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  - 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.



July 13, 2008

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

Sunday, July 13

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Edna Pagone

req. by: Father Tom &  
St. Matthew's Parish Community

10:30 AM: Elizabeth Williams

req. by: Dan & Andrea Freeman

Monday, July 14

7:30 AM:

Tuesday, July 15

NO MASS

Wednesday, July 16

NO MASS

Thursday, July 17

NO MASS

Friday, July 18

7:30 AM:

Saturday, July 19

5:00 PM: Richard Garant- Uncle of  
Bob Barber

req. by: Patty & Bob Barber

Sunday, July 20

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Deceased Members of  
Men's Assoc

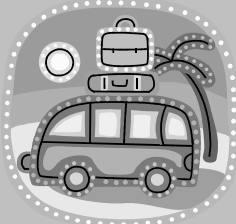
req. by: Men's Assoc

10:30 AM: George Sr, George Jr. &  
Mary M. Hormovitis

req. by: Hormovitis Family  
and for: Thomas Kiegel -13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
req. by: The Kiegel Family



No events this week



Have a happy & safe summer!

## Scripture Readings

**Sunday :** Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/  
Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

**Monday:** Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34-11:1

**Tuesday:** Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24

**Wednesday:** Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/  
Mt 11:25-27

**Thursday:** Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/  
Mt 11:28-30

**Friday:** Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/  
Mt 12:1-8

**Saturday:** Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21

**Next Sunday:** Wis 12:13, 16-19/  
Rom 8:26-27/  
Mt 13:24-43 or  
13:24-30

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understand it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

**Mt 13:22-23**

## SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH

### MISSIONARY WEEKEND

Please welcome Father James Lackenmier, C.S.C. next weekend July 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Father is a member of the Congregation of the Holy Cross, Eastern Province. Their priests and brothers work tirelessly in Peru to witness and to remind the poorest of the poor that God loves them even when all of the surrounding realities indicate otherwise. Your generous support enables Holy Cross to be a sign of hope when despair, disease and deplorable conditions abound.

### THE RESULTS ARE IN!

This week we proudly notified the Bishops Office that 304 donors from Saint Matthew's have contributed and pledged a total of \$77,843 to this year's Bishop's Appeal. Not only will this contribute a significant amount to support the ministry of the Diocesan Church, but because it has exceeded our assessed responsibility of \$66,876, it will also be shared with our own parish. Many thanks to those who have once again demonstrated not only a generous heart, but also a faithful understanding of what it means to be a part of Christ's Church.



## SAINT MATTHEW'S FEAST DAY

September 21, 2008

If you can help us plan the celebration  
of our Parish Feast Day,  
please call **Patty Barber** at 765-4658  
and remember to mark your calendar!

### OUR CLUSTER PARISHES

#### St. Lucy's, Altamont

**Weekday:** Tuesday & Thursday 5:15 PM

**Weekend:** Sat: 5:00 PM / Sun: 8:30 AM

St. Bernadette's, Berne Sunday at 10:15 AM

#### Christ the King, Westmere

**Weekday:** 9:00 AM Monday - Friday

**Weekend:** Saturday: 9 AM on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month & 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 AM & Noon

#### St. Thomas, Delmar

**Weekday:** Monday and Friday: 12:15 PM, Tuesday and Wednesday: 7:00 AM,

**Weekend:** Saturday: 5:00 PM & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM & Noon

Remember to use your St. Matthew's envelopes when visiting our cluster churches because they will be returned to us!

**CALLED TO BE CHURCH**

Now that the discernment phase of the Called to be Church process has concluded and our Local Planning Group has submitted its recommendations to the Diocese for review, please remember to pray for our Diocese as it prepares for the future. Summary sheets of the recommendations are available in the office for those who would want one, but have not yet picked one up. The binder containing descriptions and minutes of the entire process thus far is also available in the office if anyone would like to review it.

Saint Matthew's, like every parish, owes much appreciation to those parish members who offered so much of their time and wisdom to this effort over the course of the last two years. Say a word of thanks to Barry Bablin, Ellie & Tom Dorn, Fran Gorka, Bob Harms, Bill Kelly, Gerri Koch and Mary McGinty, who have given so much service to our church when you see them.

**Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish**

Today's Gospel reminds us that what is given to the Lord can yield results far beyond expectations, yielding thirty, or sixty or a hundred fold! Let us pray that our stewardship of gifts to our parish may result in such blessings for our community. Last weekend parishioners and friends contributed \$5510.21 to the support of Saint Matthew's.

That Stewardship has allowed us to contribute \$2,037.82 to the Lay Employee Pension Fund; \$250 to the Priest Pension Fund and \$2061.00 to the Diocesan Self Insurance Program. Although these kinds of expenses are never exciting, they are a necessary part of keeping a parish functioning well. Many thanks to all those whose faithful stewardship to Saint Matthew's allowed us to meet those responsibilities.

**FAITH FORMATION**

**REGISTRATION FOR 2008 - 2009**

Faith formation registration letters have been mailed out and our registration dates are as follows:

**AFTER ALL MASSES**

***Weekend of July 26 & 27***  
***Weekend of August 16 & 17***  
*(Parish Lobby)*

**EVENINGS**

***August 18 & 19***  
*6:00 – 8:00 PM*  
*(Parish Lobby)*

**DAYTIME**

***August 18 - 21***  
*9:30 AM – 2:00 PM*  
*(Parish Office)*

Any registrants after these dates will be subject to a **\$25.00 late fee** and will be placed on a waiting list. All fees and registration requirements are included in our registration letter. If you have not received a letter, please contact Rebecca at 765-2805 to receive a copy.

**MEN'S ASSOCIATION**

**COME JOIN US IN SERVICE!**

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

July 12<sup>th</sup> – Habitat for Humanity  
 September 12 – Capital City Rescue Mission  
 Please call Tom Dorn at 765-3304

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**ALWAYS OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS**

An evening where people can talk about family dynamics and chemistry among friends after a gay identity has been declared. Initial presenters will be Ruth and Don Smith. All are welcome on Thursday July 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in St. Matthew's Social Hall.

**JOINED BY THREADS III**

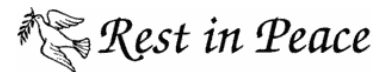
The Voorheesville Village Quilters will host their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual quilt show July 19 and 20 at St. Matthew's Parish Center. The Show will be from 10:00 AM – 4 PM on Saturday and from 12 PM – 4 PM on Sunday. Suggested donation is \$4.00 for Adults, \$3.00 for students and seniors and children 12 and under are free. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Regional Food Bank of NENY. Come and enjoy the vendors, the demonstrations, see the consignments or maybe buy a ticket to win a quilt!

**PRE – SCHOOL OPENINGS**

The Voorheesville Community Preschool has openings for the 4-year-old PM class for 2008 – 2009. For more information, please contact Jennifer Hampston at 765-3112 or jenhampston@yahoo.com.

**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, Allison Thomas, Mary Walas, Angie Jean Wimpperman, John Withkowski, Anna Davis, Ruth Ulion, Walter Greene, Patrick DeWane, Jeannie Mormile, Kathy Jornov, Amanda Cole, Aggie Tucker, Payton Gordinier, Gerri Koch, Donna DeVellis Vincent Farney and Bernie Pafunda.



*Rest in Peace*

Rosemarie Angermeier –  
 mother of Joe Angermeier  
 and for  
 Charlotte Fortran  
 mother of Roderick Fortran

Our **BULLETIN DEADLINE** is by **9:00 AM** on **Wednesday**. If it is a holiday week the deadline is **Monday** at **9:00 AM**.