



# St. Matthew's Church

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**STAFF**

Ellie Dorn.....	Coordinator of Youth Ministry
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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 (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.



**November 1, 2009**

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Saturday, October 31**

5:00 PM: Jeanne & Maynard Williams and Jim & Ann Mason  
 req. by: Peggy & Keith Mason

**Sunday, November 1**

**Solemnity of All Saints**

8:30 AM: Michael Eaton

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

and for: John & James Ferraro

req. by: Catherine Giacomini

10:30 AM: Marianne Sapienza 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

req. by: The Family

and for: Elizabeth Stevens

req. by: Dan & Andrea Freeman

**Monday, November 2**

**ALL SOULS DAY**

7:00 PM:

**Tuesday, November 3**

7:30 AM:

**Wednesday, November 4**

7:30 AM:

**Thursday, November 5**

**NO MORNING MASS**

**Friday, November 6**

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**Saturday, November 7**

5:00 PM: John F. Smith, Helen Smith, Helen K. Wormer and Claire Smith Robinson

req. by: John F. Smith

**Sunday, November 8**

**32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM: Della Mattot

req. by: William & Philomena Donaldson

and for: Christopher Prenderville

req. by: Frank & Chris Ryan

10:30 AM: Thomas Kiegle

req. by: The Kiegle Family

and for: Onda C. Santaro

req. by: The Family



**Sunday, November 1**  
Grades Pre-K – 1. 10:30 AM

**Monday, November 2**  
**ALL SOULS DAY**  
Rosary & Novena 6:30 PM

All Souls Day Mass 7:00 PM

**Tuesday, November 3**  
Grades 2-5 3:15 – 4:30 PM  
1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation Mtg. – 7:00PM  
Social hall – PARENTS ONLY

**Wednesday, November 4**  
Grades 2-5 3:15 – 4:30 PM  
Music Ministry at 7:00 PM

**Saturday, November 7**  
Men's Association Dinner  
6:30 PM in the Social Hall

**Sunday, November 8**  
Grades Pre-K – 1. 10:30 AM  
9<sup>th</sup> Grade 1:00 – 5:00 PM

### THOSE WHO ARE ILL...

Donna Amato, Gloria Bogart,  
Haysha Acebal, Raymond Banuls,  
Bill Boyd, 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, Evelyn  
Lobato, Nellie Ciupek, Molly Rourke,  
Katie Geiss, Marlene Prentiss, Jim  
Kiegle and Margaret Logan

### SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH

## Reflection Question of the Week: How do you honor and imitate the Saints?

### REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DECEASED



November has always been a time within the Catholic tradition for remembering those loved ones who have died. Therefore beginning next weekend, just before liturgy begins we will be extending the weekday practice of remembering the deceased of our parish who have died. On those days when parishioners have died on the date we are gathering, the names of the deceased will be recalled for our prayer together. Following those names, please join in the following prayer:

**Cantor:** Eternal rest grant upon them, O lord

**All:** And let perpetual light shine upon them

**Cantor:** May they rest in peace

**All:** Amen

**Cantor:** May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace

**All:** Amen

This remembrance of the deceased is especially appropriate on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, which the Church commemorates as All Souls Day. On that day we will remember all those from our parish who have died during the past year at an evening Eucharist at 7:00 PM. If you would like to include deceased family and friends in our prayer that evening, please place their names on the small sheets of paper at the Baptismal font. Those intentions will be included in our parish prayer during the days of November.

### Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish

Today's psalm reminds us that we and everything we have actually belong to God.

We are stewards, not owners, of our lives and all we possess!

As Christians we share with God's Church some portion of what God has shared with us. Last weekend those who worshipped here at St. Matthew's shared \$6,107.80 of their income for the support of our parish. Some people have asked what is a good standard to use when deciding the amount of weekly support for our parish church. One suggestion asks the amount of one hours wage per week as a starting point when contributing to the church. Shared time, talent and treasure would suggest an hour at liturgy, an hour's wage and an hour's service each week.

Please consider these guidelines when planning your own support of the parish.

### LECTOR WORKBOOKS

The new liturgical year will soon be starting and the new workbooks for lectors have arrived and are available in the sacristy. Lectors are invited to pick them up when they can, signing the sheet so we know they have them.

### DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

If you do, please let them know that Saint Matthew's is preparing a series of information sessions. The first session will be Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. If anyone is interested in attending they are asked to call the parish office.

### ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The Men's Association's sale of Entertainment books continues. The price of the book is still just \$30. Books will be available for sale at the end of weekend masses or you may contact Dave Morrill at 765-9109 to get books. Thank you to all for supporting our fund raising efforts.

### BIG BREAKFAST

The Men's Association will sponsor a breakfast on Sunday November 15, 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 its many activities around the Parish. Adults \$5, Children \$3."

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Come Join Us In Service!

In recent headlines, political leaders urge all people to step up and volunteer in their communities. Three opportunities to do so are being organized by the Men's Association. All members of the parish are invited to join them in any or all of the following scheduled service events. Please consider spending a few hours in service to those in need.

*Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>: Habitat for Humanity*

*Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>: Ronald McDonald House*

*Saturday, December 26<sup>th</sup>: Capital City Rescue Mission*

If interested or if you have questions, please contact Tom Dorn at 765-3304."

### FAITH FORMATION

#### FATHER /SON EVENT CANCELLED

The father/son event that was scheduled for Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

#### VIRTUS TRAINING

There will be VIRTUS training here at St. Matthew's, Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. This is required for any new volunteers with children especially catechists & CYO coaches. Parents who wish to chaperone are also urged to attend. You can register online at rcd.org.

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> RECONCILIATION

There will be a **PARENTS ONLY** meeting - 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation preparation Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00PM in social hall.

#### "KID'S CLOSET" DONATIONS NEEDED

Our high school Youth Ministry is collecting clean, gently used teen clothing to be donated to the "Kid's Closet" at DePaul Residence. Now is a good time to clean out your closet and bring your donations to the marked box placed under the Youth Ministry bulletin board. Thank you!



## FALL HARVEST BANQUET

In the spirit of celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Men's Association has organized another parish event for you to mark on your calendar.

There will be a Fall Harvest Banquet on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> here at St. Matthew's Parish Center.

The cost is \$45.00 a person and it includes a cocktail hour at 6:30 PM, dinner and dessert at 7:30 PM, music and dancing from 8:45 - 11:30 PM and prizes given away twice every hour-over \$500.00 worth of give aways! Tickets will be on sale after Masses and in the Parish Office until November 1<sup>st</sup>.