

ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST PARISH



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the Sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

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

MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues. July 10 9:00 am – Stolinski Family †
Wed. July 11 9:00 am – George Smith †
Thur. July 12 9:00 am – Doug Grieser †
Fri. July 13 9:00 am – Shirley Doneent †

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

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

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.



Memorials

April-June 2018

In Memory

MARY SCHNEIDER

Jo Nitsch
Gertrude Schneider
Mark Goodrich
Richard & Charlotte Buse
Daniel & Dorothy McKinner
Richard Harrington

LILLIAN BENES

Barry & Joann King
Dennis & Cynthia Jenkins
Bernard & Patricia Kobza
Eleanore Kobza
Wayne & Lauren Kobza
Dave & Annette Linbrunner
Roberta Mullen
Edward Radanovich
Julie Szalawiga
Judy Van Cleve
Patricia Benes
Ted & Luanne Willimon

MARGE HARNETT

James & Kathleen McCoy

In Celebration

RON HALL & KAY HEGLER

Jim & Susan Tracy

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.



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.

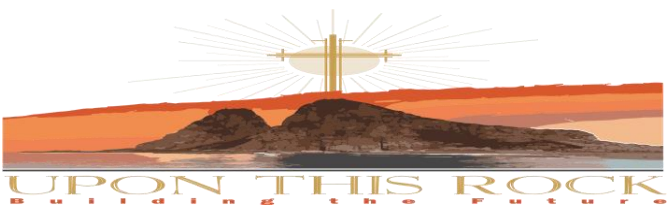
**ESSENTIAL PREGNANCY SERVICES
IN SPECIAL NEED**

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
Last Week's Rebate: \$48.39



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: \$725,600.36

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*



**SET UP/TAKEDOWN TEAMS
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We need more people to help with setup and takedown. Setup is usually done on Fridays at 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 only about 12-14 hours in a whole year!! To top this off, **THIS IS SHORT TERM SINCE WE HOPE TO BE IN OUR NEW CHURCH BY DECEMBER 2019.** So each team has FIVE more months or less. 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



**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.

**WELCOME MRS. ANGIE PALMER,
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.

Join us for the special Celebration of Freedoms, Meet and Greet following 5pm Mass this weekend!

**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.



GARDEN DONATION

Thank you to the generous donor that donated all of the new flowers for our front entry gardens. Also thank you to our garden crew, who worked diligently, in the sweltering heat to get everyting planted; it looks amazing!

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>

**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.

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.

**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.

SIGN UP NOW!

REGISTRATION IS CLOSING FOR TOTUS TUUS!

Register now for this year's exciting youth summer program, Totus Tuus, to meet the **July 8th** registration deadline. Registration forms are available on the parish website, in the parish office, as well as the church commons. Completed registration forms and payment can be turned in to the parish or school offices, mailed to the parish, or put into the collection basket at Mass. There will be an information and registration table following all Masses on July 7th and 8th.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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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.

FORMED.ORG

Continue growing in your faith this summer! This week we celebrate St. Thomas More (July 9), St. Benedict (July 11) and St. Kateri Tekakwitha (July 14). Take advantage of our parish's subscription of FORMED to learn more about these saints and much, much more. Here are just a few of the many programs, talks, movies and books available FREE for you.

Program – True Reformers, Session 1: St. Thomas More and Lectio: Prayer, Session 2: Guigo's Ladder

Audio Book – The Young People's Book of Saints

Audio Talk – Holiness is Always in Season

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: TQQ66.

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. Join us at our Life Runner events and 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.

Our **monthly prayer vigil** is this Friday, July 13, from 10:00-11:00am. We meet at the abortion mill in Bellevue at 1002 W Mission Ave. Please come join us to help convert hearts and minds for life, to be a witness for life, and to save babies in our community! 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 if you would like a prayer vigil booklet to guide your prayer hour.

Intercessions for Life For our nation: *That the right to life of every human being, from conception to natural death, will again be protected in our laws; We pray to the Lord:*

Words of Life "Gracious Father, I thank you for the mercy you have shown in forgiving my sins and for the peace that comes from being reconciled with you and with your Church." "Trust in God's Mercy" USCCB Prayer Card (Post-Abortion Healing)*

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.

SECOND COLLECTION SCHEDULE

All checks made out to St. Matthew

June 14/15 Maintenance Fund

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

“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.**