Ss. Mary & Mathias Church 215 W. 8th St. Muscatine, IA 52761

We the parish of Saints Mary and Mathias Catholic Church,
welcome you to joyfully walk with us as disciples of Jesus Christ.

September 20, 2020

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
in Ordinary Time

The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard.
Matthew 20:1

Aprendan algo del Reino de los Cielos. Un propietario salió de madrugada a contratar trabajadores para su viña.
Mateo 20:1

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ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL KICK-OFF

Next Weekend is Pledge Sunday for the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Last year Saints Mary and Mathias exceeded our parish goal for the first time since 2015-2016. With your help we're looking forward to making it two years in a row! Remember – any amount contributed in excess of our goal comes back to the parish. So far we are slated to receive $1530.20 from the 2019-20 campaign. Thank you for your prayerful support!

This Week

September 19th
Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr; BVM
3:45pm Confessions
5pm Mass - Rosalie Miller

September 20th
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8am Mass - Leonard Paca
10am Mass - Jerry & Mary Howell
12:30pm Spanish Mass - Epilio Franco

September 21st
Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
4:30pm Confessions
5:15pm Mass - Bill & Gertrude Busch

September 22nd
7am Mass - Carol Larson
8:30am School Mass

September 23rd
Saint Pius Of Pietrelcina, Priest
7am Mass - John F. McAreavy

September 24th
7am Mass - John Grosjean
8am –8pm Adoration

September 25th
7am Mass - Nancy Sivedge

September 26th
Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
3:45pm Confessions
5pm Mass - AOP

September 27th
26th Sunday In Ordinary Time
8am Mass - AOP
10am Mass - Patricia Boland
12:30 Spanish Mass - Sr. Guadalupe Navarro, Felipa Valencia & Juanita Sanchez

CELEBRATING BAPTISM
CELEBRANDO EL BAUTISMO

Lucia Amada Padilla
Parents: Jose Dolores Padilla & Maria Martha Garcia
Oisin James McDonald
Parents: Kyle & Kerin McDonald

Stella Lou Linnenbrink
Parents: Jon Linnenbrink & Heather Neuwig

Raphael Edem Akpalu
Parents: Komlan Akpalu & Essohlo Btchassi

CELEBRATING ETERNAL LIFE
CELEBRANDO LA VIDA ETERNA

John P. Randolph, 61 - Sep. 7, 2020

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EXPANDED HOURS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be offered from immediately following the 7:00am Mass on Thursdays until 8:00pm, in the main body of the church. A minimum of two committed adorers are needed each hour to make this possible. **Adorers are still needed for 3pm-4pm, 6pm-7pm.** Please contact the parish office to sign up for a time. All are invited to come and spend some time in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord!

Remember: *Please maintain social distancing and only use the designated pews & please sanitize your pew before you leave.

New this Fall - the 5:00pm hour (from 5-6pm) will be designated as a special **"Family Friendly" hour of adoration.** While families are ALWAYS welcome at Mass and Adoration, this hour will be set aside in a special way for families with young children. Don't stress if your littles get the wiggles or need to squirm!

Stewardship of Treasure

Fiscal Year Runs July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

Sunday Collections Budget Year	52 weeks	$732,000.00
Sunday Collections Needed to Date	10 weeks	$140,770.00
Sunday Collections Received to Date (Including ACH/e-giving	10 weeks	$129,209.00
Below Budget to Date		($11,561.00)

Sunday Collections Needed Per Week	$14,077.00
Weekly Collections for Week of 9/6/2020	$19,739.00
Above Budget for Last Week Collection	$5,662.00

FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship is the teaching document of the Catholic Bishops of the United States on the political responsibility of Catholics. It provides guidance for all who seek to exercise their rights and duties as citizens. As Catholics, we bring the richness of our faith to the public square. We draw from both faith and reason as we seek to affirm the dignity of the human person and the common good of all.

Why Does the Church Teach About Issues Affecting Public Policy?

The Church's obligation to participate in shaping the moral character of society is a requirement of our faith, a part of the mission given to us by Jesus Christ. As people of both faith and reason, Catholics are called to bring truth to political life and to practice Christ's commandment to "love one another" (Jn 13:34).

The US Constitution protects the right of individual believers and religious bodies to proclaim and live out their faith without government interference, favoritism, or discrimination.

What are the Principles that Guide Catholic Participation in Political Life?

The Dignity of the Human Person

Every man, woman, and child, is created in the image and likeness of God, and each human life is a gift from God. Because of this, all human life is sacred, and must be protected from conception until natural death. The intentional taking of an innocent human life is always and in every circumstance an intrinsically evil act. What's more, society ought to be so ordered as to promote the flourishing of each person. We should never allow the good of the institution to trump that of the person.

Solidarity

...is "a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to...the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all." Regardless of our national, racial, ethnic, economic, or ideological differences, we are one human family, and we must take care for "the least of these, my brethren."

Who in the Church Should Participate in Political Life?

In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation. As Catholics, we should be guided more by our moral convictions than by our attachment to any political party or interest group. In today's environment, Catholics may feel politically disenfranchised, sensing that no party and few candidates fully share our comprehensive commitment to human life and dignity. This should not discourage us. On the contrary, it makes our obligation to act all the more urgent.

Catholic lay women and men need to act on the Church's moral principles and become more involved: running for office, working within political parties, and communicating concerns to elected officials. Even those who cannot vote should raise their voices on matters that affect their lives and the common good. Faithful citizenship is an ongoing responsibility, not just an election year duty.

Subsidiarity

Subsidiarity dictates that decisions ought to be made by the smallest, lowest, or least centralized competent authority. Larger institutions in society should not overwhelm or interfere with smaller or local institutions; yet larger institutions have essential responsibilities when the more local institutions cannot adequately protect human dignity, meet human needs, and advance the common good.

The family, based on the marriage of one man and one woman, is the fundamental unit of society, and government ought to support the it, while never needlessly undermining it.

The Common Good

...is "the sum total of social conditions which allow people, either as a group or as individuals, to reach their fulfilment more fully and more easily."

Each of us has a duty to see to it that our individual actions and our government policies contribute to rather than impede the flourishing of every human person. Basic human rights, such as life, religious freedom, and access to those things required for human decency (food, shelter, education, employment, healthcare, etc…), must be respected.

Adapted from the USCCB Document *The Challenge of Faithful Citizenship, Part I.* For more information visit www.usccb.org and search for "Faithful Citizenship."

FAITH FORMATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

September 23: Online Religious Education will begin Confirmation for students/adults who prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation during the 2019-2020 Faith Formation year will be: October 7, October 14, October 28.

BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA)

If you or someone you know is considering joining the Catholic Church or inquiring about the Catholic Faith, please call Sister Cheryl (563-263-3848) and leave your name and phone number and Sister Cheryl will contact you. THANK YOU!

BAPTISM

Sister Cheryl is doing the Pre-Baptismal preparation classes. To register for a pre-Baptism Class, call Sister Cheryl at 563-263-3848. To schedule a Baptism, please call Maria at 563-263-1416. We are excited to work with you! Blessings to you!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Information regarding the weekly Children's Liturgy of the Word is in our bulletin each Sunday. Saint Mary's Press is going to keep the online version of the weekly Children's Liturgy of the Word available until the end of November. Please take advantage of this wonderful resource until the time when we gather for Children's Liturgy of the Word during our weekly Sunday Masses.

FAITH Alive and Active

SAINTS MARY & MATHIAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1. Due to COVID-19, there will be no in-person Fall Auction this year. The committee is working on some exciting alternatives. Stay tuned for updates.
2. If anyone would like more Blitz tickets, please call or email the office and they will be sent home with your student.
3. Congratulations to our 3rd graders who were able to make their First Communion this past weekend. McKinley Cruse, Samantha Eads, Valentina Murillo, and Ella Nietzel all received the sacrament at this past weekend's Masses. Congrats, ladies!

MEET THE TEACHER

My name is Melissa Peterson. I graduated from MCC and then transferred to UNI, where I earned an Early Childhood & Elementary Education degree. I have been working with children for more than 20 years. For several years I was involved in Girl Scouts as a leader. I have two daughters. One is a graduate of Kirkwood Community College with a degree in Interior Design. The other is attending Hawkeye Community College, pursuing a degree in Photography. One of my favorite things to do is to travel the United States. I prefer to travel by car, rather it be short day trips or longer drives to places such as Myrtle Beach. I'm excited and proud to be a part of the teaching team at Saints Mary & Mathias Catholic School. Thank you to everyone for being so welcoming!

Welcome to this season's SMMCS Blitz Raffle!
Here are the Week 1 winners:

1st Place ($153) 115 points:
Salvador Garcia #0738
Stephanie Vandygriff #2542
Justin Allison #3038
Kevin Zeimet #4086
Monica Halstead #3080

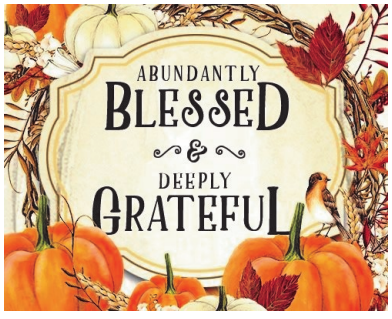
6th Place ($18.33) 111 points:
Manuel Moncivais #2968
Honorio Najar #1696
Cheryl Woepking #2680

Lowest Score ($10) 33 points
Karyn Wright #367
Denise Causse #1598

If you know of anyone still wanting to purchase a ticket or who isn't getting weekly emails, please call our office. Thank you for participating!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THANKSGIVING MEALS

Each year our local Knights of Columbus provides Thanksgiving meals to families in need in our community. This year's goal is to provide at least 45 dinners! Each dinner costs $90, and will feed 12-15 people. Ordinarily the annual Beef & Noodle Dinner is a major source of funding for this project, but due to current pandemic restrictions, we have had to cancel this fall's dinner. But, the need is greater than ever this year! If you would like to help support this effort you can drop a check in the collection basket made payable to Knights of Columbus #1305. Be sure to write Thanksgiving Dinner Project in the memo line. Thanks for your help!



LA SANTA MISA DE HOY ES EN MEMORIA DE EPILIO FRANCO

Yo soy la salvación de mi pueblo, dice el Señor. Los escucharé cundo me llamen en cualquier tribulación, y siempre seré su Dios.

INICIO DE LA APELACIÓN DIOCESANA ANUAL

El próximo fin de semana es el Domingo de Compromiso para la Apelación Diocesana Anual. El año pasado Santos María y Matías excedieron nuestra meta parroquial por primera vez desde 2015-2016. ¡Con su ayuda tenemos ganas de hacerlo dos años en fila! Recuerde – cualquier cantidad contribuida superior a nuestro objetivo vuelve a la parroquia. Hasta ahora estamos programados para recibir $1530.20 de la campaña 2019-20. ¡Gracias por su apoyo de oración!

Nosotros la Comunidad Católica de Muscatine le damos la bienvenida a caminar con alegría con nosotros como discípulos de Jesucristo.

ADORACION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO HORAS EXTENDIDAS

Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento se ofrecerá inmediatamente después de la Misa de las 7am hasta las 8pm los jueves, en el cuerpo principal de la iglesia. Se necesita un mínimo de dos adoradores comprometidos cada hora para que esto sea posible. **Adoradores todavía son necesarios para 3pm-4pm, 6pm-7pm.** Comuníquese a la oficina parroquial para inscribirse por un hora. ¡Todos están invitados a venir y pasar algún tiempo en la presencia de nuestro Señor Eucarístico!

Recordar:

- Por favor, mantenga el distanciamiento social y utilice únicamente los bancos designados
- Por favor, desinfecte su banco antes de irse

Nuevo este otoño – la hora de las 5:00pm (de 5pm a 6pm) será designada como una hora especial de adoración "familiar". Mientras que las familias son SIEMPRE bienvenidas en la Misa y Adoración, Esta hora se reservará de una manera especial para familias con niños pequeños. ¡No te estreses si tus pequeños no se pueden estar silencios!

CALENDARIO DE EVENTOS

Sabado, 19 de Septiembre
San Enero, Obispo y Mártir; BVM
3:45pm Confeciones
5pm Misa

Domingo, 20 de Septiembre
25o Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario
12:30pm Misa (Misa para Epilio Franco)

Lunes, 21 de Septiembre
San Mateo, Apóstol y Evangelista
4:30pm Confeciones
5:15pm Misa

Martes, 22 de Septiembre
7am Misa
8:30am Misa en la Escuela

Miercoles, 23 de Septiembre
San Pío de Pietrelcina, Sacerdote
7am Misa

Jueves, 24 de Septiembre
7am Misa
8am –8pm Adoracion

Viernes, 25 de Septiembre
7am Misa
3pm –3:30pm Adoracion
6pm-6:30pm Adoracion

Sabado, 26 de Septiembre
Santos Cosmas y Damián, Mártires
3:45pm Confeciones
5pm Misa

27 de Septiembre
26o Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario
12:30pm Misa - (Misa para Sr. Guadalupe Navarro, Felipa Valencia y Juanito Sanchez)

FORMED.ORG

(Recurso de formación de fe en línea)
*Registrarse
*Pertenezco a una Parroquia u Organización
*Ingrese Parroquia - SS Mary & Mathias
**Crear una nueva cuenta (nombre y dirección de correo electrónico)
Si necesitan ayuda, por favor hablen a la oficina parroquial con Maria.

FORMACION DE FE

EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

23 de Septiembre: La clase de Doctrina en Línea comenzará.
La confirmación para los estudiantes/adultos que se prepararon para el Sacramento de la Confirmación durante el año de Formación de Fe 2019-2020 será: 7 de octubre, 14 de octubre, 28 de octubre.

CONVERTIRSE EN CATOLICA (RCIA)

Si usted o alguien que conoce está considerando unirse a la Iglesia Católica o preguntar sobre la Fe Católica, por favor llame a la Hermana Cheryl (563-263-3848) Y DEJE SU NOMBRE Y UN NUMERO DE TELéFONO Y la Hermana Cheryl se pondrá en contacto con usted. ¡Gracias!

BAUTISMO

La hermana Cheryl hace las clases de preparación Prebautismales. Para registrarse para una Clase del prebautismo, llame a la Hermana Cheryl al 563-263-3848. Para programar un bautismo, por favor llame a Maria al 563-263-1416. ¡Estamos excitados para trabajar con usted! ¡Bendiciones a usted!

LITURGIA DE LA PALABRA PARA NIÑOS

La información relativa a la liturgia infantil semanal de la Palabra está en nuestro boletín cada semana. La Prensa de Santa María va a mantener la versión en línea de la liturgia infantil semanal de la Palabra disponible hasta finales de noviembre. Por favor, aprovechen este maravilloso recurso hasta el momento en que nos reunimos para la liturgia de los niños de la Palabra durante nuestras misas dominicales semanales.

FAITH Alive and Active

SUBASTA DE OTOÑO ESCOLAR

Debido a COVID-19, no habrá subasta de otoño en persona este año. El comité está trabajando en algunas alternativas emocionantes. Manténgase al tanto de las actualizaciones.

FAIR TRADE

Si alguien necesita comprar café, chocolates o aceite de oliva. Comuníquese con Lori Ferris al 563-260-0826.

INSCRIPCIONES PARA EL PROGRAMA DE FORMACIÓN

Si usted esta interesado en el curso, hable a la oficina con Maria para que lo inscriba.

LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA DEL 20 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Domingo	**Vigésimo Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario** Is 55, 6-9; Sal 144, 2-3. 8-9. 17-18; Fil 1, 20c-24. 27a; Mt 20, 1-16
Lunes	**Fiesta de San Mateo, Apóstol y Evangelista** Ef 4, 1-7. 11-13; Sal 18, 2-3. 4-5; Mt 9, 9-13
Martes	Pro 21, 1-6. 10-13; Sal 118, 1. 27. 30. 34. 35. 44; Lc 8, 19-21
Miércoles	**Memoria de San Pío de Pietrelcina, Presbítero** Pro 30, 5-9; Sal 118, 29. 72. 89. 101. 104; Lc 9, 1-6
Jueves	Ec 1, 2-11; Sal 89, 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14 y 17; Lc 9, 7-9
Viernes	Ec 3, 1-11; Sal 143, 1a y 2abc. 3-4; Lc 9, 18-22
Sábado	**San Cosme y San Damián, Mártires** Ec 11, 9—12, 8; Sal 89, 3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14 y 17; Lc 9, 44b-45
Domingo	**Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario** Ez 18, 25-28; Sal 24, 4bc-5. 6-7. 8-9; Fil 2, 1-11 o Fil 2, 1-5; Mt 21, 28-32

ORACIÓN DESPUÉS DE LA COMUNIÓN

A quienes alimentas, Señor, con tus sacramentos, confórtanos con tu incesante ayuda, para que en estos misterios recibamos el fruto de la redención y la conversión de nuestra vida. Por Jesucristo, nuestro Señor.

Ministry Schedule: rotundasoftware.com/ministry/metz/schedules/pointer=last

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Mass Schedule

1st Saturday-1er Sabado	9:00 am
Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	10:00am
Sunday en espanol	12:30pm
Monday	5:15pm
Tues -Fri	7:00 am

Misa día de la Semana

Lunes	5:15 pm
Martes a Viernes	7:00 am

Reconciliation (Reconciliacion)

Mon. (L)	4:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Sat. (S)	3:45 pm - 4:45 pm
1st Sat. (*1° S*)	7:45 am - 8:45 am

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