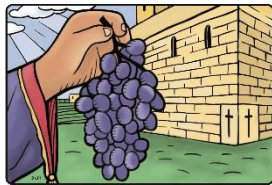


# ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST PARISH



## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone...? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." - Mt 21:42ab, 43

### MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Sat.	Oct.	7	5:00 pm – Bernice Zakaras †
Sun.	Oct	8	8:30 am – St. Matthew Families 10:30 am – Ramos Family †

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Tues.	Oct.	10	9:00 am – <b>NO MASS</b>
Wed.	Oct.	11	9:00 am – Karol Ann Forget
Thur.	Oct.	12	9:00 am – John & Lynn Forget
Fri.	Oct.	13	9:00 am – Forget Family

### MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Sat.	Oct.	14	5:00 pm – Erin Ramos†
Sun.	Oct	15	8:30 am – Richard Schneider† 10:30 am – St. Matthew Families

*Communion Service Monday-Friday at 7:00am*

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE Oct. 14/15

	5pm	8:30am	10:30am
EMEs	DLewis	CBrennan	LBradford
	JLukasina	AGahl	TKopp
	TPetranick	NLeiber	AMetzger
	JTracy	DHarrington	VNiemann
	STracy	ATomlinson	CStuart
	KLinder	CTomlinsonr	MVanSlyke
	FPokorski	JWelbes	
Greeters	DGrajczyk	MLomax	BStangler
	LGrajczyk	TMIlnarik	
Lectors	JHallida	MRuane	BGoetschkes
	MLockwood	PVeylupek	PHawkins
Servers	CTreu	JMIlnarik	ASanchez
	JTreu	CRAusch	BNicola
Ushers	DLinbrunner	MSchaeffer	JVihstadt
	JReadon	JSteinauer	TMedara
	MLukasina	GStoiber	APollack

If you cannot serve when you are scheduled, please call a *substitute*. *If you wish to be removed from the ministry list or the sub list, contact the parish office.*

### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Altar Server Training is scheduled by contacting Phil McEvoy at [prmcevoy@gmail.com](mailto:prmcevoy@gmail.com) or Dan Linder at [dan@linder.org](mailto:dan@linder.org)



### CALENDAR

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CONGRATULATIONS!	
Oct 1	Andrew Roth \$50
Oct 2	Norma Kathman \$25
Oct 3	Laura Peterson \$25
Oct 4	Kathy Hynes \$25
Oct 5	Thomas Grange \$25
Oct 6	Dave Linbrunner \$25
Oct 7f	Jessie Staneck \$25

There is no need to call or "claim" your prize. Winnings will be automatically mailed out to you.

### SCHEDULE FOR SECOND COLLECTIONS

Oct. 21/22 Utilities

Oct. 28/29 World Mission (Checks made out to St. Matthew)

### FAITH DIRECT

Fall into eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering to St. Matthew. Your automatic contributions through Faith Direct will save valuable time for both you and our parish staff. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: **NE489**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

### 24 HOUR EUCHARIST ADORATION

Adoration is held every **FIRST FRIDAY** of the month, from 8:00 am Fri. through 8:00 am Sat. Multiple people can attend each hour. If you would like to be a sub, sign up on the table outside of the Chapel. Contact is Phil McEvoy – 402-689-6457 or [prmcevoy@gmail.com](mailto:prmcevoy@gmail.com).

### SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER ("VESPERS")

Vespers are held every Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel. Evening Prayer is one part of the Church's Liturgy of the Hours. Through the Liturgy of the Hours, the people of God sanctify the day by continual praise of God and prayers of intercession for the needs of the world. Because the Liturgy of the Hours can appear complicated until you're familiar with the flow of the liturgy, the leader will guide all through the liturgy. For more information, contact Deacon Mark White ([mhwhite@archomaha.org](mailto:mhwhite@archomaha.org) or 402 292-7928).



### JOIN US FOR THE ROSARY BEFORE MASS

We will dedicate our prayers to our parish campaign efforts; as we head down the path to our new church, as well as any personal intentions we might have. Come if you can!

### MASS GREETERS STILL NEEDED

*Job Duties include:* Smiling, greeting & handing out misselettes. All ages welcome! If you are interested in getting on the schedule to greet our fellow parishioners and visitors before mass, contact the parish office. We are especially in need at our 10:30am mass (we only have one). *No prior experience required.*



**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 interested in joining or want more information, please contact Tom Medara, our Membership Director, at 502-4989 or 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 Earslev 402-214-7877



**WWG**

**(WOMEN WORKING FOR GOD)**

Next meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 7pm.

**SCRIP/MATT'S MONEY**

*Last weekend's rebate: \$91.20*

Scrip rebates not designated to a school or CCD student will now solely benefit our Building Fund. If you would like more information, or would like to volunteer; stop at our Scrip table after Mass, see our website or contact Samantha Elbert at 515-341-5041.



**CALLING ALL  
KNITTERS/CROCHETERS  
"ST MATT'S BABY HATS"**

Volunteer knitters and crocheters are needed for two local community projects to knit/crochet hats for newborns and babies. If interested, contact Mary Fran Williamson at [mfw822@hotmail.com](mailto:mfw822@hotmail.com) for more information contact Mary Fran Williamson at [mfw822@hotmail.com](mailto:mfw822@hotmail.com) for more information.

**TRIVIA NIGHT IS BACK!**

**SAVE THE DATE ~ Friday, Oct. 27**

Trivia Night is coming back to St. Matthew! Save the date for Friday, October 27! Start getting your team of eight together and thinking of a theme (fun but not required). Ask your family, ask your friends, ask your neighbors, ask your co-workers! Anyone who has been before will tell you it's a fun time and you don't need to be a trivia whiz to play. The cost is \$25 per person, bring your own food! There will be a cash bar. Must be 21 to attend. More info and sign ups coming in the weeks ahead! See you there!



**UPON THIS ROCK**  
Building the Future

"For thou, O LORD, hast made me glad by thy work; at the works of thy hands I sing for joy"

Psalm 92:4

**Upcoming Campaign Event**

**Pastries with Padre**

**Sunday, October 8, 11:30 a.m.**

Church Commons ~ Childcare provided

**Oktoberfest**

**(Fr. Leo in Lederhosen)**

**Friday, October 13, 7:00 pm**

Church Commons ~ Adult Event

RSVP information: Pat Veylupek

402-293-8484

[PATVEYLUPEK@GMAIL.COM](mailto:PATVEYLUPEK@GMAIL.COM)

**Capital Campaign ~ Youth Team**

**Time to Celebrate the Future of Our Parish**

**What:** Youth Mass Weekend

**When:** Saturday, Nov. 4 and Sunday, Nov. 5 (All Masses)

**Who:** All Current and Recent Youth of our Parish

**How:** We would like to showcase the wonderful talents of the youth in the St. Matthew community by having them fill all possible roles at the Masses this weekend.

**Roles to fill:** Readers, Greeters, Servers, Carrying the Gifts, Singers, EME and refreshment servers following masses.



To participate please email:

**Megan Killian at [megan.killian@live.com](mailto:megan.killian@live.com)**

Please include your name and contact information, and the mass and position you are interested in. We will update the positions available in future bulletins.

In addition, we are partnering with several upcoming events by providing some youth assistance during the events.

Dates for these are:

Sunday, Oct. 29, 2017 ~ 11:30am

Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2017 following 9am Mass

All events are at St. Matthew.

If you would like to volunteer for one of these events, contact: Nikki Nash at [nmolins1@aol.com](mailto:nmolins1@aol.com) or Scott Eversole at [sreversole@schools.archomaha.org](mailto:sreversole@schools.archomaha.org)

## SCRIPTURE STUDY

Deacon Tom Deal is again facilitating the adult education Scripture study, 6:30 – 7:30 pm. It is held every Wednesday in lower level of the parish office. All are welcome!

## SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY STARTS OCTOBER 15

*Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance.* Meets from 5 to 6:30pm. Paul's letter to the Ephesians reveals many remarkable gifts that we as Christians are given in the Church. This 8-part Bible study, narrated by Jeff Cavins, will enrich your faith, and show you how to live it out.

Free pizza and "refreshments". Meets in the 8th grade class room here at St Matthew's. Sign up list is on the Knight's Table in the Commons or contact Rick Holdcroft, 402-350-4097

## PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

October is "Respect Life" month! Please help defend life by participating in and supporting the many events going on. The "40 Days for Life" 2017 Fall Campaign has begun and runs through November 5. Visit [40daysforlife.com](http://40daysforlife.com) to learn more about 40 Days for Life and to see how you can participate. Come pray on St. Matthew's sponsored day at the abortion clinic in Bellevue Thursday, October 12. We are still in need of many prayer warriors to pray for at least one hour from 8:00am - 8:00pm. Sign-up sheets are in the Commons. Contact Kevin and Janice Todd at 402-871-4699 or [janicetoddcmc@msn.com](mailto:janicetoddcmc@msn.com) to sign up or if you have any questions or would like a prayer booklet to guide your prayer hour.

October is also "National Pregnancy & Infant Loss Awareness Month." There will be a special prayer service at St. Columbkille in Papillion on October 11 at 7:00pm. They will honor and remember babies lost to miscarriage, stillbirth and infant death. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the service.

The Thomas More Society is having their fundraiser banquet on Thursday, October 19, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Keynote Speaker is Haddley Arkes and honored guest speakers are Thomas L. Brechja and IL State Rep Peter Breen. Go to [www.thomasmoresociety.org/fall-gala-omaha](http://www.thomasmoresociety.org/fall-gala-omaha) for more info and to register.

Also, Pat Castle, founder of Life Runners, will be at St. Gerald's on October 17 and 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. His talk is entitled "Meeting St. Padre Pio, preventing and healing abortion wounds." Dr. Castle will share his amazing story of meeting St. Pio near the finish of the Pikes Peak Ascent race, which inspired the formation of LIFE Runners, now over 6,000 runners/walkers ages 1 to 101, in 50 states and 30 nations. Their jersey message is "REMEMBER The Unborn". Prepare to be inspired. All In Christ for Pro-Life! [liferunners.org/leaders](http://liferunners.org/leaders)



## PANCAKE FEED NEXT SUNDAY

Join the Knights for a delicious pancake breakfast October 15, from 9:00 - 11:45 AM. Free will donations will benefit our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Featured items include Pancakes, French Toast, Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Potato Casserole, Fresh Fruit, Milk, Juice and Coffee.

*Intercessions for Life* For all of us, who are called by name to be disciples of Christ: May he give us courage to open our hearts to those who are most vulnerable during this Respect Life Month and always; We pray to the Lord:

*Word of Life* "The knowledge and realization of how deeply we are loved by God elicits a response of love that simultaneously draws us closer to God and at the same time impels us to share his love." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life,"

## FORMED.ORG

Check out one of the many great programs, books, movies, audio talks and audio books. Here are just a few examples of what are available:

Program - The Bible and the Virgin Mary: Journey through Scripture

Book - History of the Catholic Church

Movie - Miracle of St. Therese

Audio Talk - Making Sense of Suffering by Dr. Scott Hahn

Audio Book - Fatima for Today: The Urgent Marian Message of Hope

Visit [FORMED.org](http://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.

## USED BOOK SALE

Our Used Book Sale to benefit our school library will be held October 6 -8. Books may be purchased after every Mass that weekend. Plan on staying after Mass during the sale and spend a few dollars for some great bargains!

## SCHOOL REGISTRATION

For enrollment and tuition information visit:

[www.stmatthewbellevuene.net](http://www.stmatthewbellevuene.net)

We are AdvancED and NCEA accredited! We also offer small classes, individual attention and a faith filled environment for your children. *Did You Know?* If your child transfers into St. Matthew School from a local non-Catholic school, your family could be eligible for \$1000 off tuition for the first year and \$500 off the second year. This applies to students in grades 1 - 7 in classes that have openings. Check out our school, you're already here for Mass anyway!

## HYVEE RECEIPTS

PTO will again collect receipts from HyVee. Last year they earned \$79.32. The receipts collected must have dates between September 1 and December 31 2017 to qualify to earn money for PTO.

**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:** If your committee needs an article published in the bulletin, please note the deadline is Tuesday at noon; for the current weekend's publication.

**LABELS FOR EDUCATION** will be ending this year. If you have any, please send them in before December 1.

### **ATTENTION ST. MATT HIGH SCHOOL BOYS**

The Omaha CYO Basketball Director is going to try to start a high school CYO basketball league. The league would be made up of high school boys' teams from the Catholic parishes in Omaha and each team would play one game each weekend from Dec-Mar. This would be just like the grade school CYO league. I need to know if there is any interest from St. Matthew high school boys in playing for a high school CYO St. Matthew team. The only stipulation is that a boy cannot play for a high school team and a CYO team. If you would be interested in playing on a St. Matthew High School CYO basketball team, please contact Mr. Ed Rausch by e-mail as soon as possible. edwardrausch@yahoo.com



### **ST. MATTHEW HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL**

Time to dust off your favorite costume for the annual St. Matthews Halloween Carnival on Oct 20, 6:00 - 8:30pm.

There will be bounce houses, a photo booth, carnival games, trick or treating and more! It will be an evening of wholesome Halloween activities for the entire family. Admission is \$4 for kids, \$1 for adults.

### **EMHC TEAM MEMBER NEEDED**

We are in need of an additional EMHC for the Veteran's Home. The time commitment is once every 4 weeks for about 1 hour (approx. 10:30am-11:30am). If you can help contact Phil McEvoy [prncevoy@gmail.com](mailto:prncevoy@gmail.com) or 402-689-6457.

### **VETERANS – WE NEED VOLUNTEERS**

This Veterans Day, St. Matthew School will be presenting our own version of "Portraits in Courage", based on President George W. Bush's book. We are asking for retired or active duty military members to volunteer to have their portraits drawn by the students. Each grade will have a service member assigned to them and will draw the member's portrait and write a short biography.

We need 8 volunteers for the week of October 9 – 13 representing all branches of the armed forces, and, hopefully, representing the eras of Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm and up to the present.

If you are interested in participating in our Veterans Day project, please call the St. Matthew School secretary at 402-291-2030.

### **BLESSING OF PETS**

Bring your pets and join us this Sunday, Oct. 8 at noon, in the west parking lot for a special blessing from Fr. Leo.

### **HEARTFELT THANKS TO THE GARDENERS**

*A special thank you note was sent to the office.*

Many parishioners have enjoyed the delicious, fresh vegetables donated to our "Share Table". Thank you for your hard work, and especially for sharing your time, talent and treasure!

### **BABY SHOWER FOR EPS**

#### **HOSTED BY ST. MATTHEW STUDENT**

One of our St. Matthew students is hosting a baby shower to earn her religious medal award. If you would like to contribute, drop off items in the container labeled "Baby Shower" in the Commons; beginning Sept. 28 through Oct 13. *Items needed: diapers, bottles, formula, blankets, sleepers, socks and wipes. Sizes newborn – 3 months.*

### **WANT TO BE NOTIFIED WHEN A NEW BULLETIN IS POSTED ONLINE?**

Visit our website: [stmatthewbellevue.org](http://stmatthewbellevue.org), select *Weekly Bulletin* and click the *Parishes Online* link at the bottom of the page OR use this direct link:

<http://www.parishesonline.com/find/st-matthew-the-evangelist>

*Be sure the church listed is St. Matthew...* Then click "View Page" and the "Subscribe" button in the upper right corner of the *recent publications* section. Please note: you will be notified by email when a new cover is downloaded by Liturgical Publications (approx. monthly), as well as for our weekly bulletin information. You can view/download up to the last 12 publications.

### **"THE WONDERS OF POLAND"**

#### **A TOUR LED BY FR. RON WASIKOWSKI**

Fr. Ron, former pastor, is leading a group tour to Poland next year, covering 11 days and 9 nights. The details quickly:

- Leaving Tuesday, June 5, 2018 and returning Friday, June 15, 2018
- Sites: Krakow, Zakopane, Auschwitz, Czestochowa, Wroclaw, Poznan, Torun & Warsaw
- Accommodations in 3\* or 4\* hotels
- Cost of \$3,209 includes round-trip air fare, hotels (per person, double occupancy), transfers, fees and several meals

For further information, contact Fr. Ron at St. Wenceslaus Parish Offices (402-330-0304) or by email ([frron@stwenceslaus.org](mailto:frron@stwenceslaus.org)).

## PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

OCTOBER 14 ~ 1:00 PM

Join over 20,000 communities across the country in a public square rosary rally for our country. We will pray the rosary in the field, next to the school, just off of 36<sup>th</sup> street. Ask your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers to join you! A small gift for the first 30 to arrive. If you would like to lead a decade of the rosary call the parish office at 402-292-7418.

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE

A family in our parish has graciously loaned us a statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The statue has been a part of their family for over 30 years, has traveled to many members of the family in times of need, as well as to many parishes throughout the country. Many prayers have been answered! You may sign out the statue from the Parish Office M-F from 9am-12pm or 1pm-4:00pm. If this is not convenient, please contact Phil McEvoy at [pmcevoy@gmail.com](mailto:pmcevoy@gmail.com) or 402-689-6457 to arrange pickup.

### AMAZON SMILE!

Amazon donates 0.5% of your purchase price to St Matthew when you shop through smile.amazon and select St. Matthew as your designated charity OR just use this direct link every time you shop. <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/47-0800122>

### "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](http://stmatthewbellevue.org)

May God bless you and may God continue to bless St. Matthew Parish, school and families.

## 2017 Memorials

July, August, September

### Mary Cupich †

*Global Strike/16*

*Mike & Jane Lukasina*

### Arthur Zerwas

*Mary & Lee Alday*

*Bob & Rose Gleisberg*

*Jim & Mary Kirkpatrick*

### Helena Hornick

*Bob & Rose Gleisberg*

*Mike & Jane Lukasina*

*Dave & Annette Linbrunner*

*Mary & Lee Alday*

### Shirley Doneen

*Mike & Jane Lukasina*

*Dave & Annette Linbrunner*

*Women Working for God*

*Rich & Mary Lomax*

*Jim & Mary Kirkpatrick*

### Bobby Adkins

*Matthew & Mary Maher*

### Michael Dascalos

*Barbara Martin*

### Reynette AhSam

*John & Thuy Dudley*

*Dennis & Norma Kathman*

*Mark & Sandi Lockwood*

*Rich & Mary Lomax*

*Andy & Teresa Metzger*

*John & Renae Steinauer*

*Women Working for God*

*Al Pollack*

*John & Kathy Welbes*



### ARCHDIOCESE ANNUAL APPEAL

You support of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is appreciated! As we look at our lives and the many ways God has blessed us, let us give back a proportionate gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal as a way of saying thank you to the Lord. May we not let our material wealth possess us. Our archdiocesan church family is truly an extension of our parish life. We are grateful to the 63 families who have elected to take part in this effort already! St. Matthew goal is \$33,275.29. Our donations so far are \$16,110.00 (48.4%).

For those who labor throughout our archdiocese in various ministries, that our prayers and generous gifts made to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal will support them in their loving service. WE PRAY TO THE LORD.

# Special Gifts—Updated September 2017

The following items could not be funded through the annual budgeting channels because of the limited amount of revenue generated in a year. These items remain needed and hopefully a parishioner or group of parishioners might be interested in funding one or more privately. The estimated cost of each item is provided. Funding of any item would be much appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office if interested or simply drop your *clearly noted* contribution in the collection basket.

1. ***\*THANK YOU!\**** ***\$40, 169.85 Raised/Received!*** Install electronic marquee on 36<sup>th</sup> Street est. \$50K The marketing of St Matthew to the thousands of people who pass by on 36<sup>th</sup> Street each day would be extremely beneficial to the parish. Payback would come in welcoming new parishioner families, additional participation in fish fries, generating more students for the school, etc. It could be our billboard to others as well as a source of information to our own parishioners
2. ***\*THANK YOU!\**** ***\$6000 Received!*** Rectory repairs \$8,500 There are many repairs needed on the exterior of the rectory to include (but not limited to): replace/repair siding, trim chimney surround, chimney cap, fascia cover, caulk, prime and paint materials. These costs are for all work to be accomplished by parish volunteers, with the exception of a project manager. *The project manager is a well-qualified and experienced contractor that has been selected by our Minutemen.*
3. Concrete pad for dumpsters est. \$5K A concrete pad is needed to prevent any further damage to our asphalt caused by the heavy garbage trucks that service us.
4. New computers for our teachers est. \$10K *Our school has received a \$95K grant from the Archdiocese of Omaha~Ignite the Faith Fund, for Network Infrastructure Upgrades, cabling, switches and access points.* New computers are needed to take advantage of the new infrastructure, enhance technology in the classrooms and give teachers a portable device for professional development days. There is also a giving tree located near the school offices for this effort.
5. Replace/repair windows in the Rectory est. \$15K This is a required maintenance item but would also contribute to lower utility bills.
6. Add cabinets & soundproofing to Reconciliation Room est. \$7.5K Privacy should be assumed in this room! As our population ages, speaking sometimes becomes louder and can be heard outside the current room. In addition, storage is badly needed for valuable items left in the room.
7. New siding for the Rectory est. \$15K This is a normal maintenance item for an aging house. The current siding has deteriorated to the point that birds are nesting in the siding.
8. Video kiosks at both entrances to Commons to improve communications est. \$5K. Kiosks would help communication with parishioners and keep everyone informed of upcoming events, special occasions, status of fundraisers, etc.
9. Repair/resurface entire parking lot est. \$100K The parking lot needs a complete overlay after years of spot maintenance and badly deteriorating asphalt. It would send a message of pride to visitors to our parish as well as provide a much safer surface to walk upon.
10. ***Partially Funded~2 classrooms completed*** Classroom Lighting update for efficiency est. \$24K Upgrading the classroom lighting would enhance the learning experience and reduce utility bills

