



# St. Matthew's Church

**Rev. Thomas Chevalier, Pastor**

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**Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9 AM to 3 PM**

**Tuesday – 9 AM to 7 PM**

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**STAFF**

Ellie Dorn.....*Coordinator of Youth Ministry*  
 Suzanne Schultz.....*Coordinator of Faith Formation*  
 Paul Davignon.....*Deacon*  
 Andrea Freeman.....*Parish Secretary*  
 Rebecca Kiegle.....*Parish Secretary*  
 Madge Devine.....*Director of Music Ministry*  
 Jack Stevens.....*Building Maintenance*  
 Bill Rogers.....*Building Maintenance*  
 Bill Kelly.....*Trustee*  
 Mary McGinty.....*Trustee*

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM  
 Sunday 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM  
 Weekdays (M, T, W, & F) 7:30 AM  
 Holy Days As Announced  
 Rosary & Novena 6:30 PM on Mondays (September – May)

**Prayer Chain** – Call the Parish Office to initiate our parish Prayer Chain for any special intentions you may have.

**Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage** – Please call the office for information on baptismal preparation classes. For marriages, call Father Tom, at least 6 months prior to the wedding date, to arrange.

**Hospital or Home Visits** – Please contact the parish office when serious illness and/or hospitalization occur. Many area hospitals no longer list patients by parish, so we rely on your timely notification to arrange a visit or the Anointing of the Sick.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** – Those who are interested in finding out more about joining the Catholic Church are asked to please call Deacon Paul. All inquiries are kept confidential.

**Parish Membership** – A heartfelt welcome to all new parishioners. We invite each family or individual to please register with us by calling or stopping by the parish office. Registration places you on our mailing list and ensures you receive up-to-date information on parish happenings.



**February 17, 2008**

*Mass for the Intentions of the Week*

**Saturday, February 16**

5:00 PM: Florence Joyce  
 req. by: Jerry Camille  
 and for: John Leisenfelder  
 req. by: Danny & Andrea Freeman

**Sunday, February 17**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent*  
 8:30 AM: Maureen Nash  
 req. by: The McGinty Family  
 and for: Angelo Buscemi  
 req. by: Fr. Tom & St. Matthew's Parish Community

10:30 AM: Emil Orf  
 req. by: Mary Hormovitis & Family  
 and for: The Deceased Members of the Men's Association  
 req. by: St. Matthew's Men's Association

**Monday, February 18**

NO MASS

**Tuesday, February 19**

7:30 AM:

**Wednesday, February 20**

7:30 AM:

**Thursday, February 21**

NO MASS

**Friday, February 22**

7:30 AM:

**Saturday, February 23**

5:00 PM: John Biscone  
 req. by: Gil & Pat Munroe  
 and for: John & Claire Prisolo  
 req. by: The Wilson Family

**Sunday, February 24**

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent*  
 8:30 AM: William & Annabelle Cullinane  
 req. by: Sue & Nancy Burns  
 10:30 AM: Annabelle Cullinane  
 req. by: Tom & Ellie Dorn  
 and for: Mildred Mooney  
 req. by: Mary Walas & Nellie Ciupek

**Sunday, February 17**

No Pre K- -1

Men's Association Mtg. 7:00 PM

**Monday, February 18****President's Day****PARISH OFFICES CLOSED**

Rosary &amp; Novena 6:30 PM

**Wednesday, February 20**

Music Ministry 7:00 PM

**Sunday, February 24**

No Pre K- -1

**Monday, February 25**

Confirmation Session #4

**Scripture Readings****Sunday:** Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/  
Mt 17:1-9**Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38**Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12**Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/  
Mt 20:17-28**Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31**Friday:** 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19**Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32**Next Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7/  
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/  
Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15,  
19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply,  
"Lord, it is good that we are here. If  
you wish, I will make three tents here,  
one for you, one for Moses, and one  
for Elijah." While he was still speaking,  
behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow  
over them, then from the cloud came a  
voice that said, "This is my beloved  
Son, with whom I am well pleased;  
listen to him."

Mt 17:4-5

**SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH****CALLED TO BE CHURCH PARISH MEETING**

St. Matthew's will be hosting one of four information sessions in our clusters about the **Called To Be Church** process now taking place in our diocese. This will be an opportunity to hear about the pastoral planning process that has been taking place during the past year as we make our plans for the diocesan church in the future.

Please join us if you can on **Tuesday, February 26 at 7:00 PM.**  
The other sessions will be at:

- **St. Thomas the Apostle – Monday, March 3 at 7:00 PM**
- **St. Lucy/St. Bernadette – Wednesday, March 12 at St. Lucy's at 7:00 PM**
- **Christ the king – Monday, April 7 at 7:00 PM.**

In the meantime, we strongly urge you to visit the Diocesan website [www.rcda.org](http://www.rcda.org) and click on the link for **Called To Be Church.**

**RESERVATION CHAPEL**

The Reservation Chapel which houses the tabernacle containing the Eucharist is always a place of quiet prayer and reverence. During the days of lent especially, feel free to stop by and take advantage of this quiet refuge from the business of life.

If during liturgy, your children need to be quieted or removed from the church for a moment, please use the Lobby (a basket of book, coloring books and crayons are available there!) rather than the chapel to allow them to roam.

**BIG BREAKFAST**

The Men's Association is will sponsor a breakfast on Sunday, March 9, 7:30 – Noon in the Social Hall. Menu items include pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, home fries, toast, juice, coffee, tea and hot chocolate. Member of the Youth Ministry will serve your breakfast. Take – out meals will also be available. All are invited for an enjoyable time and a delicious meal while helping the Association raise money for it's many activities around the Parish. Adults \$5, Children \$3.

**Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish**

Many thanks to both parishioners and friends who last weekend  
contributed \$6,771.78 last weekend to support the mission of our parish church.

**FAITH FORMATION****THANK YOU!**

Thank you to all parishioners and the Telecom Pioneers Troy Life Member Club for your generous donations of fleece fabric. Our mid – level youth put it good use by making 30 baby blankets for clients of Community Maternity Services. Check out our Youth Ministry bulletin for pictures of our own "nimble fingers"!

**CHABHA FUNDERAISER A SWEET SUCCESS**

Our "Spread the Love" decadent dessert fundraiser was a delicious success! We raised \$1,550.00 which will enable over 150 South African children to attend school for one year. Our elementary age children are still diligently saving their change and we have a supply of CHABHA comfort dolls for those who wish to purchase them. (please contact the Faith Formation Office at 765-2373) We will report our final tally by the end of February.

This huge success would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of parishioner Beth DeAngelis, member of the Board of Directors of CHABHA. A special thanks to the many vendors who so generously donated delectable treats for our event:

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| Via Fresca            | Peaches and Crème Café                        |
| Emma Cleary's         | Price Chopper , Slingerlands                  |
| Candy Kraft           | Hannaford, Voorheesville                      |
| Pearl Grant Richman's | Dean's Beans                                  |
| Aromi d'Italia        | Parishioner Patti Kundel (chocolate donation) |
| Cold Stone Creamery   |   |

Also, thanks you to our Youth Ministry and parents who made the yummy truffles, chocolate dipped strawberries and chocolate pretzels.

**CONFIRMATION SESSION #4**

Just a reminder that the parent and teen Confirmation Session #4 will be Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

**MUSIC MINISTRY****HOLIDAY CHOIR**

The Holiday Choir has begun their practice for Holy Week. Practices are every Wednesday at 7:45 and will continue every Wednesday until Easter. Music Ministry will have their regular practices preparing for lent from 7:00 – 7:45 PM. The Holiday Choir will sing on Palm Sunday (10:30 AM Mass), Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and (for those still standing) on Easter Sunday.

You do not have to be available for all of the masses to participate. Please consider joining us and sharing your love of music and your desire to participate in this holiest of weeks. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Madge Devine at 765-2457.

**MEN'S ASSOCIATION****FEBRUARY MEETING**

The Association's February meeting will be held on this **Sunday February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** at the church. Upcoming activities include the March 9<sup>th</sup> Big Breakfast, annual scholarship, parish service award, annual communion breakfast, and local service events will be discussed. All current, former and prospective members are most welcome to attend.

**JIM MACDONOUGH AWARD & COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**

Applications for the St. Matthew's Men's Association college scholarship can be found at the church entrances. All applications should be filled out and placed in the Men's Association mailbox in the Parish office, or apply via email as instructed at the bottom of the application by Sunday, February 24th.

All entries submitted by the due date are eligible for the \$300 scholarship. The scholarship winner will be announced in March and the award will be presented at the Men's Association Annual Communion Breakfast in April.

If you wish to nominate one or more persons for the 2008 Jim Mac Donough Award, please fill out a nomination form, found at the church entrances. Or you may Email your nomination to [sgoss1@gmail.com](mailto:sgoss1@gmail.com) no later than Sunday February 24, 2008. Please include a brief reason for your nomination. Men's Association members will vote on the nominations received. The winner(s) will be announced in late March, and be presented with a plaque at the Men's Association Communion Breakfast in April.

**COME JOIN US IN SERVICE!**

Check your calendar to see if you can join us for the following service event:

**Ronald McDonald House – March 22**  
**Capital City Rescue Mission – April 26**  
**Habitat for Humanity – May 3**  
 Please call Tom Dorn at 765-3304

**COMMUNITY EVENTS****NEW SCOTLAND EXTRA HELPINGS**

The March Extra Helping Forms are available in the Parish Office and include:

Regular Menu @ \$20.00

3.75 avg. wt. Bavarian Holiday Ham Half, 1 lb. pkg. Natural Polish Kielbasa, 1 lb. Pkg. Hamburger (90/10), 1 lb. Pkg. Chicken Patties 1 pint grape Tomatoes, 1 Cantaloupe

Special #1: @ \$17.75

8 lbs. avg. wt. Fresh Spiral Cut Ham

Special # 2: @ \$19.00 4 (6 oz.) Tuna, 2 (15 oz.) Fruit Cocktail, 2 (16 oz.) Peanut Butter, 4 (1 lb.) Elbow Macaroni, 2 (2 lb.) Rice, 6 (7.25 oz.) Macaroni & Cheese Mix, 4 (15oz.) canned peas, 4 (15oz.) canned Corn, 4 (16 oz.) canned Cut Green Beans

Special #3: @ \$30.00

2 lbs. Cranberry & Apple Stuffed Pork Chops, 3 lbs Honey Mustard Flavored Chicken Breasts, 3 lbs. Home Style Beef Patties, 2 lbs. Maple Breakfast Sausage Links, 3 lbs. Chicken Patties

Payment for orders accepted in **CASH** until **12:00 Noon on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007** and must be picked up at the **New Scotland Town Hall on Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> between 7:45 AM – 10:30 AM.**

**OUR LOVE AND PRAYERS TO THOSE WHO ARE ILL...**

Donna Amato, Gloria Bogart, Haysha Acebal, Raymond Banuls, Arthur Bouchard, Bill Boyd, Brendan Burke, Diana Burns, Carly Carey, Connie Castellana, Mary Charron, Susan Coffey, Tim Colchin, Joan Conway, Joseph Coury, Mildred Coury, Philip Davis, Robert Dorn, Doris Doyle, James Finnessey, Bobby Flagler, Richard Frank, Amanda Gibbs, Lynn Giudici-Reynolds, Christine Gwaldis, Meg Haff, Ricky Haggerty, Richard Harrington, Ricky Hoffman, Lorraine Holland, Catherine Johnston, Brett Lee, Louis Leon, Jean LeCarl, Bob LeClair, Melissa Lee, Joe Markel, Helen McGinty, Evelyn Mitchell, Mary Ann Morrison, Maureen Palumbo, Bryan Pettit, Nicole Retajczyk, Mike Ricci, Tina Rosen, Kathy Sansone, William Skicki, Lucile Steiner, Allison Thomas, Mary Walas, Angie Jean Wimpperman, John Withkowski, Anna Davis and Ruth Ulion.

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

**By Bud Ozar:**

Today's gospel tells us to LISTEN which is a challenge as cell phones, IPODS, TV and radio constantly distract us. This Lent dedicate 10 minutes a day to sit quietly and allow God to speak to your heart. Caution: listening to God can change you and your family.



The candle in the chapel is lit this week in loving memory of  
 The Butchino Family  
 Requested by  
 Janet Gauthier