



ST. MATTHEW

THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC PARISH

WORSHIP ♦ SERVE ♦ EVANGELIZE

807 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna, Ohio 43230

614-471-0212 • www.stmatthew.net

MASSES

Weekends

Saturday – 5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday – 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon

Holy Days

Please consult the bulletin or website.

Weekdays

Monday thru Friday, 6:30 & 8:30 a.m.

Saturday – 8:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday 7:00-7:30 a.m.

Saturday 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Sunday 11:00-11:45 a.m.

Or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Monday and Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

PARISH CLERGY – 614-471-0212

Fr. Theodore K. Sill, Pastor

Fr. Michael Nimocks, Retired & In Holy Service

Fr. Stan Benecki, Retired & In Holy Service

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Joseph Meyer

Rev. Mr. Christopher Walsh

BAPTISMS All Baptism inquiries must begin by filling out a Baptism form on our website at www.stmatthew.net/baptism. For more information, please contact Katie Ryzenga at 614-532-0620 or kryzenga@stmatthew.net.

MARRIAGE Marriage preparation must begin at least 6 months before a desired wedding date. All inquiries begin on the Parish website at www.stmatthew.net/marriage.

ANOINTING & VISITATION OF THE SICK Contact the Parish Office to schedule an anointing and/or to arrange a visit from our pastoral staff.

PARISH SCHOOL – PRE-K-GRADE 8 – 614-471-4930

www.cdsmatthew.org

Principal: John Rathburn, jrathburn1@cducation.org

CHARITABLE WORKS MINISTRY – 614-471-5320

Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon; Thursday, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

PARISH REGISTRATION To register as a parish member, stop by the office or register online at www.stmatthew.net/online-parishioner-registration.

BULLETIN DEADLINE Announcements must be submitted to Hillarie Michaels by email to hmichaels@stmatthew.net by 12:00 noon on Monday.

Rejoice!
Christmas 2021

Today is born
our Savior,
Christ the Lord.
Luke 2:11



MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES**MONDAY, JANUARY 10** – 1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20

6:30 a.m. Wayne Thibaut/Barbara Overholser

8:30 a.m. Alex Gray/Rebecca Jeffries

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11 – 1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28

6:30 a.m. Andy Watkins/Linda Russell

8:30 a.m. Intentions of Charles & Aimee Porter & Family/
Josh & Abbie Cassidy**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12** – 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-396:30 a.m. Intentions of Sharon & Mike DeAscentis/
Rovnak Family

8:30 a.m. Jim Hess/Joan Hess

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13 – 1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45

6:30 a.m. Harry Moore/Martha & Dave Upp

8:30 a.m. Intentions of Josephine Vertin/Julia Hoenig

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14 – 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12

6:30 a.m. Billy Devers

8:30 a.m. Theresa Meyer/Dcn. Joe & Maureen Meyer

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15 – 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a;
Mk 2:13-17

8:30 a.m. Jim Martin/Kathy Martin

5:00 p.m. For Saint Matthew Parishioners/Fr. Theodore K. Sill

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16 – Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

8:00 a.m. Bobby Knueven/Betty & Jack Ferris

10:00 a.m. Long Nguyen/Thanh Quy Family

12:00 p.m. Donald Sonderman/Dawn Shiningier

STEWARDSHIP

2021-2022 Through	January 2, 2022	Year to Date
Parish Budgeted Expenses	\$42,115.00	\$1,137,105.00
Contributions	\$54,487.34	\$1,136,642.49
Surplus (Shortage)	\$12,372.34	(\$462.51)

Note: St. Matthew's fiscal year is July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Contributions include offertory and parish facilities fund donations.

DISCIPLESHIP**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 + SERVE + EVANGELIZE**UPCOMING SPECIAL ENVELOPES**

Whether you donate through Online Giving or use envelopes, we are grateful for your support for the upcoming collections: St. Matthew School Support and Parish Facilities Fund. If you use Online Giving, simply log in to your account at <https://www.osvhub.com/stmatthew> and select the fund to which you'd like to donate. Thank you!

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

	SATURDAY, JANUARY 15 5:00 P.M.	SUNDAY, JANUARY 16 8.00 A.M.	SUNDAY, JANUARY 16 10:00 A.M.	SUNDAY, JANUARY 16 12:00 P.M.
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	Max Maksimoski, rmaksimo@stmatthew.net – 614-607-4799 (<i>Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors</i>) Vicki Wengert, vwengert@icloud.com – 614-270-2118 (<i>Sacristans</i>)			
	Toni Barr Vicki Wengert Mike Barr	Mary Humphrey Mary Campanelli Susan Mulligan	Jen Lawrence Michael Springer Sohmer Lawrence	Brooke Warren Angel Rice Darlene Doody
IN HOME	Shawn Miller (2); Mary Campanelli (4); Karen Lackey (5); Steve Testa (6); Greg Schmiedebusch (7)			
LECTORS	Joseph Thomas Emily DeArdo	Mary Humphrey Mike Huff	Bryan Ghiloni Heather Rush	Bill Blashill Angel Rice
SACRISTANS	Kathy Wodarczyk	Kristin Paulus	Allison Cameron	Angel Rice
SERVERS	MC – Liam Donovan Devin Canter Clare Donovan Jeffrey Iruthaya Jameson Yates	MC – Porter Lacey MC – Conner Norman Mackenzie Norman	MC – Jack Borgan Angel Akemati Arianna Akemati Ayden Akemati Dustin Borgan Molly See	MC – Liam Schmidt Brayden Dillman Sam Gabrielli Kieran Nowalk

OPPORTUNITIES IN MUSIC MINISTRY

YOUTH CHOIR – The St. Matthew Parish Youth Choir is open to all parish youth, including St. Matthew School and Family of Faith (formerly PSR), 2nd grade and older. The choir sings at scheduled weekend Masses from November through April, as well as special Masses or liturgies like Christmas Eve and Good Friday. Youth Choir is on break until February. Questions? Please contact Dawn at 614-471-0212, ext. 1117 or dshininger@stmatthew.net.

FAMILY OF FAITH

PARENTS OF FIRST COMMUNICANTS – There will be First Holy Communion PARENT Meetings coming up on **Sunday, January 23 at 5:00 p.m.** in the Hutta gym **OR Monday, January 24 at 5:00 p.m.** in the St. Anthony Room. Parents only need to attend one (1) meeting time.

IN OUR PARISH

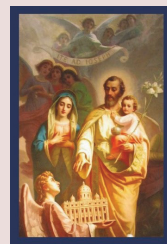
DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL – Perpetual Adoration resumes on **Monday, February 28** starting with a special Mass at **7:00 p.m.** Sign-ups are now available, please consider an hour of your week that you can consecrate to the Lord in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Sign-ups are at <https://stmatthew.net/dmc>.

Divine Mercy Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration							
Numbers indicate the <i>total adorers STILL NEEDED to reach minimum</i>							
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
12 AM	3	3	2	3	3	3	3
1 AM	3	3	3	3	2	3	3
2 AM	3	2	3	3	1	1	3
3 AM	3	3	3	3	3	2	3
4 AM	3	2	2	3	1	2	3
5 AM	2	2	2	1	3	2	3
6 AM	2	1	2	3	2	1	2
7 AM	2	1	3	3	1	1	3
8 AM	3	2	1	3	3	3	1
9 AM	3	2	3	2	3	2	2
10 AM	3	2	3	-	3	3	2
11 AM	3	1	3	3	3	3	3
12 PM	3	2	3	3	3	3	3
1 PM	3	3	2	1	3	3	3
2 PM	2	2	2	1	3	3	3
3 PM	3	3	1	1	3	2	3
4 PM	1	1	3	2	3	3	2
5 PM	3	3	3	3	2	3	3
6 PM	2	-	3	-	3	3	3
7 PM	3	3	3	2	3	2	3
8 PM	3	-	3	1	1	2	2
9 PM	-	3	2	-	2	3	3
10 PM	-	2	1	2	1	2	3
11 PM	3	2	3	2	2	Cleaning Hr	3

ADORERS STILL NEEDED—VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME!

YEAR-END PARISH DONATION STATEMENTS – Statements will be emailed to parishioners with an email contact listed in the Church database. Please use the Roster Update form on our website to enter the email address to which you would like your statement sent. You can find the Roster Update at <http://www.stmatthew.net/parish-roster-update> or under *Quick Links* on our main page. You may also call the Parish Office at 614-471-0212. If you don't have an email address on file with us, statements will be printed and available in the Gathering Space later this month. Statements not picked up by early February will be mailed. **Please note that if you use Online Giving, your Online Giving account will show only the donations made online, but year-end statements will include all donations made by any means.** We appreciate your time and commitment to the Parish.

BOOK CLUB – The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, January 26 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Saint Michael Room. We will be discussing the book *Life is Messy* by Matthew Kelly. All are welcome!



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 on **Friday, January 28 at 7:00 p.m.** Everyone is welcome.

THREE-DAY EUCHARISTIC MISSION AT ST. MATTHEW – Mark your calendar and join us for a three-day Eucharistic Mission **Sunday, January 30-Tuesday, February 1**. The doors will open each night at **6:00 p.m.** for the Eucharistic Miracles display in the Gathering Space and pizza in the St. Anthony Room. Confessions begin at **6:30 p.m.** followed by a speaker at **7:00 p.m.** On Sunday, Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap, will present "The Greatest Threat to Holiness Today," on Monday, Mike & Alicia Hernon of the Messy Family Project will present on being a faith-filled leader of your family and on Tuesday, Fr. Tuscan will present his capstone talk, "Healing the Spiritual Wound of our Culture" and "Forgiveness." Everyone is welcome! For more information, visit <https://www.stmatthew.net/dmc>.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

We will be having altar server training for **new servers** today, **Sunday, January 9** and **Sunday, January 16** from **2:45-4:00 p.m.** in the Church. We are requiring untrained altar servers to attend both training sessions to be fully trained. Any child who is in 5th grade or older is able to be an altar server. Please register your child(ren) to attend the training sessions at <https://www.stmatthew.net/server-training>.

We will be having a **refresher training** session for previously trained servers on **Sunday, February 13** from **2:45-4:00 p.m.** in the Church. It is *highly encouraged* that previously trained servers attend. We will be making some changes to how the Mass is served and want to keep everyone up to speed! Please contact Jacob Wilson at jwilson@stmatthew.net with any questions.

For all training sessions, please meet Jacob in the Gathering Space.

*Can't make one of our training dates? We will be having make-up training sessions on **Wednesday, January 12** and **Friday, January 14** from **6:00-7:30 p.m.**

PRO-LIFE CORNER

Live the
Gospel of *Life*

January is a big pro-life month. The following is a list of events scheduled for this month as we celebrate life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death, and every moment in between.

- **January 19** – the beginning of the 9 Days for Life Novena. You can register to get the daily prayers, and email reminders, at this link <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup>.
- **January 20** – National Prayer Vigil for Life from the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 p.m. and the Holy Hour will begin at 7:00 p.m. This can be viewed on EWTN or live stream via this link <https://www.nationalshrine.org/mass/>.
- **January 21** – Beginning of the 9-day Novena for Life. You can register to get the daily prayers, and email reminders, at this link <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup>.
- **January 22** – The Day of Prayer and Penance for the Protection of the Unborn. 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Matthew dedicated to this remembrance, followed by Eucharistic Adoration from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4eaeaf2da2fd0-respect>.
- **January 24** – St. Joseph Cathedral Roe Remembrance Mass at 10:30 a.m. and Statehouse rally at 12:00 p.m. We will have a live stream of this event in the St. Anthony Room. Sign-up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C48A4AF29A1FD0-respect1>. If you want to attend in person, see this link for registration and guidelines <https://www.gcrtl.org/roe.html>.

If you are interested in learning more about St. Matthew's Pro-Life group, please contact Jeff Solinger at jksolinger@aol.com or 614-506-2382.

ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL PRE-K AIDE NEEDED – St. Matthew School is seeking a full-time, Pre-K Aide. The requirements are: hold an appropriate Ohio Aide License or be eligible to obtain one before beginning to serve in this position; current satisfactory BCI & FBI background checks; have attended or be willing to attend a VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training; and experience working with children. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and resume to John Rathburn, Principal, at jrathburn1@cdeducation.org.

REKINDLE YOUR FAITH! WALK WITH JESUS AND YOUR SISTERS IN CHRIST! Give yourself the gift of the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference on **Saturday, February 19** from **8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.** at the Ohio Expo Center, Columbus. Come pray, learn, rest and renew your faith with your sisters in Christ. Register now! \$45.00 per person/students \$35.00/Livestream \$15.00. Bring family and friends at www.columbuscatholicwomen.com. Don't miss this special day to *Rekindle the gift of God within you*, 2 Timothy 1:6.

DONUT SOCIAL + ADORATION SIGN-UPS! Join us for the donut social next **Sunday, January 16** in the Saint Anthony Room immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Come gather for donuts, coffee, and juice. Enjoy the company of old friends and welcome others into the Saint Matthew Community. **In addition, we will have a sign-up table for Perpetual Adoration which is starting back on Monday, February 28.** The donut social is a way for our parishioners to come together and build a community in Christ; to share some laughs and make new friends. All are welcome. Hope to see you there!

RESPECT LIFE MASS AND ROE REMEMBRANCE BEING LIVE-STREAMED AT ST. MATTHEW – This year, the Respect Life Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral and the Roe Remembrance event at the Statehouse will be held on **Monday, January 24**. For those who wish to attend in person, details and guidelines, including registration, can be found at <https://www.gcrtl.org/roe.html> or by calling St. Joseph Cathedral. **Both events will be presented via live-stream in the St. Anthony Room.** The Respect Life Mass begins at **10:30 a.m.**, followed by a short break for lunch (provided), then the Roe Remembrance event sponsored by Greater Columbus Right to Life at 12:00 p.m. Please sign up and join us in praying with our greater community for an end to abortion and the protection of all unborn children. Contact Jennifer Cabe at jcabe@stmatthew.net with questions. To sign up, go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C48A4AF29A1FD0-respect1>.

ST. MATTHEW WINTER 2022 DIVORCECARE GROUP – Find help, healing, and hope from the hurt of divorce. DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. A 13-week video series that includes several accounts from individuals on how divorce affected their lives. The program contains material from many acclaimed counselors, doctors, and clergy on dealing with divorce and its recovery. It begins on **Sunday, January 23** from **7:00-9:00 p.m.** in the St. Michael Room. There is a one-time charge of \$30.00, which includes the workbook. For more information, contact Mike Workman at 614-517-8408 or sign up at <https://www.divorcecare.org/groups/143411>.

MEALS ON WHEELS HELP NEEDED – St. Matthew delivers "Meals on Wheels" to residents of Gahanna every Thursday. We have a group of people that rotates every five (5) weeks. We pick up the food at Corbin Commons around 11:40 a.m. and it takes about 1.5 hours to finish the deliveries. If you would be interested in getting involved with this worthwhile volunteer work, please email Janet McIntyre at janet.mcintyre@hotmail.com or call 419-322-8524.

ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PRE-SCHOOL-8TH GRADE CATHOLIC EDUCATION Worship + Serve + Evangelize

Saint Matthew the Apostle Catholic School focuses on the education of the whole child, meeting each student where they are regarding Faith, academics, and social-emotional needs. We offer:

- A robust, challenging curriculum supported with technology in every classroom
- We offer the Jon Peterson scholarship to meet the special needs of students
- One on one chrome books for each child
- Dedicated Science Lab
- Dedicated Technology class
- Support staff for enrichment and interventions
- Counselors present at school every day to support students and teachers
- Fine arts programs
- A strong music program
- A community that is involved and engaged in the school
- Service-learning projects
- Monthly Adoration, weekly Mass, quarterly Reconciliation, classroom support by priests and seminarians

Please contact us with any questions or to schedule a visit. Our **Open House** is **January 30, 2022** following the noon Mass. Open Registration is **January 31-February 11** from **9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** Please visit us at www.cdsmatthew.org. If you have questions, please contact John R. Rathburn, Principal, at jrathburn1@cdeducation.org or call 614-471-4930.

BIBLE STUDIES 2021-2022

Please join us this fall for an exciting lineup of all new Bible Studies and Catholic topics. Details of each can be found at <https://www.stmatthew.net/bible-study>. *Please register early* as seating is limited in some sessions. We hope to see you there!

STUDY	PRESENTER	DATES	TIME	LOCATION	COST	REGISTRATION/INFORMATION
Sunday Mass Readings Explained	Dr. Brant Pitre	Thursdays (every week; come anytime)	7:00-8:30 p.m.	Church Library in the Undercroft	FREE	Lorraine Curtin - (614) 946-7585 Lorraine.curtin@icloud.com (no need to register)
Lecture Series *	Institute of Catholic Culture	Monthly; see below*	7:00-8:30 p.m.	St. Anthony Room	FREE	Julia Hoenig - (614) 404-6366 JulieMayHoenig@reagan.com (please register so enough materials will be available)
Series on the Apostle Paul	Institute of Catholic Culture	Tuesdays, September 28-February 15 (no class: 11/23, 12/21, 12/28, 1/4)	9:15-10:45 a.m.	St. Raphael Room	FREE	Julia Hoenig - (614) 404-6366 JulieMayHoenig@reagan.com (please register, seating is limited to 24)
Lectio: Eucharist	Dr. Brant Pitre	Tuesdays, January 11-March 15	7:00-8:30 p.m.	St. Raphael Room	\$10	Darlene Doody - (614) 557-8867, darlene.doody16@gmail.com (please register by December 27 so that workbooks can be received in time)

*LECTURE SERIES TOPICS FOR 2021-2022

January 12 – Spirits of Light and Darkness: A study of angels and demons

February 9 – Our Lady of Guadalupe: A Conquest of darkness

March 9 – Fighting for the Faith: The Irish war of independence

April 6 – Hearing God's Voice: Discovering God's plan for us

May 10 – Reagan, Thatcher, & The Pope: The fall of the Soviet Union

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED – Mary Ellen Guntzelman; and Shannon Foley, granddaughter of Barb Foley.

PARISH PROJECTS

Given the generosity of our parishioners, the Facilities Team is pleased to provide regular updates on St. Matthew campus projects, improvements, and ongoing initiatives to provide a safe, healthy, and prayerful environment.

After cleaning, disinfecting and reconfiguring cafeteria seating, our students returned to school this past week. As a precaution, we have doubled the spacing between students during lunch and have suspended many extracurricular activities. Our hope is to restart these activities slowly and systematically as we continue to monitor the health of our students.

Extra attention has also been given to church disinfecting as part of a campus wide effort. HVAC filters are being checked more often and we are bringing in more outside air to make the environment as clean as possible.

The Facilities Team appreciates your kind comments on the Nativity and Christmas decorations. Our Nativity figures were originally produced in the early 1920s. After displaying them in 2019, your contributions made it possible to restore them to their current beauty. The stable is built from 125-year-old timbers recovered during restoration of St. Mary Church, German Village. The time and care spent on our display is justified by the enjoyment it brings and as a reminder of the season.

The grandmother of 3-year-old Lydia shared the wonderment her granddaughter experienced this Christmas. Her first encounter was in an empty Sanctuary a couple days before Christmas. We invited her to take a closer look at the Nativity. As she studied the Nativity, she observed, "Jesus is missing." We assured her Jesus would arrive Christmas. After some contemplation in the pew next to the Nativity, her return was inevitable. After Christmas when she came back with her grandma, "He IS there! Jesus is in the manger." She then found the Wise Men making their way to the Nativity... and the star over the manger, "WOW." She again sat and studied the display. Lydia was heard later, "Mommy, what presents did the kings bring to Jesus?"

We hope you have had an enjoyable Christmas.

Please do not hesitate to email suggestions on how we can better serve you to gharvey@stmatthew.net. Be safe, stay healthy, and God Bless.

CHARITABLE WORKS MINISTRY NEWS

RECAP OF DECEMBER 2021 – The St. Matthew Charitable Works Ministry provided an estimated **5,970** meals to **398** households within the greater Gahanna community during the month of December. Thank you for your continued support to those families who are experiencing difficult times.

2021	FOOD REQUESTS	INDIVIDUALS SERVED	EST. MEALS PROVIDED*
EOY 2020	1,622	4,108	61,620
1st Qtr	575	1,362	20,430
2nd Qtr	571	1,304	19,560
3rd Qtr	561	1,268	19,020
October	205	495	7,425
November	192	456	6,840
DECEMBER	187	398	5,970
Year to Date	2,291	5,283	79,245

*3 meals/day x 5 days

Challenge Collection – Thanks to all who contributed to our Annual Challenge Collection in November and December. We exceeded our goal of \$30,000 and our anonymous donor matched that amount. We greatly appreciate the love and generosity of our St. Matthew family!

Christmas Food and Shoppe – Thanks also to all who donated food, gently-used toys, and household items to make our Christmas distribution effort to the needy such a success. Not only did we help over 50 needy families in the area to have a merrier Christmas, but we also donated the Shoppe “leftovers” to seven charitable groups in the Columbus area, including one that helped the Kentucky tornado victims.

Our normal hours of operation are from **10:00 a.m.-noon, Monday-Friday** and **6:00-8:00 p.m. on Thursday**. We are located within 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. You can sign up to volunteer through the first half of 2022 at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040945aeaa2aa5f94-charitable>.

COMPUTER CYBER SECURITY FOR EVERYDAY PEOPLE –

Learn how to protect yourself in the Cyber World. Fellow parishioners Anthony & Allen Perk of XLN SYSTEMS, will explain, in non-technical terms, how to recognize Phishing Scams from emails and the phone. Other subjects to be discussed include “passphrases” (instead of passwords), freezing your credit, the Internet of Things - IoT, and banking online more safely. Past attendees have stated this is very worthwhile and very timely. No soliciting will occur at this free educational event to be held in the St. Anthony Room on **Monday, January 17 from 7:00-8:15 p.m.** RSVP to Allen.Perk@XLNsystems.com or Anthony.Perk@XLNsystems.com.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR A WOUNDED WORLD –

The way of the cross, “Via Dolorosa” in Jerusalem, is God’s Passion, His walk to the Crucifixion. It is commonly used during the Lenten season, however, walking once a month throughout the year is one of the most beautiful prayers to our Maker next to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Join the growing crowd on the 4th Wednesday of the month to experience, sense, and even become emotional for God’s Passion. Please join us on **Wednesday, January 26 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Church. No service in December as we will be celebrating the reason for the season.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. JUDE COUNCIL 5801

Knights are the right arm of the Church and involved in charitable works in our Parish.

Knights are a fraternity united with Christ. Learn more at KofC5801.org.

PENNIES FOR HEAVEN COLLECTION IS THIS WEEKEND

JANUARY 8/9 – Pennies for Heaven is a Knights of Columbus program that directly benefits deserving seminarians in our diocese and/or related to our diocese. Simply put, the Knights collect “pocket change” as their means to raise money. All of the money is then used to assist those currently studying and preparing for Catholic Religious Vocations. We collect “change” to help make a positive “change” in Catholic Religious Vocations. Look for the Knights after all Masses this weekend, **January 8/9**. Thank you for your generosity.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – Congratulations to Paul Koors, Knight of the Month for December.

UNITY IN COMMUNITY: BUILDING BRIDGES – St. Matthew's Julia Greeley Committee is hosting *Unity in Community: Building Bridges*, an in-depth dialogue on racism and cultural sensitivity that is facilitated by leaders of various ministries in the diocese. The goal is to build relationships (cross-cultural and cross-parish), raise awareness, enhance communications, deepen understandings between individuals and groups, and to develop strategies for action and change in the community. The program is divided in five sessions, 90 minutes each. Sessions at St. Matthew begin **January 17, 2022** and run through **February 14 at 7:00 p.m.** All sessions will be in person in the St. Michael Room. More information on the program can be found at <https://stmatthew.net/building-bridges> or by contacting Julie Ratliff at jratliff@stmatthew.net.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

ST. FRANCIS DESALES HIGH SCHOOL'S CLASS OF 2026

enrollment application is open now. The deadline to submit an application is **Monday, January 10, 2022**. All students who apply will take the St. Francis DeSales High School Entrance Exam on January 15, 2022. Please contact the Enrollment Office at St. Francis DeSales High School with any questions: 614-265-3375 or enrollment@desales.co, or visit www.sfdstallions.org/admissions-process for more information.

CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON CLUB ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

The 2022 Catholic Man of the Year will be honored at the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club on **Friday, February 4**. Please join us at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for lunch where we will honor the 2022 Catholic Man of the Year. As of yet, there is no sponsor for the February luncheon. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, please contact Jim Gernetzke at jimgernetzke@noslumine.com. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and the celebration of the 2022 Catholic Man of the Year. Free parking available in the Columbus State Grant Ave. parking lot (25-S) across the street from St. Patrick. No reservations are necessary and \$10.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend! For information on Catholic Men's Luncheon Club, visit www.catholicmensministry.com/cmhc. Our next luncheon is March 4 where Father Stash Dailey will return and present his series for the next four luncheons entitled “Re-building a Christian Culture.” Fr. Dailey will represent part one of the series “St. Joseph: Model of Penance and Discipline” at the March luncheon.

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