

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 28

5:00 PM: Joseph Kevin Casey
req. by: Bob & Anne Pennock
also for: Judy Arbor Petroske
req. by: Diane & Dick Lucci
and for: Raymond Corkery
req. by: Alice Corkery

Sunday, May 29

6th Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM: Joseph Disanza
req. by: John & Rose Mary Zongrone
and for: Marilyn Farrell
req. by: The Carson Family

10:30 AM: Andrew Barothy Langer
req. by: St. Matthew's Men's Association
also for: Estelle Doran
req. by: Vicky Martin
and for: Olga Szpylczyn
req. by: Fr. Tom & St. Matthew's
Parish Community

Monday, May 30

NO MORNING MASS



Tuesday, May 31

8:30 AM – Easter Weekday Liturgy

Wednesday, June 1

8:30 AM – Easter Weekday Liturgy
7:00 PM - Anticipated Mass for the Ascension

Thursday, June 2

ASCENSION THURSDAY

8:30 AM – Liturgy of the Ascension

Friday, June 3

8:30 AM – Easter Weekday Liturgy

Saturday, June 4

5:00 PM: Maryanne Parson Walters
req. by: Toby & Paula Walters
and for: Joanne St. Denis
req. by: Cathy Beadnell

Sunday, June 5

7th Sunday of Easter

8:30 AM: Robert DeLaney
req. by: The Spina Family
and for: Carol Winkler
req. by: John & Rose Mary Zongrone

10:30 AM: Marilyn Farrell
req. by: Pat & Fran Arthur
and for: Robert Farrell
req. by: Evelyn Bernstein



Monday, May 30th
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Wednesday, June 1st
Ascension Thursday Mass – 7:00 PM
Music Ministry – 7:45 PM

Thursday, June 2nd
Ascension Thursday Mass – **8:30 AM**

Sunday, June 5th
Graduate Mass – 10:30 AM
Pyramid lake Registration – 11:30 AM
Men's Assoc. Mtg & BBQ 6:00 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, 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, Mike Jones, Brad Schmitt, Penny Smith-Bogert, Susan Coffey, Deacon Jerry DeMauro, Rosemary Lee, Ray Frisbee, William Golding, Frank Kodra, Michael Duncan, & Lawrence Kremer

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WEEKS
Until the New
Roman Missal

SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH

BEING CHRIST FOR OTHERS

If you have not yet made a contribution to this year's Bishop's Appeal please do so this week. This appeal for the support of the diocese depends upon every Catholic household being a part of this parish effort. The blessings we have received call us together to respond to the needs of our diocesan church. Whether your gift is large or not so large, please make a contribution. The number of contributors from St. Matthew's is almost as important as the amount contributed. St. Matthew's is depending upon your help, as are countless others in our area. Thank you for whatever you are willing to give.



Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish

This past weekend our parishioners and friends contributed \$5,312.83 to the support of Saint Matthew's. Thank you. Your generosity allowed us to pay \$624.50 for the maintenance of our fire suppression system, \$535 for repairs to the Baptismal font; and \$113 for catechetical materials on the upcoming Roman Missal. We appreciate and depend upon your sacrificial stewardship for our church. Thank you.

ASCENSION THURSDAY

This week the Church celebrates the 40th day of Easter, remembering the beginning of Christ's Reign at the right hand of the Father. Ascension Thursday is one of the few weekdays of the year which the Church marks as being as important as Sunday, the Lord's Day. Please keep that tradition by joining for Eucharist either on Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM or on Thursday morning at 8:30 AM.

WEEKLY MASS TIME CHANGE BEGINS ON TUESDAY!

Beginning this week following the Memorial Day holiday, weekday Eucharist will be celebrated at **8:30 AM** (rather than 7:30 AM). We hope that Mass at this hour may make it possible for some of you to include Eucharist during the week as part of your spiritual life. Please consider joining together to share the Lord's presence in this way on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday morning at 8:30 AM (and on Thursday this week as we celebrate the Lord's Ascension).



PENTECOST SUNDAY IS IN 2 WEEKS!

The Fiftieth Day of Easter, Pentecost, celebrates the life giving gifts of the Holy Spirit to the Church. Among those gifts is the unity of faith which brings differing people together. To encourage that kind of unity among us, once again this year we will be asking all those worshipping with us to pick up a name tag as you enter the church. You are also invited to wear something **RED** (the liturgical color for the Holy Spirit) on that day to make it just a little bit special.

OUR ANNIVERSARY IS COMING!

The Catholic Church around the world changed in 1962 when Pope John XXIII opened the Second Vatican Council in Rome. The Catholic Church in Voorheesville changed that same year when Bishop Scully established St. Matthew's as our Catholic parish. If you would like to help us mark this special 50th anniversary, please call the parish office to be included in our first meeting.



ST. MATTHEW'S C.C. CHURCH
Voorheesville, New York

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, May 30, 2011

BAPTISM PREPARATION

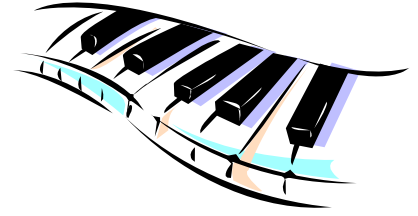
Saint Matthews's next celebration of infant baptism is being planned for Sunday, August 21st. A **Baptism Preparation Group is now forming**. If you would like to be included for the first preparation session, **scheduled for Monday, June 27th at 7:00 PM**, please call the parish office or Peggy McQuade, our Baptism Team Coordinator at 872-9035. This session is also open to godparents, grandparents and expectant parents who like to plan ahead.

PYRAMID LAKE INFORMATION MEETING

It's time to start making plans for the summer of 2011! We hope your plans will include camping at Pyramid Life Center (PLC) in the beautiful Adirondacks from **Sunday, July 3 through Friday, July 8**. 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 ¼ hours north of Albany (Northway Exit 28). Please contact this year's new organizers **Matt & Valerie Zell** at pyramidlake.2011@msn.com for more information and reserve a spot. There will be an information meeting on **June 5th at 11:30 AM in classroom 8** all for interested parishioners. Your security deposit of \$50.00 for your reservation will be collected at this meeting.



BUY A KEY



St. Matthew's has long been blest to have a talented and generous music ministry guiding our sung prayer together. Every ministry needs to be supported by the community of which they are a part. As a parish we do that by singing the parts that are our responsibility. We also do that by providing the music and the tools that the choir needs.

This weekend Music Ministry will be making available to a limited number of our parishioners and friends the opportunity "to buy a key" on a long hoped for electric piano for the church. There are only 88 keys! For only \$40.00, you can contribute your favorite note to our weekly worship together.

If you have always wanted a note, (or an octave!) this weekend will be your chance for a dream fulfilled, it fulfills Music Ministry's dream too!

Claim your key on the poster and help support our Music Ministry which is so essential to our prayer here at St. Matthew's.



BLOOD DRIVE

St. Matthew's will sponsor a blood drive on **Friday, June 10th from 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM** in the Social Hall. Appointed volunteers will be calling previous donors. Please put a reminder on your calendar for this important event. As of May 12, 2008,

donors with a history of non-blood cancer such as breast, brain, colon and prostate, can now donate 12 months after their last treatment has been completed. Please remember that the coming summer is often accompanied by blood shortages.

Call the Parish Office at 765-2805 to make an appointment if you would like to give!

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL TEENS!

There is still time to register for the diocesan S.A.L.T. service opportunity! Hear what former "S.A.L.T. - Teens" have to say about S.A.L.T.: "I will never forget this experience - it was amazing!" "Life - changing.", "I learned so much about myself, my faith and others.", "We must open our eyes to the world around us.", "I am very fortunate and I must give back to others.", "I loved it and wish it were longer!"

Don't miss out on this awesome experience...call or email Mrs. Dorn today! Financial assistance is available! 765-2373 or stmatthewsyouthministry@verizon.net

FALL 2011 REGISTRATION BEGINS!

Registration for our 2011 - 2012 Faith Formation/Youth Ministry grades Pre K- 10 will take place **June 4th - June 12th**. Packets will be available in the parish lobby. All completed and paid registrations must be returned to the FF/YM office by **JUNE 30th**. Registration ??? Call Rebecca 765-2805 (ext. 16)

MEN'S ASSOCIATION

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please join us in service.....

Saturday, June 4 - 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.