



The Parish Community of St. Matthew the Apostle

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Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine. Is 43:1

Sunday, May 2, 2010 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Mission Statement

St. Matthew the Apostle Church is a diverse Roman Catholic community empowered by the Spirit of God, formed by His Word, and nourished by the Eucharist. We are called to bear witness to the Gospel through stewardship, hospitality, and service.

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:30 AM-4:30 PM
Wednesday: 4:30 PM-8:00 PM

The priests and deacons are available by appointment through the Parish Office.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM
 Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM
 & 12:00 Noon
 Monday-Saturday: 8:30 AM
 Tue. & Wed.: 7:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
& after the 5:00 PM Mass
or by appointment
with one of the priests.

Parish Membership

Membership in our parish is open to all Catholics who reside within our borders as well as others who wish to worship with us and support our mission. All adult Catholics should officially register as members of the parish in which they reside. Registration is a condition for admission to our Religious Formation program and reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Penance, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Marriage. Being registered for at least one month as an active parishioner is required before we can testify to your eligibility to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Please call Deacon Frank Yuhas at the Parish Office (732-985-5063) to arrange an appointment to register.

Young adults over the age of 21 should register independently of their parents. Please notify the Parish Office of any changes in name, address, marital status or if you are leaving the Parish.

PRE-BAPTISM A mandatory Pre-Baptism instruction class is scheduled on the second Sunday of every month at 10:30 AM in the Faculty Room of the school. Please call the parish office at 732-985-5063 to register.

BAPTISM Baptism is normally celebrated on Sunday afternoons at 1:00 PM. Please note Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent. To arrange for Baptisms please call the parish office at 732-985-5063.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION (CCD) If you are new to the parish and wish to enroll your child in the Religious Formation Program, please call the **Office of Religious Formation at 732-985-5063. Office hours: Monday - Friday, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM.**

RCIA Adults wishing to become Roman Catholic or receive First Eucharist and/or Confirmation should contact the Parish Office for information on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

MARRIAGE Marriage arrangements should be made one year in advance and prior to any social plans. Contact the Parish Office for all pre-marriage information.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK or HOMEBOUND Our Priests, Deacons and Eucharistic Ministers visit and bring Communion to homebound parishioners or those in local area hospitals and nursing homes. If you or a family member is admitted to one of the local hospitals, please inform them that you are from St. Matthew's Parish. Contact the Parish Office to arrange such visits.

TO CONTACT A PRIEST IN A GENUINE EMERGENCY INVOLVING THE SICK OR DYING, CALL THE RECTORY OFFICE. AFTER BUSINESS HOURS DIAL THE PARISH EMERGENCY LINE at: 732-735-9570.

MORNING PRAYER Monday through Friday at 8:15 AM.

ST. MATTHEW PRAYER CHAIN Call Tom or Pat Krosnowski at 609-586-2320 with your request or email it to tekpak59@yahoo.com & it will be sent to a group of people who will pray immediately. All requests will be confidential and will remain on the prayer list until you ask for them to be removed.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA Saturday Morning after 8:30 AM Mass.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION Spiritual Direction is available to all members of the parish of St. Matthew. To make an appointment with a certified Spiritual Director call Deacon Frank Yuhas at 732-985-5063.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS/MINISTRIES-

Parish Pastoral Council: Gary Bouchard 732-543-2280

Council for Financial Affairs:

Choirs/Music Ministry: David Jules 732-985-5063

Lectors/Ushers: 732-985-5063 Deacon Frank Yuhas

Eucharistic Ministers: 732-985-5063

Religious Formation: 732-985-5063

St. Matthew's School: Secretary 732-985-6633.

HSA: Marge Hermitt 732-985-6633.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):

Deacon Frank Yuhas 732-985-5063.

Spiritual Direction: Deacon Frank Yuhas 732-985-5063

Youth Ministry: Mrs. McCaffrey 732-548-1843

Rosary Altar Society: Dot DeStefano 732-985-7726

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Carol Coakley 732-985-5063

Social Ministry Group: Barry Demarest 732- 985-5063

Philippine-Amer. Assoc.: Nini Mendoza 732-287-3671

School Advisory Council: Ron Tankiewicz 732-819-0585

Father's Club: Francis (Cos) Cosmas 732-819-0946

Knights of Columbus: Kurt Barkley 732-985-8525

Athletics: Darren Ventre—908-227-1524

MASS INTENTIONS Contact the Parish Office to schedule a Mass for our beloved dead.

STEWARDSHIP God invites all people to be good stewards of the gifts and talents he has entrusted to us. Become an active parishioner and share some of your time and talent with our community. All parishioners are urged to give a weekly preplanned generous contribution based on a percentage of their income. Please use the church envelope system.

MUSIC MINISTRY For information regarding our Adult Choir, Children's Choir, Middle Choir, Youth Choir or Handbell Choir, contact the Parish Office at 732-985-5063.

HOLY ORDERS If you are interested in learning more about the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, contact Father George at the Parish Office (732-985-5063).

SCRIP OFFICE Chris Baglivo Dellbeni - 732-985-7219.
Hours:

September - June: Monday - Friday: 7:30 - 9:00 AM;
Sunday: 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month - 8:00 AM - 12 Noon.

Summer: (July - Aug.) - Tuesday & Friday Mornings:
9:00-10:00 AM; Sunday: 1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month - 8:00 AM - 12 Noon.

BINGO Sunday at 6:00 PM.



WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, May 2, 2010 **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

- 7:30 AM Susan Lordi r/o Jerrald James
- 9:00 AM Audie Demaclid r/o Family
- 10:30 AM Jeffery A. Geist, Sr r/o Bonanno Family
- 12:00 PM People of the Parish

MONDAY, May 3, 2010 **Saint Philip and Saint James, apostles**

- 8:30 AM Katherine Best Huether r/o Malleck Family

TUESDAY, May 4, 2010

- 8:30 AM Carlos Belen r/o Mr. & Mrs. Brian Ziga
- 7:00 PM Rosary Altar Society -living and deceased

WEDNESDAY, May 5, 2010

- 8:30 AM Edward Klemas r/o Wife & Family
- 7:00 PM Wanda Tagliareni- 5th Anniversary
r/o Tagliareni Family

THURSDAY, May 6, 2010

- 8:30 AM Mark Knight r/o Mary & Dennis Callahan

FRIDAY, May 7, 2010

- 8:30 AM Phyllis La Manna r/o Mary Ann Munkacsy

SATURDAY, May 8, 2010

- 8:30 AM Gerald Lithgow, Sr r/o Wife & Family
- 5:00 PM Cerila Micabalo r/o Family

SUNDAY, May 9, 2010 **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

- 7:30 AM Susan Lordi r/o her brothers & sisters
- 9:00 AM Patricia Anne & Patrick Sheerin r/o Bill & Monica
- 10:30 AM Rose Sauchelli r/o Catalina Family
- 12:00 PM Kathleen & Danny Ross -33rd Anniversary r/o Daughter Joan Maita

Saturday, May 1, 2010

- First Eucharist: 9:30 AM
- Confessions: 11:00 AM and after 5:00 PM Mass
- Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
- Wine Tasting: 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Parish Center

Sunday, May 2, 2010

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM; 12:00 PM
- Choir: 10:00 AM, Music Room
- Bingo: 6:00 PM, Cafeteria
- Youth Ministry: 7:30 PM, Parish Center

Monday, May 3, 2010

- Childrens' & Middle Choirs: 4:00 PM, Music Room
- Adult Confirmation: 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Conference Room
- Carnival Steering Committee Meeting: 7:30 PM, Faculty Room
- Parish Mission Hospitality Meeting: 7:30 PM, Cafeteria
- Athletics: Parish Center
- Mens' Basketball: Parish Center

Tuesday, May 4, 2010

- Religious Formation: 4:15 PM & 7:00 PM, School
- HSA Exec Board Meeting: 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Faculty Room
- Athletics: Parish Center

Wednesday, May 5, 2010

- Religious Formation: 4:15 & 7:00 PM, School
- Social Ministry Meeting: 7:00 PM, Faculty Room
- Confirmation Retreat: 7:00 PM, Parish Center
- Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: 7:30 PM, Conference Room

Thursday, May 6, 2010

- HSA Plant Sale: 2:00 - 10 PM, Cafeteria
- Youth Choir: 5:45 PM, Music Room
- Youth Bells: 6:30 PM, Music Room
- Adult Choir: 8:00 PM, Church
- Athletics: Parish Center

Friday, May 7, 2010

- Plant Sale: until 4:00PM, Cafeteria
- Bad Fest set-up: 7:00 PM- 10:00 PM, Parish Center
- Fathers' Club Meeting: 8:00 - 11:00 PM, Faculty Room

Saturday, May 8, 2010

- Confessions: 11:00 AM and after 5:00 PM Mass
- Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
- Philippine-American Society Fiesta: 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Cafeteria
- Band Fest: 6:00 PM, Parish Center

Sunday, May 9, 2010

- Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM; 12:00 PM
- Choir: 10:00 AM, Music Room
- Pre Baptism 10:30 AM -11:30 AM Faculty Room

THERE IS AN APPOINTED TIME FOR EVERYTHING...

Please pray for the safety of our men and women in the military service who are supporting our country faithfully especially: **Cpl. Christian Peterson, Jerry Russel, Spc. Patrick Faulkner, Sgt. Daniel Kimenski, Spc. Tony Graziano, Spc. Jason Sellio, Spc. John Peterson, Pfc. Kevin Laneto, Spc. Richard Lantz, COL. Patrick Donahoe, Alonzo Brown, Cpl. Kevin Klemick, Cpl. Todd Burton, Sec. Capt. Suzanne Plantec, Sgt. K.M. Yocom Delgado, Staff Sgt. Patrick D. Williams, Airman 1st Class William Ashton, Staff Sgt. Michael Schwartz, PFC Mark Towle, Daniel DeLeon, Sgt. Bryan Steinhauser, Christopher John McKaig, Spc. Jesse James Dunn, Thomas C. Woodlee, 1st Lt. Sean Donahoe, Lt. Col. Daniel Spano, USMC, Airman 1st Class James Lightner, Master Sgt. John C. McDevitt, 1st Lt. Kelly Ashton**

A TIME TO HEAL. . .

Please pray for those in our Parish Family who are sick

- Charles Cooper**
- Jean Moran**
- Betty Caunt**
- Lois Martin**
- Jean A. Robey**
- Fred Kratz**
- Mary Bushman**

Dear God, we place our worries in Your hands, we place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to health again. Amen

A TIME TO WEEP. . .

Please pray for those of our Parish Family who have died, especially:

- Joseph Kleinschmidt**
- Gus Roben**
- Lillian Dill**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

SPREADING THE WORD

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives His disciples—and us—a new commandment: "Love one another." Good stewards who spend their time and talents in service to others are well on their way to fulfilling this commandment.

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SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS April 25, 2010

Weekly Offering: April 25, 2010	\$ 11,054.00
Electronic Contribution	\$ 672.00
Total	\$ 11,726.00
Expenses Paid Last Week:	
Household Exp	\$ 673.00
Operation & Maintenance	\$ 1,360.00
Payroll & Taxes	\$ 5,787.00
Pension and Insurance	\$ 425.00
School Subsidy	\$ 25,000.00
Utilities	\$ 200.00

Thank you for your support!!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry has had the opportunity to have two faith filled days in the past two weeks. On April 18 we visited the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament for a day of reflections and the opportunity to attend a full Latin Mass. On April 24th we spent the day at the Diocesan Youth Day for a day of prayer, reflection and worship with other teens throughout the Diocese. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month in the Parish Center at 7:30 PM until 9:00 PM. Our next meeting is May 2nd. If you would like information on our Youth Ministry, please call one of our Co-Presidents, Nick Comiskey at 732- 744-6219 or Amber Mazza at 732-589-4689 or visit our website at stmattsym.org.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS

The next pre-baptism class will be held Sunday, May 9 at 10:30 AM in the Faculty Room of the school. It is mandatory that both parents attend this class prior to baptizing their first and second child. Contact the Parish Office at 732-985-5063 to register for this class.

MAY CROWNING

Our parish celebration of the Crowning of the Blessed Mother will take place immediately after the 7:00 PM Mass on Tuesday, May 4th. Why not come out to show your devotion to Mary our Mother?



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The Crowning of Mary ceremony, or "May Crowning," has a rich tradition in the Catholic Church going back to medieval days (and theologically back to the early church). The parish family of St. Matthew the Apostle continues this practice, handing it on to the next generation. This year, Dot DeStefano will be given the honor to crown the Statue of Our Lady.



The HSA was generous again this year in providing funding for our Pre-K chick hatching project. Quiver Farms delivered the eggs on April 20th for our whole school to nurture. The eggs began to crack a few days later and new life emerged! The children were fortunate to observe the life cycle of the chicks while in our care. The students at St. Matthew School thank the HSA for this unique opportunity.



PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE 4 DAYS OF THE MISSION HAVE BEEN RESCHEDULED TO INCLUDE THE MISSION. We don't say things are "cancelled" - please come to the church and attend the Mission instead!

PARISH MISSION PHOTOS AND MEETINGS

All Organization Heads:
Please take a group photo of the members of your parish organization plus activity shots and bring them with you to our last Hospitality meeting on Monday, May 3rd, or submit them to the parish office by May 10th. The pictures will be arranged on a poster to be hung up in the cafeteria during the five days of our parish mission. If you cannot attend this very important meeting, please send a representative. If you have any questions please call Joan Gage at 732-985-1888. Thank you!

All Parishioners:

You are invited to submit (non returnable) photos of yourself and/or your family to be hung in the cafeteria for the length of the mission. Please put them in a thoroughly labeled envelope and turn them into the parish office by May 10th. This goes along with the mission themes "I Have Called You by Name" and "The Parish Community."

Let's leave no space unfilled with our beautiful "Parish Community Photos".

MINISTRY WORKSHOP & LUNCHEON – SAVE THE DATE

All members who belong to a parish ministry or organization are invited to a workshop and luncheon on Saturday, May 22 from 10:00 - 3:30 in the church and parish center. See the insert in today's bulletin for more information. Note that all members, not just organization heads or representatives, are invited.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The food pantry is in need of the following items: jam, dried beans and baked beans. Your donations are always appreciated. Please leave items in the church foyer. Thank you.

**SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL
ADVANCEMENT (DEVELOPMENT) COMMITTEE**

One of the Standing Committees established under the St. Matthew School Advisory Council (SAC) is the Advancement (Development) Committee. The primary responsibilities of this committee include long-range planning, which involves long-term sustainable funding, and locating sources of non-tuition income, such as grants, annual funds, and bequests. By doing so, St. Matthew School can remain a viable option in both the short term and the long term for parents wishing to provide their children with an education in a Catholic environment.

The committee – with input from the parish and school community – has established a primary goal and two major objectives with multiple action steps. The goal is:

To identify and establish a source of consistent financial support and funding for projects that will continue to build school programs, enrollment and facilities, thereby enabling St. Matthew School to be the best elementary school in the area academically and financially. This is defined as continued high academic scores (Terra Nova) and solid financial support through tuition, parish subsidy and fundraisers/endowments.

The Objectives established to help meet this goal are:

- 1. Define a "Way-to-Pay Program"
- 2. Create a long-term development plan to provide alternative revenue sources

This is simply a short list of actions required to meet the overall goals of the SAC. There are several more action steps that will be required in order to be more successful.

If you are interested in learning more about (or serving on) this committee or any of the other SAC committees, please email the SAC at sac@stmatthewtheapostle.com.

PHILLIPINE FIESTA– MAY 8, 2010

Doors to the cafeteria will be opened at 11:00 AM. There will be a free health screening, cultural show, games, authentic Philippine food & products for sale, skin care & other beauty-related services, massage, flea market and so much more!

Doors to the Parish Center will be opened at 6:00 PM for the Band Fest featuring Ave, Nina Waga Mojares, Second Verse & Sounds of Manila.

Food & beverage will be available for purchase. VIP seats for \$20, general admission for \$15. Please contact Nini at

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER MEETING

Anyone interested in volunteering for Vacation Bible School is welcome to join us on Wednesday, June 2nd at 7:00 PM in the school cafeteria. Please join in the fun and help us make our summer VBS a success!

The Parish Community of Saint Matthew the Apostle joyfully celebrates with those children who received First Eucharist. Please pray that the Lord will continue to bless them and their families as they are nourished by the Bread of Life.

Abbatemarco, Rebecca
Abilius, Reuben
Abney, Jessica
Abney, Michelle
Abreu, Amaria
Alexander, Rayna
Anthony, Stephen
Arokia-Raj, Ryan

Bader, Jillian
Baker, Mackenzie
Belizario, Stephanie
Boslet, Emma

Cabrera, Anthony
Castleton, Jessica

DiMary, Marissa
DiMare, Christopher
Downey, Hailey
Dulog, Joseph
Durkin, Gina Marie

Encarnacion, Elyse
Escanillas, Carla
Esposito, Kayla

Fresnedo, Gianna

Gentner, Jennifer
Giang, Vivian
Gyorfi, Aireyanna

Hanus, Anthony
Herka, Megan
Herrera, Zaynah

Jacinto, Jillian

Ladao, Isabella
Lagdameo, Joseph
Lebrocq, Lawrence
Lesman, Feonie
Loffredo, Lucas

Macotela, Adriana
Macotela, Liliana
Martinez, Ulysses
Maulon, Edward
Maulon, Jonathon
Mercuro, Jessica
Misko, Gary III
Moczulski, Michelle
Mraz, Jason
Murolo, Gabriella

Oliviera, James
Osma, Christian

Pagatpatan, Jacob
Pagut, Brandon
Perez, Joseph
Polanco, Alyssa

Quinn, Brianna

Rush, Ryan

Salvatore, Anthony
Salzone, Francesca
Santiago, Mikaela
Scott, Steven
Shamy, Jocelyn
Sheppard, Amanda
Shourt, Ashley
Shourt, Jeffrey
Simon, Cooper
Sommer, Christopher

Torres, Graziella

Urbanski, Austyn

Vidola, Jeanine
Villadarez, Iverson
Villadarez, Jordan
Villadarez, Seanly

Wong, Stephanie



COVER SHEET

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