

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
THE MAN BORN BLIND
AS PRESENTED BY FALLON ZELL 5TH GRADE



Saint Matthew's Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Eucharist

Anticipated on Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday Morning 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

Weekday Eucharist

Weekday Eucharist (T, W, & F) 7:30 AM

Evening Prayer

Evening Prayer (during lent) 7:00 PM Friday Evenings

Rosary & Novena

Rosary & Novena 6:30 PM on Mondays (September - May)



Sunday, April 3rd

5th grade 9:15 AM
 Pre K -1st 10:30 AM
 Mid Level 4:30 – 8:30 PM

Monday, April 4th

Rosary & Novena - 6:30 PM

Tuesday, April 5th

Grades 2 – 4 3:15 – 4:30 PM

Wednesday, April 6th

Lenten Journey Video - 10:00 AM
 Grades 2 – 4 3:15 – 4:30 PM
 Music Ministry – 7:00 PM
 Holiday Choir -7:45 PM

Friday, April 8st

Simple Soup Supper – 6:15 PM
 Evening Prayer – 7:00 PM

Saturday, April 9th

1st Communion Retreat 9:30 AM

Sunday, April 10th

5th grade 9:15 AM
 Pre K -1st 10:30 AM
 Mid Level 4:30 – 8:30 PM
 Disability Retreat – 1:30 - -5:00 PM

THOSE WHO ARE ILL...

Donna Amato, 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,
 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, Richard Arthur, Eric Dagner,
 Katie Geiss, Marybeth Saccone, Tom
 Markert, Sr., Mike Jones, Brad
 Schmidt, Penny Smith – Bogert, Jerry
 DeMauro, Rosemary Lee, Ray Frisbee
 William Golding, & Frank Kodra.

SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH.

Please join us in keeping these holy days by
 coming together on Friday for a
Simple Soup Supper at 6:15 PM & Evening Prayer at 7 PM



Our guest this Friday is
 Father David Hammond of
 Our Lady Queen of Peace
 Schenectady, NY

PASCHAL TRIDUUM

The most important celebration of the church marks so great an event that it cannot be contained in one day, but is celebrated over three days. These "three days" known in Greek as the Triduum are observed during Holy week as Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday's Easter Vigil. These days and their liturgies call the whole church together. Please plan to include these events in your schedule and that of your family. This year they fall on April 21, 22, and 23, and call for our attention! Please plan meals, errands and other things accordingly. Our church is calling us together as is our God. We will need your help for these special liturgies, so volunteer sign – up sheets are available if you could help in some way (perhaps in a procession or some other participation) during these special days. Please indicate your willingness to help so we can continue to plan.



Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish

All those present at liturgy last Sunday, witnessed the lights in Church going off and on again at their own whim. That electrical unpredictability seems to be a symptom of a control panel gone bad. It's repair (which is still being pursued) is one of those unexpected expenses required to keep our facilities functioning, the circulation pump which we replaced last was another. Your weekly support of St. Matthews is what makes these repairs and other routine expenses possible to meet. Thank you.

Last weekend our parishioners and friends contributed \$6025.66 in Christian Stewardship to help meet those expenses. Your faithfulness is always appreciated. Please keep St. Matthew's in your weekly budget, even increasing your contribution when able.

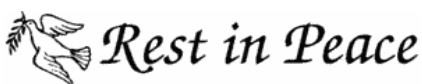
LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE



The season of Lent more than any other calls us to renewal and reconciliation. Catholic Christians have long marked this time by celebrating the Sacrament of Penance. Parishioners may want to consider joining our cluster parishes with a sacramental celebration of God's mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday, April 12th at Christ the King Church at 7:00 PM.

A LENTEN JOURNEY ON VIDEO

Fr. Michael Himes' last video presentation on the Lenten readings will be this Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. Join us in this hour of faith enrichment if you can.



Judy Arbour Petroske

&

Joanne St. Denis

SAINT MATTHEW'S PASSOVER SUPPER

Saint Matthew's is once again planning its Seder Supper this year on **April 18, 2011**, the Monday of Holy Week at **6:15 PM**. The Seder Supper is a celebration of the Hebrew Faith which is the foundation of our own Christian belief. It is the means by which through ritual, word and song, the lessons of the Exodus have been passed on from generation to generation. Those lessons are of course important to all of us, young and old alike. Following the traditional order of the ritual, our time together (about 2 hours) will include a chicken or lamb dinner.



In order to make proper arrangements, we need to know the exact number of adults and children and men attending. **Sign up sheets are available at the entrances or you can call the parish office by April 11, 2011.** There will be a free will offering to defer some of the cost, and seating will be limited. Please consider joining us in making this ancient custom a part of your own preparation for the Sacred Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday)

LENTEN PICTURES

Again this week the children of our Faith Formation program have taken inspiration from the Gospel reading and the photo in the church depicting the Gospel passage. Their drawings are displayed in the lobby and one by Fallon Zell is used as our bulletin cover. Our thanks to them for sharing their talent.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Saint Matthews's next celebration of infant baptism is being planned for Saturday, June 25, 2011. **A Baptism Preparation Group is now forming.** If you would like to be included for the first preparation session, **scheduled for Monday, April 4th at 7:00 PM**, please call the parish office or Peggy McQuade, our Baptism Team Coordinator at 872-9035. This session is also open to godparents, grandparents and expectant parents who like to plan ahead.

MEN'S ASSOCIATION

SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISER

Many Thanks to all who attended last Sunday's Big Breakfast. A good number of patrons turned out. Thanks also to members of the Youth Ministry who helped serve the great food. Your support helps the Association continue in it's activities around the Parish and our community.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please join us in service.....
Saturday, April 9 – Ronald McDonald House
Please contact Tom Dorn at 765-3304 or email: TDorn92781@aol.com to register or help. all Parishioners are welcome to join in service.

FAITH FORMATION

1st COMMUNION RETREAT

Just a reminder that the 1st Communion retreat is next Saturday, **April 9th from 9:30 AM – 12 Noon**. One or both parents must attend with the 1st Communion Candidate and attendance is expected. Please bring your "My Family" sheet and your completed banner.

5th GRADE COLLECTING KITCHEN ITEMS

The fifth grade faith formation class will be collecting kitchen items to be donated to the food pantry for distribution to families in need. Suggested items are can openers, kitchen towels, pot holders, paper towels, napkins and dish detergent. Collection boxes will be at the church entrances from 3/28 through 4/10. please contact Cindy Monaghan at 765-2063 with any questions.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday, April 2

5:00 PM: Donald Schryver
req. by: Father Tom & St. Matthew's Parish Community
and for: Joseph DeVellis 7th Anniversary
req. by: The DeVellis Family

Sunday, April 3

4th Sunday of Lent
8:30 AM: Living & Deceased Members of the Men's Association
req. by: The Men's Association
also for: William Roberts
req. by: The Hens Family
and for: Harold Dewitt
req. by: M/M William Donaldson

10:30 AM: Anthony Genovesi
req. by: His Wife and Children
and for: Catherine Giacomini in thanksgiving for her 90th birthday
req. by: Catherine Giacomini

Monday, April 4

NO MORNING MASS

Tuesday, April 5

7:30 AM:

Wednesday, April 6

7:30 AM:

Thursday, April 7

NO MORNING MASS

Friday, April 8

7:30 AM:

req. by: Joanne Arpin

6:15 PM SOUP SUPPER

7:00 PM EVENING PRAYER

Saturday, April 9

5:00 PM: Therese Miranda
req. by: Wayne & Karen Maror
and for: Anthony Chianese
req. by: Kathleen Quinn

Sunday, April 10

4th Sunday of Lent
8:30 AM: Helen Mirabile
req. by: Pete & Jean Mattimore
also for: William Roberts
req. by: The Hens Family
and for: Ken Phillips
req. by: M/M William Donaldson

10:30 AM: Dorothy McDonald
req. by: Jim & Rebecca Kiegle
also for: Richard Mattiello
req. by: The Micheli Family
and for: Vincent Colletti
req. by: Donna Pandolfo