



# St. Matthew's Church

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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.



**May 4, 2008**

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, May 3

**5:00 PM: Leland & Clara Frisbee**  
 req. by: The Frisbee Family  
**and for: Louis T. Leon**  
 req. by: Jim & Carol Conley & Family

### Sunday, May 4

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**8:30 AM: - Pat Tracy**  
 req. by: John Tracy & Family  
**10:30 AM: - Edna Madeline Baldwin**  
 req. by: The Zell Family

### Monday, May 5

**7:30 AM: - Paul Fiero**  
 req. by: Mom & Dad

### Tuesday, May 6

**7:30 AM: -**

### Wednesday, May 7

**7:30 AM –**

### Thursday, May 8

**NO MASS**

### Friday, May 9

**7:30 AM –**

### Saturday, May 10

**5:00 PM: Joseph W, Smith**  
**9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
 req. by: John F. Smith

### Sunday, May 11

#### PENTECOST

**8:30 AM: - Eleanor Weigel**  
 req. by: Bill & Suzanne Horun  
**10:30 AM: - Florence Ames**  
 req. by: Joyce Potenza  
**and for: Evelyn Mitchell**  
 req. by: Deborah Dittmer



The candle in the chapel is lit this week  
 in loving memory of  
 The 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
 Geno Giacominì  
 Requested by Catherine

**Saturday, May 3**1<sup>st</sup> Communion Mass 5:00 PM**Sunday, May 4**1<sup>st</sup> Communion Masses  
8:30 & 10:30 AM**Monday, May 5**Rosary & Novena 6:30 PM  
Baptism Prep Session #2 7:00 PM**Wednesday, May 6**

Music Ministry 7:00 PM

**Saturday, May 10**

YM Pajama Party 6 – 10 PM

**Sunday, May 11**Pentecost Celebration after  
8:30 AM & 10:30 AM masses**Scripture Readings****Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/  
Mt 28:16-20**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/  
Jn 17:11b-19**Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/  
Jn 17:20-26**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19**Saturday: Morning:** Acts 28:16-20,  
30-31/Jn 21:20-25**Next Sunday: Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9 or  
Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or  
Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/  
Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39**Day:** Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7,  
12-13/Jn 20:19-23

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

**Mt 28:18-20****SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH****2008 BISHOPS APPEAL**

This weekend Saint Matthew's joyfully shares the Eucharist for the first time with 40 young people. Thanks to the ministry of their parents and catechists, these children are committing themselves again to the Christian faith that they have come to know here at St. Matthew's. Our congratulations go to them and their families as we pray that their young faith will grow to fulfillment in our midst.

One of the ways that all Catholics in our diocese live our faith together is through our participation in the Bishop's Appeal. Once each year we are asked to make a sacrificial commitment to the Diocese of Albany to ensure that the church, that has nourished our faith and the faith of our children, will continue to survive.

So far 197 parishioners have already made their pledge for the coming year. If you have not already done so, please complete a pledge envelope this week. Our parish and our diocese need your support, and our children need your example.

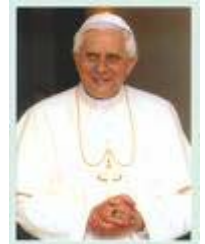
**PENTECOST CELEBRATION**

The Fifteenth Day of Easter, Pentecost Sunday, has always been the day when Christians have celebrated the gifts of the Holy Spirit giving breath to the Church. As part of our Pentecost Celebration this year we will be welcoming those who have registered as new parishioners at Saint Matthews. We will share the blessing of our community with them for the first time and present them with a small memento of our patron saint. We will also be asking everyone to take and wear a nametag as they enter the church. This will be a way to better know each other and members of our parish and visitors on this day of Christian Community. Wearing something red for the liturgy would also make it special. We will also have a Strawberry Festival after our Sunday masses in the social hall. Please be a part of this Pentecost liturgy on May 11.

**PARISH PAPAL PILGRIMAGE PICTURES**

Some of our Parishioners were fortunate to win tickets from The Evangelist to attend Mass with Pope Benedict XVI.

Colleen Schultz and her mother Marilyn and Tom and Ellie Dorn were part of the Albany diocesan pilgrimage that traveled to Yankee Stadium for this historic event. Check out the bulletin board in the social hall lobby for pictures of their special journey.

**Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish**

Many thanks to both parishioners and friends who contributed  
\$ 5847.58 to St. Matthew's last weekend.

Your generosity makes so much of our parish life possible and is much appreciated.

**FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY****PAJAMA PARTY**

Our Youth Ministry will be holding a Pajama party for children in grades Pre – K through 5 on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM. There will be dinner, arts and crafts, games, outdoor activities and movies available for the children that evening.

Children should come dressed in their PJ's and slippers with a favorite stuffed animal and an extra change of clothes. Registration forms are available at both entrances of the church, the suggested donation is \$20.00 and up per family. Monies collected will benefit one of our parishioners Breast Cancer Support Group.

**YOUTH NEEDED!**

All mid – level and high school youth are invited to help at our Pajama Party fundraiser. Call (765-2373) or email Mrs. Dorn ([stmatthewsyouthministry@verizon.net](mailto:stmatthewsyouthministry@verizon.net)) to sign – up to join the fun!

**RESPECT LIFE**

**FLOWERS FOR MOTHER'S DAY**

The Respect Life Committee is sponsoring their annual carnation sale on Mother's Day weekend, May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>. Carnations will be sold at both entrances and will cost \$1.50. Put a smile on Mom's face and support the Respect Life Committee.

**MEN'S ASSOCIATION**

**COME JOIN US IN SERVICE!**

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

- June 7<sup>th</sup> - Ronald McDonald House
- June 28<sup>th</sup> - Capital City Rescue Mission
- July 12<sup>th</sup> - Habitat for Humanity
- September 12 - Capital City Rescue Mission

Please call Tom Dorn at 765-3304

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**BLOOD DRIVE**

The Academy of Holy Names will sponsor a blood drive on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM in the Riley Auditorium, AHN Upper School, 1075 New Scotland Road, Albany. If you are 17 years old or if you donated on or before March 14, 2008 you will be eligible to donate. For further information please call 438 - 7895.

**GREAT STRIDES**

Taking Steps to Cure Cystic Fibrosis. Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at The Crossings of Colonie at 9:00 AM Join our Voorheesville Team "Celebrate Nell". Register at [www.cff.org](http://www.cff.org). "65 ROSES" has been used by children of all ages to describe their disease. Making it easier to say doesn't make cystic fibrosis any easier to live with. 14k gold or sterling silver "65 ROSES" pendants on sale at Refined Designs, 38 South Main St., Voorheesville. 765-3750. All profits go to The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Thank You!

**WHEELS FOR WORK PROGRAM**

Catholic Charities of Schenectady County's Wheels for Work Program is seeking donations of pre- owned vehicles to donate to families in Albany, Rensselaer and Schenectady Counties. The donated cars are for families who are in need of assistance getting to work. Cars should be 1995 and newer with 150, 00 miles or less and can be made mechanically roadworthy for \$1, 000.00. To make arrangements please call Tammy Brooks, Program Director at (518) 346 - 3861.

**HOSPITAL BED NEEDED**

The New Scotland Senior Outreach is looking for a new or used hospital bed for one of their seniors. If you have a new or used hospital bed that you would like to get rid of, please call Sue Kidder at 439 - 9038.



*Rest in Peace*

Lucile Steiner - Mother of Madge Devine  
and for

Evelyn Mitchell - Mother of Bonnie Reilly

**OUR CLUSTER PARISHES**

St. Lucy's, Altamont	861-8770	Sat: 5:00 PM / Sun: 8:30 AM
St. Bernadette's, Berne	872-1131	Sunday at 10:15 AM
Christ the King, Westmere	456-1644	Sat: 4:00 PM / Sun: 8:00, 10:00 AM & Noon
St. Thomas, Delmar	439-4951	Sat: 5:00 PM / Sun: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM & Noon

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

Donna Amato, Gloria Bogart, Haysha Acebal, Raymond Banuls, 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, Elizabeth Gaimari, Amanda Gibbs, Lynn Giudici-Reynolds, Christine Gwaldis, Meg Haff, Ricky Haggerty, Richard Harrington, Scott Herzog, Ricky Hoffman, Lorraine Holland, Kelly Hogan Kirby, Catherine Johnston, Brett Lee, Jean LeCarl, Bob LeClair, Melissa Lee, Joe Markel, Helen McGinty, 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, Ruth Ulion, Walter Greene, Patrick DeWane, Jeannie Mormile, Kathy Jornov, Amanda Cole, Ron Smolen, Kelly Hogan Kirby, Aggie Tucker, and Payton Gordinier.

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

**By Bud Ozar:**

Parents should read today's gospel as: "Make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don't worry, I am with you always." Parents are appointed by Jesus to represent Him to their family.