

# Saint Matthew Catholic Church

August 24, 2025

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Someone asked Him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them,  
"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."  
Lk 13:23-24



### 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-Friday: \*\*8:00 am

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

- [www.stmatthewausau.org](http://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

**Website:** [www.StMatthewWausau.org](http://www.StMatthewWausau.org)

**YouTube:** St. Matthew Wausau

### Emailed Bulletins:

[www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)

**Diocese of La Crosse:** [www.dioclc.org](http://www.dioclc.org)



## August Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

### Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
full of love for God and mankind,  
and of compassion for sinners,  
I consecrate myself to you.  
I entrust to you the salvation of my soul.

May my heart be ever united with yours,  
so that I may hate sin,  
love God and my neighbor,  
and reach eternal life with those whom I love.

May I experience the kindness of your motherly heart  
and the power of your intercession with Jesus  
during my life and at the hour of my death.

Amen

### Feast Day - August 27th Saint Monica, Mother of St Augustine

#### Prayer to Saint Monica

Saint Monica, we give thanks to our Father in Heaven  
Who looked with mercy upon your tears  
over your wayward son.

His conversion and heroic sanctification  
were the fruit of your prayers.

Dear St Monica,  
we now ask you to pray with us  
for all those sons and daughters  
that have wandered away from God,  
and to add your prayers  
to those of all mothers  
who are worried over their children.

Pray also for us that,  
following your example, we may,  
in the company of our children,  
one day enjoy the eternal vision of our Father in Heaven.

Amen.



### Feast Day - August 28th - Saint Augustine



"If you believe what you like in the gospels, and reject  
what you don't like, it is not the gospel you believe,  
but yourself."

"But my sin was this, that I looked for pleasure,  
beauty, and truth not in Him but in myself and His  
other creatures, and the search led me instead to  
pain, confusion, and error."

Saint Augustine

### Acts of the Apostles Bible Study



Who wrote Acts and why?  
What role did Peter and Paul  
play in the early church?

Join us as we explore the  
spread of the Gospel in the  
ancient world through

"Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom" by Ascension Press.

This 20-week course examines how the apostles, led by the  
Holy Spirit, spread Jesus' ministry to both Jews and Gentiles  
throughout the region.

**We are offering two sessions starting October 1st and 2nd:**

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

Bible Study will be in "Our Lady of Guadalupe" classroom  
on the second floor of the new addition.

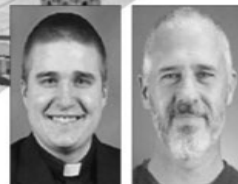
#### Materials Needed

- One study workbook required for each person  
(may be shared by a couple). Workbook costs \$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 or Shirley Wiesman  
at 715-843-5530 or rolefson1@frontier.com

Please register by September 22nd.

## Journey of Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego



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and Jason Clark

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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.**

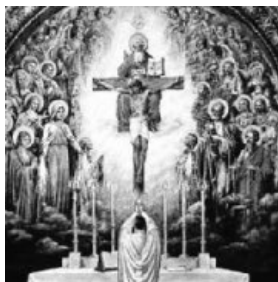
✚ **Bautismo** - Los bautismos se llevan a cabo el segundo domingo de mes. Para los bautismos los padres y padrinos deben tomar una clase y no faltar a misa los domingos. Los padrinos deben presentar comprobante de que recibieron el sacramento de la Confirmación y no pueden estar viviendo juntos. Para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

***Eucharistic Revival - A Minute with Jesus***



**The Eucharist Is Called  
The Holy Sacrifice**

A sacrifice is an offering of love for someone. Jesus rescued us and set us free from the bondage of sin by offering Himself through His painful **sacrifice** on the Cross. At each Mass, Jesus offers Himself to the Father for love of us.

Jesus is not being "re-sacrificed" but the sacrifice of Calvary is being made present at each Mass. To express our gratitude and to open our hearts more deeply to Him, we can show our love by offering small **sacrifices** to Him: our willingness to forgive after being hurt by someone, cutting our time short with TV to take time for prayer, visiting someone who is sick etc.

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

"Thank You, Jesus, for loving me so much that You were willing to die in order to save me and set me free from the bondage of sin."

**This week**, read how we are to imitate Jesus by walking in the way of love in Ephesians 5:2 "Walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved me and gave Himself up for me as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God" (Ephesians 5:2).



**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](http://hopewi.org/deeper-still) or call/text Christina at 715-843-4673. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



**Join Us at St Vincent de Paul  
for Our Parking Lot Party!**

**Friday, August 29th  
11 am – 4 pm**

**Come enjoy a store-wide sale, food trucks, a bake sale,  
kids' games, Ashley Furniture scratch-and-dent deals,  
Smart Chicks and Old Bags pop-ups, and plenty of fun.**

**All are welcome!**



**CALIX: A Catholic Substance Abuse Recovery Support Group**

Calix is an association of Catholics wanting to live free of addiction to alcohol or drugs, and it is also for affected family members. It is not a substitute for AA or Al-Anon, but it provides a Catholic perspective for these 12-step programs. "Calix" is Latin for "chalice," and it was founded in Minneapolis, MN in 1947 by a group of five men, all recovering alcoholics, who saw their Catholic faith as a sure path to serenity without alcohol.

If you're interested in learning about the Calix group in the diocese of La Crosse, that meets every other Tuesday by Zoom, email Christine at [healthandharmonywi@gmail.com](mailto:healthandharmonywi@gmail.com)



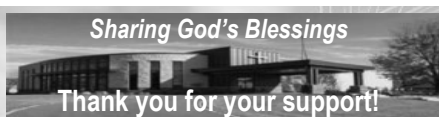
## This Week at Saint Matthew Parish

**Wednesday, August 27**

Catechist Inservice - McGarty Hall

**Thursday, August 28**

Men's Club Meeting - McGarty Hall: 6:00 pm



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

Envelopes (August 17th).....\$7,709.65  
Offertory.....\$1,433.00  
Assumption.....\$2,201.00  
Candles.....\$258.00

July Scrip Rebate credited to Newman = \$345.58



**ShopWithScrip**



Chipotle is coming to Rib Mountain and opening soon. Be sure to order your Scrip Card in \$10 or \$25 values. If you have registered as a member of Raise Right, E-Cards start at \$10 and can increase by \$1 increments, up to \$250. No card to carry. It will be in your phone when needed. Handouts about getting a Raise Right Account are available at the Sale Table or Parish Office.

We will be returning to weekly sales in the Angelorum beginning September 6th. Hope to see you there! For those who are just thinking of buying Scrip, we accept cash or checks only. Every sale counts!

"Support the retailers that help support your Parish."

**Next Scrip Sale: September 6th and 7th**

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

## Order of Christian Initiation for Adults - "OCIA"



Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming Catholic?

Please call the office (715-842-3148) as soon as possible,  
to sign up for the OCIA program.



## 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



## Mass Intentions August 25 - 31, 2025

Pray for Us

Mon, Aug 25 - 6:00 pm - Gary Butler

Tue, Aug 26 - 12:05 pm - †Tom Hynes

Wed, Aug 27 - 8:00 am - The Poor Souls in Purgatory

Thu, Aug 28 - 8:00 am - ~~~~~

Fri, Aug 29 - 8:00 am - Living & †Deceased Kraft & Albrecht Families

Sat, Aug 30 - 4:30 pm - Living & †Deceased Bourguignon & Schauer Families

Sun, Aug 31 - 8:00 am - St Matthew Parishioners

10:00 am - †Claude and †Jean Witzeling

Spanish - 12 noon - †Idelsa Fuentes Gonzalez

## Daily Mass Readings

**Monday, August 25 - Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest**

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8-10/Ps 149/Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday, August 26**

1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139/Mt 23:23-26

**Wednesday, August 27 - Saint Monica**

1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139/Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday, August 28 - Saint Augustine, Bishop/Doctor of the Church**

1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90/Mt 24:42-51

**Friday, August 29 - The Passion of Saint John the Baptist**

1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97/Mk 6:17-29

**Saturday, August 30**

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98/Mt 25:14-30

**Sunday, August 31 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24/Lk 14:1, 7-14



## Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, August 30 4:30 pm	Sunday, August 31 8:00 am	Sunday, August 31 10:00 am
<b>Lectors</b>		
Jeanne Alexejun	Theresa Stubbe	Lee Peek
<b>Musicians</b>		
Lynn Meyer Eben Soper	Brittany Kavajecz Annette Southworth	Barb Britten Mary Lenard
<b>Ushers and Greeters</b>		
Dave Mayer John Bocke Brian Mleziva	David Krause Jody Babl Nic Schmitt	Pat Ruesch Kevin Malovrh Tim Kimball
<b>Altar Servers</b>		
Gary Koy Eddie Vue	Adalyn Schmitt Everly Schmitt	Carolina Bergo Natalie Bergo
<b>Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>		
Judy Koy	Kathie Stencil	Bob Holl

**"Right is right even if no one is doing it; wrong is wrong even if everyone is doing it." Saint Augustine (Feast Day: August 28th)**

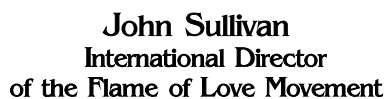
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**May Jesus be your dearest companion!**



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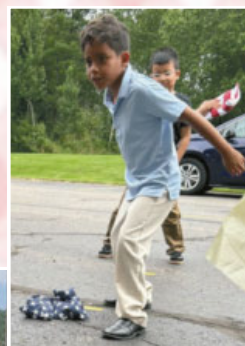
Don't miss this opportunity to learn about this transformative outpouring of grace from a top leader in the Flame of Love Movement!



Stevens Point  
**St Peter Church**  
(Basement)  
800 4th Avenue  
**September 15th**  
6:30 pm



**If you did any or all of the above, thank you so much for helping to make St Matthew's Picnic a huge success!  
We had fun and we hope you did too!**



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