

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, March 7

8:00AM Evelyn Guzo

### TUESDAY March 8

8:00AM Nancy Martin

### WEDNESDAY, March 9

8:00AM Herman VanVeen

### THURSDAY March 10

8:00PM Richard Metz

### FRIDAY, March 11

8:00AM All Deceased Parishioners of St. Matthews

### SATURDAY, March 12

5:00PM Frank Cerny  
John Drumetski, Sr.

### SUNDAY, March 13

8:00AM Dorothy Husvar  
Jim McGrane

10:00AM Dominica Galipo

12:00PM Frank Marotta

5:00PM Ruth Vasta



## Served by:

Rev. Daniel W. Murphy, Pastor (fr.dan)

Rev. Kamil Stachowiak, Parochial Vicar (fr.kamil)

Deacon Edward Keegan, Permanent Deacon (deacon.ed)

Deacon Richard Brady, Permanent Deacon (deacon.rich)

Deacon Larry D'Amico, Permanent Deacon (deacon.larry)

Pat D'Amico, Director of Faith Formation (pat.damico)

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William Ruane

Maira Dziomba

## PASTORAL CARE

Kindly remember in your prayers the sick of our parish. May they experience the healing power of our gracious God: Matthew Augustine, Filomena Bocchino, Chris Groh, Bridget Hochstuhl, and James Latham.

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

**Sunday:** Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

**Sunday:** Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11



### EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF March 6<sup>th</sup>

**SUNDAY, March 6...FF Weekend, Men's Cornerstone 1-5PM.**

**Laudato Si 6:30PM.**

**MONDAY, March 7...AA Mtg 9:30AM, Reconciliation 7:00PM, RCIA 7:30PM, Search 7PM.**

**TUESDAY, March 8...Boy Scouts, Rosary 7PM, Stations of the Cross 7:30PM, Lenten Program 8PM, Women's Cornerstone T-1 7:30PM.**

**WED. March 9...AA Mtg 9:30AM, Marriage Enrichment 7PM.**

**THUR. March 10...Rosary 7:30AM, AA Mtg 9:30AM, All Choirs.**

**FRIDAY, March 11...AA Mtg 9:30AM, Healthy Bones 10:30AM.**

**SATURDAY, March 12... Martha & Mary 8AM, OWL Event 11AM, Marriage Enrichment 2PM.**

**SUNDAY, March 13...LWWC 10AM Mass, FF Weekend, Search Team Day 1PM, Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby weigh in 7PM.**

## CATHOLICISM SERIES

Fr. Dan lent out his Catholicism Series a few months ago and it was returned missing the booklet for Chapter #7. If you borrowed the series recently please check to see if you mistakenly kept booklet #7 and return to the office. Thanks.

### LENTEVENING PRAYER- Mon., March 7th

Please join us in the chapel at 7:30 p.m. for half an hour of evening prayer and song to help center ourselves during this season of prayerful reflection. Enjoy a few peaceful, quiet moments opening our hearts to a closer encounter with our Lord.

## PARISHPAY ONLINE GIVING

A Secure and Convenient way to make offertory contributions to St. Matthews from the comfort of your home or any place with internet access. ParishPay allows you to make donations anytime (one-time, weekly, monthly or annually) based on your personal schedule and family budget. No need to hassle with checks or cash. ParishPay offers multiple methods to make donations: credit card, debit card or eCheck. ParishPay enables donations to second and special collections too. ParishPay offers the ability to review your monthly donations, change your account preferences and donation amounts at any time, and will email an annual tax statement detailing your donations. It is easy to sign up. Simply visit ParishPay.com or contract the parish office.

## SHOPPER'S CLUB UPDATE

St. Matthews invites you to participate in a unique opportunity to help with our fundraising efforts through our Shopper's Club Program. St. Matthew's receives a profit from 4% to 10% for every purchase you make through our participating businesses.

We are excited to announce the addition of Verona Restaurant to our Shopper's Club Participating Restaurants and Markets which include Burrini's, Rosies, Randolph Diner, ShopRite, ACME, Sussex Market and Amazon. Shopper's Club cards are available after mass in the gathering space or during the week in the office for the restaurants and grocery stores with the exception of Burrini's and Amazon. At Burrini's just mention you are a St. Matthew's parishioner at checkout and 5% of your purchase will be donated to St. Matthews. When shopping at Amazon.com, go online through St. Matthew's website "Support Our Church" link and earn St. Matthew's 4% - 8.5% for every purchase made. Thank you in advance for making this fundraiser a success!

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

### "WELCOME HOME"

Every Monday evening

February 15 - March 14 - 7:00 PM-8:30PM

Saturdays 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM

Individual appointment available

**4-WEEK BIBLE STUDY CLASS-** Beginning in April If you would like a deeper appreciation of the Mass readings, more confidence in our Bible-based faith, or if you would just like to experience the fascinating story of salvation history, please join us in April for "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible".

Through videos and group discussion, "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" helps you uncover the salvation story woven throughout Scripture, so you can get the "big picture" of the Bible and understand what it's all about. (Note: This is an abridged version of the 24-week Bible Timeline and a revised version of the "Helicopter Tour of the Bible" that we offered in 2013).

**Dates:** April 6, 13, 20, 27

**Time:** 7:00- 8:30PM

**Price:** \$13.00 (plus shipping) for workbook

**Meeting Place:** St. Matthews, in Heritage Hall or Bauer Room

**Contact:** Suzanne Johnson, suzj238@verizon.net or 973-361-1028. To register: <http://evangelization.com/pick/randolph-nj-st-matthew-the-apostle-church>.

### **EASTER BASKET Project 2016**

Continuing our mission to support our sister parish, Holy Trinity in Passaic NJ, we are again collecting items to prepare Easter baskets and goodie bags for the children of Holy Trinity parish in Passaic. We are trying to continue our tradition of supplying between 400 and 500 baskets/bags. Please consider helping out by donating any of the following items: Medium size Easter baskets, candy-filled plastic eggs (or plastic eggs and small wrapped Easter candy), small chocolate bunnies, small Easter toys and cellophane bags for baskets... We have seen all of these items recently appearing in discount stores around Randolph. Items can be dropped off in the bins in the Gathering Space during mass and also during religious education class times between now and Sunday, March 20th at 12 noon.

In addition, we are in need of volunteers to assist with assembling and wrapping the baskets and bags on Sunday, March 20th beginning at 12 noon in the Bauer Room at St. Matthew's. If you are interested, please contact Noreen Cassidy at norharri1@verizon.net. All ages are welcome, this is an excellent opportunity for children to help with a project, -please plan to stay and assist with very young children.

We appreciate your generous donation of time and items for this wonderful project!

Noreen Cassidy, Co-Chairs

### **LENT AND LAUDATO SI**

This is your last weekend to experience Laudato! Come to the desert: strip away the clutter of what separates us from God and be reconnected with your inner Spirit and what connects us all to each other, and to God. Similarly, Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si invites us to come to the desert... Not create one.

Our last discussion will be on the Treatment of Our World.

**Sundays: March 6 at 6:30 PM in the Library**

**Dear Parish Family,**

**Our sincere thanks to everyone for your expressions of sympathy at the loss of my mother, Anita D'Amico. Even though she lived a good long life of 95 years, our family feels the loss. Your support has helped ease our sorrow and made us ever grateful to be part of such a wonderful, caring community.**

**Love & God's Blessings, Deacon Larry & Pat D'Amico**

## **THE YEAR OF MERCY THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY**

In celebration of the Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis we will have the opportunity to practice the corporal works of mercy in this Lenten season. We will do so through our ongoing parish support of the Missionaries of the Poor in Haiti at Cap Haitian. We ask that each household of our parish donate the items that follow on three of the Sundays of Lent. Receptacles will be provided in the Gathering Space.

**"Visit the Sick": The Mission at Cap Haitian spends much of its medical funding on vitamins in preventative medicine. This week the donation is generic regular or chewable vitamins (new) or regular or liquid Tylenol. Please get a card in the gathering space for the specific items you would like to contribute.**

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT**

As has been our custom, the Stations of the Cross (starting at 7:30PM) will be followed by an opportunity to grow in our journey with God in coming to a deeper understanding of who God is and how we can better serve in the work of evangelizing in our culture which is more and more secular.

We will have five one hour sessions in viewing and discussing the very well done video program of Bishop Robert Barron entitled, "The Mystery of G: Who God Is and Why He Matters". We ask each participant to bring along his/her Bible for reference in the sessions. We have used many of Barron's presentations in the past and they have been very well received. **Please join Deacon Rich Brady in Heritage Hall for our 4<sup>th</sup> session on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 8-9PM; "Exploring the Trinity."**

### **WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT**

**April 22 - April 23, 2016**

**"Beautifully Rooted -- Bloom Where You Are Planted"** Cornerstone is a 26-hour retreat that provides you with the opportunity to experience a sharing of faith and spiritual growth through personal reflection, prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The retreat is facilitated by a team of parishioners who have previously attended a Cornerstone weekend. They will share their stories and experiences of trying to live the Gospel amidst the challenges of the modern world, a truly moving experience. **For more information, please contact: Buffie Hyman buffiehyman@gmail.com).**

### **MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT UPDATE**

SATURDAY March 12, 2016 from 2:00PM – 9:00PM

Many of our parishioners share in the gift of marriage and their sacrament truly touches the lives of us all. We have created a great opportunity for our married couples to come together for quality time together through reflection and sharing with the theme of 'The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Marriages'. The half-day event includes a special mass for couples and a beautiful candlelit dinner with dancing; free babysitting by reservation is also available. Join your fellow parishioners and our presenters Linda and Jim Baratte for a truly special event and a fun night, celebrating marriage as the gift of love, commitment and community that it truly is! The cost is \$65 per couple but seating is limited so please sign-up early or take a full-table with friends! For information contact Ann Piovano at [ann.piovano@gmail.com](mailto:ann.piovano@gmail.com)

### **PARISH SUGGESTION AND QUESTION BOX**

We would like to avail the people of our parish the opportunity to ask questions or make suggestions to our pastoral staff regarding life at St. Matthew's. We now have that opportunity on our parish website, please check it out!  
<http://stmatthewsrandolph.org/suggestion-box>

## PRAY THE ROSARY

Why not make praying the ROSARY part of your Lenten journey? Come pray with us on Tuesday evenings at 7:00PM, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:30 and/or on Thursday mornings at 7:30 before the 8:00AM Mass!



## MARCH IS HOT SOUP & STEW MONTH AT JT'S KITCHEN

Please help us supply the following items for our homeless neighbors by donating one of these food items for JT's Kitchen in Dover. Please bring your items to St. Matthews by Tuesday, March 8th at noon. Perishables will be kept cold until pick up time.

**Chicken: parts or whole, fresh or frozen.**  
**Beef, pork or other stew or soup meat, fresh, frozen or canned.**  
**Pasta, any kind.**  
**Rice, any kind**  
**Potatoes, any kind**  
**Chicken, beef or other broth, any kind**  
**Any kind of fresh, frozen or canned vegetables.**  
**Cupcakes or other sweet treats.**

As always, we happily take any other food to be heated and prepared by the servers in Dover.  
Thank you, Kathe Naddaff & Elizabeth Ritter

## HELP WANTED

Someone with a little technical know-how, a lot of common-sense, and intuitive attention to detail, to streamline and update our contact information. Please email, [Fr.dan@stmatthewsrandolph.org](mailto:Fr.dan@stmatthewsrandolph.org).

## MENS' CORNERSTONE 10

Once again our community has been enriched by the addition of new members to our Cornerstone Family through Men's Cornerstone #10 Feb 26-27.

**We thank our two outstanding leaders Aaron Milliner and Chris Peters along with the team: Keith Andreotta, Mike Riviello, Bud Peterson, Roland Boughton, John Klett, Mark Williams, Fr. Kamil, and our table leaders: Peter Schuenzel, John Bruno and Rick Piovano**

**We welcome our new Cornerstone brothers: Michael Dougherty, Erik Pitusiak, George Garcia, Steve Colagero, Andrew Berry, Vince Bologonini, Mike Robinson, Craig Culver, Marcel Mumyanziza, and Mauricio Monaco.**

Of course, we could not have Cornerstone without the faithful commitment and great meals provided by of our Kitchen Crew and Servers led by Steve and Kim Healey. In addition to the Healeys we thank the following: Susan Matos, Steve Gephardt, Casey Dolan, Kerri Pizzi, Beth Hart, Betty Forward, Norm Hyman, Peggy Wagner, Angie Mendoza, Marie Rosato, Donna Baccollo, Debbie Hofmeister, Moira Dziomba, Gary Wagner, Diana Vanadia, Doreen Guzo, Olivia and Beth Rogers, David Difusco, Kathlyeen Taylor, Steve Kilponen, Rene Toledo, Pete Pasquale, Jim Loveys, Andy Guzo, Pat Daly, Mike Ronchi, Rosanna Pasquale

## OPERATION RICE BOWL

**FOURTH WEEK OF LENT – HUNGERING TO LEARN –** We journey with CRS Rice Bowl to the Central American country of Honduras, where we meet students who are learning that it's better to help your neighbor learn and grow than to leave him or her behind. To whom are we called to extend a hand this week? Visit [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org)

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**BAPTISM:** Families are requested to contact the Parish Office for details on pre-baptismal instruction and date of Baptism.

**FAITH FORMATION:** Faith Formation for children kindergarten thru 11<sup>th</sup> grade takes place on Sundays and Wednesdays, (Confirmation Sunday evenings) Please contact Pat D'Amico at 862-251-4129 with any questions.

**GLUTEN FREE EUCHARIST:** As a reminder, for those parishioners or visitors who have Celiac Disease or have an allergy to gluten in food products, we offer gluten-free hosts for Eucharist. *If you desire to receive this host, we ask that you notify the Deacon at least 5 minutes before Mass in order that we can prepare for the special host for the Mass.*

**HAITI RELIEF SERVICES:** To help support relief services in Haiti you can reach out to Catholic Relief Services by calling 888-277-7575 or [info@crs.org](mailto:info@crs.org). Catholic Relief Services can be found at 228 W. Lexington St., Baltimore, Maryland, 21203-7090.

**HOSPITAL BOUND:** If you or any of your family members are currently in the hospital or will be going into the hospital please let the parish know so we can visit. Because of the privacy laws, the hospitals cannot notify parishes of incoming patients.

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements are usually made one year in advance. Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** If a family member is ill in the hospital, please call the parish office. Because of the privacy laws, we may not be aware that your family member is sick and we would be happy to visit you during this time.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** If you are new to St. Matthew's or have been coming to Mass for a while now, we ask that you stop by and speak to Fr. Dan, Fr. Kamil, or our Deacons to talk about becoming part of our parish family. Registration forms can be found in the Gathering Space; and can be filled out and put in the gold mailbox outside the office door—or you can call Terry Shaw at 973-584-1101 ext. 205 and she will mail you a registration form.

There are many wonderful happenings going on at St. Matthews and we want to make sure all our parishioners are in the know!

**RECONCILIATION:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated each Saturday from 4:15-4:45PM before the evening Liturgy or by appointment at another time.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA):** RCIA prepares adolescents and adults for Baptism and full Communion into the Catholic Church. Please call the office for more information.

**THE EUCHARIST AT HOME:** Holy Communion may be brought to the home of any person permanently or temporarily homebound. For the confined, the elderly and/or shut-in, be they at home or in the hospital, the staff of our parish makes calls to homes and hospitals each month. Please inform the office, 973-584-1101, to have your name added to the list. **VISITATION:** Do you know someone who needs a visit, a phone call or just a kind note from his/her parish priest? Maybe it's someone who has been away from the Church for a while or someone that has been turned off or offended by the Church? Email or call the parish office, 973584-1101, so we can extend the healing hand of the Lord to them! All information will be kept confidential.

## THE GIFT OF CONFESSION BY POPE FRANCIS

Excerpt from Pope Francis' latest book "The Name of God is Mercy"

**Interview:** You once said that the confessional should not be a "dry cleaners." What does that mean? What did you mean by that?

**Pope Francis:** It was an example, an image to explain the hypocrisy of those who believe that sin is a stain, only a stain, something that you can have dry-cleaned so that everything goes back to normal. The way you take a jacket or dress to have a stain removed: you put it in the wash and that's it. But sin is more than a stain. Sin is a wound; it needs to be treated, healed. This is why I used that expression: I was trying to explain that going to confession is not like taking your clothes to the dry cleaners.

**Interview:** Here is another example you have used. What does it mean when you say the confessional shouldn't be a torture chamber, either?

Those words were directed more to priests, to confessors. And they referred to the fact that some confessors can be excessively curious, their curiosity can be a little unhealthy. I once hear about a woman, married for years, who stopped going to confession because when she was a girl of thirteen or fourteen, the confessor asked her where she put her hands when she slept. There can be an excess of curiosity, especially in sexual matters. Or an insistence for people to be explicit about details that are not necessary. Anyone who confesses does well to feel shame for his sins: shame is a grace we ask for; it is good, positive, because it makes us humble. But in a dialogue with a confessor we need to be listened to, not interrogated. Then the confessor says whatever he needs to and offers advice delicately. This is what I meant when I said that confessionals should never be torture chambers.