



July 10, 2011

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Matthew Catholic Parish

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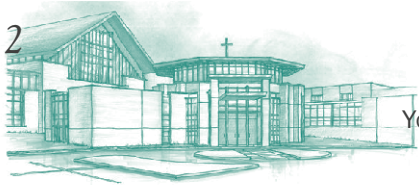
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And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying:
"A sower went out to sow...Some seed fell among thorns,
and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell
on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or
thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear."

— Mt 13:3, 7-9



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Welcome!

You may come as a stranger to us, yet you are known to our Lord, Jesus Christ, and in his name we bid you “welcome,” praying that you find peace, inspiration and friendship in this parish.

Parish Council

Chris Adams, Steve Anderson, Alan Bronikowski, Donna Dugan, Steve Joosten, Larisa Knorr, Mike Kuick, Michael Hofmann, Blanche McQuitty, Fr. Patrick O’Loughlin, Cliff Shelton

Mass Schedule

Weekend

Saturday 4pm, Sunday 7:30 and 9:30am

Sacramental Life

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3pm or call for an appointment.

Marriage

Registered, practicing members, call the Pastor as soon as you are engaged and at least six months in advance of the marriage.

Baptism

We welcome children of registered members, practicing Catholic parent(s)/guardian(s). Please call Deacon John Stodola for more information at (414) 559-9957

First Communion

Preparation begins in first grade. Please call Child Formation Office for more information.

Anointing of the Sick

First Fridays at Mass or weekends after Masses. Please call Parish Office to register.

Parish Services

Sick/Communion Outreach

Requests for visitation of the homebound should be made to the Parish Office.

Hospital Visitation

If you are hospitalized and wish a visit, please call the Parish Office.

Prayer Network

Prays for personal intentions daily. To add intentions, call Nikki Sunn at 414-762-8145 or e-mail wolfsunn@hotmail.com by Thursday morning each week unless emergency.

Parish Membership

All Catholic adults living in the parish area and regularly participating in Liturgy should register with the Parish. Registration and participation is required for reduced rates in Parish School, Religious Education and Youth Ministry Programs. To join St. Matthew’s, call 762-4200 ext. 20 for an appointment.



Question of the Week—July 10, 2011

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time—GOSPEL: Matthew 13: 1-23

There is a long (verses 1-23) and a short (verses 1-9) version of today’s Gospel about the parable of the sower. In the short version, we only hear what happened to the seeds that were sowed and the concluding line: “Whoever has ears ought to hear.” In the long version the disciples ask Jesus why he speaks in parables. After answering them, Jesus then gives an explanation of the parable of the sower. Even without hearing the long version of the Gospel, we can reach our own conclusion that only seed that is planted in rich soil will produce an abundant crop. We need to ask ourselves if we truly have ears to hear God’s word, and a heart that has the “rich soil” that is receptive to the message of that word. There are so many influences we are bombarded with in today’s world, so many competing voices that it can be difficult to truly hear GOD’S word when he speaks to us. Most likely, at different times we may have listened half-heartedly, or not at all, of perhaps a few times we have fully embraced the word of God that comes to us. Does our “reception” of God’s word depend on whether or not it is something we find easy or difficult to hear?

QUESTION: What parts of God’s word have I barely listened to, and what parts of God’s word have I let take root in my heart?

Saturday, July 9

4:00 pm †Edwin Ratkowski

Sunday, July 10

7:30 am The Parishioners of St. Matthew Parish

9:30 am †Harvey & Rose Rutkowski

Tuesday, July 12

7:45 am †All Souls

Wednesday, July 13

7:45 am †Members of the Ernest Roberts Family

Thursday, July 14

7:45 am Thanksgiving for Favors Received

Friday, July 15

7:45 am †Florian Schmitt

Saturday, July 16

4:00 pm †Erv Hofmann

Sunday, July 17

7:30 am The Parishioners of St. Matthew Parish

9:30 am †Gerald Robertson

Mass Intentions

The 2012 Mass Intention book is here. If you are interested in scheduling a mass for a loved one, call, stop in at the parish office or use your “Mass Intention” envelope. The Archdiocese guidelines: twelve masses per year, broken down to—three on weekends/holidays and the other 9 for weekday masses. The cost per mass is \$10. We still have weekday masses available for this year.

Your Stewardship Matters

*“The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit.”
(Matthew 13:22)*

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in worldly activities and anxieties that you have no time for God? These are questions that we all must ask of ourselves if we are going to live as God’s stewards.

This week’s collection \$14,896

Celebration

Don't forget to save the date, Thursday **July 21st!!** Prepare to celebrate the 150th year of the dedication of the Little Brick Church. Mass will be held at 6:30 PM in the Little Brick Church and hospitality will be held in the Gathering Space of the Main church following the Mass. Join us as we continue to celebrate St. Matthew Parish Life!

SERVER SCHEDULE

July 16 at 4:00 pm: Sara & Marie Hofmann
 July 17 at 7:30 am: Danny Sievert &
 Trent Marsolek
 July 17 at 9:30 am: Frank Margraff &
 Colin McQuitty

The Winners are...

Thank you so much for celebrating this past Stars and Stripes Weekend!! Congratulations to Janet & Tom Rose who won the "Celebration Basket" with all the 4th of July paraphernalia and gift cards and to Julie Czajka who won the "Summer Picnic Basket" with all the picnic supplies and gift cards. Our youth mission trip wishes to thank all who participated in the Stars and Stripes Raffle. The raffle raised \$1013.00 towards the transportation costs of the mission trip. Thank you again for your generous support. Please keep our trip in your prayers as we leave July 16th and will be returning on July 23rd.

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FIRESIDE TRIP INFORMATION

The Fireside Trip is scheduled for **Sunday, July 31st**. We will be seeing the new musical "David." Cost for Theatre tickets, bus and the Fabulous Fireside Sunday Brunch is \$75. **Last chance** to order your tickets. Call Shelly ASAP at 762-4200, x15. Anyone who has not paid for their trip yet, please send checks payable to St. Matthew Parish, (note Fireside Theatre Tickets) and send to attention of Shelly.

Reaching Out: SVDP

Remember to take the insert from today's bulletin with you when you go shopping for school supplies. Help St. Vincent help the kids. Cash donations are also appreciated. Thank you!

Volleyball

It's not too late to join the fun on the Sport Court. Come play volleyball on every other Sunday evenings. Contact Micki Klappa-Sullivan for more information at micki@wi.rr.com or 414-416-5389.

Reminder

During the summer the Parish Office will be open Monday-Thursday from 9am-4pm and closed all Fridays in July/August.

Car Wash



Car Wash

Bring your car by the CCYM Car Wash on Saturday **July 16th** at the Speedway on the corner of Puetz and Howell Ave (Hwy 38) between 10 AM and 2 PM. For \$5.00 your car will be hand washed and dried. Proceeds will benefit the CCYM summer musical production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Thank you for your support.

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Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/
 Mt 13:1-23
 Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34--11:1
 Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24
 Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27
 Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30
 Friday: Ex 11:10--12:14/Mt 12:1-8
 Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21
 Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/
 Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43

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 Sunday 8am and 9:30am

St Louis - Caledonia, 262-835-4533

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 Sunday 7:30am and 9:30am

St. Stephens - Oak Creek, 762-0552

1441 W. Oakwood Rd.,
 Saturday: 4:30pm
 Sunday: 8:30am, and 10:30am

Attend 'Interfaith Day at Miller Park' August 2

Hit a home run for hunger relief and score public awareness points for the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee by attending "Interfaith Day at Miller Park" on Tuesday, **August 2**. Tickets for the 7:10 p.m. game against the St. Louis Cardinals are available at the reduced price of \$10 and include the option of buying a \$5 Interfaith T-shirt.

To find out more about the event, purchase tickets or place a T-shirt order, visit <http://tinyurl.com/3lr7sbw> or call (414) 276-9050. Tickets sales have been extended through July 18, with advanced orders for T-shirts available until July 10.

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