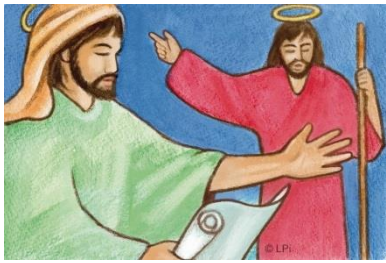


ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST PARISH



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Sat. July 14 5:00 pm – St. Matthew Families
Sun. July 15 8:30 am – Evelyn Greisen
10:30 am – Stolinski Family†

MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues. July 17 9:00 am – Schneider Family
Wed. July 18 9:00 am – Violet Nascimento †
Thur. July 19 9:00 am – Marty Sosso †
Fri. July 20 9:00 am – Rev. Dennis R. Stolinski †

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. July 21 5:00 pm – Mary Grasso †
Sun. July 22 8:30 am – Gary Schaeffer†
10:30 am – St. Matthew Families

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.



† STEWARDSHIP ✉

Whatever you have – has been given.
Whatever you give – will be returned.

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*

WHAT IS THE RCIA AND WHO IS IT FOR?

The RCIA or Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process of inquiring into and or becoming a member of the Catholic Church.

It is for the unbaptized who seek to become members of the Church.

It is for those baptized in another Christian faith who wish to become Catholic.

It is for those Catholics who wish to complete their faith formation through Confirmation and First Communion.

If you feel that God is calling you to a fuller participation in the church, RCIA is for you.

See the insert for details.

FAITH DIRECT

Thank you for being a part of our St. Matthew the Evangelist family. You are appreciated for all that you do for our parish and community by sharing your God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure. Your active participation in the life of our parish helps us to fulfill our vision and mission.

This summer, I pray that you will have some quiet and restful time that includes the love, joy and peace of being with family and friends. Please consider that St. Matthew continues to be open for Mass, numerous activities and the Sacraments. During these summer months your generosity through Faith Direct can help provide the consistent resources we need to operate our parish and ministries. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NE489 Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! *Fr. Leo*



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

Ladies, check the WWG table for your dishes or any other items you have left here. Our new president is Sherry Trupp, Vice President – Missy McCool, Secretary – Trish Wallinger, and Treasurer – Norma Kathman.

**ESSENTIAL PREGNANCY SERVICES
IN SPECIAL NEED**

The local Bellevue EPS is in immediate need of the following items: pack-n-plays, baby wipes, new infant and toddler car seats and new or gently worn baby clothes sizes 6m-5T. If you are able to help, place donations in the box near the WWG table, or large items may be taken to 908 W. Mission St., Bellevue. Please call ahead for hours at 402-938-2988.

SCRIP/MATT'S MONEY

WE NEED YOUR **HELP**



Last Week's Rebate: \$97.87

We are in need of an individual interested in running our scrip program, as well as individuals to help sell scrip cards on the weekends. Please prayerfully consider if this is something you might be able to help with and contact the parish office at 402-292-7418 or Samantha Elbert at 515-341-5041 for details.



"So it is with you. Since you are eager to have spiritual gifts, try to excel in gifts that build up the church." 1 Corinthians 14:12

Total Pledges: 264
Total Pledged: \$2,358,031
Total Collected: \$729,450.36

NEW CHURCH UPDATE

We have completed the 95% design review and are in the process of pre-qualifying general contractors. Here is the planned schedule to ground breaking:

- **Friday, July 13** – 100% Construction Documents
 - Final Coordination and Checking
- **Thursday, July 26** – Construction documents available for Distribution to Pre-Qualified General Contractors
- **Thursday, August 2** – Pre-Bid with Pre-Qualified General Contractors
- **Thursday, August 16** – Receive Bids – 2:00pm
- **Monday, August 27** – Contract Award & Pre-Construction Conference
- **Sunday, September 9** – Ground Breaking

The 95% design documents can be reviewed in the commons. Also, in the commons are displays of the interior materials selected for both the upper and lower levels of the new church building.

Any questions? Contact Rick Holdcroft, 402-350-4097 or RHoldcroft@cox.net.

T-Shirt Are In

If you ordered Parish T-shirts three or four weeks ago and were unable to pick them up on the weekend of 7/8 July, they are available for pickup during the week in the Parish Office. Or contact Rick Holdcroft at 402-350-4097 or RHoldcroft@cox.net.

BRICKS

A fund-raising opportunity is the sale of bricks. The bricks, will be used to build the actual *Pathway to OUR Church*. You choose the words you want on the brick. Simply fill out the form located in the Commons, school and parish offices, 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: smatthewbellevue.org



**REGISTRATION FOR THE
2018-2019
SCHOOL YEAR IS OPEN!**

For enrollment and tuition information visit:
www.stmatthewbellevue.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.



OMAHA GIVES!

St. Matthew received **\$1233.50**. Thank you to all who contributed.

ST. MATTHEW "GO FUND ME" PAGE



Total raised to date: \$425

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>



Totus Tuus ("Totally Yours") Begins Soon! We're excited to begin our summer youth program, Totus Tuus, from Sunday, July 22 to Friday, July 27. Totus Tuus hopes to be a faith-filled and life-changing opportunity. Please pray for a fruitful encounter with Jesus for our parish and the Totus Tuus team! If you were unable to register for the program, but are still interested, please contact Deacon Mark (mhwhite@archomaha.org) for assistance.

Safe Environment Initial Training.

St. Matthew's will be offering Safe Environment training on Saturday, August 4th, from 9a to 11:30a in the Cardinal Spellman Room (lower level of the parish office building). This training is for adults working or volunteering in positions that have contact with our parish youth. Register for the class at <https://archomaha.org/ministries/safe-environment/training/>. Find the St. Matthew session and click on the "Register Here" link. Please note, there are other training opportunities on the website linked above. If there is a training session at a date or place more convenient to you, you can register and attend it instead of the St. Matthew's session--all the sessions are the same. There is also a "Registration Instructions" link if you need assistance in the registration process. Or, please feel free to contact Deacon Mark (mhwhite@archomaha.org) if you have questions.

**Family-Based Catechesis/
Religious Education.**

Family-Based Catechesis (FBC) sessions begin on Wednesday, August 22nd at 6:30p. St. Matthew's uses the FBC model to evangelize and catechize our parish youth and adults. While traditionally considered the "Wednesday night Religious Ed/CCD" program, FBC aims to be valuable to all parish youth and adults--all parish members are encouraged to attend. Registration, and information, is available in the parish commons and on the parish website <http://www.stmatthewbellevue.org/religious-ed-family-based-catechesis>. Additionally, there will be an information and registration table manned after all Masses on July 28 and 29. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Mark (mhwhite@archomaha.org).

**ST. MATTHEW COMMUNITY
FOOD BANK UPDATE**

- ❖ 1 in 5 kids in Nebraska is at risk for hunger
- ❖ Over 250,000 people in metro unsure of next meal
- ❖ Greater than 20% of our neighbors need food help
- ❖ Our Goal 15,000lbs --- Current Total 500lbs
- ❖ Off to a great start!!!

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

ST. MATTHEW COMMUNITY SILENT AUCTION UPDATE

\$4,700 donated for parish growth. After we reach our goal of \$5,000 we will be raising \$15,000 for a new facilities maintenance garage. The generous donations and bids are a true blessing on the St. Matthew Community!

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

FORMED.ORG

Continue growing in your faith this summer! This Sunday, July 15, we celebrate Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Take advantage of our parish's subscription of FORMED to learn more about Our Blessed Mother and much, much more. Here are just a few of the many programs, talks, movies and books available FREE for you.

Study Program - Footprints of God: Mary

Watch - Mary of Nazareth

Audio Book - The World's First Love

Audio Talk - Mary: Handmaid of the Lord

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.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

Please mark your calendar for our next monthly prayer vigil on Friday, August 10, from 10:00-11:00am. We meet at the abortion mill in Bellevue at 1002 W Mission Ave. Come join us to help convert hearts and minds for life, to be a witness in our community for life, and to save babies! We provide a prayer booklet, just bring your rosary. We also encourage you to pray anytime Thursday – Saturday when the mill is open. Contact Kevin and Janice Todd at 402-871-4699 or janicetoddcmc@msn.com if you have any questions or if you would like a booklet to guide your prayer hour.

Before I was born the Lord called me. ~ Isaiah 49:1

Reflection: When someone is pregnant, she is *not* "expecting a child"--she already has one. She is *not* "going to be a mother"—she already is a mother. The baby is *not* "on the way"—the baby has already arrived. If we are going to change the way society treats unborn children, we have to change the way we talk about them.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for my brothers and sisters now alive in their mothers' wombs. May we all speak and act in a way that recognizes they are already among us! (Pro-life Reflections for Every Day by Fr Frank Pavone of Priestsforlife.org)

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.

COME AND EXPERIENCE THE HEALING OF JESUS:

Jesus is pouring out His healing so powerfully to many people. We are all in need of healing. There will be a healing Mass held on Thursday, July 19th, at 7:00 PM, at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church, 120 Cherry St., Clarkson, NE. Confessions will be heard at 6:00 pm. Stations of the Cross will begin at 6:25 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend this healing Mass. The Holy Spirit provides this loving time of healing for us. Any need for healing, we pray for in this healing service. Any questions call Fr. Rod at 402-892-3464.

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.

PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY

Position:

The Extended Care Assistant Teacher Position is a School days only job. The hours range from 2:30pm-6:00pm Monday-Friday. There is a possibility of a morning shift from 6:30am-8:15am, and/or a split shift for mornings and afternoons. Position will start August, 2018. Training will be done over the summer, prior to start date.

Experience/Education:

-At least two years' experience working with school-age children (Para in a School or Daycare Center, Scout leader, Religious Education Teacher/Assistant Teacher, etc.), is preferred
-Minimum of High School Diploma

Duties:

-Interact positively and warmly with all students, staff, and family members
-Maintain accurate student accountability roster
-Provide care, supervision, and implementation of Program-approved activities for students
-Understand and implement ALL safety policies and procedures in compliance with Program and State standards
-Teach, practice, and reinforce Program rules, policies, and procedures
-Maintain workplace cleanliness and safety

Skills:

-High energy and enthusiasm
-Excellent student/group management skills
-Strong Organizational skills

Applicants are required to have 6 credit hours of DHHS required training each year. These hours are paid for by Saint Matthew and your time is paid work time. Must have or be able to get Archdiocese Safe Environment Certified (provided by Saint Matthew at no cost to employee).

**“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

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Sponsored by Family Life Ministry



EVERYONE INVITED!

Come meet new families and visit
with friends you haven't seen for a while!

FRIDAY, JULY 20 6:00 - 8:30 PM

St. Matthew Multi-Purpose Center

Everyone is a winner! Kids (all ages)
have a great time!



12 GAMES PER CARD

THERE WILL BE SOME SPECIAL PRIZES.

**Cost: \$6.50 - 2 SLICES OF PIZZA, CUPCAKE, SALAD, POP
and a BINGO CARD (12 games)**

**Children age 4 and under \$3.00: 1 SLICE PIZZA, SALAD OR
APPLESAUCE, CUPCAKE, and DRINK (No Bingo Card)**

Extra Slice of Pizza; \$1.50 Extra pop: \$0.50 Extra Salad \$0.50 Popcorn \$0.50
Tootsie Pop \$0.25 Extra Cupcake \$0.25 Extra Bingo Cards (10 Games) \$2.50

**Tickets are available after Mass July 14th & 15th. Stop by
to make your reservation or buy them at the Parish Office.
Questions? Call the Parish Office, 292-7418.**

**SIGN UP ON THE POSTER IN THE COMMONS to help
us plan for food and drinks. We need a head count.**



St. Matthew
Knights of Columbus
News & Announcements



DON'T MISS THE PANCAKE BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY!

Please Join the Knights for a delicious pancake breakfast on July 15th, from 9:00 - 11:45 AM.

Your free will donations benefit our School's Library / Information Technology programs.

We have many delicious items on the menu:

- Pancakes
- French Toast
- Scrambled Eggs
- Bacon & 2 varieties of Sausage
- Potato Casserole
- Fresh Fruit
- Orange Juice, Milk, and Coffee

Congratulations and Welcome to our newest Knight:

Mike Sis

Congratulations to our June Knight of the Month:

Chris Piccolo

Congratulations to our June Family of the Month:

The Rich and Mary Lomax Family

**A huge thank you for your generous
donations to our 24 June Pancake Feed!**

The proceeds directly benefit the Totus Tuus (Totally Yours) Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- and if you haven't signed your children up yet for Totus Tuus, please contact Deacon Mark.

**A huge thank you to the parishioners who support
the Prayer Vigils at the Bellevue abortion mill!**

You may recall this passage from Matthew 26:40:

... He said to Peter, "So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?"

You can really make a difference during this one hour of prayer!

**We hope to see even more parishioners at the next vigil:
Mark your calendars for Friday, August 10th at 10 AM!**