

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, January 25

8:00AM Richard Chervin

TUESDAY January 26

8:00AM Dan Haggerty

WEDNESDAY, January 27

8:00AM Anthony La Monica

THURSDAY January 28

8:00PM James Boyd

FRIDAY, January 29

8:00AM All Deceased Parishioners of St. Matthews

SATURDAY, January 30

5:00PM Nancy Loughlin Hawkinson

SUNDAY, January 31

8:00AM Margaret Termyna

10:00AM Ezequiel Fernandez

12:00PM Edward Joseph Brophy

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.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13; Lk 4:21-30



EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF January 24th

SUNDAY, January 24...FF Weekend.

MONDAY, January 25... AA Mtg 9:30AM, Altar Server Trng 6PM, Cub Scout Pack 7-9PM, Bible Study 7PM, RCIA 7:30PM, 7:30PM, Finance Mtg 7:30PM

TUESDAY, January 26...Boy Scouts 6:30PM.

WED. January 27...AA Mtg 9:30AM.

THUR. January 28...AA Mtg 9:30AM, All Choirs.

FRIDAY, January 29...AA Mtg 9:30AM, Healthy Bones 10:30AM, Cornerstone Reunion Cooking, Bible Study 9:30AM.

SATURDAY, January 30...Bible Study 9:30AM, Cornerstone Reunion Dinner 6PM.

SUNDAY, January 31...FF Weekend.

COFFEE, TEA AND CAMARADERIE



I will raise the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. (Psalms 116:13) Join the WOMEN OF FAITH as we share our stories over a cup of tea! Dates for the beginning of the New Year 2016 are as follows: January 28, and February 11th! Please join us from 1pm - 2:30 in the Library! There are no *strangers only friends you haven't met yet*. *AND don't forget to bring your favorite cup! If you have any questions, please call Moira at 973-584-3788. Be empowered to live God's Word and Love like Jesus!*

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 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

This week 21 families purchased Shopper Club Cards realizing a weekly profit of \$149.25 and Burrini's September–November 2015 has a year to date total of \$339.36 for a grand total of \$447.50. 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 UPDATE

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 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 and 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 CORNERSTONE

"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, 2016. To sign up or for more information, please contact Aaron Milliner, aaronmilliner2@gmail.com, 973944-8968.

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).**

LAST CALL ON THE 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 24, 2016 Any questions please contact-** Lori Ann Gaudioso at lagaudioso105@gmail.com

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

Why not make praying the Rosary one of your New Year resolutions? "The Rosary is by its nature a prayer for peace, since it consists in the contemplation of Christ, the Prince of Peace, the one who is "our peace" (Eph 2:14)." Come pray with us during this Year of Mercy, on Tuesday evenings at 7PM and on Thursday mornings at 7:30! All men and women of the parish are invited! If you have any questions please contact Moira Dziomba 973-584-3788.

APPEAL: DISH TOWELS

St. Matthew's kitchen is in need of new or gently used dish towels. If you'd like to contribute, please drop your donation on the stainless table in the kitchen. Thank you!

WEATHER/EMERGENCY CLOSING PROCEDURE FOR FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Please check St. Matthew's website for weather/emergency related cancellation of Faith Formation Classes – the announcement will be posted as early as possible at: www.stmatthewsrandolph.org -- There will also be notice sent via the Parish Mobil app, and a telephone announcement message posted at **862-251-4129**. Please use caution and judgment as to whether the conditions are safe for your family. *In our continued effort to be sensitive to family life, we will hold "Virtual Class" in the event class is cancelled due to inclement weather. Children are to complete the missed lesson at home with the assistance of a parent/guardian. All texts have a syllabus attached to the inside cover; additionally the curriculum is posted on the parish website. After the review assessment is completed, please email results to your child's Catechist who will keep a record of the lessons completed at home. You will find the online instructions at www.stmatthewsrandolph.org/faith-formation-for-youth. Follow the links that apply to your child.*

HOPE BUILDERS UPDATE ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL

SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS & SENIORS!

Last Sunday, January 10, 2016 we had our kick-off meeting regarding the Hope Builders Mission Trip to Kentucky which will take place in July 2016. We had a really good turnout and many young people signed up for this wonderful event. Day by day more people are showing an interest in attending the trip and the number of available spots decreases. We still have openings for **about 9 people**. Don't lose your chance! If you are interested in going to Kentucky this summer, please contact Fr. Kamil at fr.kamil@stmatthewsrandolph.org as soon as possible. Remember, first come - first serve.

ST. PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS

Third Annual Catholic Trivia Super Bowl - Build your own five-person team and tackle multiple-choice questions on the Catholic Faith! Rules: Only one priest, religious brother/sister, or theologian allowed per team.

Cost: \$25.00 per team in advance, \$30.00 at the door.

Madison, Saturday, January 30 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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, February 6 from 10:00 a.m.-noon

The God of Mercy: A Biblical Understanding of Mercy in the Old and New Testament

What is the biblical understanding of wrath, anger and mercy and how do we reconcile the idea of God's wrath along with his infinite mercy for his children? Allan Wright, presenter.

Madison, Monday and Tuesday, February 8 and 9 from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Men After His Heart

A basic course in spirituality for men. Self-contained sessions will explore spiritual themes important to men and their growth in faith. Fr. Paul Manning, presenter.

Madison, Tuesday, February 9 from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

JANUARY – ALERT

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Awareness month. Women, men and children in the U.S. and around the world are subjected to forced labor, domestic servitude and the sex trade at the hands of human traffickers. U.S. Catholic Sisters are working together to end this crime. Learn more about it at sistersagainstrafficking.org. Ending Slavery is everyone's work.

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY IS ALSO SUPER SCHOOL SUNDAY!

Before heading off to Super Bowl festivities, be sure to visit St. Virgil Academy in Morris Plains during their Open House on Sunday, February 7th from 1 – 3 PM. St. Virgil Academy serves students from Pre-K3 to Grade 8. An award-winning STEM school, St. Virgil Academy has been providing academic excellence and faith formation since 1910.

Parents and prospective students are invited to stop by for a tour on Sunday, February 7th between 1 – 3 PM. For more information, call 973-539-7267 or visit stvirgilacademy.org. You'll be glad you did!

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL HOST OPEN HOUSE

St. Joseph School will host an Open House for prospective families and students on Sunday, January 31 from 12-3 pm. The student-led Mass and Open House will mark the beginning of Catholic Schools Week, which will focus on faith, community service and learning. St. Joseph School is a Catholic School located in Mendham, serving students in grades Pre-K through Grade 8. The school hours are 7:25 am to 2:10 pm and daily extended care is offered on site until 6pm. To RSVP to the Open House or for further information, please call 973-543-7474 x5.

ST. TERESE SCHOOL

St. Therese in Succasunna joins more than 8,000 Catholic Schools nationwide to observe Catholic School Week. Please join us at our Open House on:

Sunday, January 31st from 12:30-to 2PM
Tuesday, February 2nd from 9AM to 11AM

For more information please visit www.stthereserobury.org/school or call Mrs. Lisa Hirschfeld, Principal at 973-584-0812.

BISHOPS ANNUAL APPEAL

If you have not yet responded to the 2015 Bishop's Annual Appeal, there is still time to do so as the 2015 Appeal funds are used to support ministries and program through the end of the diocesan fiscal year on June 30, 2016,. Your gift is a great blessing and valued so we can serve Christ by serving His people.

IS SOMEONE'S DRINKING CAUSING YOU CONCERN?

Come join the Alanon Group at Notre Dame of Mt. Carmel Church., 75 Ridgedale Ave., Cedar Knolls in room 112. Meetings are held every Thursday evening 8:30-9:30PM throughout the year. We learn coping skills that will give you back your life.

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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

It's been over five years now since St. Matthew's instituted a new **Baptism Preparation Program**. We have had a wonderful response and will continue the program which has been established to ensure a greater outreach and opportunity for evangelization of our young parents. A team of very faithful and committed young couples welcomes Baptism parents into their homes in a two-hour session to better grasp the authentic meaning of the sacrament and their role as Catholic parents. This program is the beginning of the child's journey towards full initiation into the Catholic Church. The overall focus of the program is to offer the opportunity to deepen one's faith commitment, to better understand the gift and challenge of Christian parenting and to come together to find support in knowing other young couples of our parish

The Team Coordinators are Chris and Lori Arends

The process is as follows:

- When new parents call the parish office to schedule a Baptism they will provide the Baptismal information and set the date for the Baptism (they will have a choice of having their child Baptized during a weekend Mass or after Mass (2nd or 4th Sunday) in the afternoon.
- The Team Coordinators will next contact the parents and let them know that a member of the team will be calling them to schedule a time and date for the meeting. The coordinators will then contact one of the teams and pass the information on to them and they will then contact the parents.
- The meeting will take place at the home of one of the team couples. Parents are encouraged to bring their children with them. The meeting will include the shared experiences of the team couple related to Baptism, the importance of naming the child, the roles of the parents and godparents in Baptism, a short video presentation, refreshments and discussion.

Participation in the Baptism Preparation program is the first step in the spiritual development of their child by becoming a part of St. Matthews's community. The birth and Baptism of a child is often a point in married couples' lives when they are seeking a reconnection with or a greater participation in the Church.

Following this meeting the Baptism couple will be contacted by Fr. Dan or one of the Deacons to schedule a brief meeting, either at the couples' home or at St. Matthew's, which will further explain the actual Rite of Baptism to be held at the church.

We would like to encourage anyone with questions or with an interest in becoming a Team Couple to please contact the office.

(Congratulations to all expectant parents! If you would like information about having your baby baptized please call the parish office and we will be happy to help you with the preparations, 973-584-1101 Ext. 205.)