace.
In you, I find my joy.*

**St. Matthew parish Roses**

Offering the roses for St. Therese at St. Matthew's Church is a wonderful way to honor the memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion. The offering is \$20 or \$60 for all three altars of St. Therese, St. Mary and St. Joseph. Please call or visit the church office (810) 232-0880 to make arrangements.

Roses for this week are donated by Richard Jobbagy in memory of Matthew Revord and Mary Jobbagy

**Prepare for Confirmation at St. Matthew
Classes begin September 6, 2023**

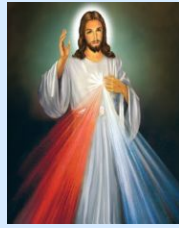
Confirmation prep is starting this September for those who wish to prepare to receive their Confirmation in the Spring of 2024. **Classes begin on Wednesday, September 6, 2023 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.** Cost of material is \$35. Any questions, please contact Amanda Williams at: amandawilliams@flintcatholic.org

**St. Matthew Weekly Collection**

Week of:	8/27/2023
Anticipated income	\$ 6,013.46
Actual income	\$ 5,570.50
Over (under)	\$ (442.96)

Join us next Monday,
September 11, 2023!

The Divine Mercy Apostolate is a Eucharist Apostolate active at St. Pius X. We meet on Mondays in the parish center at 6:00 pm. **We will meet for the Fall beginning on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 6:00 pm.** Men and women are welcome!



Q & A with Father A

Q & A w/ Father A, where Fr. Anthony answers questions from the children of the parish. At VBS the children had many questions for Fr. Anthony. **Q & A with Father A** gives the children an opportunity to ask Fr. Anthony questions.

Q: How long did you have to go to seminary?

Fr. Anthony: I went to seminary for 8 years: 4 years in college seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota; and 4 years at major seminary in Detroit, Michigan.

If your child has a question for Fr. Anthony, write it out and place it in the collection basket at Mass.

Enroll for Fall 2023-24 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at St. Pius X - All

parents and grandparents at St. Pius X and St. Matthew parishes, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Pre-K through Kindergarten; Level 2 for 1st - 3rd grade and Faith Explorers for 4th through 6th grade, will return to St. Pius X on **September 17, 2023**. We will meet in the St. Pius X school building on **Sundays at 9:15 am**. Please register your child(ren) or grandchild(ren) at the St. Pius X parish website: spxparish.com, click on Faith Formation and sign up under "Sunday children's registration". All sessions are free of charge. Contact Cathy Keroson at cathyk148@yahoo.com or call (810) 730-6791 with any questions. If your child/children were in the program last year, please register again. Come and join our group of wonderful children, parents and grandparents!



"And sing the love amazing..."

The Casavant organ at Saint Matthew Church is 95 years old. But not a sound could be made through the organ pipes were there not a source of wind. In the church's basement resides the giant engine blower that pumps the air into the organ's bellows. This engine is also 95 years old. Sometime within the next year, the ball bearings must be replaced. Surely, somewhere in the greater Flint area—the birthplace of General Motors—there must be an engine shop that can perform this maintenance. Please see me after Mass or email me if you have a recommendation. Thank you!

Joseph Dobos, Director of Sacred Music
josephdobos@flintcatholic.org



St. Pius X and St. Matthew Prayers for the sick and homebound~

May they fully recover to good health.

Please pray for the healing of:

Msgr. Richard Groshek, Bishop Mengeling, Bob Esia, Sharon Guza, Maggie Espinoza, Betty LaGuire, Susan Hagen, Mary Ward, Dolores Carter, Glen Thompson, Deacon Gary Gallagher, Erin Ranville, Dennis Ranville, Josh Lovell, Michelle Kennedy, Freda Hamby, Henry Wartella, Sherry Whiteside, and Samantha Wright

(Please call the parish office (810) 232-0880 if you or a family member is in need of prayer. **Names will be removed after 3 weeks, but can be renewed with a phone call**)



Sacraments & Faith Formation Updates

Confirmation

Confirmation prep is starting in September! It is not required that your child attend the confirmation prep we offer, but I encourage you to consider this class. It will give candidates an excellent opportunity to have conversations about their faith with their peers. **Classes start September 6th on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm.**

First Communion

If you believe your child is ready to receive his or her First Communion, there is no need to wait! Call the office at St. Matthew to get the process started. If you believe your child is ready, but they have not gone through any First Communion prep, please call us and we can help you with finding the resources that you need.

Adult Formation

We are currently working through the *Bible and the Church Fathers* study, and we are learning so much. If you are interested in joining us, you still can and you will have no problems jumping right in. A few years ago we offered *The Bible Timeline* study, and it was very well received. Many have commented on how it has helped open their eyes and minds to what the Bible is all about. We will be offering this study again this Fall. Keep an eye out for more information!

Amanda Williams
Director of Faith Formation
St. Matthew Catholic Church - Flint



ADORATION
of the
BLESSED
SACRAMENT

Adoration at St. Matthew's begins after the 12:10 pm Mass with Exposition, Benediction is at 7:00 pm. Evening prayer begins at 6:30 pm following Sacrament of Reconciliation at 5:30 pm.

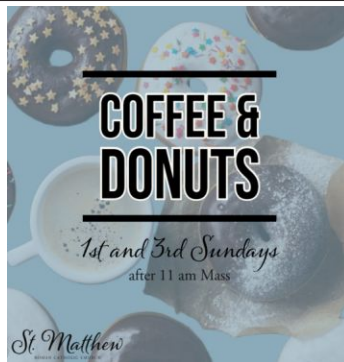
Parishioners of St. Pius X and St. Matthew parishes are welcome to sign up for an hour or more of Adoration on Mondays. We have many openings for adorers during Monday Adoration especially time slots from 1-2pm; 3-4 pm; 3:30-4:30pm; and 5-6 pm. Please consider signing up. Visit: <https://stpiusx22.flocknote.com/signup/105825> or email Amanda Williams at: amandawilliams@flintcatholic.org to sign up.

Vespers are at 6:30 pm, before Benediction on Mondays. For anyone interested in chanting, please call St. Matthew's parish office (810) 232-0880 for contact information.



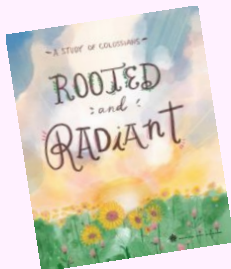
Join us in the St. Matthew parish basement for refreshments and fellowship after Mass, every 1st & 3rd Sundays of the Month! If you are interested in signing up to bring donuts, please sign up using the volunteer sign-up found online or call the church office! *

Join us after the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, September 3



*Sign up to bring donuts to share on either the first or third Sunday of the month, **September 3 and September 17**. Signing up is a one-time commitment.

Greater Flint Catholic Men's Group at St. Pius X will return beginning on Wednesday, September 13th - Are you looking for a Catholic men's group that is faith-based which can help you apply scripture to your daily life? We have just the group for you! The Greater Flint Catholic Men's Group meets every Wednesday from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the parish center at St. Pius X parish. All are welcome. Men from a variety of local, Catholic churches gather for great discussions. Bring a friend! They would love to meet you. **Our meetings start Wednesday, September 13, 2023**. Any questions, please call Jack at (810) 938-2778.



In the **Rooted and Radiant** Bible study we'll learn the book of Colossians verse by verse. We will seek to understand the challenges that faced the Colossians, recognizing that they are remarkably similar to our own challenges today. In a world increasingly plagued with confusion and chaos, you are invited to encounter the God of clarity and peace. Let Christ reveal Himself to you as He truly is and transform you into the woman that our world so desperately needs.

Sessions start on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 through October 25, 2023 at 10:00 am at the home of Lynn Francis. This is a 6-week program. Please call for more information and/or registration, contact Lynn Francis (810) 730-3671; email lmargy802@att.net or Mary Beth Leet (810) 241-9812. To order your book, *Rooted and Radiant*, please visit Walking with Purpose online at www.walkingwithpurpose.com. You were never meant to journey alone. God is inviting you to draw near to Him, and the women of our parish are waiting for you! Let's journey together.

St. Matthew and St. Pius X Office Hours:

St. Pius X : Please call St. Matthew offices;
St. Matthew 8:30 am - 4:30 pm M - F (810) 232-0880

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St. Matthew



St. Pius X

JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE



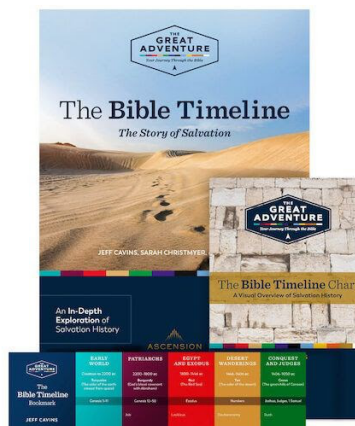
The Bible and the Church Fathers - Embrace the Faith of our Fathers! Meet the Great Fathers of our Church; see why the ancient faith is the Catholic Faith; learn how the fathers approached Scripture. Join us on **Wednesday, September 6, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the St. Matthew fieldhouse**. A workbook is available, but not required, for \$20. Follow the link online, call the parish office or email: amandawilliams@flintcatholic.org to register!



Ladies of the parish - Join our Wednesday morning Interior Freedom study by Jacques Phillipe on **September 6 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am**. The thesis to be developed is a simple, but very important one: We gain possession of our interior freedom by connecting to God himself, as we grow in faith, hope and love.

Our Tuesday evening study group, **Thirst for the Spirit**, Biblical Wisdom for Desert Times, by Nina Sophie Heereman, includes seven essays which will explain what the Bible teaches about the meaning of gender - in particular, the Spirit-bearing mission of woman - and how we are to journey through the desert of life. The book is available on Amazon and Emmaus Press for \$24.95. Join us **Tuesday evening, September 5 from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm**. Both meetings are at the home of Rae Ann Houbeck, Grand Blanc. Please call if you are interested (810) 919-8696.

The Bible Timeline Study at St. Matthew starts October 12



Reading the bible should bring us closer to Christ, but understanding it is often difficult. The good news is that you can understand the Bible, and The Bible Timeline, a twenty-three part Bible study, makes it easy.

Presenter, Jeff Cavins, shows you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and gives you the keys to understand the amazing story woven throughout Scripture. In this revolutionary approach to

Bible study, The Bible Timeline divides the Bible into twelve color-coded time periods that make it easier to follow its narrative thread. Using a unique color-coded chart, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

St. Matthew will offer The Bible Timeline beginning on October 12th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Participants will continue to meet on Thursdays to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. **A workbook is needed to fully follow along with this program- the cost of the workbook is \$40**. Please register at www.stmatthewflint.org/bibletimeline.

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