

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

September 24, 2023

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?’ Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” Mt 20:13-16



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

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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)

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)
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

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Today is Priesthood Sunday



Prayer for Priests

Lord God, most holy,
we approach You in gratitude for Your holy ordained priesthood.

You have called these men to be set apart
and to shepherd Your people,
as You shepherd Your entire church.

We pray for them in their daily work.

Grant to them an increase in spiritual gifts and grace,
so they may be prepared for the tasks at hand.

Lead them not into temptation
and protect them from the grasp of the evil one.

It is through the sacraments they confer
that we encounter the divine in a real and profound way.

May Your church never lose sight of these,
Your special sons, and may we, the body of Christ,
never fail to cherish the gift of their lives,
which they have freely given to You and Your holy church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, Your Son.

Amen



September 29th Feast of the Archangels Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, and Saint Raphael

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The three Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are the only angels named in Sacred Scripture and all three have important roles in the history of salvation.

St Michael is the "Prince of the Heavenly Host," the leader of all the angels. His name is Hebrew for "Who is like God?" and was the battle cry of the good angels against Lucifer and his followers when they rebelled against God. He is mentioned four times in the Bible, in Daniel 10 and 12, in the letter of Jude, and in Revelation.

Michael, whose forces cast down Lucifer and the evil spirits into Hell, is invoked for protection against Satan and all evil. Pope Leo XIII, in 1899, having had a prophetic vision of the evil that would be inflicted upon the Church and the world in the 20th century, instituted a prayer asking for Saint Michael's protection to be said at the end of every Mass.

Christian tradition recognizes four offices of Saint Michael:

1. to fight against Satan
2. to rescue the souls of the faithful from the power of the enemy, especially at the hour of death
3. to be the champion of God's people
4. to call away from earth and bring men's souls to judgment

"I am Gabriel, who stand before God." (Luke 1, 19) Saint Gabriel, whose name means "God's strength", is mentioned four times in the Bible. Most significant are Gabriel's two mentions in the New Testament: to announce the birth of John the Baptist to his father Zacharias, and the at Incarnation of the Word in the womb of Mary.

Christian tradition suggests that it is he who appeared to St Joseph and to the shepherds, and also that it was he who "strengthened" Jesus during his agony in the garden of Gethsemane.

"I am the angel Raphael, one of the seven, who stand before the Lord" (Tobit 12:15) Saint Raphael, whose name means "God has healed" because of his healing of Tobias' blindness in the Book of Tobit. Tobit is the only book in which he is mentioned. His office is generally accepted by tradition to be that of healing and acts of mercy.

Raphael is also identified with the angel in John 5:1-4 who descended upon the pond and bestowed healing powers upon it so that the first to enter it after it moved would be healed of whatever infirmity he was suffering.



September 30th - Feast Day of Saint Jerome

"So valuable to heaven is the dignity of the human soul that every member of the human race has a guardian angel from the moment the person begins to be." St Jerome

"A false interpretation of Scripture causes that the gospel of the Lord becomes the gospel of man, or, which is worse, of the devil." St Jerome

"Just as we have to dig for gold in the earth, so we have to dig deep into Sacred Scripture for its divine meaning." St Jerome



When Peter encountered Jesus for the first time, he was busy doing his daily work, fishing. He was minding his own business, when Jesus approached him and asked him to put his nets out into the deep water for a catch. Although hesitant, he did as Jesus asked him and caught an over-abundance of fish! When they arrived back on shore, Jesus said to Peter, "Come, follow Me..." and Peter did.

In just the same way, the Lord continues to work in our world today, approaching us in our normal, daily lives and inviting us to consider following Him.

Have you ever considered following the Lord as a priest, like Peter? Do you know of a young man who you think the Lord may be calling to be a priest? Perhaps this is the Lord's invitation to follow Him.

To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact me:

Fr Nate Kuhn
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God bless you!

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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: November 15th, 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.



Wednesdays at 1 pm in the Gathering Space at The Church of the Resurrection

People grieving the death of a spouse, a family member or close friend are invited to participate in GriefShare, a program offered over 14 weeks in which a friendly, caring group of people offer guidance and encouragement to those dealing with one of life's most challenging experiences.

The gatherings use a nationally recognized and highly regarded program with presentations and discussion.

If you have questions or would like to register, contact
Grant Johnson at St Anne's Parish: osdad.johnson2@gmail.com



Eucharistic Revival - A Minute with Jesus Preparing to Receive Holy Communion

When we are at Mass, and preparing to receive Jesus in Holy Communion, our minds will sometimes wander. When we find ourselves distracted in this way, simply return our eyes to the altar and listen with our hearts as the priest prays the words of Jesus, asking the Holy Spirit to change the bread and wine into His Body and Blood of Jesus. As we go forward to receive Jesus in Holy Communion, it is a good practice to repeat the following prayer: "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." (Matthew 8:8)

Let's pray this right now and every day this week in preparation for next Sunday:

"Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." (Matthew 8:8)

This week, read Isaiah 26:3: "He does keep in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee."



St Mary's Church in Marathon Annual Charcoal Chicken Dinner

**Sunday, September 24th
11:00 am - 1:00 pm
in St Mary's School**

Chicken dinner with all the trimmings & homemade pies.
Carry-outs available.

Adults: \$12.00, Students: \$7.00
Pre-School Children free when dining in.

Sponsored by the men of the parish.
Proceeds go to support the school.



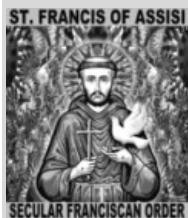
Knights of Columbus Collection for the Neighbor's Place: "Baby Place"

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting:

- Diapers
- Wipes
- Any Baby Hygiene Products

**Please put these items in boxes located in the back of church from
October 13th through October 23rd! Thank you for your help!!**

Secular Franciscans of St. James Fraternity are inviting anyone



who wishes to come to a *Transitus Service* (Celebrating St Francis of Assisi's death) on
Wednesday, October 3, 2023 at 1:00 pm in the
Gathering Space at St Michael's Church.

The regular monthly meeting will be held on
Sunday, Oct 8 at 2:00 pm at Krasowski Hall at
St Michael's Church. Lesson 24 will be the
formation lesson.

Pregnant and in distress? Confidential Help is Available From:



* Catholic Charities - 360 Grand Avenue #800, Wausau

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Pregnancy Support: www.cclse.org/i-think-im-pregnant

* Hope Life Center - 605 24th Ave. S. Ste 20, Wausau

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**For additional resources and locations,
[visit diolc.org/pregnancy-resources](http://visitdiolc.org/pregnancy-resources)**



This Week at Saint Matthew Parish

Wednesday, September 27

Men's Morning Group: Bible Timeline - Emily's Room: 6 am

Thursday, September 28

Bible Timeline - Emily's Room: 9 am

Peacemakers Quilters - Parish Center Patio Room: 1:00 pm

Jubilee House Free Community Meal - School Cafeteria: 4:30 - 6:00 pm

Men's Club Meeting - School Cafeteria: 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 30

Pizza Night after 4:30 pm Mass in School Cafeteria

St Matthew Ministry Fair after 4:30 pm Mass in Angelorum

Sunday, October 1

St Matthew Ministry Fair after 8:00 am & 10:00 am Masses in Angelorum



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

Envelopes (September 17th).....	\$8,593.00
Offertory.....	\$1,282.05
Debt Reduction.....	\$440.00
Assumption.....	\$15.00
Candles.....	\$152.00

Buying Scrip Supports St Matthew Parish



Next Scrip Sale: October 7th & 8th

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.



Subscriptions to "The WORD Among Us"

The Word Among Us magazine offers the daily Mass readings, wonderful meditations, inspirational essays, stories of the saints and more! If you are interested in receiving a 1 year subscription, contact **Judy Koy at: 715-675-9215 by Monday, October 16th.**

"The WORD Among Us" starts with the December 2023 issue.

The cost is \$20.00.



Men's Club Meeting

Thursday, September 28th at 7:00 pm
in the school cafeteria.



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



Mon, Sep 25 - 6:00 pm - Gary and Judy Koy (3rd Anniversary)

Tue, Sep 26 - 12:05 pm - †Tom and †Merrilyn Fischer

Wed, Sep 27 - 8:00 am - †Jim Luterbach

Thu, Sep 28 - 8:00 am - †Robert Arlen

Fri, Sep 29 - 8:00 am - †Deceased Burger Family

Sat, Sep 30 - 8:00 am - Helping Hands Volunteers & Supporters

4:30 pm - †Don Southworth

Sun, Oct 1 - 8:00 am - †Shirley Sackmann

10:00 am - †Rick Henrichs

Spanish - 12 noon - St Matthew Parishioners

**Two Mass Intentions are available when 2 priests concelebrate a Mass.*

Daily Mass Readings



Monday, September 25

Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 26 - Saint Cosmas and Saint Damian, Martyrs

Ezr 6:7-8, 12, 14-20/Ps 122/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 27 - Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2-4, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday, September 28 - Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr;

Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149/Lk 9:7-9

Friday, Sept 29 - St Michael, St Gabriel, St Raphael - Archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 138/Jn 1:47-51

Saturday, September 30 - Saint Jerome, Priest/Doctor of the Church

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15/Jer 31:10-13/Lk 9:43-45

Sunday, October 1 - 26th Sun in Ordinary Time-Respect Life Sunday

Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25/Phil 2:1-11/Mt 21:28-32

Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday September 30 4:30 pm	Sunday October 1 8:00 am	Sunday October 1 10:00 am
Lectors		
Jeanne Alexjun	Theresa Stubbe	Joel Stroup
Musicians		
Todd McDonald Dorothy Giallombardo	Marie Stubbe Annette Southworth	Phillip Wyman Sara Schmitt
Ushers and Greeters		
Dave Mayer Jay Rolefson John Bocke	Pat Ruesch Steve Ostrowski Tom Mullaley	Sharon Charlier Randy Krueger Kevin Ellenbecker
Altar Servers		
Yonathan Ramirez	Joey Huebsch TJ Sondelski	Matthew Meyer Sam Meyer
Children's Liturgy of the Word:		
		Jeannie

September 29

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2023

**Congratulations
& God's Blessings
on your
50th Wedding Anniversary
Raymond & Sharon
Stankowski**

October 1, 2023

**Congratulations on your
40th Wedding Anniversary
Glen and Sheila Yeager**



St Matthew's Pizza Night!

**Saturday, September 30th 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!

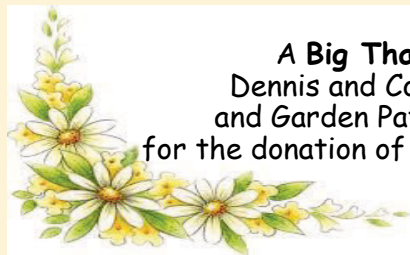
If you would like to help or have questions
contact **Deacon Tom at his email:**

ttierney@diolclergy.org

Thank you for Freewill Offerings made to support this event.



**A Big Thank You to
Dennis and Connie Janssen
and Garden Path Greenhouse
for the donation of plants this summer!**



**Holy Name of Jesus Parish Fundraiser
Supporting Newman Catholic Classical School: Holy Name
Friday, September 29th - Simmons Hall**

4:00 pm Building Tours & Music
by Frankie Moscato begins
5:00 pm Dinner is served
5:30 & 7:00 pm Headmaster
Introduction/Announcements
7:30 pm Raffle Drawings

**Bucket Raffles - Silent Auction
Fund a Need - Special Raffles
Cash Bar**

Dinner includes:
2 El Tequila Salsa Tacos
Mexican Rice & Beans
Chips/Salsa
Ice Cream



**Freewill Donation
Suggested donation
\$10 per plate**

*He will wipe every tear from their eyes,
and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain...Rev 21:4*



**Our Prayers & Sympathy go to
the Family & Friends of:**

Jose Francisco Mejia II

He died Wednesday - September 13, 2023

He is the Husband of Pamela

He is the Father of Carmen, Jose, and Alicia

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen*



St Matthew Ministry Fair

**It is time to Connect, Grow,
and Serve as a community
of St. Matthew's Parish!!**

This coming weekend is the last *Ministry Fair* weekend. Put your
completed *Survey* in the basket for a chance to win the raffle prize!!
The Ministry Fair is in the Angelorum after all weekend Masses.

At the Ministry Fair, we will have the opportunity to talk with those
involved in the many ministries, committees, and community services
our Parish has.

To help each of us see how we can better *Connect, Grow, and
Serve*, look at the *Survey Insert* in this week's bulletin. This will help
you and your family discern the interests and gifts you have and
match them up to the many ministries, committees, and community
services available at our Parish.

Do you see an area of ministry not listed that our Parish can grow
in?? Then this is the place and time for you to share those ideas!

WE WELCOME YOU in any way you are able to *Connect, Grow, &
Serve* with our St. Matthew's community and as members of the
Body of Christ.

Bring your *Completed Survey* and your ideas with you to the
Ministry Fair!! You can use it as a guide as you meet and talk to
those involved in the ministries.

See you there!!!

A Big Thank You from Helping Hands

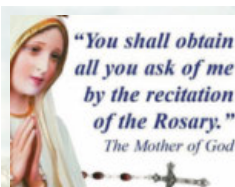


Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for responding to our request for school
supplies. We received a nice variety of supplies which will be distributed
to several schools in Kenya.

A pencil might seem like a small thing to us, but to a Kenyan student it
is very special and it brings a big smile on their faces.

Blessings for caring about God's children!



America Needs Fatima Public Square Rosary Rally

**Saturday, October 14th
12 noon - 1:00 pm**

**Join us at 11:45 am in St Matthew Parish Angelorum
Please join us to pray for our nation!**



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