

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**MONDAY, May 2**

**8:00AM** James B. Luke

**TUESDAY, May 3**

**8:00AM** Anita D'Amico

**WEDNESDAY, May 4**

**8:00AM** Joy Catanzaro

**THURSDAY May 5**

**8:00AM** John Pistolas

**7:30PM** All Deceased Parishioners of St. Matthews

**FRIDAY, May 6**

**8:00AM** All Deceased Parishioners of St. Matthews

**SATURDAY, May 7**

**5:00PM** Bob Keegan

**SUNDAY, May 8**

**8:00AM** All Deceased Mothers of St. Matthews

**10:00AM** All Deceased Mothers of St. Matthews

**12:00PM** All Deceased Mothers of St. Matthews

**5:00PM** All Deceased Mothers of St. Matthews



## 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.

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

**Sunday:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; RV 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

**Monday:** Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a

**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

**Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday:** The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53 (or where the Ascension is transferred to the following Sunday) Easter Weekday: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

**First Friday:** Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

**First Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

**Sunday:** Acts 7:55-60; RV 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26 or The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53



## EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 1<sup>st</sup>

**SUNDAY, May 1...**FF Weekend, Bake Sale, Q&A & teaching Mass 10th grade.

**MONDAY, May 2...** AA Mtg, Cornerstone Support 7PM.

**TUESDAY, May 3...**Boy Scouts,

**WED. May 4...**AA Mtg 9:30AM, Pastoral Council 7:30PM.

**THUR. May 5...**AA Mtg 9:30AM, Ascension 8AM & 7:30PM.

**FRIDAY, May 6...**AA Mtg 9:30AM, Healthy Bones 10:30AM, Bible Study 9:30AM.

**SATURDAY, May 7....** Bible Study 9:30AM.

**SUNDAY, May 8...**May Crowning 10AM Mass.

**St. Matthew's joyfully announces the upcoming wedding of Christopher James Edwards and Jennifer Nicole Peters on Saturday, May 14, 2016.**

## ASCENSION THURSDAY

This Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, is the feast of the Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation, the 40<sup>th</sup> day after Easter. The Ascension of the Lord is one of the most important feasts of the Easter season as we celebrate Jesus' return to the Father in heaven. He is set free from the earthly realities that bind him so to prepare a place in heaven for us. Mass times at St. Matthew's are 8:00AM and 7:30PM.

## 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)

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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Trustees:

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 contact 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 on-line 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!

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

St. Matthew's Pastoral Council will meet the evening of Wed., May 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss parish life. If you have any ideas, questions, comments, concerns or topics you would like addressed at the meeting, please contact Kathy Dowis at 973-927-8554 or dowisfamily@optonline.net all ideas are welcome! Peace, Kathy.

## VIVERE CHRISTUS AWARD 2016

Congratulations to Carl Cochran & Mary Gordon, the recipients of the "Vivere Christus" (to Live Christ) Award from St. Matthew's for 2016. This award is given to people of each parish who exemplify the call to lay ministry in the church in living out their Baptismal call to serve. Carl and Mary have served our Music Ministry for years often two times weekly in providing guitar accompaniments and voice to help us lift our voices in joyful song to the Lord. The award will be presented to Carl & Mary on Sun., May 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:30PM at St. Philips Church in Clifton.

## THANK YOU FROM TEAM 11

A very heartfelt thank you to all our Cornerstone brothers and sisters that donated their time, talent and treasure to the Women's Cornerstone Retreat this past weekend. Your support is a true testament to the power of Cornerstone and the reason for its success. St. Matthew's is blessed with amazing parishioners and the Women's Cornerstone Team 11 is beyond grateful for the outpouring of support.  
All our best, Team 11

## PRAYING OUR GOODBYES

### ADULTS GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A PARENT

*"...to believe in the communion of saints is to believe that those who have died are still alive and are linked to us in such a way that we can continue to talk with them, that our relationship can continue to grow..."* ~Ronald Rohlheiser~

Through prayer, ritual and conversation we will share the stories of our parents who remain woven into the fabric of our lives and continue the journey to healing.

Saturday, June 4, 2016

Time: 9:30AM - 1:00PM

St. Matthew the Apostle Parish

Facilitated by Angela Calogero, MA. Spiritual Director and Former hospice bereavement counselor

Group limited to 10 people, pre-registration preferred by May 30. Register with Angela at 973-879-3918 or seashells1951@gmail.com.

## HAITI UPDATE!

The Lenten collection of shirts, spoons, and vitamins for Haiti showed that the spirit of generosity is alive and flourishing at St. Matthews. The drive was inspired by Pope Francis's call to place special emphasis on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy this Lent in the current Jubilee Year of Mercy. Our focus was to help Missionary of the Poor through targeted collections to fulfill the Corporal Works of Mercy to: feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and visit the sick.

Parishioners provided food (Utensils), medicine (vitamins), and clothing (shirts). In total we contributed over 160 pounds of vitamins, enough silverware that the collection bins handle broke from the weight, and many, many t shirts. The benefits were quickly felt by the people in Haiti. Within several weeks much of the collected items were brought to Missionary of the Poor by Steve Gebhardt. The items were quickly put to use and greatly appreciated. Thank you to everyone for helping to fulfill Pope Francis's call!

## COMMUNION & PROM OUTFITS AND ALSO WEDDING DRESSES

Please help by donating gently used Communion and Prom Outfits (boy's suits, girl's dresses, shoes, gloves, veils, accessories, etc.) or if you have an old wedding dress you are looking to donate to our needy sister parish of Holy Trinity in Passaic. Please place all donations on the hanging clothes rack in the Gathering Space. For more information please contact Martha Toledo at marthaotoleado@yahoo.com or call 973-933-2228.



## FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT MARY POPPINS

Come join us for Family Movie Night! Saturday, May 21st at 6pm. Following the 5 pm Mass the chicken fingers, hotdogs & burgers & more will be on the griddle followed by popcorn and a movie. Have a bite to eat and enjoy the movie Mary Poppins, all for a donation of \$5 per family. Kids are welcome to bring their PJ's to change into and bring their sleeping bags for hanging out while they watch the movie. Sign-ups begin the weekend of 4/30-5/1 in the gathering space. Hope to see you at Family Movie Night!  
ALSO...more fun on the horizon: Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 12 at noon for the St Matthew's Annual Picnic... Details to follow. Stay tuned!

## POPPY DONATIONS FOR VFW

The Randolph VFW will be at St Matthews the weekend of May 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> for their annual "Buddy Poppy" donation event. All contributions to the VFW are used to support their various patriotic, civic and charitable programs.

## MATTHEW'S MEN

Save the Date, Saturday Breakfast, May 14th, 2016, 8AM - 9:30AM, Bauer Hall... "Becoming a Catholic / A Conversion Story" - All Men of the Parish are welcomed...bring a friend... listen, discuss, and share your faith!

## A FAMILY IN NEED OF SPECIAL HELP

A local family is looking for an RN, LPN or CMA to care for a 22 year old male with special needs from 2:30PM until 6:30PM, 2-3 days a week in their family home. No weekends. Must be somewhat flexible sharing this five day request. For more information please contact Sandie Keegan at 862-812-1485.

## PARISH TRUSTEES

We offer our thanks to Moira Dziomba and Bill Ruane who have served as faithful trustees for St. Matthew's the last three years. As per Diocesan Policy their term expires June 2016. We are so happy that Moira will be coming on board as our new Director of Faith Formation and that Bill is now in the Aspirins program for the Permanent Diaconate for the Diocese of Paterson.

We welcome our new parish trustees: Marie Potter and Charlie Stoia. Both Marie and Charlie have been committed parishioners at St. Matthew's for many years and are involved in a great many of our ministries. They are faithful, responsible and well known by so many of our community. Thank you to Marie and Charlie for their positive response to the invitation to serve as trustees.

## FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN REGISTRATION CONTINUES

Faith Formation Parents - The Faith Formation Office will continue to accept registrations for 2016-17 at our regular rates until **June 7th**. The registration parent letter and all forms may be accessed under the Faith Formation Youth tab on our website: [www.stmatthewsrandolph.org](http://www.stmatthewsrandolph.org) as well. Forms are also available in the Gathering Space. To ensure that your child is placed in the session of your choice and that there are enough catechists and books, please return all forms no later than June 7th, 2016. Any registrations handed in after that date will be put on a waiting list. -Thank You!

## ATTENTION: KINDERGARTEN PARENTS

St. Matthew's Sacrament Preparation is a two year process beginning in the 1<sup>st</sup> grade. If your child is entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade in September 2016, please register for our Faith Formation classes. Diocesan guidelines specify that children must be enrolled in formal faith formation for one year prior to the reception of sacraments. Participation in these preparation classes will allow your child to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation and 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist in Grade 2. Registrations are available at [www.stmatthewsrandolph.org](http://www.stmatthewsrandolph.org) or in the Gathering Space. Please contact Pat D'Amico with any questions.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**Position Available: Two Principal Positions available for: The 2016-2017 school year - Principal, St. Andrew the Apostle Elementary School, Clifton, NJ and Principal, St. Therese Elementary School, Succasunna, NJ**

Information and application materials can be found at <http://www.patdioschools.org/administrative-openings>. Closing date for applications is May 15, 2016. Mary Baier - Superintendent of Schools  
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**Position Available: Librarian for Assumption College for Sisters, Denville, NJ**

**This position would entail: 1-2 hours/week, accessioning of new library holdings, cross referencing what is in the data base with holdings on the shelves, weekly tracking library usage and re-shelving holdings.**

Applicant should possess a degree in library science and has computer skills. Contact Sister Joseph Spring at [president@acs350.org](mailto:president@acs350.org)  
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**Position Available: Bookkeeper for St. Therese School/Church**  
QuickBooks, and payroll processing using an outside payroll company. Proficiency in Microsoft Excel and Word required. We are seeking a person who has excellent written and oral communications skills, and a desire for serving our parishioners. Practicing Catholic and experience with Paterson Diocesan policy preferred. Duties include accounts receivable, accounts payables, reconciliation of bank statements, payroll processing, HR liaison, and monthly financial reporting for the parish and the school. This qualified individual will also assist the pastor with oversight of parish business matters. Must successfully complete a background screening and any required diocese training. Interested applicants, please send resume via regular mail or e-mail ([StThereseOffice@optonline.net](mailto:StThereseOffice@optonline.net)) by May 10, 2016. St. Therese Parish Rectory - 7 Hunter Street, Succasunna, NJ 07876  
Attention: Father Marc

## WHERE IS GOD IN OUR GRIEF?

Resurrection Parish in Randolph is hosting a special event for people of all ages, "*Where is God in Our Grief?*" On Saturday, May 14 from 9:00-11:00am at the parish. The workshop will be led by licensed and certified professionals in Pastoral Care, Counseling, and Bereavement Ministry. Presentations will be conducted at various age appropriate levels. Please RSVP by May 1 to Lorraine Scandariato at 973-895-4224 ext. 104 or [Lscandariato@resurrectionparishnj.org](mailto:Lscandariato@resurrectionparishnj.org). Provide the number attending from your family along with the grade level of your child.

## VILLA WALSH SPORTS CAMP

Villa Walsh Academy in Morristown, is hosting their 2016 Summer Sports Camp: Session 1: June 27-June 30, Session 2: July 5-July 8. Girls entering grades 4-9 may choose from: track/cross country, basketball, lacrosse, softball, volleyball, tennis, soccer and/or spirit & dance. Introducing two sessions for high school girls, with some experience, entering grades 9-12! Please visit [www.villawalsh.org](http://www.villawalsh.org) and look under the Athletics tab for more information or contact the Camp Director, Jamie LoBue, at 973-538-3680 x170 or [lobuej@villawalsh.org](mailto:lobuej@villawalsh.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, 973-584-1101, so we can extend the healing hand of the Lord to them! All information will be kept confidential.

## A MESSAGE FROM MOIRA DZIOMBA

Dear Parish Family,

It is with great joy I have accepted a return engagement here at St. Matthew's, as part of the Faith Formation Team! Many of you may recall that after 4 years of coordinating Children of the Promise for grades K through 6, I left my position in Faith Formation in 2011, anticipating a move to Maryland. We have all heard the saying, "God laughs when we make plans!" Well as you know, our move never materialized.

After spending a year at home and taking classes toward my Master's degree studies in Theology, I wondered what God had planned for me. In August of 2012, I had my answer. While teaching was not exactly what I had thought about or hoped for, God's plan was otherwise. Two weeks before the 2012-13 school year was about to begin, I was hired to join the faculty at Pope John XXIII Regional High School in Sparta, to teach Theology. My daughter, Kerry, had just graduated from Pope John that June and now I would be walking those same halls.

My time as a teacher was a challenge, an honor, and an amazing learning experience. In many ways I can liken it to my early days as an attorney preparing for a day in court, the only difference is that with teaching you are preparing (for court) each and every day. It is an amazing profession and one that does not nearly get the credit it deserves. After three years at Pope John, as I witnessed my first group of 150 sophomore students, become seniors, graduate and move on to the next phase in their lives, I moved on as well.

For the last nine months, I have been discerning what God's plan for the next step on my path of life might be. Little did I know Pat D'Amico was planning to retire and that Fr. Dan would ask me to return. God certainly has a sense of humor and does not always write with a straight line. So here I am coming back! Mike, the man of my dreams and my husband of 24 years says it's my destiny. I think perhaps it's penance for all my years in "showbiz" working at United Artists and then Time Warner as an attorney, ha ha.

In all seriousness, I am thrilled to be returning to Faith Formation. I especially look forward to working with staff, and all my favorite catechists from the past and those I have yet to meet. Most important, I look forward to being with the children and watching them grow in faith!

Rest assured, while I take over Faith Formation, I will continue to be involved with my other ministries as well: Women of Faith, Lector, the Rosary group, Cornerstone events committee, and Hope Builders. (I am looking forward to my 8<sup>th</sup> Hope Builders trip to Kentucky, with amazing teens and chaperones on July 17<sup>th</sup>.)

The only drawback to returning to staff is I will have to step down from my role as Parish Trustee. Holding this position has been an honor and a privilege and I am grateful to Fr. Dan for his confidence in giving me this appointment. However, I know that my co-Trustee, Bill Ruane, and the new appointee will continue to keep and guard the best interest of the Parish.

I stand on the shoulders of those who put their heart and soul into the St. Matthew's Faith Formation program since the parish was founded: Fr. Dave, Fr. Dan, Ruth Dorney, Lisa Gerardi, Mary Ramsden, Jim Hackett, Bryn Markovich, Andrew Vasta, and Pat D'Amico (and dare I include my own). To each one I owe a debt of gratitude for their sacrifice, their time, talent and commitment which made our program what it is today. My prayer is that with the help of God our Faith Formation Team will continue to be guided by the Holy Spirit to serve well the parents and children of St. Matthew's!

Finally, please join me in congratulating Pat and Larry as they embark on their new beginning in South Jersey. May God continue to bless them with good health and much happiness!

Please pray for me as I will pray for you.  
Blessings, Moira