

Why do you seek
the living one among
the dead? He is not
here, but he has
been raised. ~ Luke 24:5

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EASTER 2019 • THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

St. Matthew the Apostle Church

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MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES

MONDAY, MAY 13 – Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

6:30 a.m. Daniel Arnold/Family

8:30 a.m. James "Buzz" Cockerell/

Mary Jean Cockerell & Family

TUESDAY, MAY 14 – Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

6:30 a.m. Intentions of Kyle Walsh/Family

8:30 a.m. Thomas Meechan/Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15 – Acts 12:24-13:5a; Jn 12:44-50

6:30 a.m. Vincent Lombardo/Valerie Conway

8:30 a.m. Eleanora Rose Beard/Patricia Stickel

THURSDAY, MAY 16 – Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

6:30 a.m. Lori Amick/Vano Family

8:30 a.m. Giacomina D'Eramo/Family

FRIDAY, MAY 17 – Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

6:30 a.m. Carol Curto/Mark & Patricia Curto

8:30 a.m. Joseph & Catherine Biega/Family

SATURDAY, MAY 18 – Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

8:30 a.m. Dr. Willis Hodges/Dcn. Joe & Maureen Meyer

5:00 p.m. Anthony Mangia/Family

SUNDAY, MAY 19 – Acts 14:21-27; Rev 21:1-5a;

Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

8:00 a.m. Bill Greger/David Nelson Family

10:00 a.m. Bill McFadden/McFadden Family

12:00 p.m. For Saint Matthew Parishioners/Fr. Theodore K. Sill

5:00 p.m. Cecil & Celia Whitt/Whitt Family

STEWARDSHIP

2018-2019 Through	May 5, 2019	Year to Date
Parish Budgeted Expenses	\$42,115.00	\$1,895,175.00
Contributions	\$52,097.30	\$1,794,426.37
Surplus (Shortage)	\$ 9,982.30	(\$ 100,748.63)

Note: Saint Matthew's fiscal year is July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.
Contributions include offertory and mortgage payment donations.

DISCIPLESHP

How can I begin my Journey? It's as simple as 1-2-3:

1. Participate *1 hour* per week in community prayer (Sunday Mass).
2. Devote *1 hour* per week volunteering in a parish ministry.
3. Contribute *1 hour* of weekly income (2.5%) for financial support.

WORSHIP • OUTREACH • EDUCATION • FELLOWSHIP

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

	SATURDAY, MAY 18 5:00 P.M.	SUNDAY, MAY 19 8:00 A.M.	SUNDAY, MAY 19 10:00 A.M.	SUNDAY, MAY 19 12:00 P.M.	SUNDAY, MAY 19 5:00 P.M.
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	<i>NUMBERS IN BRACKETS DENOTE IN-HOME GROUP</i>				
	Max Maksimoski (rmaksimoski@stmatthew.net – 614-607-4799)				
	Vicki Wengert Sue Ritter Joan Hess Eileen Negutt Joseph Thomas Wayne Stertzer	Tom Eckl Greg Weisenberger Susan Eyerman (2) Rita Klein (6) Terry Eckl Jeff Klein	Michelle Lantz Mary Otting Karen Lackey Abbey Morante Mike McFadden Sue McFadden Sarah Pancake Martina Puleio	Heather McKay Tom Mignery April Vaccaro Rosemary Whitt Jonni Masters Jenna Zins	Max Maksimoski Denise Maksimoki Gina Sergio Molly Maloof Mary Thompson Eric Thompson
LECTORS	Joseph Thomas Joan Hess	Kathy Martin Robert Hinna	Abbey Morante John Vargo	Maura Gibson Michael Motil	Max Maksimoski Olivia Voelker
IN HOME	Elizabeth Hanby (1), Bernadette Weisenberger (4), Connie Wood (5)				
SACRISTANS	Vicki Wengert (vwengert@icloud.com – 614-270-2118)				
	Vicki Wengert	George Harvey	Marianne Buzzelli	Allison Weldon	Gina Sergio
SERVERS	Lauren Blausey Katelyn Caswell Daniel Gray Sydney Onega Jacob Zappa Sarah Zappa	Aubree Aaron Luke Aaron Kate Acklin Jack Barber Audrey Strapp Lily Wieging	Grace Ettenhofer Olivia Ettenhofer Abhilash Iruthaya Brenden Miller Conner Norman Thomas Williams	Angel Akemati Thomas Dougherty Alysa Li Nolan McSweeney Jack Price Liam Schmidt	Andrea Barrera Joe Couhig Sam Couhig Audra Pina Raegan Rickman Mila Saveski

PARISH ACTIVITIES

SAINT MATTHEW SCHOOL NEWS

TUESDAY, MAY 14

All School Mass – 8:30 a.m. – Church
 Friends Across Time (4Wn) – 9:15 a.m. –
 St. Anthony Room
 7th Grade Dress Rehearsal –
 2:30-6:00 p.m. – Hutta

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

7th Grade Performances – 8:30 a.m.,
 1:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. – Hutta

THURSDAY, MAY 16

First Communion Practice – 6:00-8:00 p.m. –
 Church

SATURDAY, MAY 18

Student Council Car Wash – 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. –
 School parking lot
 First Communion Mass – 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 19

First Communion Mass – 12:00 p.m.

YOUTH NEWS

CAMP KRIC REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN – Camp K.R.I.C. is St. Matthew's week-long summer day camp that offers middle school youth the opportunity to grow in their faith alongside their peers, high school counselors, college volunteers, and St. Matthew staff! Camp activities include: service at Catholic Kids Camp, prayer workshops, small group discussion, community building, and a fun family night on Friday. Camp K.R.I.C. is open to all students entering the 6th-8th grades in the 2019-2020 school year. To get more information and to register, please visit <https://www.stmatthew.net/camp-kric-information>. You can also contact Erin Upp at 614-532-0622 or eupp@stmatthew.net.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

2019-2020 PSR REGISTRATION for PreK-K and 1st-8th grade will open on **Saturday, May 25** on the PSR St. Matthew website!

LAST TWO FIRST COMMUNION MASSES & REHEARSALS THIS WEEK – The last two First Communion Mass dates are this **Saturday, May 18 at 5:00 p.m.** and **Sunday, May 19 at 12:00 p.m.** The 2nd graders and one parent are required to attend the rehearsal on Thursday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m. for Saturday, May 18, 5:00 p.m. Mass and Thursday, May 16 at 7:00 p.m. for Sunday, May 19, 12:00 p.m. Mass.

CATHOLIC KIDS CAMP REGISTRATION IS OPEN! Please visit this web link (www.stmatthew.net/catholic-kids-camp) to register your child(ren) for Camp! Please note that registration and payments are due by **Friday, June 7**. There will be a CAP of 150 students this summer, so please register and make your payment soon to hold your child's spot!

THANK YOU to all who came out for our final Family Night last Sunday. A special thank-you to our Knights of Columbus who made dinner for us. We hope that you had a great time and we look forward to seeing you in the Fall!

OPPORTUNITIES IN MUSIC MINISTRY

HANDBELL CHOIR – All rehearsals are Tuesdays from **7:00-8:15 p.m.** in the music room behind the choir loft. The choir prepares music to play monthly at Mass. Interested in joining or finding out more? Contact Dawn Shining, Director of Music, at dshining@stmatthew.net.

ADULT CHOIR – Rehearsals will be held on specified Thursday evenings from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Request more details from Dawn Shining, Director of Music, at dshining@stmatthew.net. The choir sings at every 10:00 Mass from October through Pentecost Sunday (early June 2019), meeting at 9:20 a.m. each Sunday. New members invited and welcome!

TEEN CHOIR – The Parish Teen Choir sings on the 4th Sunday of each month at the 12:00 p.m. Mass. All interested middle school and high school students are welcome. Please contact Dawn Shining, Director of Music, at dshining@stmatthew.net or 614-471-0212, ext. 1117, for details. Service Hours for Confirmation can be earned through this Ministry.

IN OUR PARISH

PLEASE NOTE - PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS – Please note that starting **Monday, June 3** (through mid-August) the Summer Parish Office hours will be: **Monday & Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.** and **Wednesday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

MARY GARDEN ENGRAVED PAVERS – DEADLINE TOMORROW – The next order for engraved brick pavers will be placed in mid-May. Consider this for a Mother's Day or Father's Day gift or memorial. If interested in this permanent remembrance, please submit your donation and paver information to the Parish Office by tomorrow, Monday, May 13. For your convenience, brochures are available in the Gathering Space or Parish Office. The wording on a paver can be one to three lines, and a total of 13 characters and spaces per line. *Thank you!*
 – Mary Garden Committee

FATHER P.J. BRANDIMARTI'S FIRST MASS!

Please join us as our parishioner, Fr. P.J. Brandimarti celebrates his First Mass here at St. Matthew the Apostle Catholic Parish on **Sunday, May 26 at 12:00 p.m.** A light lunch Reception will follow in the Noble Center.

Parishioners are invited to join in making a spiritual bouquet for Deacon P.J. Please take a flower from the Gathering Space, write your spiritual offering (for example: three Hail Marys, a Rosary, a Holy Hour, a Mass, etc.) and your name on the flower, and then drop it in the box, located on the table. Your flower will be used to decorate the Noble Center for Deacon P.J.'s First Mass Reception.

If you are willing to make a batch of cookies or brownies for the Reception, please email Mary Thompson at mthompson@stmatthew.net by this Friday, May 17.

Please continue to pray for Deacon P.J. as he follows God's will to serve His people.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Let us pray for those preparing for marriage:



III Michelle Sieffert & Nick Moore
III Faith Kappeler & Kevin McCafferty
I Allison Fugger & Anthony Panariello

STUDENT COUNCIL CAR WASH – St. Matthew School's Student Council is having a Car Wash on **Saturday, May 18 from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** Just drive into the parking lot at the main school entrance and the students will be waiting to wash your car!

MONTHLY DEMENTIA/ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP – Are you a caregiver to someone with dementia? An Alzheimer's/dementia support group is offered by Gene Poirier the second Monday of the month. The next one is tomorrow, Monday, May 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Gabriel Room. Gene was a caregiver for his wife until her passing and is currently a volunteer with the Alzheimer's Association and an outspoken advocate for Alzheimer's awareness. He offers his experience and insight to three different support groups. The group is open to all dementia caregivers and offers practical advice and information to help them cope with this difficult responsibility. No registration is necessary. You may contact Gene at genepoirier779@gmail.com or 614-855-2199.

AN INVITATION TO COME HOME – We are beginning a program to reach out to parishioners who are no longer actively participating in Parish life. If you are interested in participating in this Ministry, please contact Pat Martin at irishspeaker1@gmail.com. Training will be provided. Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN STARTS THIS WEEKEND! Again this year, our Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the Baby Bottle Campaign where you can help support women and babies in the community. **The campaign will begin this weekend, May 11-12.** Please take a bottle or two and fill them with your spare change. Please return bottles to the Gathering Space or Parish Office by June 15-16 (Father's Day weekend). Funds raised will be distributed to the Greater Columbus Pro-Life Center, the Women's Center and Birthright. Every time you place change in the baby bottle, please pause to pray for the dear souls who are considering abortion. The Saint Jude Council Knights of Columbus at Saint Matthew thanks you for your support! If you have any questions, please call Gus Gastaldo at 614-329-7662.

ST. MATTHEW GARDEN MINISTRY – Join the Garden Ministry to give the grounds a little extra help so God's beauty shines through. Meet at the St. Matthew statue at the following times: **Thursday, May 23 from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Saturday, June 8 from 9:00 a.m.-noon, Tuesday, June 11 from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Saturday, June 29 from 9:00 a.m.-noon, Tuesday, July 9 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 3 from 9:00 a.m.-noon.** Please contact Denise at stmatthewsgardenministry@gmail.com for more information.

MONTHLY EUCHRE AND POTLUCK – All are invited to join us tomorrow, Monday, May 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the Saint Anthony Room for a Potluck Supper and fun night of Euchre. A "card" partner is not needed – come enjoy!

MONTHLY ROSARY – There are many sick, elderly or homebound parishioners who need our prayers. Please join us each month as we say a public Rosary in the Adoration Chapel on the third Friday of the month at **2:00 p.m.** Our next Rosary will be this Friday, May 17.

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN (CCC) will be held next weekend, **May 18-19**. The CCC helps spread the Good News to you and focuses on new and existing ways to communicate Jesus' Gospel message, making it available to both the faithful and those seeking the faith. The CCC supports both national and diocesan communication efforts that provide news, discussions, and special events and programs. Please be generous and support this important work.

PARISH APPAREL NOW AVAILABLE – We are very excited that in addition to our athletics-based Spirit Wear, we now have Parish-based Spirit Wear, so you can show your St. Matthew the Apostle spirit even if you aren't part of the School or athletics program! Orders can be placed at this link – <http://2horseapparel.com/saintmatthewparish> through the end of May. All orders will be sent to the Parish Office for pickup.

THE GOLDEN MUSTANGS 55+ GROUP – Mark your calendar for our next gathering this Thursday, May 16 with fellow parishioner, Frank Hartge, Catholic Man of the Year, speaking about the Serra Club. If you have any questions, please contact JoEllen Vickers at 614-475-5086 or jfancellivickers@yahoo.com or Paul Rovnak at 614-205-9396 or pjrovnak@msn.com.

CONSECRATE YOURSELF TO JESUS THROUGH MARY



The Militia Immaculata will be hosting a ceremony of Total Consecration to Mary on **Friday, May 31** (Feast of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary) at St. Matthew the Apostle Church. Many of the Saints found great spiritual growth after bringing all things *To Jesus through Mary*. Our celebrant will be Fr. Peter Asantebwana.

To prepare for this event, there are 9-days of self-guided prayer (**starting Thursday, May 23**), followed by the May 31 ceremony from **6:00-7:30 p.m.** in the Church. This is an invitation to personal prayer with no meetings, follow up, or group obligations beyond your individual work toward holiness. Please call Jeff Bernard at 216-372-4991 or email at jbernard@ohiocat.com for more information. Reserving tickets is for resource preparation only (no cost or need to bring ticket to event). **Reserve your seat by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/y5hma6g5>.**



HOLY HOUR FOR REPARATION, PURIFICATION AND SANCTIFICATION OF THE CHURCH – Please join our clergy and fellow parishioners in the church on the Fourth Friday of the month for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and an hour of prayer for the universal Church. The next Holy Hour will be held **Friday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m.** Everyone is welcome.

PARISH PROJECTS

As good stewards of your generosity, the Facilities Team provides you regular updates on St. Matthew campus projects, improvements and ongoing initiatives.

Last week, the Adoration Chapel's supplemental air conditioning system went into operation, making it very comfortable 24/7. This is a great time to sign up for another hour with Jesus.

A new sound system has been installed for the Hutta Gym stage in time for the School's latest musical performance of *Guys and Dolls*. Our children perform at a high school level and now have a system to complement their abilities. The newly-installed system in the Hutta Gym is the same model as the one in the Sanctuary, and we hope that having a standardized system will make it easier for everyone in the Parish and School communities to use both systems. Enjoy the show!

Thank you in advance for your support of the BAA this year, which makes the Parish kitchen renovations in the Hutta Cafeteria possible. We are excited about the kickoff meeting with project managers this week. With the support of you and the Diocese, this project is becoming reality. Thank you again for your support and generosity.

Work continues on the Apse area behind the altar. The area remains open while additional detail is added to the angels, clouds, and back wall.

We are excited to bring you these updates and we welcome suggestions for facilities improvement. Please contact George Harvey at gharvey@stmatthew.net.

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL



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"The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace." Pope John Paul II

If you'd like to make a weekly commitment, or get more information, please contact

Jeff Bernard at JBernard@ohiocat.com or 216-372-4991.

CAN YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?

100 Benefits of Eucharistic Adoration: #85: "The worship paid to the Eucharist strongly impels the soul to cultivate a "social" love, by which the common good is given preference over the good of the individual." – Pope St. Paul VI

Visitors are welcome Monday-Friday from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and on Saturday & Sunday from 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Please visit StMatthew.net/DMC for more info.

LOOKING FOR A LITURGICAL MINISTRY? Mass sacristans are needed for the 12:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. Sunday Masses. Sacristans are scheduled approximately once a month. Responsibilities include preparation of the sacred vessels for Holy Mass and cleaning up afterwards. Training will be provided. To volunteer, please contact Vicki Wengert at vwengert@icloud.com.

THE ST. MATTHEW BOOK CLUB will meet on **Wednesday, May 22 at 6:30 p.m.** in the St. Gabriel Room. We will be discussing the book *Liturgy of the Ordinary* by Tish Harrison Warren. All are welcome!

MEN OF ST. MATTHEW – On Saturday mornings, please consider spending an hour or so with other men of St. Matthew. We have completed the *That Man Is You* program and will continue meeting on Saturday mornings to make new friends and learn more about our Catholic faith. The spring and summer will be filled with a variety of topics, usually starting with a video or other form of presentation, followed by general discussion and Q & A. We begin around **7:00 a.m.** with coffee, donuts and fruit, and one Saturday each month, we experience the "mystery breakfast." The program starts about 7:20 a.m. Each week's program stands on its own, so if you can only make it a few times each month, that's ok. On May 11 & 18, we will be doing an overview of the Bible and learning about various resources available to better understand how it is organized and how to follow the story from Genesis through Revelation. No RSVP is needed but if you have questions or want additional information, please contact Brian Gatch at bgatch@hotmail.com or 614-499-4836.

THE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE IS IN NEED OF A 3RD CHAIR

The future of the Festival is dependent on keeping our chair positions filled! Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this important role. This is a great way to get involved and become acquainted with fellow parishioners and School parents. For more information, please contact Tom and Amy Minser at 614-571-2562 or stmatthewparishfestival@gmail.com.

USHERS NEEDED! St. Matthew is in need of more ushers for certain Masses. Our priests rely heavily on the ushers to make all parishioners and visitors feel welcome, to administer the collection and also pitch in when extra duties are necessary. It is time for our community to embrace the gifts we've been given and we can't wait to see how God provides for these specific needs. Please contact Jenna Zins at jzins@stmatthew.net or 614-471-0212 for more information or to contribute.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN SAFE ENVIRONMENT

SEMINAR – The Diocesan Safe Environment Compliance program requires that for an adult to interact with minors at the school/church he/she must meet three requirements: attend a *Protecting God's Children* class; have a background check performed and complete the code of conduct (attached to the volunteer application). St. Matthew will be hosting two upcoming *Protecting God's Children* classes on **Wednesday, June 5** and **Wednesday, September 18** from **6:00-9:00 p.m.** in the St. Anthony Room. As a convenience, Fast Fingerprints (a third party) will be on-site from **5:00-6:00 p.m.** to do background checks before the class starts. The background checks will stop once the class starts, so if you want to have your background check done that day, please plan to come early. The line can get pretty long. If you have already taken the PGC class and just need to have the fingerprinting done, please feel free to come to just the background check part. To register for the class, please visit <https://www.stmatthew.net/protecting-gods-children>.

FOLLOW ST. MATTHEW ON SOCIAL MEDIA! Follow our social media accounts for updates on Parish events, worship times, and more! Facebook: @StMatthewGahanna; Twitter: @GahannaStMatts; Instagram: @stmatthewapostle.

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Embrace. Welcome. Participate.

All people are created in the image of God; their dignity and worth cannot be diminished by mental illness.

As Catholics, we are called to embrace an ever-clearer vision of each human person as created by God with inherent dignity and worth. This truth is not diminished when someone struggles with various illnesses or behaviors, including mental health concerns. Pope St. John Paul II reminded us of this fundamental truth in 1996 at the International Conference for Health Care Workers:

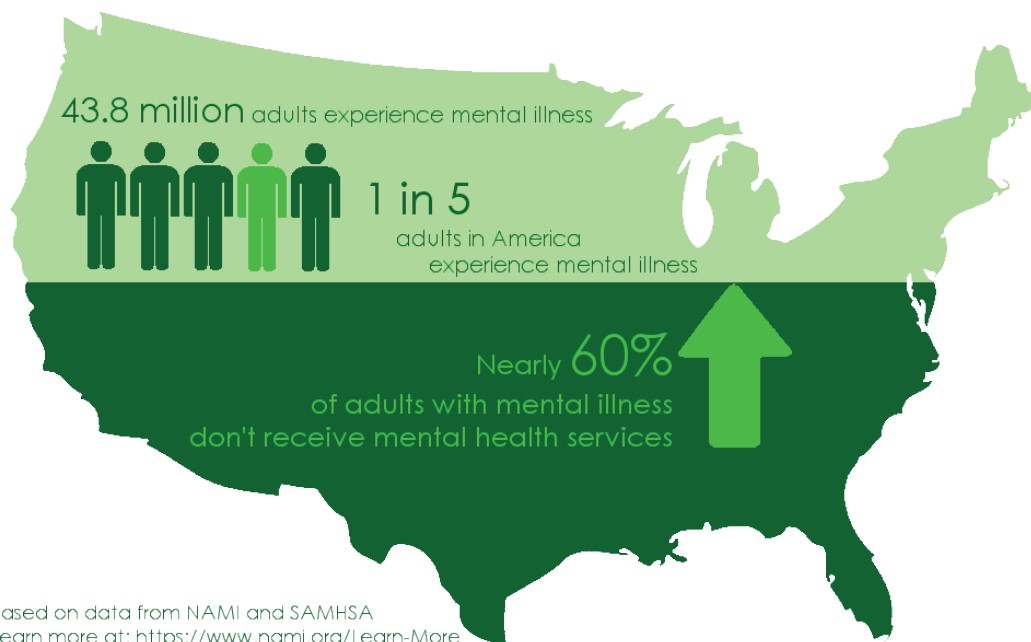
“Whoever suffers from mental illness always bears God’s image and likeness in themselves, as does every human being. In addition, they always have the inalienable right not only to be considered as an image of God and therefore as a person, but also to be treated as such.”

Mental health includes our emotional, psychological and social well-being. It affects how we think and act and helps determine how we handle stress, relate to others, and make choices (Mentalhealth.gov). When a person suffers from mental illness, it can interfere with their everyday life and can result in an inability to cope with life’s ordinary demands and routines (NCPD).

Mental illness, as with any health-related issue, can vary in severity and look very different from person to person. Oftentimes, we may not observe the warning signs that someone is struggling with their mental health. This does not mean that the warning

signs are not there, or that the problem is insignificant and should be ignored. Unfortunately, there is also stigma attached to mental illness which may lead people who are struggling to isolate themselves, choosing not to share that they are hurting, and not seek help or treatment.

As a faith community, we are called to support our brothers and sisters suffering from a mental health condition, offering the unconditional and non-judgmental love they deserve. Rather than accept the misconceptions surrounding mental illness, we can increase our awareness of its symptoms and effects, and identify the local resources. Moreover, we must be in relationship with



others, bringing hope and comfort in times of crisis or pain by offering prayers of healing and accompaniment through treatment. Together, the parish can be a place of healing for all people and their families!

PRAYER FOR MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Creator God,
You made all things
and created humanity
in Your own image.
Help us to always be
mindful of this dignity in
ourselves and others.
May we not despair
when faced with the
struggles of mental
health, but instead find
hope in you, knowing
you have a greater
plan for us. Guide
us to be advocates
in our families,
parishes, schools, and
communities, always
seeking to build a
communion that
embraces and values
all people. We ask this
in the name of Your
son, Jesus our Savior
and Shepherd of
Peace. Amen.



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

Personal: How would I react if I found out a close friend or family member has been diagnosed with a mental health condition? How has the media shaped my image of mental illness? What can I do to reduce the stigma?

Family: How do we as a family care for the mental health of each family member? How can we inform and assist our parish to respond to our needs and/or the needs of families struggling with mental health?

Parish: Are we aware of the barriers that people with a mental health condition and their families experience in our parish? How can we make our parish a safe space for all families? How do we ensure our parish is welcoming and inviting all people into a deeper relationship with God - not only into participation but also in leadership?

SEEKING HELP

If you or someone you know is in need of mental health services, contact Ohio Mental Health & Addiction Services toll-free hotline at **1-877-275-6364**. This hotline provides information and referrals for local resources throughout Ohio.

If you or someone you know is suicidal, in danger of harming themselves, or in emotional distress, contact the confidential National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at **1-800-273-8255** or text **HOME** to **741741**. Trained crisis workers are available to talk 24/7. In cases of imminent risk and/or danger, please call **911**.

In Ohio...

Suicide is the **2nd** leading cause of death for ages 15-34

Suicide is the **3rd** leading cause of death for ages 10-14

On average, one person dies by suicide every five hours in the state.

Based on 2015 data from CDC. Learn more at afsp.org/statistics.

Join Us!

ST MATTHEW THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC PARISH

Trip to The



Sponsored by the Ladies of St. Jude

Thursday, January 23-Saturday, January 25th, 2020

Washington, D.C.

Thursday

Leave St. Matthew
Visit the St. Paul II Museum
Prayer Vigil
Vigil Mass

Friday

March for Life
Evening City Tour

Saturday

Return Home

Cost of trip to include roundtrip transportation, 2-night hotel stay, meals, Saturday excursion and tips. Total cost TBD, but not to exceed \$300.00 per person.

Space is limited to 50 people. **Please submit a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit to the "Ladies of St. Jude" by June 30, 2019 to reserve your spot.**

Trip inquiries and/or additional requests can be made to:

Heather Bernard

Ladiesofst.jude@gmail.com (614) 365-0418

Trip planning provided by fellow St. Matthew parishioner, JoEllen Fancelli Vickers,
at Sassy Travel - Sassytravel04@yahoo.com

HAVE YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO UNDERSTAND THE SUNDAY MASS READINGS BUT DIDN'T KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN? THIS IS FOR YOU!

Introducing a new study on the Sunday Scripture readings which connects both the Old and New Testament readings, the Psalms, and the Gospel for each Sunday Mass.

- Have you ever questioned the deeper meaning of the Gospel readings?
- Would you like to know the **connection** the readings have to each other at our Sunday Mass?

Join us along with Dr. Brant Pitre, a Distinguished Research Professor of Scripture at The Augustine Institute, who received his Ph.D. in New Testament and ancient Judaism from the University of Notre Dame as he develops in the videos all the riches of the Sunday readings. Dr. Pitre is the author of *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary* (Image, 2018), *A Catholic Introduction to the Bible: The Old Testament* (Ignatius 2018), *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist* (Doubleday, 2011), *The Case for Jesus* (Image, 2016) and many more.

What you will gain:

- Hidden gems in Scripture that will ignite discussion with your children
- A robust teaching using Jewish rabbinical tradition, the early Church Fathers and the Church's magisterial teaching
- A love for Scripture as it comes alive with the connections to the whole story of salvation
- An enriched ability to hear and understand God's Word

CHOOSE A DAY

Day: Sunday

Time: Immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass (11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.)

Dates: May 12, 19, June 2

Location: St. Raphael Room

Registration: Not necessary, come to any or all sessions

Questions? Contact Marianne Buzzelli (facilitator) at beasaintmb@gmail.com or 614-638-2675.

Day: Thursday

Time: 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Dates: May 16, 23, 30

Location: Church Library (directly across from the Adoration Chapel)

Registration: Not necessary, come to any or all sessions

Questions? Contact Lorraine Curtin (facilitator) at lorraine.curtin@icloud.com or 614-946-7585

Cost: FREE. Materials: An outline of the talk and questions for discussion will be provided to each participant.

What to bring: Your Bible.

GAHANNA SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM – Our Parish, in cooperation with G.R.I.N. (Gahanna Residents In Need) will once again provide a hot meal for children who otherwise would not have a good nutritious lunch during the summer months. St. Matthew will prepare and serve lunches at Goshen and Chapelfield Elementary Schools on **June 10-14**. Would you be willing to donate dessert items, cookies/brownies/ice cream, fruits, vegetables and other items? If so, please contact Dolores at stmatsummerlunch@gmail.com or 614-855-0683. Adult and student volunteers (must be over the age of 13) are needed for food prep at the Church each morning and to serve & clean up at the lunch site (11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m.). Service hours will be granted. To volunteer, please contact Linda at momlakes@aol.com or 614-855-3369. As always, any and all students living in the City of Gahanna are welcome to come for a meal throughout the summer.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SAINT MATTHEW STUDENTS NAMED TO BISHOP HARTLEY HIGH SCHOOL THIRD QUARTER HONOR ROLL: Audrey Alloto, Sarah Alloto, Daniel Barrera Corrales, Karli Barringer, Alyssa Benson, Tara Bush, Gabrielle Buzenski, Sydney Collins, Avery DeFoor, Thomas DeFoor, Anthony Epstein, Lisa Epstein, Nicola Eramo, Richard Everhart, Lukas Graham, Abigail Hufford, Jacqueline Kirkland, Lily Lindemann, Mia Martin-Fuller, Isabel Morbitzer, Dominic Motter, Andrew Navarro, Claire Oliver, Emma Powell, Alex Ramicone, Sydney Ramicone, Colton Ramsey, Griffin Rathburn, Dominic Ratliff, Hannah Sauer, Carson Schaeffer, Riley Sheehan, Katelyn Sheely, Sidney Sheridan, Zac Swinney, Ashley Wagoner and Rylee West.

WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAMILY OF FAITH the following children who were baptized on Sunday, May 5: Jonathan Albert Bowden, Ezra James Doyle-Wenger and Shea Francis Phillips.

CHARITABLE WORKS MINISTRY NEWS

RECAP OF APRIL 2019 – The Saint Matthew Charitable Works Ministry provided an estimated **4,905** meals to **126** households within the Gahanna community during the month of April. Thank you for your continued support to those families who are experiencing difficult times.

2019	FOOD REQUESTS	INDIVIDUALS SERVED	EST. MEALS PROVIDED*
EOY 2018	1,459	3,801	57,015
1st Quarter	381	955	14,325
April	126	327	4,905
Year to Date	507	1,282	19,230

*** 3 meals/day x 5 days**

Our normal hours of operation are from **10:00 a.m.-noon, Monday-Friday**. We are located in the PSR building (the old convent). All are welcome to visit the location to observe what we do, and if the Spirit moves you, become a part of our Ministry.

MONSIGNOR CARL CLAGETT'S 90TH BIRTHDAY – There will be a reception on **Sunday, June 2** from **12:00-2:00 p.m.** at the Villas at St. Therese to celebrate Monsignor Clagett's 90th birthday. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please call Emma O'Daniel at 614-471-4317.

ST. JUDE COUNCIL 5801



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SMOKER/BBQ EVENTS – The Knights of Columbus will be kicking off our third season for our Smoker/BBQ events. All proceeds will go to St. Matthew Charitable Works Ministry to help the needy in Gahanna. The events will be after the 10:00 a.m. and noon Masses on the third Sunday of each month, starting **May 19** and running through November 24. All orders must be placed the Wednesday before each event and picked up at the Mass time mentioned. We will be located in the basement of Charitable Works just west of the school. We will feature a variety of new smoked meats and sides. All orders are packaged in cup, pint, and quart size plastic containers. We also have our family package of four available and we added three party packs sizes to help you with graduation meal planning or family gatherings. Please check out the K of C bulletin board in the Gathering Space near the Parish Office for more details. There will be order forms there or you can place your order online at kofc5801smoker@gmail.com or www.kofc5801.org/events-list. We are now taking debit and credit cards (there will be a \$1.00 fee added for all credit card transactions). If you have never placed an order or have questions, please contact Steve Davis at 419-989-0325.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEASURE-UP CAMPAIGN – The Knights of Columbus Measure-Up Campaign will be next weekend, **May 18-19**. This campaign is an annual charitable event for our council. We will be collecting after all weekend Masses. All proceeds will be donated to several nonprofit organizations that help physically and mentally disabled individuals. Your donations are very much appreciated!

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – Congratulations to Joe Schneider, the St. Jude Council 5801 Knight of the Month for May!

WANT TO JOIN? Ever thought about joining the Knights of Columbus? Please contact Paul Koors at PJKoors@gmail.com or 614-209-7055 for more information.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

BRINGING BABY HOME: A TWO-DAY WORKSHOP FOR NEW AND EXPECTING PARENTS

– Even the strongest relationships are strained during the transition to parenthood. Lack of sleep, never-ending housework, and new fiscal concerns can lead to profound stress and decline in marital satisfaction--all of which affect baby's care. This workshop is designed to help you and your partner thrive during this time of transition. The workshop will take place on **Saturday, June 15** and **Sunday, June 16** from **9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Sunbury. The cost is \$200.00 per couple. For more details and to register, visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/bringingbabyhome, or email workshop leaders and Columbus area therapists Jodi Schermerhorn, LPCC-S, RPT-S, and Ruth Friedman, MFTT and CT, at gottmanincolumbus@gmail.com.

STALLION BOYS BASKETBALL SUMMER LEAGUE INFORMATION

– For rising 5th-9th graders on Tuesdays and Thursdays in June. The registration deadline is **Wednesday, May 15**. For information and registration, visit <https://www.stallionpride.com/announcements/basketball-summer-league>. Please contact Head Coach Pat Murphy at patmurphy@desales.com **if you have any questions**.

SUMMER CAMPS AT ST. FRANCIS DESALES HIGH SCHOOL

Looking for something fun to do this summer? Sign up for a Stallion Summer Camp (or two!) at St. Francis DeSales High School. Our camps are a great way to meet new friends while improving your skills, whether it is in the classroom or on the athletic field. Check out the camps taking place this summer at SFDHS by visiting www.sfdstallions.org/summercamps.

BEWARE OF PHONY EMAILS AND TEXTS

– During the past few months, there have been numerous phony emails sent to unsuspecting persons (clergy, teachers, parishioners, others) from alleged priests of the Diocese, requesting funds to purchase various gift cards for alleged charitable and pastoral reasons. Please be aware that there is a new scam using text messages to convey similar requests. If you receive any kind of communication, please contact the person directly to verify the authenticity of the solicitation or, at least to notify the person that a scam is underway using their identity. Thank you.

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION 4TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

The Church of the Resurrection's Habitat for Humanity Ministry will hold its 4th Annual Golf Outing on **Sunday, May 19** at the New Albany Links Golf Course. The cost is \$125.00 per golfer and includes golf, boxed lunch, 2 drink tickets and dinner. 100% of the proceeds from this event go to support the Habitat Ministry's mission of building homes for families and strengthening communities. Register online at www.cotrna.org and click on "4th Annual Charity Golf Outing." For more information or to sponsor this event, contact Bill Holehouse at 614-595-2577 or Mark Mecklenborg at 614-537-6659.

THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS AND FACE FORWARD are offering two \$500.00 Service Awards to two students in the Columbus Diocese in grades 8-12 for their outstanding service activities within their community and parish. This award is available to all students in the Diocese of Columbus, including those attending public, private, and Catholic schools, as well as home-schooled students. For more information and to enter, please visit faceforwardcolumbus.com. The deadline for submissions is **Friday, May 17**.

SERRA CLUBS OF COLUMBUS

– What can YOU do to encourage and support religious vocations in the Diocese of Columbus? Did you know that the Serra Clubs of Columbus can help you do just that? The Serra Club is a lay International organization of Catholic men and women, whose mission is to foster vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Religious Life through prayer, programs and activities. To learn more or attend a meeting, please contact VP of membership Dan Martin at martin.32@osu.edu for the Downtown Serra Club or Ardith at amers@columbus.rr.com for the North Serra Club. Please feel free to visit with no obligations. Our website is serracolumbus.org.

WE SHOULD HAVE DONE THIS A LONG TIME AGO! That's what you'll be saying after a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! Marriage Encounter is where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. The next two weekends are **June 28-30** and **September 13-15**, both in Central Ohio. For more information or to apply, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880 or visit our website at wwme.org.

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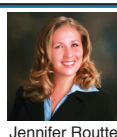
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