

Saint Matthew's Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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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)

Website: www.stmatthewsvoorheesville.org

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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.



We are a Roman Catholic Community called by Jesus Christ to proclaim the Kingdom of God through sacramental lives of prayer and ministry. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to give witness to the Gospel by serving God and others.

Our Parish Mission Statement

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday, May 15

5:00 PM: Louis Leon

req. by: Brandy Leon

and for: **Leland & Clara Frisbee**

req. by: The Frisbee Family

Sunday, May 16

7th Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM: Pat Rivers

req. by: Ron Rivers

and for: **Clem Turner**

req. by: The Hen's Family

**10:30 AM: Living and Deceased
Members of the Men's Association**

req. by: The Men's Association

and for: **Gertrude Richardson**

req. by: Tom & Ellie Dorn

Monday, May 17

NO MORNING MASS

Tuesday, May 18

7:30 AM: Conrad Duncan (living)

req. by: The Fottrell Family

Wednesday, May 19

7:30 AM:

Thursday, May 20

NO MORNING MASS

Friday, May 21

7:30 AM: Helen Zagata

req. by: Rev. Dick Leskovar

Saturday, May 22

5:00 PM: Aggie Tucker

req. by: Catherine Giacomini

also for: **Kay Carlino**

req. by: Bob and Anne Pennock

and for: **Sr. Alice Michalski,**

Raymond Corkery & Mary Corkery

req. by: The Corkery Family

Sunday, May 23

Pentecost Sunday

8:30 AM: Edward Soweck

req. by: The Ricci Family

and for: **Lydia Tobler**

req. by: Ron & Anne Smolen

10:30 AM: Michael Fields, Jr.

req. by: Mike Ricci

and for: **Richard Sichler**

req. by: Nancy Ahola

**Sunday, May 16**

Teen Prayer Service 6:30 PM

Men's Association May Meeting 7 PM

Monday, May 17

Rosary & Novena 6:30 PM

Wednesday, May 19

Music Ministry 7:00 PM

Saturday & Sunday, May 22 & 23

Pentecost reception after all Masses

THOSE WHO ARE ILL...

Donna Amato, Gloria Bogart,
Raymond Banuls, Bill Boyd,
Diana Burns, Carly Carey, Connie
Castellana, Tim Colchin, Joan
Conway, Joseph Coury, Mildred
Cory, Philip Davis, Doris Doyle,
James Finnessey, Bobby Flagler,
Lynn Giudici-Reynolds, Christine
Gwaldis, Ricky Haggerty, Richard
Harrington, Catherine Johnston, Brett
Lee, Jean LeCarl, Melissa Lee, Joe
Markel, Nicole Retajczyk, Tina Rosen,
Kathy Sansone, William Skicki, Allison
Thomas, Mary Walas, John
Withkowski, Anna Davis, Jeannie
Mormile, Donna DeVellis, Richard
Arthur, Claire Broderick, Eric Dagner,
Nellie Ciupek, Katie Geiss,
Marybeth Saccone, Tom Markert, Sr.,
Mike Jones, Marlene Prentiss
James Rancourt & Conrad Duncan

*Rest in Peace*

Albert Birdsall

and

Steven Kroencke

brother of Kevin Kroencke

*Eternal rest
grant unto them,
O Lord;
and let perpetual
light shine
upon them.*

SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH

Wear Something RED Next Weekend!

Pentecost Sunday, The Fiftieth Day of Easter, which we celebrate next weekend has always been the day when Christians have celebrated the life giving gifts of the Holy Spirit. Among those gifts is the unity of faith which brings differing peoples together. To encourage that kind of unity among us, as part of our Pentecost Celebration this year, 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 to welcome visitors on this day of Christian Community. We will also be welcoming those who have registered as new parishioners at Saint Matthews since our last Name-Tag Weekend. 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. Please be a part of our Pentecost liturgy next weekend! **Wearing something RED (the color for the Holy Spirit) would also make it special!**

2010 BISHOPS APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to the 209 parish members and friends who have already made their pledge of sacrificial support of this year's Bishop's Appeal. Your Christian Stewardship in care for both our parish and diocesan church is very much appreciated by very many people! Thank you! If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. We can only make our fair share parish goal if every Catholic household does its part too. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. Please return some part of God's Gifts to you to the service of God's church. Your generosity will be appreciated.

**Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish**

The second reading this weekend contains the somber warning that when the Lord returns, He will bring to each person the reward that his or her conduct deserves. That reading challenges us to consider how generous we have been in sharing God's blessings to us with Christ's Church. Last weekend our parishioners and friends contributed \$6385.52 toward the support of our parish.

Thank you for your faithful Christian stewardship. Of that \$162.71 went toward our Parish Envelope System for this month. Although we like it when our envelopes are returned with your weekly parish support, we could save a few dollars if everyone joined our happy group of Parish E-Givers. Electronic contributions are safe and dependable, and save us paper, time and postage. If you would like to contribute to St. Matthew's the same way you are paying your bills, St. Matthew's would love for you to do so. Enrollment sheets are available outside the Parish Office.

CARE TEAM AT ST. MATTHEW'S

A care team is being formed here at St. Matthew's under the guidance of Sandy Monahan, Eddy's Alzheimer's Volunteer Care Team Program Manager. If you could volunteer 2-3 hours a month to visit a family in our parish, come to the June 1st meeting at the Church at 6:30 PM. For more information please see the insert in today's bulletin or call Anne Kelly (765-2439) or Julie Bablin (861-8086).

MEN'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Association's May meeting will be held Sunday, May 16 in the Parish Library at 7:00 PM. Upcoming events, including summer activities, will be discussed. All current, former, and prospective members are encouraged to attend.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE

Next weekend, there will be a collection for Central & Eastern Europe. The Church in this region of the world continues to have great needs for its pastoral work. Your donations invest in future generations of Catholics. Proceeds from the collection go directly to build churches and support scholarships for ministry formation, social programs, and essential pastoral projects. Please help by giving generously.

A Two - Part Gathering on
Catholic Moral Teaching
Tuesday, June 1 & 8 at 7:00 PM

Catholics often comment that it isn't as easy to know right from wrong as it used to be! Deacon Gerry is preparing a presentation on Catholic Moral Tradition to help us out. Please plan on attending these informative sessions as we continue to enrich our lives of faith together

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is meant to remind those of the Church whose health is impaired by sickness or by old age that they remain a part of the faith community that is joined to them in prayer. Now that the warm weather has returned Saint Matthew's is planning

A Communal Celebration of
The Sacrament of the Sick
Wednesday, June 2nd at 11:00 AM
A light lunch will follow in the Parish Social Hall.

Please call the Parish Office if you are interested in attending

PYRAMID LAKE 2010

It's time to start making plans for the summer of 2010! We hope your plans will include camping at Pyramid Life Center (PLC) in the beautiful Adirondacks from **Sunday, July 4 through Friday, July 9**. This is an affordable vacation option which, in addition to accommodations (in rustic cabins) and meals, offers canoeing, sailing, kayaking, hiking, fishing, basketball, bonfires and much, much more. PLC is located in the town of Paradox, just 1 3/4 hours north of Albany (Northway Exit 28). Please contact this year's new organizers **Matt & Valerie Zell** at pyramidlake.2010@msn.com for more information and reserve a spot. *The deadline for reservations is May 16th, so hurry space is limited!*

COMMUNITY EVENTS

LASALLE INFORMATION NIGHT

LaSalle Institute, grades 6-12, will hold an Information Night on Wednesday, May 19th from 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM for families considering enrolling their son in the next school year. Please learn why 99.6% of our families say they would do it again? (call Gerald Washington: 282-2500 ext 237)



On Sunday, May 9th 2010
St. Matthew's welcomed into the Church
through the saving waters of Baptism:

Jack Michael Keith
Son of Dennis & Rachel Keith



BLESSING OF THE BICYCLES

As summer begins and both adults and children take to the roadways, Saint Matthew's invites its parishioners and friends once again to gather outside the church hall on Saturday, **June 5 at 4:00 PM** for the Parish Blessing of Bicycles. Helmets can substitute for bicycles if you can't peddle to the church, but we hope that you can join us as we ask God's blessing on your summer travels.

