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 - Mary McGinty..... *Trustee*

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:30 AM and 10:30 AM
Weekdays (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.



September 6, 2009

Mass  for the Intentions  for the Week

Saturday, September 5

5:00 PM: M/M Nicholas Smith and Frank and Ann Hart
 req. by: John F. Smith
 and for: **Elizabeth Stevens**
 req. by: John & Barbara Fredette

Sunday, September 6

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Gertrude Tiberia
 req. by: The McGinty Family

10:30 AM: The Students of our Parish Returning to School

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

Monday, September 7

NO MORNING MASS

Tuesday, September 8

7:30 AM:

Wednesday, September 9

7:30 AM:

Thursday, September 10

NO MORNING MASS

Friday, September 11

7:30 AM:

Saturday, September 12

5:00 PM: Ruth McGrath Torka - 6th Anniv & William McGrath- 4th Anniv
 req. by: the McGrath Children
 and for: **Jim Taber**
 req. by: The Taber Family

Sunday, September 13

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Elizabeth Stevens
 req. by: Bill & Barbara Emerick
 and for: **Teresa Bellucci**
 req. by: Anne & Tony Fernandez

10:30 AM: Thomas Hayden

req. by: The McQuade Family
 and for: **Joan M. Cranney**
 req. by: The McGinty Family



Parish Offices will be Closed
on Monday for the Labor Day
Holiday

Rosary & Novena will start
Monday, September 14th
at 6:30 PM

THOSE WHO ARE ILL...

Donna Amato, Gloria Bogart,
Haysha Acebal, Raymond Banuls,
Bill Boyd, Brendan Burke, Diana
Burns, Carly Carey, Connie
Castellana, Tim Colchin, Joan
Conway, Joseph Coury, Mildred
Coury, Philip Davis, Doris Doyle,
James Finnessey, Bobby Flagler,
Elizabeth Gaimari, Amanda Gibbs,
Lynn Giudici-Reynolds, Christine
Gwaldis, Ricky Haggerty, Richard
Harrington, Ricky Hoffman,
Catherine Johnston, Brett Lee, Jean
LeCarl, Melissa Lee, Joe Markel,
Maureen Palumbo, Bryan Pettit,
Nicole Retajczyk, Tina Rosen, Kathy
Sansone, William Skicki, Allison
Thomas, Mary Walas, Angie Jean
Wimpperman, John Withkowski,
Anna Davis, Ruth Ulion, Walter
Greene, Jeannie Mormile, Kathy
Jornov, Aggie Tucker, Payton
Gordinier, Donna DeVellis, Bernie
Pafunda, Richard Arthur, Claire
Broderick, Tim Finnigan, Bertha
Meservey, Maureen Daugherty, Eric
Dagner, Marilyn Farrell, Donald Lee,
Evelyn Lobato, Nellie Ciupek, Molly
Rourke, Katie Geiss, Marlene
Prentiss, Margaret Logan and
Veronica Monterio



The chapel candle
is lit this week
in loving memory of
Louis & Mary Gnip
Francis L. & Helen Polzin
Requested by
The Gnip & Polzin Families

SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH



4th ANNUAL ST. MATTHEW'S FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

Sunday, September 20th

Introducing the

"Roof Ruckus Raffle"

Tickets: \$5

We drop the balls at 2:30. You do not have to be present to win
but we would love to have you here!

1st Prize: \$1000.00

2nd Prize: Gore Mt. Ski Weekend

3rd Prize: a 32" Flat Screen TV

Giffy's ¼ Chicken served at 12:30 PM

Adults \$7 Children (5-10 yrs) \$4 Children under 5 - free!

Steamed Sweet Maine Claims from 12:30 - 1:30 PM

\$4 a dozen or 2 dozen for \$7

Games, Music, Crafts, Fun and Prizes for all ages

Menu items include: choices of barbeque chicken, meat platter, hot dog,
baked potato, soda, beer, and wine. All families are asked to bring
a side dish, salad, covered dish or dessert to share.

Sign up sheets are available in the Parish Lobby.

Tickets available after Mass or from Parish Office

ANOVENA FOR ST. MATTHEW

Once again this year as part of a Parish Novena, we are inviting parishioners to remember our patron saint in prayer for 9 weeks, concluding on the feast of Christ the King. As a part of this novena we would also invite 9 individuals or families to accept into their homes two of our most sacred of objects: the Parish Relic of Saint Matthew, and an Icon of our patron saint. Those housing these objects of faith for a week would be asked receive them at weekend liturgy and to return them the following weekend. While in your possession please pray for our parish dedicated to Saint Matthew, reading his Gospel in the course of the 7 days. If you could be a part of this prayer experience, please sign up in the lobby of the church.

Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish

Many thanks to those parishioners and friends who contributed \$5968.94 last weekend to the support of our parish.

Your sacrificial stewardship each week helps us to be here the following week. Thanks especially to those whose faithfulness makes up their weekly support when they can't be present

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Parents wishing to celebrate the Baptism of their children are reminded that the next cycle of preparation sessions begin on Monday, September 14, 2009 with the Rite of Enrollment to be conducted on the weekend of Oct 17- Oct 18, 2009. If you would like to be included in these next sessions, or would like a complete schedule on upcoming sessions, please call the office or Peggy McQuade, our Baptismal Team Coordinator at 872-9035. For your convenience, you may also view a copy of the Baptismal schedule, posted on the lobby entrance bulletin board and on our website:

www.stmatthewsvoorheesville.org

MUSIC MINISTRY

MUSIC MINISTRY PRACTICE BEGINS:

Practice for Music Ministry resumes this week on Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00. We welcome all who are 14 years old and older who love music and want to share that with others. Instrumentalists are also welcome... we could use a bass player and another guitarist at the 10:30 mass... and if anyone is accomplished on a C instrument such as a violin or flute, they would be a wonderful addition to the liturgies. Everyone in Music Ministry practices together on Wednesday nights and then sings or plays at the mass of their choice.

Members of Music Ministry will speak at all of the masses the weekend of September 19th and I will have a table set up in the foyer to discuss any of your questions.

We would love to see you next Wednesday! If you have any questions, please feel free to call Madge Devine at 765-2457.

FAITH FORMATION

CATECHISTS NEEDED

We have been busy securing Catechists to teach in our Faith Formation program this year. We anticipate a need at grades 1, 4 and 5. You need not be a teacher by trade just enjoy children and be willing to share your faith. It is very rewarding. We supply training and support. Perhaps team teach with a friend.

Several wonderful parishioners have done this over the years. Some stay on for a long while and some turn over each year according to availability. Grade 1 is on Sunday morning during the 10:30 AM Mass. Grades 4 and 5 are from 3:15 – 4:30 PM on either Tuesday or Wednesday. Won't you consider stepping forward?

CONFIRMED TEEN MINISTRY NIGHT

Just a reminder that there will be a meeting for any confirmed teen who is interested in becoming a Catechist, Lector or Eucharist Minister on Thursday, September 10th at 7:00 PM.

HERE WE GO!

Now that summer has ended and school is starting so will our Faith Formation programs. Please check your Faith Formation Starting Date Calendars to find out when your child's session begins. The full calendar for October – December will be mailed out by late September.



St. Matthew's and our Cluster Parishes invite you to

**An Afternoon
with**

Father

Edward L. Beck, C.P.

speaking on

**“Soul Provider:
Limitless Love”**

**Sunday, October 4th
2-4 PM**

**Christ the King
Church**

Edward L. Beck, C.P., is a Roman Catholic priest of the Passionist Community.

In addition to giving retreats and workshops nationally and internationally, Father Beck is a commentator on religious and faith issues for various media outlets.

His latest book,
Soul Provider,

will be on sale here at St. Matthew's next weekend.

Please join us for an inspirational and memorable event.

To learn more about Father Beck, visit his website at

www.EdwardLBeck.com.