

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

March 12, 2023 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and Who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink', you would have asked Him and He would have given you living water." Jn 4:10

**3RD SUNDAY
of
LENT**

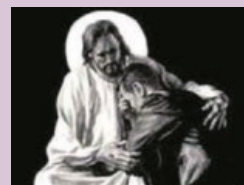
Stations of the Cross

- ✠ Fridays after the 8 am Mass
- ✠ Spanish Stations: Fridays at 7 pm



Sacrament of Reconciliation

- ✠ Friday, March 31st: 3 - 7 pm



**Sunday, March 12th
Mass & Healing Service**

Confessions: 2:00 - 3:30 pm

**Sunday Mass: 3:30 pm
(fulfills Sunday Obligation)**

**Healing Service
to Follow Mass**

Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Weekends: Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: **8:00 am, 10:00 am
Español-Spanish: 12:00 noon

Weekdays: Monday: **6:00 pm
Tuesday: **12:05 pm
Wednesday-Saturday: **8:00 am

****This Mass will be "Live-Streamed" on YouTube**

To view a Mass shortly after it was "live", go to our website: "www.stmatthewausau.org" and click on icon "Today's Mass". For a Mass on a previous day, click on icon "YouTube-Recorded Masses".

Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes before every Mass
Saturday: 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
(Wednesday 4:30 pm: Evening Prayer,
Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction)

Diocese Weekend Mass on TV in Wausau

6:00 pm Saturday & 9:00 am Sunday:
Public Access Channel 980
6:30 am Sunday: Cable/Satellite Channel 12

Parish Center Office - Oficina

(Behind school/atrás de la escuela)
221 S 28th Avenue - 715-842-3148

Office Hours - Oficina Horas

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday: 8:00 am - 12 Noon

Website: www.stmatthewausau.org
YouTube: St. Matthew Wausau

Emailed Bulletins:
www.parishesonline.com

Diocese of La Crosse: www.dioc.org

Hello Rev. Sebastian Kolodziejczyk,

As of 2/22/2023, the following summarizes the Life to Date Distribution of the received *Inspired by the Spirit* Capital Campaign funds. The parish's share of the current month's distribution for the St Matthew Parish is **\$4,797.86**.

Standard Campaign Goals					
Parish	Campaign	Diocesan Annual Appeal	Catholic Foundation of W. Central WI	Holy Cross Diocesan Center	Parish Share
St Matthew Parish	\$585,000.00	\$73,235.00	\$37,615.00	\$93,900.00	\$380,250.00

Life to Date Distribution				
Total Received	Diocesan Annual Appeal	Catholic Foundation of West Central WI	Holy Cross Diocesan Center	Parish
\$207,706.98	\$73,235.00	\$7,692.15	\$19,202.25	\$107,577.58

Current Month's Distribution				
Total Received	Diocesan Annual Appeal	Catholic Foundation of West Central WI	Holy Cross Diocesan Center	Parish
\$5,997.33	\$0.00	\$-1,745.93	\$2,945.40	\$4,797.86

The negative amount in the Current Month Foundation's distribution is the result of adjusting the allocation between the Foundation and Holy Cross Diocesan Center to align it with the case statement.

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT



Ministry Scheduler Pro

We are pleased to announce St. Matthew will be using a new online scheduling system called **Ministry Scheduler Pro** that allows you to specify the times that do and do not work well for you to serve, check your schedule from anywhere and easily find a substitute when you can't make it. It will even allow you to sign up to serve as a family. The program is available online or as an app available in Apple and Android app stores. **We will begin using Ministry Scheduler Pro with our next schedule in March.**

Ellen Schumann is serving as the parish lead for this program, so if you have any questions, please reach out to her by email at ellenmschumann@gmail.com or by phone/text at **715-581-9908**.

And don't worry if you don't use email or computers. We are still able to enroll you in this program. You just need to speak directly to Ellen to get set up.

All parishioners who were previously being scheduled as a lector, cantor, usher, altar server, or choir member and have a known email address should have received an email with instructions on how to access the program and update your contact information and ministry preferences. If you were being scheduled and did not have an email address, Ellen has reached out to you by phone or US mail. If you did not receive an email, phone call, or letter, please reach out to Ellen Schumann soon. All special requests for the 11 March - 28 May schedule must be made by 24 February at the latest.

If you received an email and are having trouble understanding how to use Ministry Scheduler Pro, please reach out to Ellen and she will help you. Once the schedule is ready, you will receive an email alerting you. Once the schedule is set, you will be able to access it at any time online or in the app.

And, if you are interested in volunteering for any of these ministries, please reach out to Ellen and she can help make that happen. We are in need of more volunteers in all our ministries, especially altar servers. The parish provides training for all these ministries. With *Ministry Scheduler Pro*, you will be in control of your availability. This is a prime time to answer the call to ministry in our parish. It would be a great faith-based action to consider for Lent.

Thanks so much. Please reach out with questions.



Anointing Baptism Communion Confirmation Reconciliation Marriage Holy Orders

Celebration of the Sacraments

Confession

30 minutes before every Mass and Saturday: 9:00 am - 10:00 am.

Baptism

Baptism Preparation Class: March 15, 2023 at 6:30 pm

The Baptism Class must be attended by parents - Godparents are encouraged to attend. You must register one week before the class by calling the Parish Center: 715-842-3148.

Bautismo

Para Bautismos los padres y padrinos deben tomar una clase de preparación. Generalmente las clases son el primer martes de cada mes a las 6:30 pm en el centro parroquial. Para mayor informes y registrarse para la clase llame a Joy al: 715-842-3148.

Marriage - Contact Fr Sebastian 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Home Communion Visits

Call Dorothy: 715-432-5519 or the Parish Center: 715-842-3148 for:

- * **Anointing of the Sick** - for those seriously ill and before a scheduled surgery.
- * **Communion Visits to the Homebound** - if you would like to receive Holy Communion at your home, rehab center, assisted living facility, or nursing home.
- * **Visits at the Hospital** - If you are anticipating a hospital stay, call and let us know as we are not always notified by the hospital.

In Need of Extra Prayer? - Our prayer group is always ready to pray for you! Call Bonnie: 715-675-9876 or Parish Center: 715-842-3148.



Easter Flowers and Candles Donations

Easter flowers or candles can be donated to honor our loved ones (living or deceased). Donations made will be listed in a future bulletin.

Candles and flowers add beauty and meaning to the Easter Liturgical Celebration.



The "Easter Lily" is a symbol of Christ's resurrection, because it rises from a single bulb representing Christ rising from the tomb. An ancient belief was that white lilies appeared where drops of blood fell from Christ's body after the crucifixion.

Lighted candles take away darkness & are symbolic of Jesus, "the Light of the world". He brought us new hope when He rose from the dead!!

Donations can be put in the Sunday Collection or dropped off or mailed to the Parish Center.

Please include the following information with your donation:

- your name
- the name of the person you are honoring
- indicate if you are donating a flower or candle
- place this information in an envelope along with a donation
- on the outside of the envelope write: "Easter Decorations"

You can also donate a flowering plant (in pastel spring colors) and bring to church before 3 pm on Good Friday.

Thank you for your donations!

Resurrection Church Lenten Soup Meals in Brennan Hall

Wednesdays, March 1st - April 5th - 11:00 am to 1:00 pm



Soup and Fresh Bread will be served.

Donations are accepted.

Eucharistic Revival - A Minute with Jesus

As you take "steps forward," your faith in Jesus' true Presence in the Eucharist will grow.

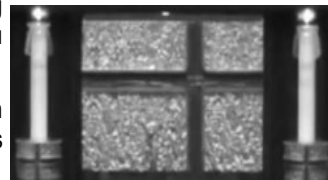
We cannot simply convince ourselves through reason that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist. One of the best ways to grow in this faith is to spend some time in conversation with Jesus, truly present in a Catholic Church. Share something that is on your heart with the Lord.

You will notice that probably without saying or feeling anything special, you will leave with a quieted heart.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week:

"Jesus, help me commit to spending some time in conversation with you in Church."

This week, read about how we can always find Jesus in His Father's house in Luke 2:41-51.



Excellent Resources to Accompany Your Lenten Journey

- * *Real Life Catholic* with Chris Stefanick reallifecatholic.com
Fearless - a free, 7-week video series on fear.
- * *Dynamic Catholic* with Matthew Kelly dynamiccatholic.com/lent -
Discover the real you: Sign up to receive two free videos each day.
- * *Word on Fire* with Bishop Robert Barron wordonfire.org/calendar/lent
Receive daily Gospel Reflections.
- * *The Ultimate Guide to Lent* with Fr. Mike Schmitz
media.ascensionpress.com/2023 -
Short videos to better understand Lent.
- * *Lenten Resources* from the US Bishops
uscbb.org/prayer-worship/liturgical-year/lent - Readings for the day;
articles; prayers and devotions



Msgr. Hirsch presents "Jesus' True Presence in the Eucharist"

Again and again, Jesus comes to us in the Eucharist. Our faith comes alive as we understand better that Jesus gives us His Real Presence in the Eucharist. Join Msgr. Joseph Hirsch, Director: Casa

Hogar Juan Pablo II Orphanage, Lurin, Peru as he presents *Jesus' True Presence in the Eucharist*. (48 min.) Visit diolc.org/catechesis.



- **St Anne's Wausau**, corner of Bridge St and 6th Ave
Fridays of Lent (Feb 24 - March 31) 4:00-7:00 pm
715-849-3930 Ext 6
- **St Patrick's Parish**, 136058 Halder Drive, Mosinee
off Hwy 153 west of Mosinee - Fridays during Lent &
Good Friday (Feb 24 - April 7) 4:00-8:00 pm
715-693-2765
- **St John the Baptist Parish**, 117 N 4th Ave, Edgar - Fridays during
Lent & Good Friday (Feb 24 - April 7) 4:00-7:30 pm - 715-352-3111



This Week at Saint Matthew Parish

Tuesday, March 14

Men's Fellowship-Game Night - School Cafeteria: 6:00 - 9:00 pm
Jubilee House Meeting - Parish Center Patio Room: 6:00 pm
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - Rectory: 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 15

That Man Is You! - Emily's Room in Church Angelorum: 6:00 am
Ray's Breakfast Club (all men) - Eagle's Nest Restaurant: 9:00 am
Marlene's Breakfast Club (all women) - 2510 Deli: 9:00 am
English Baptism Class - Parish Center Patio Room: 6:30 pm
Choir Practice - Church: 6:30 pm

Thursday, March 16

Peacemakers Quilters - Parish Center Patio Room: 1:00 pm
Jubilee House Free Community Meal - School Cafeteria: 4:30 - 6:00 pm
Healing Fire of the Spirit Prayer Group - Angelorum: 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Saturday, March 18

Scrip Sold after 4:30 pm Mass
Pizza Night - School Cafeteria: after 4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, March 19

Scrip Sold after 8 am and 10 am Masses
Choir Sings at 10 am Mass



Buying Scrip Supports St Matthew Parish Next Scrip Sale: March 18th & 19th

In the Angelorum before and after Mass
 (Saturday: 4:30 pm, Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am)

You can always buy Scrip at the Parish Center.

Scrip lists available in back of church by cry room and the Parish Center.

Weekly Contributions

Thank You and God Bless You!

Weekly Goal: \$9,612.00

Received March 5th: \$8,726.61 Debt Reduction: \$45.00

Parish Contributions: Our weekly offertory collection provides the necessary funds to meet our financial obligations. If you are not attending Mass in person, please consider sending your weekly donations by:

- **Mail:** St Matthew Parish, 221 S 28th Ave, Wausau, WI 54401
- **Bill Pay through your Bank:** contact your bank to set up.
- **Online Giving:** via credit card or direct debit
 - www.stmatthewausau.org/donations (one-time donations)
 - www.stmatthewausau.org/payments (recurring donations available)
- **Monthly Electronic Funds Transfer** from your bank. To set up, contact **Jerry** at: 715-842-3148 or email: jerryg@stmatthewausau.org

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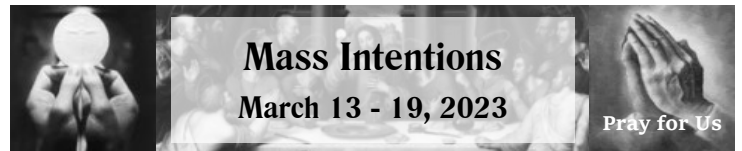
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Bulletin Deadline: 2 pm Monday



Mass Intentions

March 13 - 19, 2023

Pray for Us

Mon, Mar 13 - 6:00 pm - †Tom Hynes
 Tue, Mar 14 - 12:05 pm - †Paul Wiegert
 Wed, Mar 15 - 8:00 am - Special Intention PK
 Thu, Mar 16 - 8:00 am - †Arthur Hummer
 Fri, Mar 17 - 8:00 am - †Christine Kaiser
 Sat, Mar 18 - 8:00 am - †Sandy Hass
 4:30 pm - †Lach Families
 Sun, Mar 19 - 8:00 am - †Scott Zernicke
 10:00 am - St Matthew Parishioners
 Spanish - 12 noon - †Maria Luisa Munoz Santoyo

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, March 13

2 Kgs 5:1-15/Ps 42/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday, March 14

Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 15

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday, March 16

Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95/Lk 11:14-23

Friday, March 17 - Saint Patrick, Bishop - Saint Patrick's Day

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday, March 18 - St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop/Doctor of Church

Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51/Lk 18:9-14

Sunday, March 19 - 4th Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1, 6-7, 10-13/Ps 23/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41



Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday March 18 4:30 pm	Sunday March 19 8:00 am	Sunday March 19 10:00 am
Lectors		
Nancy Oestreich	Mike Jilek	Bernie Dohr
Musicians		
Todd McDonald Anne Paul	Marie Stubbe Annette Southworth	Gaudete Choir Nancy Losinski
Ushers and Greeters		
Lee Peek Maren Peek Abigail Peek	Tom Mullaley Jody Babl Steve Ostrowski	Tom Brzezinski Kevin Malovrh Randy Krueger
Altar Servers		
	Joey Huebsch	Anthony Hanneman Sam Hanneman
Children's Liturgy of the Word: Jeannie & Maren		



Fr Sebastian is happy to visit those hospitalized to provide you with the "Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick". Please call us at 715-842-3148 to let us know as the hospital doesn't always notify us.



Regulations for Fasting & Abstinence

During the Season of Lent:

1. Catholics age 14 and older are to "*abstain from meat*" on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.
2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics in good health, ages 18 to 59, are to "*fast*" on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. Fasting consists of eating only one full meal. Two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal is permitted, if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Ray's Breakfast Club

All men are invited to join us for breakfast on **Wednesday, March 15th at 9 am at the Eagles Nest Restaurant.**

Join us the 3rd Wednesday of each month at various restaurants for good food and good fellowship!



Marlene's Breakfast Club

All ladies are invited to join us for breakfast on Wednesday, March 15th at 9 am at the 2510 Deli.

No dues, no meetings, no agenda, just friendship offered! Join us the 3rd Wednesday of each month at various restaurants for good food and good fellowship!



HELPING HANDS UPDATE!

The 18 Helping Hands Volunteers have returned from Kenya and completed what they set out to do: build houses; projects with children in orphanages; fresh coat of paint inside St Gabriel Church (church Helping Hands built in 2004); have swing sets, monkey bars and net ball sets built for 10 schools; purchased and delivered house kits (plastic wash tub - wash basin - soap - dishes/cups - cooking pots - silverware).

This is what one volunteer had to say about her time helping the most needy:

"The experience is life changing! Helping the most needy has filled my heart with so much joy. I thank God for giving me the opportunity to be part of Helping Hands and the joy of helping the beautiful people of Kenya."

Thank you St Matthew Parishioners for your prayers and financial support! We all returned home safely and knowing we have given families the **GIFT of HOPE!**



Blest Art Sale - in the Angelorum

After Masses on Saturday & Sunday, March 11th & 12th

Blest Art has hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and other olive wood art. Please consider purchasing a piece of art made by the Christians in and around Bethlehem who earn their living by carving these beautiful olive wood pieces of art.

The funds raised by Blest Art assist these remaining Christians (<1% of the population in the Holy Land) who want to live in peace and support their families with a centuries-old trade and way of life.

Blest Art gladly accepts cash, checks, and all major credit cards. We do not ask for nor do we accept any donations.



Jeryes Qumseya, owner of Blest Arts religious goods company of Beloit, Wisconsin, is a native of Beit Sahour near Bethlehem, the birthplace of Christ.



Men's Fellowship-Game Night

sponsored by the Men's Club on the **Second Tuesday of each month.**

All Adult Men of the Parish are Welcome!

The next Fellowship-Game Night will be March 14th from 6 - 9 pm in the School Cafeteria.

Everyone is asked to bring cards, games or whatever one wishes to play. Refreshments will be available. For any questions or concerns, contact **Glen Yeager at 715-848-1106 or Pat Ruesch at 715-845-1160.**

St Matthew's Pizza Night!

Saturday, March 18th at 5:30 pm (or after 4:30 pm Mass) at St Matthew School Cafeteria



Come enjoy delicious Pizza and get to know other members of the parish family.

Have fun!! Bring the whole family!

If you would like to help or have questions call **Deacon Tom at: 715-297-5976 or**

email: ttierney@diolclergy.org

Thank you for Freewill Offerings made to support this event.



St Matthew Soup Sale

**Saturday & Sunday
March 25th & 26th**

Our delicious homemade soups & tuna macaroni salad are available for purchase in the Angelorum after the 4:30 pm, 8 am, & 10 am Masses



Soups

(\$7.00/Quart)

**Chicken Dumpling
Pea with Ham
Chili**

**Hamburger Vegetable w/ Barley
Cheesy Potato with Ham**

Salad

(\$5.00 for 1.5 lbs)

Tuna Macaroni Salad

If you are able to help prepare the soups a few days before the soup sale, call **Ken Teeters at 715-574-4300.**

Thanks to all who helped make the Soup Sale on March 4th & 5th successful! A special thank you to those who made the soups and those who purchased the soups!

**** If you have quart jars with lids, please put them in the marked plastic bins in the Angelorum or call Ken for pick up. Thank You!**



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