MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, January 4 8:00AM Frank Cerny TUESDAY January 5 8:00AM George Asciutto

Grace Scotto

WEDNESDAY, January 6 8:00AM John Holmes

THURSDAY January 7 8:00PM Dorothy Husvar

FRIDAY, January 8

10:00AM All Deceased Parishioners of St. Matthews

SATURDAY, January 9
5:00PM Brian Burns
SUNDAY, January 10
8:00AM Frank Cerny
10:00AM Tina Padula
12:00PM Grace Orefice
5:00PM Anthony Dutko, Jr.

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, Bridget Hochstuhl, and James Latham.

The Baptism of the Lord

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20 **Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20, Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45 **Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17 **Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF January 3rd

MONDAY, January 4... AA Mtg 9:30AM, RCIA 7:30PM, Altar Server Training 6PM, Youth Group, 7:30PM.

TUESDAY, January 5...Boy Scouts 6:30PM, Liturgy Comm 7:30PM, Women's Cornerstone T-11 7:30PM.

WED. January 6...AA Mtg 9:30AM. Pastoral Council 7:30PM.

THUR. January 7...AA Mtg 9:30AM, All Choirs. FRIDAY, January 8...AA Mtg 9:30AM, Healthy Bones

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SATURDAY, January 9....Confirmation – Rehearsal 9AM, ceremony 11AM.

SUNDAY, **January 10...**FF Weekend, LWWC 10AM Mass, Cornerstone Event 4-5PM, Hope Builders Kick Off Meeting 6PM.

THE SNOWFLAKE BASH

The Snowflake Bash (Italian Night) is coming January 23, 2016...7-11PM. A night of delicious food, fun, and entertainment. Bring your own wine or beer! Tickets go on sale the weekend of January 2nd following all the Masses. In the past this has been a very popular event: seating is limited so BUY EARLY! Tickets are \$40 each. Buy individual or tables of 8. Tickets are first come first served...Buy now and be in on the fun!!

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)

Carol Lindsey, Faith Formation Asst. (carol.lindsey) Kathleen Burke, Music Minister (kathy.burke)

Tom Carle, Associate Music Minister (tom.carle)

Leslie Doherty, Business Manager (leslie.doherty) Terry Shaw, Parish Secretary (terry.shaw)

Karen Loveys, Receptionist (karen.loveys)

Andrew Vasta, Youth Minister (andrew.vasta)

Bryn Markovich, Youth Minister (bryn.markovich)

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William Ruane Moira Dziomba

PARISHPAY AUTOMATED GIVING UPDATE

Automated Giving is an alternate means of support for St. Matthew's instead of envelopes. In lieu of weekly collections, the ParishPay program will collect monthly contributions from your checking, saving, or credit card account. There is **NO** cost to participate in the program. It's easy to sign up. Simply enroll at the program's website, www.parishpay.com or contact the parish office.

SHOPPER'S CLUB

This week 38 families purchased Shopper Club Cards realizing a weekly profit of \$290.50 and Burrini's May–August 2015 has a year to date total of \$502.02 for a grand total of \$8,772.43. Every purchase no matter how small results in profit for St. Matthew's. Remember, St. Matthew's realizes a profit of 5% of the face value of every Shopper's Card you purchase, at no cost to you. Mention St. Matthews when you check out at Burrini's and 5% of your purchase will be donated to St. Matthew's. Also Randolph Diner, IHOP and Rosie's offers St. Matthew' 10% when using their diners cards. All cards can be bought after Masses in the Gathering Space.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT AFTERNOON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2016 2-8 PM

So many of our parishioners share in the gift of the Sacrament of Marriage and their sacrament truly touches the lives of all of us. We want to offer the opportunity for married couples to come together to spend some quality time in reflection and sharing one week before Valentine's Day 2016 and to have the opportunity to have a nice dinner afterwards with other couples in the parish. Our theme will be "Seven Habits of Highly Effective Marriages" and our presenters will be Jim and Linda Baratte. The Barattes have made this presentation in other parishes and have been very well received. Set the date and watch for more information to come.

MEN'S CONERSTONE



"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." Hebrews 4:16 Pope Francis declared this year

The Year of Mercy. In doing so, he extended an invitation to experience the love, kindness and unbound generosity found through this powerful blessing. This act of divine compassion is able to transform your life, your relationships, your work and your ability to embrace all of your life. It is with great honor that we have dedicated the 10th annual Men's Cornerstone retreat to the power of mercy. Cornerstone is a 26hour retreat which provides you with the opportunity to experience a sharing of faith and spiritual growth through personal reflection, prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is a casual atmosphere, free of the pressure to share in discussion. The retreat is facilitated by a team of parishioners who have previously attended Cornerstone weekend. They will share their stories of trying to live the Gospel amidst the challenges of the modern world, a truly moving event. We hope that you accept our invitation to "Experience the Power of Mercy" with us on February 26 to February 27, 2015. To sign up or for information. please contact Aaron aaronmilliner2@gmail.com, 9739448968.

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).

YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

Please have your year-end contribution into the office by Monday, January 11, 2016. All contribution received in the office after that date will be credited to 2016. Thank you.

CELEBRATION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

Thirty three of our 2nd grade children received the <u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u> for the first time on Saturday, Dec. 5th. Please remember these children and their families in your prayers as they continue in their preparation for 1st Eucharist in May.

CORNERSTONE REUNION DINNER

Saturday, January 30, 2016 - Cornerstone Reunion Dinner Celebrating our Men's 10 year anniversary and our Women's 11th year retreat. Our 5:00 PM Mass will be dedicated to Cornerstone followed by our annual Cornerstone Soup Dinner Please fill out the RSVP form which is located in the gathering space and leave in the Cornerstone box by January 16, 2016 Any questions please contact- Lori Ann Gaudioso at lagaudioso105@gmail.com

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS & SENIORS!

We are pleased to advise you that St. Matthew's Hope Builders will once again be going to Kentucky for a Service Mission Trip, July 17th through July 23rd, 2016.

The cost of the trip will be approximately \$600, which will be supported with individual and team fundraising efforts. If you would like to participate please fill out all necessary forms attached in this e-mail and bring them along with a check (made out to St. Matthew the Apostle Parish in the amount of \$150 - 1st payment installment) to our kick off meeting January 10th, 2016 following the 5.00 PM Mass.

Parents, who are interested in being Chaperones are invited to this meeting as well.

Participation is on first come, first serve basis. This year we will be taking 35 students.

In order to reserve your spot you must attend the January 10th meeting. Please have all your forms completed and your check in hand.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact us.

Hope Builders Team

PRAYER SUPPORT FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

On display in the Gathering Space is a poster with pictures of St. Matthew's Confirmation Candidates. The candidates have successfully completed a 2 ½ year preparation process to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Serratelli will confirm the candidates as fully initiated members of the Catholic Church on January 9, 2016. In support of these young people, please take a "Prayer Card" from the basket next to the display and make a commitment to pray for the person named on it.

A SUCCESSFUL CHRISTMAS 50/50!

On December 20th following our Christmas Concert, Fr Dan and Fr. Kamil pulled the lucky 20 50/50 winners.

We sold 597 tickets bringing in a total of \$29,850. 50% was awarded as prizes. 1st prize winner won \$3,582 and our 19 2nd prize winners won \$597 each. There were 12 parishioner winners and 8 friend winners. Profit to St. Matthew's is approximately \$13,000 which will be used for Capital Improvements and Technology Upgrades.

Thanks to all that participated and to our Major Fundraiser committee and parish staff for all their work helping to make our Christmas 50/50 a success!

THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Thank you to all who helped makes our celebration of Christmas and the Christmas season so prayerful, reverent and beautiful

Special thanks to all of our liturgical ministers, decorators, music ministry and those who participated in our Christmas Eve 5 PM Nativity presentation. Thanks to everyone who came out to celebrate in such a reverent and joyful way.

Thanks on behalf of our parish staff for all of the wonderful gifts and goodies you presented to us. Our greatest gift is being able to minster with you.

THANK YOU TO BOB SCIARELLO AND THE FUNDRASING COMMITTEE

Once again our fundraising committee under the dedicated leadership of Bob Sciarello has done a fantastic job in running and carrying out our annual 50/50 raffle. It was a great success. Any of our fundraising activities demand a lot of time, effort and dedication. We thank Bob for his faithful service and all the members of the committee for their dedication. Bob Sciarello, Bob Bono, Gary Sopko, Jim & Sue Torney, John & Marguerite MacDonald and Karen Sammond.

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON DAY

The Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth invite you to join them for the Feast of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton at Mass on Saturday, January 2, 2016 at the Holy Family Chapel, Convent Station, NJ at 11:00 a.m. Mass will be followed by a light lunch. See the bulletin board for the flyer.

ST. PAUL INSIDE THE WALL Being Single, Being Faithful (35+)

Whether single by choice or by circumstance, we must live every "single" day to the fullest. We can find fulfillment in Christ and his Church by embracing the opportunities in the Church for spiritual growth, meaningful service and a sense of community.

Madison, Saturday, January 9 from 10:00 a.m.-noon

Young Adult Mass (Ages 23-39) with Bishop Serratelli

All young adults between the ages of 23-39 are invited to pray together at the annual diocesan-wide Young Adult Mass with Bishop Serratelli. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Serratelli at 5:30 p.m. followed by a young adult social with drinks and light food until 8:30 p.m. hosted by the Diocese of Paterson Office of Evangelization with hospitality provided by the St. Paul Young Adults. This is a great opportunity for all young adults in the Diocese to come together in faith and fellowship to pray together and kick off the new year.

Madison, Saturday, January 9 from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY!

Villa Walsh Job Opening

Villa Walsh Academy, located in Morristown, NJ, is looking for part-time school bus drivers. Interested candidates must possess a CDL with both the passenger (P) and school bus (S) endorsements. Most trips are late afternoon/early evening. There are also some weekend trips available. Please contact Jen Fleury, Athletic Director, at fleuryj@villawalsh.org or call 973-538-3680 x145.

Saint Joseph in Mendham Job Opening

Church of Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Mendham, NJ seeks to hire a Part Time (20 hours) Religious Education Administrative Assistant for January 4, 2016. Hours are Monday – Thursday, 9:00 am to 2:30 pm with a half hour for lunch (some flexibility with the hours). The position reports to the Director of Religious Education. The candidate must be well organized and able to handle multiple tasks. Proficient in Outlook, MS Word, Excel, Access. Two to five years' experience as an Administrative Assistance plus references required. Parish experience preferred. Candidates should email a resume and references to Annette Tracy, Director of Religious Education at atracy@stjoesmendham.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 11th 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. 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. Thank you.

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.

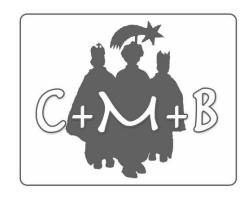
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA): RCIA prepares adolescents and adults for Baptism and full Communion into the Catholic Church. Please call the office for more information.

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.

EPIPHANY BLESSING 2016

Lord our God, bless this chalk that it may be used to bless our homes to seek your love and protection and to offer a sense of true hospitality. Grant that those who mark the doors of their homes in honor of the three wise men: Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar, may receive health of body, mind and soul and always offer a sense of welcome.

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The three Wisemen
Caspar,
Melchior,
and Balthazar



followed the star of God's Son who became man two thousand thirteen years ago. May Christ bless this Church as a place of welcome and remain with us throughout the coming year.