# Saint Matthew Catholic Church

# August 13, 2023 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

He became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught Peter. Mt 14:30-31





The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - August 15th
Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass Monday, August 14th: 6:00 pm Holy Day Masses
Tuesday, August 15th: 8:00 am and 12:05 pm

## 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

Go to our website: www.StMatthewWausau.org, click on icon "Today's Mass" for direct link. For other Masses click on icon "YouTube-Recorded Masses". Or go directly to YouTube: "St. Matthew Wausau"

## **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,

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## **TV Sunday Mass**

- Channel 7.4 WSAW Sunday 9 am Cable TV
- Channel 12 Sunday 6:30 am
- Ch 980 Public Access Sat 6 pm & Sun 9 am

## **Parish Center Office - Oficina**

(Behind school/atrás de la escuela)
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#### Office Hours - Oficina Horas

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## August

## The Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

This litany was composed by John Henry (Cardinal) Newman shortly after he converted to Catholicism in 1845.

As we pray, let us recall the many blessings that have flowed through Mary from Jesus to us.

## **Litany of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven, Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God, Have mercy on us.

Heart of Mary, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, like unto the Heart of God, *Pray for us.* 

Heart of Mary, united to the Heart of Jesus, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, instrument of the Holy Ghost, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, sanctuary of the Divine Trinity, *Pray for us.* 

Heart of Mary, tabernacle of God Incarnate, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, immaculate from thy creation, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, full of grace, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, blessed among all hearts, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, throne of glory, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, most humble, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, holocaust of Divine Love, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, fastened to the Cross with Jesus Crucified, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, comfort of the afflicted, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, refuge of sinners, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, hope of the agonizing, Pray for us.

Heart of Mary, seat of mercy, Pray for us.

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

Immaculate Mary, meek and humble of heart,

Make our hearts like unto the Heart of Jesus.

## Let Us Pray:

O most merciful God, Who, for the salvation of sinners and the refuge of the miserable, was pleased that the Most Pure Heart of Mary should be most like in charity and pity to the Divine Heart of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, grant that we, who commemorate this sweet and loving Heart, by the merits and intercession of the same Blessed Virgin, may merit to be found like unto the Heart of Jesus, through the same Christ Our Lord.

Amen



## What's the Assumption, anyway?

By Adelaide Mena

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On August 15, Catholics around the world mark the *Feast of the Assumption of Mary*, commemorating the end of her earthly life and assumption into Heaven. But while the feast day is a relatively new one, the history of the holiday, and the mystery behind it, has its roots in the earliest centuries of Christian belief.

The Catholic Church teaches that when Mary ended her earthly life, God assumed her, body and soul into heaven. The dogma of the *Assumption of Mary*, also called the "Dormition of Mary" in the Eastern Churches, has its roots in the early centuries of the Church.

While a site outside of Jerusalem was recognized as the tomb of Mary, the earliest Christians maintained that "no one was there," theologian and EWTN senior contributor Matthew Bunson told CNA.

According to St John of Damascus, the Roman emperor Marcian requested the body of Mary, Mother of God at the Council of Chalcedon, in 451. St Juvenal, who was Bishop of Jerusalem told the emperor "that Mary died in the presence of all the Apostles, but that her tomb, when opened upon the request of St Thomas, was found empty; wherefrom the Apostles concluded that the body was taken up to heaven," the saint recorded.

By the 8th century, around the time of Pope Adrian, the Church began to change its terminology, renaming the feast day of the *Memorial of Mary* to the *Assumption of Mary*, Bunson noted.

The belief in the Assumption of Mary was a widely-held tradition, and a frequent meditation in the writings of saints throughout the centuries. However it was not defined officially until the past century. In 1950, Pope Pius XII made an infallible, ex-cathedra statement in the Apostolic Constitution Munificentissimus Deus officially defining the dogma of the Assumption. "By the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and by our own authority, we pronounce, declare, and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory," the pope wrote.

The decree was seen as the formalizing of long-held Christian teaching. "We have throughout the history of the Church an almost universal attestation of this," Bunson said of the Assumption. "We have this thread that runs throughout the whole of the history of the Church in support of the dogma. That's significant because it supports the tradition of the Church, but it also supports a coming to a deeper understanding of the teachings of the Church of how we rely upon the reflections of some of the greatest minds of our Church."

What's also notable about the dogma, he added, is that it "uses the passive tense," emphasizing that Mary did not ascend into heaven on her own power, as Christ did, but was raised into heaven by God's grace.

Today, the Feast of the Assumption is marked as a major feast day and a public holiday in many countries. In most countries, including the United States, it is a Holy Day of Obligation, and Catholics are required to attend Mass. Bunson explained that on major feast days, it's important to mark the significance of the feast as especially vital by emphasizing the necessity of celebrating the Eucharist that day. "What is more fitting than on the Assumption of the Blessed Mother to, once again, focus on her Son, on the Eucharist?" he asked.

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Communion Confirmation Reconciliation Marriage

## **Celebration of the Sacraments**

#### **Confession**

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

## Baptism

Baptism Preparation Class: September 13, 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.



## Prayer

The most powerful weapon against trials. The most effective medicine against sickness. The most valuable gift to someone you love.

## Please pray for the members of Saint Matthew Parish:

"Dear Jesus, please help and heal all parishioners who are homebound, lonely, depressed, grieving, sick, in the hospital, those who are terminally ill and those who have died. Amen



## Eucharistic Revival - A Minute with Jesus The Eucharist is Called "Holy Mass"

The word "Mass" comes from the Latin word "Missa". Missa is related to the word "missio", the root of the English word "mission". At Mass, we come to receive the Eucharist-the Real Presence

of Jesus. He gives Himself to us out of love, to strengthen us in living out the Christian life. At the end of Mass, we are dismissed with the words, "The Mass is ended, let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord." Each of us is sent on mission, to show our love for God by loving and serving others and passing on the Catholic Faith to them. We want to help others to know the Truth – Jesus Christ – so that they also can find peace, which only He can give.

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

"Jesus, please give me the courage to speak about my friendship with You in simple ways to others, when the opportunity arises. And let my actions speak louder than any words I say."

This week, read how we are to serve others in Hebrews 6:10. "Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."

## Knights for Life - Blood for Life - Blood Donation Drive

Thursday, August 17th: 2:30 - 7:00 pm Abts Hall at St Agnes Parish in Weston

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council serving St Mark, St Agnes and St Therese Parishes.

The Blood Bank's levels are low now during this epidemic and they are in need of blood for our community. We are asking families and friends to help support this effort by donating blood to give life to those in need.

You can go to the website of the "Blood Center of Northcentral Wisconsin" for more information regarding donating blood. www.bcnwi.org You can call the Blood Bank to make an appointment 715-842-0761. Thank you so much for your support in this time of need.



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## This Week at Saint Matthew Parish

## Monday, August 14

Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: 6 pm

## Tuesday, August 15 - Holy Day of Obligation - Assumption of Mary

Mass Schedule: 8:00 am and 12:05 pm

Consecration to Jesus through Mary - Emily's Room: after 12:05 pm Mass Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting - Parish Center Patio Room: 7 pm

#### Wednesday, August 16

Marlene's Breakfast Club (all women) - Eagle's Nest Restaurant: 9 am Ray's Breakfast Club (all men) - Blue Willow Restaurant: 9 am

## Thursday, August 17

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, August 19

Scrip Sold after 4:30 pm Mass

#### Sunday, August 20

Scrip Sold after 8:00 am & 10 am Masses



Weekly Minimum Amount Needed per Budget: \$12,217.00

Envelopes (August 6th)	\$6,826.00
Offertory	
Debt Reduction	\$15.00
Assumption	\$75.00
Candles	

## A Note from Jerry

I just wanted to explain to the Parish why our Weekly Minimum Needed per Budget has increased.

The three major reasons are:

- Utilities have increased 35-40%.
   This includes gas, electricity, and water.
- Loss of income: \$5,000 from Faith Christian Academy per month after the sale of the school.
- Father Pecha's wages and insurance.

Also, as everyone knows, everything has gone up. We have not raised this amount in 3 years.

If anyone would like to discuss this, please let me know

Thanks for your continued support of St Matthew Parish!

Jerry Grunow Finance Director



## Buying Scrip Supports St Matthew Parish Next Scrip Sale: August 19th & 20th

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.



## Mass Intentions August 14 - 20, 2023



Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mon, Aug 14 - 6:00 pm - †Jenny Hack

Holy Day of Obligation - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tue, Aug 15 - 8:00 am - †Sister Helen Vahling, OSF

12:05 pm - †Deceased Seubert Families

Wed, Aug 16 - 8:00 am - †Lawrence & †Helen Mocello

Thu, Aug 17 - 8:00 am - † John & †Rosie Bauer

Fri, Aug 18 - 8:00 am - †Randy Patnode

Sat, Aug 19 - 8:00 am - †Mary Lindow

4:30 pm - †Virginia H. Hofmann

Sun, Aug 20 - 8:00 am - St Matthew Parishioners

10:00 am - †Deceased Tanck & Krautkramer Families

Spanish - 12 noon - †Omar Rodriguez

## Daily Mass Readings

Monday, August 14 - Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132/1 Cor 15:54-57

Tuesday, August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19; 12:1-6, 10/Ps 45/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday, August 16 - Saint Stephen of Hungary

Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday, August 17

Jos 3:7-10, 11, 13-17/Ps 114/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday, August 18

Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday, August 19 - Saint John Eudes, Priest

Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16/Mt 19:13-15

Sunday, August 20 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28



Weekend - Liturgical Ministers		
Saturday August 19 4:30 pm	Sunday August 20 8:00 am	Sunday August 20 10:00 am
Lectors		
Jeanne Alexjun	Henry Wanserski	Joel Stroup
Musicians		
Cindy Blair Nancy Losinski	Marie Stubbe Annette Southworth	Barb Britten Mary Lenard
<b>Ushers and Greeters</b>		
Jay Rolefson Mike Lawrence John Bocke	Jody Babl Steve Ostrowski Dennis Janssen	Bob Charlier Sharon Charlier Tom Brzezinski
Altar Servers	\$ 7. As	
Yonathan Ramirez	Joey Huebsch Matthew Meyer	Natalie Bergo Carolina Bergo

## Sacrament of Baptism

"I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."



Do You Want to Protect the Innocence of Your Children? Monday, August 21st at 12-Noon Please come to the Wausau Library Board Meeting

We welcome into the Catholic Faith:

Baptized Saturday, July 29, 2023

**Emma Mary Chase** 

**Daughter of Kodi and Danielle** 

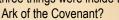
Baptized Sunday, July 30, 2023

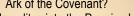
Sophia Anna Morgan **Daughter of Timothy and Emily** 

Congratulations! May Jesus be your dearest companion!



## Bible Timeline Bible Study Who were the Samaritans? What three things were inside the





Who led the Israelites into the Promised Land? Join us as we explore the history of the Jewish people and early

Christians through The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation by Ascension Press.

This 24-week course gives an overview of the history of the Jews and Christians from Genesis through Acts.

#### We are offering two sessions starting September 20th & 21st:

- Wednesday at 6 am (Men's Morning Group)
- Thursday at 9 am (open to all Parishioners)

Bible Study will be in "Emily's Room" in church Angelorum.

#### **Materials Needed**

- One Study Set required for each person (may be shared by a couple) - Study Set (\$40)
- The Catechism of the Catholic Church
- One of these versions of the Bible:
  - Revised Standard Version-Catholic Edition (RSV-CE)
  - New American Bible (NAB)

If you are interested contact: Jay Rolefson at 715-843-5530 or rolefson1@frontier.com by August 31st.



## Marlene's Breakfast Club

All ladies are invited to join us for breakfast on

Wednesday, August 16th at 9 am at the Eagle's Nest Restaurant.

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!



All men are invited to join us for breakfast on

Wednesday, August 16th at 9 am at the Blue Willow Restaurant.

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



Library controversy - Concerns have been expressed by local parents about harmful reading material that is currently available to young children at the Marathon County Public Library.

The request to the library board that books of concern be labeled according to a rating system so parents have the information they need to protect their children, was voted against, 4-2 by the library board.

This proposal will be discussed again at the next meeting, Monday, August 21 at 12:00 noon at the Wausau Library location.

We need a large attendance to show support for protecting the innocence of our children. If you have questions, please call Dorothy - 715 432-5519.



St Matthew Parish is planning a Ministry Fair in late September to invite parishioners to participate in the many areas of service available in the parish.

As we seek to grow as a community of faith we will share information on how to become more involved. More information will be provided as planning progresses.

Please call the parish at 715-842-3148 with any questions.



Registration for 2023 - 2024 **Religious Education** is open on our website.



The sooner you register the better we can plan for the year.

Visit our website to register: StMatthewWausau.org There is no cost to attend the program for the catechist's children.

For more information call Joy at 715.842.3148.



## **HELPING HANDS UPDATE**

Helping Hands will be collecting school supplies for Kenya.



Some of the supplies needed are:

- pens pencils crayons markers
- colored construction paper chalk
- flash cards chalkboard erasers

Please drop off your donation at the parish office – THANK YOU! Helping Hands will be taking a group of volunteers to Kenya to help those in need.

There will be two trips:



1st Trip: January 9th - 25th 2nd Trip: January 24th to February 8th

3rd Option: January 9th to February 8th

If you are interested and would like to know more about the trips, contact Tom or Mary Pat Roovers (715) 842-4270.







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