

ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST PARISH



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many."
- Mk 14:22-24

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Sat. June 30 5:00 pm – Charlie Baxley †
Sun. July 1 8:30 am – St. Matthew Families
10:30 am – Joseph Kosch †

MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues. July 3 9:00 am – Jack Mullen †
Wed. July 4 9:00 am – Rev. Dennis Stolinski †
Thur. July 5 9:00 am – Poor Souls of Purgatory †
Fri. July 6 9:00 am – George Lally †

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. July 7 5:00 pm – Helena Hornick †
Sun. July 8 8:30 am – St. Matthew Families
10:30 am – Reynette AhSam †

MASS GREETERS NEEDED

Job Duties include: Smiling, greeting & handing out misselettes. Contact the parish office. *No prior experience required. Adults only.*

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Altar Server Training is scheduled by contacting Phil McEvoy at prmcevoy@gmail.com or Dan Linder @dan@linder.org

24 HOUR EUCHARIST ADORATION

Adoration is held every FIRST FRIDAY of the month, from 8:00am Friday through 8:00am Saturday *Multiple people can attend each hour.* If you would like to be a sub, sign up on the table outside of the Chapel. *Reminder: If you are unable to keep your commitment, please contact a sub.* Contact is Phil McEvoy at 402-689-6457 or prmcevoy@gmail.com.



FAITH DIRECT

To learn more about this giving option visit www.faithdirect.net. (Click on FAQ) *Our church code is NE489.* Thank you for your continued support of our parish family with your time and talents, as well as treasure!

MEMORIALS

St. Matthew Parish welcomes financial gifts as memorials for deceased relatives and friends, or to honor/celebrate loved ones' Birthdays, Anniversaries, Graduations, Baptisms, First Communions, Mother's Day, Father's Day, or any Special Occasion. The gifts will be applied to the building fund for debt reduction, unless designated otherwise. A quarterly listing, of the loved one's name along with the remembrance of the occasion, and donor, is placed in the Bulletin and Parish website. The Parish Memorial Committee will send notification, as applicable, to the family or loved one of the gift given in their behalf.

SECOND COLLECTION SCHEDULE

All checks made out to St. Matthew

June 30 Peter's Pence

This collection provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. *Envelopes are in today's bulletin.*

SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER

Please join us for Sunday Evening Prayer liturgy in praise of God and for the intentions of St. Matthew's parishioners. The liturgy includes Eucharistic Exposition, Adoration, Benediction, and Evening Prayer. It begins in the chapel at 5 p.m. and concludes with Evening prayer finishing about 6 p.m. If you have any questions or inputs, please contact Deacon Mark. There will be no Sunday Evening Prayer liturgy July 1.

EMHC AND LECTOR TRAINING

If you are interested in becoming an EMHC or Lector, contact the parish office to register and plan to attend one of the training sessions listed below, as well as the Mandation Mass. *These sessions are offered once annually in the Omaha Archdiocese.* **You must register by July 21.**

Sunday Aug 5-----St. Columbkille, Papillion
1:30-4:30pm

Monday Aug 13-----St. Vincent de Paul, Omaha
7:00-10:00pm

Tuesday Aug 21-----St. Leo, Omaha
7:00-10:00pm

*Mandation Mass is Thursday, August 30
St. Cecilia Cathedral, Omaha @ 7:00pm*



*Welcome
Blake Travis McGrail
Baptized June 24, 2018*



Knights of Columbus: Planning meeting is the first Monday each month; General Membership meeting is the third Monday each month. Meetings are at 7:00 pm in the lower level of the parish office. All Knights are invited and welcome to attend both meetings. *If you are not receiving emails, check your spam email.*

If you are interested in joining or want more information, please contact Pat Brennan, Grand Knight, at 402-592-5027.

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Need a ride to Church? Contact Butch Songcuan 402-933-1646

Health Care Items are available for loan from the Knights: wheelchairs, electric wheelchairs, walkers and crutches. If you have borrowed and no longer need, please return. If you have items you no longer need and would like to donate, contact Pat Brennan, Grand Knight, at 402-592-5027.

Columbian Squires Chief Counselor
Phil Earsley 402-214-7877



WWG~WOMEN WORKING FOR GOD

Our new president is Sherry Trupp, Vice President – Missy McCool, Secretary – Trish Wallinger, and Treasurer – Norma Kathman.

SCRIP/MATT'S MONEY

Last Week's Rebate: \$45.66

Scrip rebates not designated to a student will now solely benefit our Building Fund. For more information, stop at the table after mass, see our website or contact Samantha Elbert at 515-341-5041.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE

A family in our parish has graciously loaned us a statue of Our Lady of Fatima. It has been a part of their family for over 30 years, has traveled to many members of the family in times of need and many prayers have been answered! Contact Phil McEvoy at prmcevoy@gmail.com or 402-689-6457.

A SHORT BIO ABOUT OUR NEW ST. MATTHEW PRINCIPAL!

Mrs. Angie Palmer comes to us with 21 years as a Catholic Educator. In May she graduated from Creighton University with her Masters in Educational Leadership. She is married to her husband of 20 years and they have 3 daughters ages 14, 11, and 8. In her free time, she enjoys watching and coaching her daughters' sporting events, spending time by the fire pit, and reading Matthew Kelly books.



"Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Mt: 14:27

Total Pledges: 263
Total Pledged: \$2,353,031
Total Collected: \$720389.36

Choices, Choices & More Choices

As we get closer to completing our construction design, we need your help in making some choices. In the commons this weekend please take some time to look over our 70% Construction Design Documents. Steering committee personnel will be available to answer questions.

Polling Results

Thank you to all who participated in the voting process concerning stained glass window style and pew options. Here are the results:

Stained Glass Style

Traditional : 374 Contemporary: 234

Pew Options

Sit-ability Pew#1: 99 Pew#2: 178
End Pew Design A: 46 B: 48 C: 112 D: 55 E: 14
Kneeler #1: 116 #2: 144

We will incorporate the results into our 95% Design Documents. Thanks again for your participation



ST. MATTHEW "GO FUND ME" PAGE

Total raised to date: \$325.00!

In an effort to reach outside of the parish to help fund our new church, we have established a "Go Fund Me" page (thanks to Tim & Ariel Tompsett). We have posted the link on our St. Matthew website and Facebook page. We would also like to share the link to this page with you, in hopes that you will be willing to share it on your personal social media sites. *If you haven't seen the school video...it is worth the watch! (See what the kids know about "pews" and "kneelers"!)*

<https://www.gofundme.com/a-pathway-to-our-church>



REGISTRATION FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR IS OPEN!

For enrollment and tuition information visit: www.stmatthewbellevuene.net. We are AdvancED and NCEA accredited! We also offer small classes, individual attention and a faith filled environment for your children.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Up to \$3150 annually will be awarded to a St. Matthew Parish family to cover the costs of tuition, registration, and book fees at St. Matthew the Evangelist School for grades K-8 (no preschool or preK). The award committee can award the entire amount to a single recipient or to multiple recipients, depending on the number of applicants and financial need.

Criteria:

- Applicants must be a registered member of St. Matthew Parish
- No outstanding financial obligations to St. Matthew School, to include service hour requirements
- One or more children enrolled or intending to be enrolled at St. Matthew School
- Preference will be given to families with current members of Knights of Columbus Council 11879, though membership is not a requirement to compete for the scholarship
- Financial status of applicant will be a key consideration in determination of award

Application Requirements:

- Application form and accompanying documents submitted on or prior to 27 July at NOON.
 - Copy of latest tax return showing adjusted gross income
- See the school office for an application.

ST. MATTHEW COMMUNITY
FOOD BANK UPDATE

2017-18 A Record Success!

We did it! A St. Matthew record of 10,527 pounds of food was donated and delivered to the hungry of our community. What a wonderful example of following our faith. So, where do we go from here? We will introduce several new ways to include even more of our community in giving and it would be easy to say 11,000 pounds, but we aren't called to do the easy!

2018-2019 Goal: 15,000 pounds of food

If you would like to assist with this program, contact Scott Eversole at 402-216-1508.

ST. MATTHEW COMMUNITY SILENT
AUCTION UPDATE

We've \$4,300 raised so far for the new church!! We will continue to rotate items each week and appreciate all the donations and generous bids. A reminder that we have big plans for the auction and the role it serves in supporting our community. Currently we are raising \$5,000 for the new church

- We will then raise approx. \$15,000 for a Maintenance Garage
- After that we will target our efforts as directed by Fr Leo

Please remember to **include your phone number** on the bid sheets.

Items coming in the near future: Coach purses, framed photography, David Winter Cottages, Fishing lures!

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SET UP/TAKEDOWN TEAMS
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We need more people to help with setup and takedown. Setup is usually done on Fridays, 5 pm and takes about an hour. Of course, the more people, the less time it takes. Take down is usually after the 10:30 Mass.

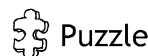
Teams are called upon to work every 4 months for 1 – 1 ½ hours each weekend of their assigned month. We are talking 12-14 hours in a whole year!!!! And to top this off, **THIS IS SHORT TERM SINCE OUR NEW CHURCH WILL BE BUILT DECEMBER 2019.** So each team has FIVE more months except for the teams currently setting up and taking down. They have FOUR more times. Putting this into perspective, this is not an unreasonable investment of time.

This is very important for our liturgy to have a comfortable place to worship. It can only be done with YOUR help. Contact Mike Hichborn if you can help at mike.hich@yahoo.com

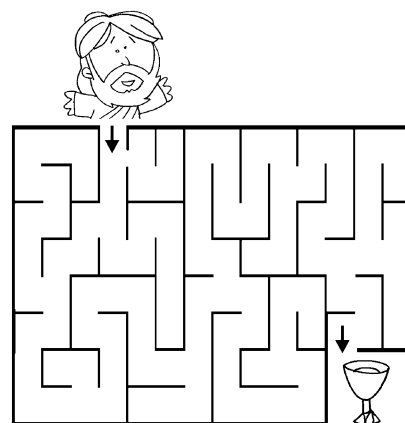
“TOGETHER ON A JOURNEY TO
SAINTHOOD”

Presented by Spirit 102.7-FM

/Do you know the road to sainthood? Allow expert Steve Ray, Catholic convert, author, film maker and pilgrimage expert, to be your guide as we navigate the path that ordinary people have taken to achieve the extraordinary—sainthood! Friday, July 20 at 7 pm at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church in Omaha. Tickets are only \$5 and can be purchased at spiritcatholicradio.com, by calling 855-571-0200 or at the door. Bring a friend!



Find your way from Jesus to the cup.



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Register now for Summer 2018 Vacation Bible School (VBS)! Register your youth now for two exciting opportunities for summer faith formation. Our Parish is again partnering with St. Mary's (Bellevue) Parish to offer two outstanding VBS opportunities for our youth this summer. Each parish is offering a different type of VBS experience for two life-changing opportunities--attend both! At St. Matthew's, we're hosting "*Totus Tuus (Totally Yours)*" from July 23-27 2018. Totus Tuus has fun and faith-filled programming for youth in 1st through 12th grades. The cost for Totus Tuus is \$25 per youth with \$50 maximum for a family. At St. Mary's, they're hosting "*Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus*" from June 25-29 2018. This programming is for youth in grades 1-8. The cost for Shipwrecked is \$50 per youth. St. Matthew's youth are invited to attend both/either session(s). Registration forms and more information is available in the St. Matthew Church commons area or on the parish website under the "VBS" tab. If you have any questions, or are interested in volunteering (!), please contact Deacon Mark.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

Join our Life Runners parish or school chapter at liferunners.org. Life Runners has over 8,000 teammates ages 1 to 101 in 50 states and 35 nations. You are not required to run! © Simply sign up, order "REMEMBER The Unborn – Jer 1:5" jersey, and wear it as a public witness to impact hearts and minds for saving lives. We are now blessed to have the Life Runners founder, Dr. Pat Castle, and his family as St. Matthew parishioners. Join us to be All In Christ for Pro-Life! Contact Kevin and Janice Todd, our chapter leaders, at 402-871-4699 or janicetoddcmc@msn.com if you have any questions.

Mark your calendars for our next monthly prayer vigil on Friday, July 13, from 10:00-11:00am. We meet at the abortion mill in Bellevue at 1002 W Mission Ave. We also encourage you to pray anytime Thursday – Saturday when the mill is open. Contact Kevin and Janice Todd if you would like a prayer vigil booklet to guide your prayer hour.

Pro-Life Reflections for Everyday (taken from a book written by Fr. Frank Pavone of *Priests for Life*) *May the Lord cause your love to increase and overflow for one another and for everyone else. 1 Thes 3:12*
Reflection. *The Pope and bishops have told us that we are not to "accommodate ourselves" to laws permitting abortion. This means much more than simply not having or participating in an abortion. It means not letting anything keep us from loving and defending the unborn.*

Prayer. *Lord, let my love overflow all boundaries, that I may resist anyone's effort to limit my love for those who are in danger of death.*

FORMED.ORG

Continue growing in your faith this summer! This week we celebrate the 4th of July and St. Maria Goretti on July 6. Take advantage of our parish's subscription of FORMED. Here are just a few of the many programs, talks, movies and books available FREE for you.

Program – YDisciple – True Beauty: Chastity for Girls (Session 2: Passion and Purity: Part 2); The Wild Goose, **Segment 12:** The Spirit's Freedom
Movie – Maria Goretti and Saint Maria Goretti

Audio Talk – Maria Goretti; Put Not Your Trust in Princes

Visit FORMED.org. Click on the "Learn" tab for more information about the website. Then click on "Register" to sign up for FREE using the St. Matthew Parish code: TGQQ66.

**"THE PATHWAY TO OUR CHURCH"
 COMMEMORATIVE BRICKS**

(AN ONGOING FUNDRAISER)

We, the parishioners of St. Matthew, are the foundation of OUR Church. As noted in our prayer said together at the end of Mass, we must commit our hearts, minds and finances to the spirit and actual structure of OUR Church.

One fund-raising opportunity is the sale of these bricks. The bricks, available for \$100 each, will be used to build the actual *Pathway to OUR Church*. In the meantime, they'll be used to line the sidewalks leading into our current church. When the time comes, they will be moved to the pathway.

On each brick you can make a dedication to your family, your marriage, your children or in memory of a loved one who rests in peace. It's your brick and it's your choice of words.

Forms to purchase a brick are available in the Commons, parish and school offices, online and periodically in the bulletin. Simply fill out the form, pay the \$100 fee and be a part of OUR Pathway, OUR church family and OUR History and, most importantly, OUR future!

You may also order a brick by clicking the link on our website: stmatthewbellevue.org





Celebration of Freedoms Meet and Greet

Wear your church colors (Upon this Rock T-shirts) and join us for a meet and greet with our new principal, Angie Palmer.

What: *A wine and cheese social where we'll celebrate our freedoms*

Freedom of religion

Freedom of speech

Freedom of education

Where: *St. Matthew Commons Area*

When: *Immediately following 5 p.m. Mass, Saturday, July 7.*

Why: *To welcome Angie and her family.*

While welcoming Angie, you'll also have the opportunity to:

Sit in samples of our new pews

Purchase our unique St. Matthew coins

Enjoy a glass or two of wine with fellow parishioners

Sample a number of different cheese and Hors d'oeuvres

Please mark your calendar now and let's bring our church community together as we continue to solidify the foundation toward building a Pathway to our Church.