

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

August 10, 2025

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them." Lk 12:37



Upcoming Holy Day
of Obligation

August 15th

The Assumption of
the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass Schedule

12 Noon

6:00 pm

Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Weekends: Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, **10:00 am
On Aug 17th: Español-Spanish: 11:00 am
Weekdays: Monday: **6:00 pm
Tuesday: **12:05 pm
Wednesday-Friday: **8:00 am

**** Ways to watch a "Live-Streamed Mass":**

- www.stmatthewausau.org - today's Mass is at top of our home page. Click on box "Our YouTube Channel" to watch previous Masses & videos.
- Our YouTube channel: "St. Matthew Wausau"

Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes before every Mass
Saturday: 3:00 pm - 4:20 pm

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 Office - Oficina

227 S 28th Avenue - 715-842-3148

Office Hours - Oficina Horas

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday: closed

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August 15th Celebrate Mary's Assumption into Heaven

By Ann Lankford, Catechesis & Evangelization

On August 15th, the Church will celebrate the Solemnity of Mary's Assumption into Heaven. This means that at the end of her life on earth, Mary experienced the "resurrection of the body" promised to all believers at the end of time who faithfully follow Jesus Christ. What are the personal implications of this Feast for us?

"Belief in the Assumption is a source of hope for Christians because it foreshadows what will one day happen to each faithful Christian. The raising of Mary, body and soul, to the glory of Heaven anticipates what will happen at the final judgment to all who are to be saved. It provides hope that Christians will one day experience the resurrection of the body that she has already experienced through the grace of her Son, Jesus Christ." (Catholic and Christian: An Explanation of Commonly Misunderstood Beliefs, Dr Allen Schreck, Dynamic Catholic, p. 221)

Let us examine the evidence with which the Church assures us of the truth of this teaching, revealed by God in Scripture and Tradition. In 1950, Pope Pius XII definitively declared the Assumption of Mary in these words: "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."

Mary's Assumption is connected to and is the natural result of:

- * being conceived without Original Sin – her Immaculate Conception
- * and her sinless life.

Both physical death and corruption of the body are effects of Original Sin and personal sin. When we die, our soul leaves our body and lives on, but our body decays. Since Mary was preserved from Original Sin, lived with complete adherence to God's will and freely cooperated with His plan which sustained the fullness of grace given by Him at her conception by never committing personal sin, Mary was assumed into Heaven, body and soul. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 411). Mary experienced a glorified body and an immediate union of her whole being, body and soul, with God at the end of her earthly life. Thus, Mary becomes a cause of hope for all the redeemed who seek the fullness of Christ's Resurrection, as Jesus will raise our bodies to life again on the last day, to be reunited with our soul.

The Scriptural foundation for Mary's Assumption is Genesis 3:15. This Bible verse foreshadows Mary as intimately sharing in the same absolute victory of her Son over Satan. This passage in Genesis takes place after the Original Sin of Adam and Eve, in which God speaks to Satan in these words: "I will put enmity between you and the woman, [Mary] and between your seed and her seed [Jesus]; He will crush your head and you will strike His heel."

Scriptural support for the Assumption also includes Luke 1:28 as we consider the greeting of the Angel to Mary, "Hail, full of grace", because a human person with a fullness of grace and no sin would not experience the effects of sin in the body—such as, a physical decay leading to death.

Mary "cooperated by her obedience, faith, hope and burning charity in the work of the Savior in restoring the supernatural life of grace to souls. For this reason, she is a mother to us in the order of grace". (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, Lumen Gentium, no. 61) "...Taken up to Heaven she did not lay aside this saving office but by her manifold intercession continues to bring us the gifts of eternal salvation." (no. 62)

How can we not eagerly invite the generous help of this "manifold intercession", her prayer on our behalf, that God has so graciously provided for us in the person of Mary?!

Our Blessed Mother is now in the glory of Heaven, and the glory that she possesses in body and soul "is the image and the beginning of the Church as it is to be perfected in the world to come. So too does she shine forth on earth...as a sign of hope and comfort for the pilgrim people as we are still on our way." (no. 68). Bring your family to join with the parish at Mass on August 15th for the holy day of celebration!



August Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of Jesus is) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life. Such devotion is an incentive to a similar love and virtue.

This devotion has received new emphasis in this century from the visions given to Lucy Dos Santos, oldest of the visionaries of Fatima, in her convent in Tuy, in Spain, in 1925 and 1926. In the visions Our Lady asked for the practice of the Five First Saturdays to help make amends for the offenses committed against her heart by the blasphemies and ingratitude of men. The practice parallels the devotion of the Nine First Fridays in honor of the Sacred Heart.

Excerpted from *The Prayer Book* by Reverend John P. O'Connell, M.A., S.T.D. and Jex Martin, M.A.

Novena to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Most Blessed Mother, heart of love, heart of mercy, ever listening, caring, consoling, hear our prayer. As your children, we implore your intercession with Jesus your Son. Receive with understanding and compassion the petitions we place before you today, especially (*mention your special intention*).

We are comforted in knowing your heart is ever open to those who ask for your prayer. We trust to your gentle care and intercession, those whom we love and who are sick or lonely or hurting. Help all of us, Holy Mother, to bear our burdens in this life until we may share eternal life and peace with God forever. Amen.



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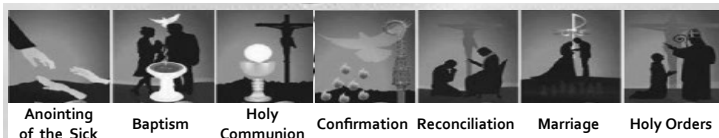
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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Call the Parish Office (715-842-3148) to make arrangements for:

✚ **Confession** - by appointment outside of scheduled Confession times.

✚ **Baptism** - Baptisms take place the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Baptism Preparation Class:

Wednesday, September 17th at 6:30 pm

The Baptism Class must be attended by parents. Godparents are encouraged to attend. **You must register at least one week before the class by calling the Parish Office.**

✚ **Bautismo** - Los bautismos se llevan a cabo el segundo domingo de mes. Para los bautismos los padres y padrinos deben tomar una clase y no faltar a misa los domingos. Los padrinos deben presentar comprobante de que recibieron el sacramento de la Confirmación y no pueden estar viviendo juntos. Para mayor informes y registrarse para la clase llame a Joy at 715-842-3148

✚ **Marriage** - Contact Fr Sebastian 6 months in advance.

✚ **Anointing of the Sick and Home Communion Visits**

- * **Anointing of the Sick** - for those seriously ill and before a scheduled surgery.
- * **Holy Communion Visits to the Homebound** - for those at home, a rehab center, assisted living facility, or nursing home.
- * **Hospital Visits** - If you are anticipating a hospital stay, call and let us know. The hospital doesn't always inform us.
- * **In Need of Extra Prayer?** - Our prayer group is always ready to pray for you! Call Bonnie: 715-675-9876.

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 The Holy Sacrifice



A sacrifice is the act of giving up something highly valued for the sake of something else considered to have a greater value or claim out of love for another person and/or for God. The perfect sacrifice was Christ's death on the Cross, by which He offered Himself to the Father out of love for us, which accomplished our salvation. The Holy Mass is a sacrifice because it is the re-presentation and the memorial of Christ's sacrifice on the Cross. The sacrifice of Calvary is being made, present in an unbloody manner on the altar at Mass.

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

"Jesus, please give me the grace to appreciate the sacrifice that is made present at every Mass in which You offer Yourself to the Father out of love for me."

This week, read Luke's account of Jesus offering Himself in sacrifice to the Father for love of us in Luke 22:14-20.



HOPE offers Deeper Still - a free, three-day retreat for women and men impacted by abortion. The next retreat takes place the weekend of September 5th, and registration is always open.

Retreats provide a safe and confidential space to process the emotional and spiritual weight of abortion and begin the journey toward healing and restoration. Many who attend say it was a life-changing experience. Each retreat is facilitated by trained, compassionate team members who walk with participants every step of the way.

Learn more or register at hopewi.org/deeper-still or call/text Christina at 715-843-4673. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Looking for Bible Stands



Our Religious Department is looking for 4 Bible Stands for our classrooms.

Do you have one or more you'd be willing to give us? Thank You!

Call Joy at 715-842-3148



Restlawn Memorial Park Cemetery Plots Available

For Sale: 2 cemetery plots at Restlawn Cemetery.

You can buy 1 or 2 plots.

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This Week at Saint Matthew Parish

Monday, August 11

Flame of Love Cenacle: Rosary, Adoration, Benediction - after 6 pm Mass

Tuesday, August 12

Gracious Ladies Meeting & Potluck - McGarty Hall: after 12:05 pm Mass

Wednesday, August 13

1st Communion Parent Meeting - McGarty Hall: 6:00 pm

Sunday, August 17 - Parish Picnic: Noon - 4:00 pm

Spanish Mass will be at 11:00 am



Weekly Minimum Amount
Needed per Budget:
\$11,073.00

Envelopes (August 3rd).....	\$5,574.00
Offertory.....	\$1,390.17
Assumption.....	\$5.00
Candles.....	\$218.00



School Supplies and Back to School Clothes



The easiest way to earn rebates to reduce a Parish Bill is to use Scrip Gift Cards (physical or e-card) to purchase your everyday needs. Gas, Groceries Toiletries etc. helps our Parish without changing your spending habits. We are entering school readiness mode and we have cards for Walmart, Target & Amazon on hand. Office Depot/Max and Best Buy can be ordered. Get ready for that next rush and buy ahead.

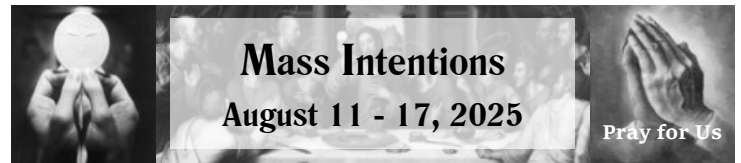
Next Scrip Sale: August 16th & 17th

In the Angelorum after weekend Masses
and available Monday - Thursday in the Office.

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



Friday, August 15 12:00 pm (noon)	Friday, August 15 6:00 pm
Lectors	
Joe Calderaro	Mary Holm
Musicians	
Lynn Meyer Annette Southworth	Barb Britten Sara Schmitt
Ushers and Greeters	
Marie Burish Kathie Stencil Ted Stencil	Tom Line Don Baur Mary Radtke-Baur
Altar Servers	
Al Seubert Mike Bourguignon	Sam Hanneman Anthony Hanneman
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	
Jane Holl	Mary Holm



Mon, Aug 11 - 6:00 pm - †Larry and †Rose Towle

Tue, Aug 12 - 12:05 pm - †Sylvester Krautkramer

Wed, Aug 13 - 8:00 am - Judy Brandt

Thu, Aug 14 - 8:00 am - Living & †Deceased Covarrubias & Funk Families

Fri, Aug 15 - Holy Day of Obligation - Assumption of BI Virgin Mary

12:00 pm - †Jenny Hack

6:00 pm - Living & †Deceased Family & Friends

Sat, Aug 16 - 4:30 pm - †Dorothy Cline

Sun, Aug 17 - 8:00 am - †Albert and †Bette Kunze

10:00 am - St Matthew Parishioners

Spanish - 11 am - †Omar Joaquin Rodriguez Soto

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, August 11 - Saint Clare, Virgin

Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday, August 12 - St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4, 7-9 & 12/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Weds, August 13 - St Pontian, Pope & St Hippolytus, Priest/Martyrs

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

Thursday, August 14 - Saint Maximillian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr

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

Friday, 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

Saturday, August 16 - Saint Stephen of Hungary

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

Sunday, August 17 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, August 16 4:30 pm	Sunday, August 17 8:00 am	Sunday, August 17 10:00 am
Lectors		
Aiden Losh	Justin Lowe	Pat Loy
Musicians		
Cindy Blair Anne Paul	Joel Stubbe Sara Schmitt	Phillip Wyman Dorothy Giallombardo
Ushers and Greeters		
Brian Mleziva Ryan Oestreich Scott Oestreich	Nic Schmitt Dennis Janssen David Krause	Jack Reeves Chuck Miller Tim Kimball
Altar Servers		
Logan Mleziva Nolen Mleziva	Adalyn Schmitt Everly Schmitt	Eli Lieders Tom Brzezinski
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion		
Mary Holm	Mike Jilek	Kim Sliwicki
Scrip		
Cheryl Vircks	Josie Ollhoff	Jeannie Henaman



"Special"
Gracious Ladies
St Matthew Women's Group
Meeting

Tuesday, August 12th
 after the noon Mass in McGarty Hall

Guest Speaker: Fr Isaac
"The Mass - Part II"

All parishioners are welcome.

Potluck - Bring a dish to share.

RSVP to Kay: 715-697-1680 or Email: kwash@pcpros.net

ALTAR SERVERS Cookout

WHO
 All Altar Servers

WHAT
 Fire Pit & Hot Dog Roast
 Plus S'mores, Snacks & Refreshments

WHEN
Saturday August 23rd
 Drop off at 5:45 pm (following the 4:30 pm Mass)
 Pick up at 8:00 pm

WHERE
 At the fire pit on the east side of the Rectory garage.

BRING
 A Lawn Chair

CONTACT
 Mike Bourguignon
 715-241-0030 (Call or Text)

Ray's Breakfast Club

All men are invited to join us for breakfast on
Wednesday, August 20th at 9 am
at A & A 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, August 20th at 9 am
at 6th Street Filling Station 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!



You're Invited to the Best Parish Picnic Ever!!!

An unforgettable day of
 food, fun, and fellowship!

Sunday, August 17th
Noon - 4:00 pm

on St Matthew Parish Grounds
 (follow parking signs)

Picnic Activities

- **Food** (served noon - 4:00 pm)
 - Grilled Hamburgers, Brats, Hotdogs
 - Sweet Corn
 - Your Delicious Food to Share
 - A-L: Desserts
 - M-Z: Salads
 - Lemonade and Water (or BYOB)
- **Live Music**
- **Games for All Ages**
 - Some for Fun
 - Some for Prizes

Weather permitting, there will be tables on
 the grounds with plenty of space for your
 own lawn chairs and picnic blankets too.

Inside seating is also available.

In inclement weather, picnic will be
 in McGarty Hall and upstairs.

Whether you have been with us for years
 or are brand new, this is the perfect time
 to connect and celebrate
 as a parish family.

Reminisce, reconnect,
 or meet new parishioners.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



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 interested in becoming Catholic?

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