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Our Mission Is To Go and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ ~ May 11, 2025

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

MARY IS THE MOTHER WHO WATCHES OVER US, HER CHILDREN, ON OUR JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE. OFTEN WEARY AND IN NEED, ANXIOUS THAT THE LIGHT OF HOPE NOT FAIL.



CHRISTUS VIVIT, NO. 48

Readings and Hymns

	Readings	
•	Hymns:	
	St. Mary's:	
•	Entrance	648
•	Offertory	475
	Recessional	319
	St. Matthew:	
	Please See Hvr	nn Boards

The Word of the Laird



I want to thank all of you who contributed in any way to last week's celebration of the 50th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. I am most grateful for the participation and the kind words that you have offered me regarding my service in this faith community of St. Mary and St. Matthew. It really has been the best experience of all of my years. By the way, there were a few gifts that I received that did not have a name or label attached to them. I hope that those who gave them to me will be reading this and to them I wish to extend my sincere thanks for their thoughtfulness.

In my article 2 weeks ago, I mentioned that I had begun to see the sacraments as extensions of the ministry that Jesus carried out. Today we are having First Communion for 5 of our young people. In John's Gospel, Chapter 6, we have Jesus feeding the 5,000 and then expounding that He is the bread of life. Our sharing in the Eucharist brings us so in touch with Jesus that, unlike most of the food that we eat which becomes part of us, when we receive Communion we become more a part of Jesus.

Throughout this Easter season, let us strive to become more aware of the ways in which Jesus continues to touch our lives and enable us to become more faithful followers.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!



Saturday, May 10 St. Matthew 4:30 pm—For the People of this Faith Community Sunday, May 11—4th Sunday of Easter St. Mary's 8:30 am — Bill Boyea (Mark Brown) St. Matthew 10:30 am-Rick Nowakowski (Barb Nowakowski) Monday, May 12 St. Matthew 9:00—Gertrude & Everett Lewis (Vicky Quinn) Tuesday, May 13 St. Mary's 9:00-Blake Reissig (Diane O'Connor & Barb Ceglinski) Wednesday—May 14 St. Matthew 9:00 am-Ed Wendelgass (Mary Jo & Dave Dussault) Thursday, May 15 St. Mary's 9:00 am Saturday, May 17 St. Matthew 4:30 pm—Ann Crilly (Alex Crilly) Sunday, May 18—5th Sunday of Easter St. Mary's 8:30 am — For the People of this Faith Community and for Mark Shaw (Dan Shaw) St. Matthew 10:30 am—Dorothy DioGuardi (Alexander Crilly)

> The Holy Family Candle burns this week in memory of Colleen Vallone from Chuck & Barb Bland



Church Chuckle

Reverend Alex blessed the all-natural cereal being served at the vegetarian prayer breakfast, then told the attendants: "And now let us be filled with the holy groats."

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Attendance- 5/4/2025

St.	Matthew—4:30 pm	142
St.	Mary's—8:30 am	115
St.	Matthew—10:30 am	184



MAY 17 & 18

4:30 pm—Communion Ministers: Cathy Schwalenstocker, P. Rodman; **Lector:** C. Williams; **Sacristan:** C&C Schwalenstocker

8:30 am—Altar Server: M&J Dobbertin; Communion Ministers: H. Hawes, A. Bauer; Lector: J. Beno; Greeter/Ushers: B&D Whitmore, C. WIttman; Sacristan: H. Hawes; Announcer: D. Hawes; Live Stream: J. Donsky

10:30 am—Altar Server: C. Coriddi; **Communion Ministers:** B. Cope, K. Gsellmeier; **Lector:** D. Sykes; **Sacristan:** K&R GsellImeier

In Memory of Loved Ones

Contact your Parish Office to remember a loved one. A donation of \$50/year is requested.

In Memory Of

Richard O'Connor Pat Conlon Paul & Martha Pfuntner Joseph & Betty Eberwein Mary Iten Leo Iten Paul Jones **Beverly Luther** Ralph & Rocco Messura **Betty West** Leo & Mary Ann Morsch Linda Murphy Patrick Argentieri Ofc. Anthony P. Mazurkiewicz Jean Marie Dellies Joseph Carusotti Kay C. Gordon Thomas Linehan Joan Shattuck

Dan & Shirley Mulvaney Jay Nowakowski Robert & Mary Oelwang Joe Rausch Lenny & Marie Shumway Frank & Estelle Rodman Nan Ryan John Scherberger Michelle Stefano Kathie Regelsberger Lois Cicero James Sheehan Anita Stefano Randy Smith Bob Rice Leigh Ann Hockey Larry & Eleanor Milligan **Bill Boyea** Brent Corver

Deceased Members of the following:

Chuck and Cathy Schwalenstocker Family Helinski and Ellison Families Giuliani Family Jones Family Muscato Family Enright & Yatteau Families Kurtz. Martin & O'Neil Families Kucich & Juriaco Families Quinn, Donato & Lewis Families **Gilbert & Somers Families** Baier. Root and Shaw Families Mazurkiewicz and Rumfola Families Moeller & Fritzen Families Cicero and Lyeth Families Hockey and McGinnis Families Koch Family



We post the date bulletin articles are due in the "This Week In Our Faith Community" calendar!

Florence Ahl, Gary Anderson, Diane Backus, William Beeley, Katey Boldt-Norton, Teresa Burritt, Catherine Couture, Kevin DeCillis, Hazel Delaney, Crystal DeMay, Larry Ebersold, Mary Sarah Hanna, John Henry, Mary Ann Hipp, Debbie Holtz, Dan Jones, Peggy Knight, Jean Long, Mark (Whitmore) Maltese, Shoshana Margolin, Rose Mazurkiewicz, Steve Milligan, Nina Monteleone, Mia Rafanelli, Ann Marie Redman, Mary Sheehan, Bill Sidlauskas, Alan Siracusa, Erin Siracusa, Kathleen Smith, Jim Stefano Sr., Kathy Stewart

Would You Help Us Out?

Please review the list. If you requested a name to be added and the person no longer needs to be on the list, let us know so we can take the name off to add others. As a reminder, we need the permission of an **immediate** family member or the person themself to place a name on the prayer list.

This Week in Our Faith Community

Monday, May 12

Praying for Those Who Are III

Noon: BULLETIN ARTICLES DUE FOR 5/18

St. Matthew—9:00 am Mass

Tuesday, May 13

- St. Mary's—9:00 am Mass—Live Streamed
- St. Mary's—9:30 am Euchre
- St. Mary's-11:30 am Rosary Group

Wednesday, May 14

St. Matthew—9:00 am Mass

St. Matthew—9:30—11:30 am Eucharistic Adoration

St. Matthew—12:30 pm Hearts & Hands

Thursday, May 15

St. Mary's—9:00 am Mass—Live Streamed **Friday, May 16**

St. Mary's—10:00 am—Noon Clothing Closet Open

Saturday, May 17

Both Churches—9:00 am Spring Work Day St. Mary's—10:00 am—Noon Clothing Closet Open

St. Matthew—3:30 pm—4:00 pm Reconciliation

St. Matthew-4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, May 18

St. Mary's—8:30 am Mass—Live Streamed St. Matthew—10:30 am Mass

A NOTE FROM YOUR DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY:

Dear Church Family,

Easter Greetings! It's been a while since I wrote a piece for the bulletin and my faith formation weekly newsletter (sent to the registered faith formation families). I had a rough March, as I was on leave for back issues and then contracted Covid. I was really sick, but I was home and I was able to pray – a lot. It was Lent after all, and I rarely have the luxury of really devoting myself to my Lenten journey. I was able to do that this year, so despite being sick, God gave me the time to heal, both physically and spiritually. While I certainly do not want to go through something like that again – it made me so very grateful when I was well again. And I have to say, I'm reveling in that!

This week's readings for the **4**th **Sunday of Easter** continue with the theme of the shepherd caring for the sheep. In last Sunday's gospel passage, Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved him. Why three? Some say to counteract the three times Peter denied Jesus. I think it was more about the emphasis Jesus wanted to make. Every time Peter responded yes, Jesus told him to *"Feed my sheep."* The response Jesus gave is a message not only for Peter, but for us all. We too are called to carry on the message of Jesus by caring for others with fervent love and compassion, and by sharing the Good News!

This week's first reading from the Acts of the Apostles tells a story of the early days of the Church. Paul, with Barnabas, were traveling and sharing the message of Christ in synagogues. The people were so taken with the message that large crowds began to gather creating jealousy with the Jews. The apostles continued on sharing the message now with the Gentiles, who were "delighted" with what they heard. Paul and Barnabas were "expelled" from the area BUT... "they shook the dust from their feet in protest against them" and they "were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." That right there is some good advice for all of us. We just keep going—and let the Holy Spirit guide the way.

The second reading from the Book of Revelation shares John's vision of people of faith, "a great multitude of people... from every nation, race, people, and tongue." Because of their faithfulness, they are rewarded, "For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes." What a beautiful image for us to hold on to echoing our own faith in Christ, who in this week's gospel passage proclaims, ""My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand."

Let's all reflect on what that means – we are enfolded in God's embrace as we live out our faith. We will stumble, we will make mistakes, but we are continually loved and carried by our Savior.

So, if you hear Jesus asking you if you love him, answer with a resounding, "YES". This is our faith – this is who we are and what we do. We let Jesus guide us, and we follow. He is our shepherd, and we are his sheep.

Have a blessed week.

Our Sacramental Life Together:				
Sacrament of Baptism:	Call either parish office for arrangements.			
Sacrament of Reconciliation:	Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:00 pm at St. Matthew or call either parish office for an appointment.			
Sacrament of Matrimony:	Please notify either parish office six months in advance of desired date.			
Anointing of the Sick:	Please notify either parish office if someone is sick at home, in a nursing facility or the hospital.			
<u>Holy Orders</u> :	If you're interested in serving the People of God as a priest, please visit ROCpriest.org.			

In God's Peace and Love, Jeanette

Sts. Mary & Matthew Faith Community 2025 Directory

~A Family Album~



As part of our Directory project, we would like to provide an opportunity for multi-generational photos to be taken. Have you wanted to take a photo with your adult children or grandchildren? Now is the time to do it. Schedule a separate appointment for your family photo session. Multi-generational photos may include non-parish members. This photo will not be included in the Directory. You will receive one complimentary 8x10 photo. Additional photos can be ordered. Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

Sign up online: www.ucdir.com Church Code: NY129 Password: Photos



We are now accepting donations at St. Matthew for the repaving of our parking lot in early June. To

date, we have received \$16,970 of the \$25,000 we need from our parishioners toward the project. Please prayerfully consider a donation. We have envelopes on the table in the narthex at St. Matthew.

Thank you!



We keep all those currently serving in our Military, as well as those who have previously served, in our prayers always.



Please join us!

DIOCESAN MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend, we will have our annual second collection for the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Sisters of Mercy working in Brazil and Chile.

For over fifty years, the Sisters of St. Joseph have labored in Brazil and the Sisters of Mercy in Chile. We call upon you to help with your prayers and sacrificial gift, so that they may continue to bring Christ into a world where darkness, despair and emptiness prevail.

Faith Community Spring Work Days

St. Mary's Buildings & Grounds Spring Cleanup Saturday, May 17

9:00 am to Lunch Coffee/Pastries and lunch will be served

Tasks:

Weeding of the gardens, repair work, window washing and general cleanup.

Sign-up sheets are located in the vestibule

Bring shovels, rakes, work gloves, etc.

Thanks in advance for your help!

St. Matthew Grounds Work Day Saturday, May 17

We are hoping to have lots of help to work on the grounds at St. Matthew's on <u>Saturday, May 17 from</u> 9:00 AM to Noon. (The rain date is Saturday, 5/31)

9:00 am-Noon

We will do some weeding, turn over the existing mulch and spread new mulch where needed. We will make sure the mulch is here and ready to go.

So bring your gloves, shovels and rakes and hopefully we will have enough volunteers to make this job run smoothly.

Donuts will be waiting for you!

Thank you so much for all your time and help.

Paul Maginn and Per Adamson



Sell at St. Mary's Junk in the Trunk Sale

Sell from Your Trunk or Bring a Table! Parking spots are just \$15 each (10ft x 16ft). Reserve one or more to sell your items hasslefree!

Reserve Your Spot Today! Applications are available outside our church office (office door is located on the side of the church which faces the rectory) or Email: stmaryjunkinthetrunk@gmail.com for an application. Call/Text Margie: 860-982-7602 with any questions.

Come sell, shop, and enjoy the community fun!



Our summer Trivia Night will be here before you know it (June 19 at Birdhouse Brewing). Proceeds from this fundraiser continue to go toward replenishing Pave Paradise funds. There are several ways you can support us: sign up a team when registration opens, buy a \$10 gift card/certificate and donate it to our prize pool, or send prayers for a successful event (and no hot or stormy weather!).

If you'd like to donate a \$10 gift card, some suggestions of locations include those businesses that can't donate due to franchise restrictions, like gas stations, Dollar General, and CVS; area coffee shops, Wegmans, or Tops, would also be welcome, as would any local restaurant or store! Just put it in an envelope marked "St. Mary's Trivia Prize" and drop it in the collection basket.



Easter Flower Offerings

THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN MEMORALIZED THROUGH DONATIONS FOR OUR EASTER FLOWERS. KINDLY KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Dennis Wittman Raymond & Helen Chmielowiec **Kristine Doty Mary Hawes** Pat Fleig Len & Marie Shumway **Robert Horning** Naumczyk Family **Celona Family Andres Family** Sapienza Family The Frieday Family **Gene & Catherine Rosplock** Jerry Rudolph James Goddard Victoria & John Helinski **Tony & Sally Muscato** Rick & Jay Nowakowski Raymond & Florence Lehr **Eleanor McNinch Richard O'Connor** Jennifer Teremy Rocco A. Messura **Richard Finn** Ed Palmer Bert & Ada Trost **Bob Rice**

Jeanette Bangs **Dolores Clark** Joseph Dispenza **Dorothy Brewer** Edna O'Hanlon **Brent Coryer Burdell & Mary Ann Geartz** Seymour Family Salem Family **Mead Family** Lydon Family **Bill Guminski** Tom & Mary Donohue **Diane Rudolph Eades** Ed Laux Lily & Sterling Ellison **Millman Family Steven Scipioni Carol Sabo** Leona & Pete King Ellen Lill Ralph A. Messura John Muscato **Dick & Velora Donals** May & Walt Diringer Shirley & Harold Longo

Deceased members of Carter & Miller Families Deceased members of the Wilbur/Baker Family Deceased Members of the Mulaney Family Parents & Siblings of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bland

In Honor of the Members of the Parish