

# Sts. Mary & Matthew Faith Community

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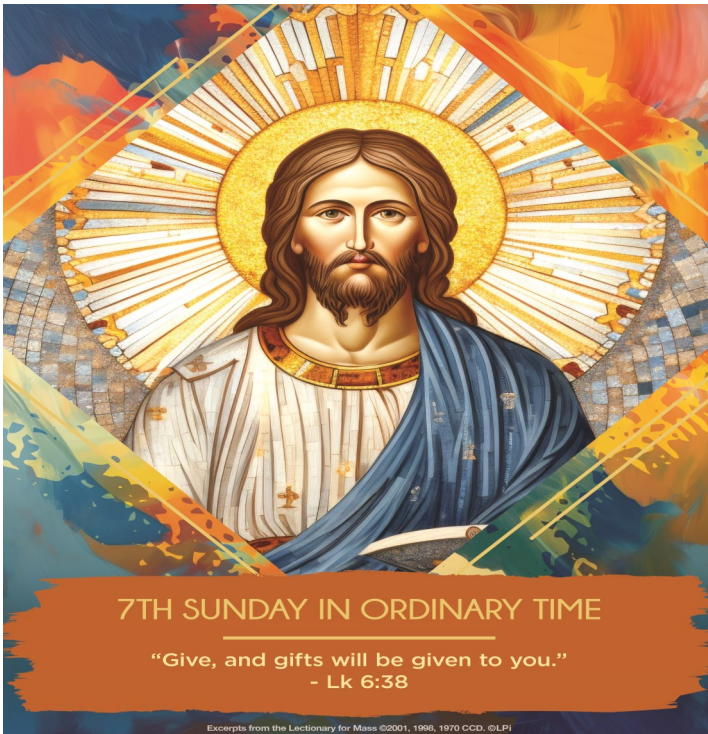
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*Our Mission Is To Go and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ ~ February 23, 2025*



## The Word of the Laird



Today's first reading is the second of two instances where David spares Saul's life (1 Samuel 24, 26). The first was a situation where David and his men were hiding in a cave and Saul goes into the cave to "relieve" himself. David takes the occasion to cut a piece off of Saul's mantle. David later shows it to Saul as evidence that he is not out to attack Saul. So similarly in today's reading David goes into Saul's camp during the night when everyone is sleeping and takes Saul's spear and water jug. The next day he displays the spear and returns it as evidence that he would not harm the Lord's anointed.

Our reading from Luke today is a parallel to part of Matthew's Sermon on the Mount. Jesus encourages His followers to adhere to the example of God who does good for all, the just and the unjust. He exhorts them to love their enemies, to do good to those who harm them. The encouragement Jesus gives reflects the goodness of God toward all. And we are called to reflect that goodness in our lives as well.

As Paul continues his letter to the Corinthians, he now addresses the issue of the natural versus the spiritual. And for Paul, the real goal is the spiritual in which he sees Jesus as the first and foremost example.

Thanks be to God.

## Readings and Hymns

Readings ..... 873

### Hymns:

#### St. Mary's:

Entrance	633
Offertory	519
Recessional	721

#### St. Matthew:

##### 10:30 Mass

Please See Hymn Board

##### Folk Mass

Entrance	738
Offertory	478
Recessional	607



## Church Chuckle

Our Church Today: The windows in the church have been replaced with bullet-proof glass. It is now ready for weddings again.



**Saturday, February 22**

St. Matthew 4:30 pm—Steven Eaton (Barb West)

**Sunday, February 23—7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

St. Mary's 8:30 am — Betty Schrader (Sharon Brown)

St. Matthew 10:30 am—For the People of this Faith Community

**Monday, February 24**

St. Matthew 9:00 am—William Clinton (Ed Erhard)

**Tuesday, February 25**

St. Mary's 9:00

**Wednesday—February 26**

St. Matthew 9:00 am—Mary Villone (Ken Villone)

**Thursday—February 27**

St. Mary's 9:00 am

**Saturday, March 1**

St. Matthew 4:30 pm—For the People of this Faith Community

**Sunday, March 2—8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

St. Mary's 8:30 am — Richard & Sylvia Shaw (Dan Shaw)

St. Matthew 10:30 am—Dennis Sapienza (Martin D'Ambrosio)

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MARCH 1 & 2

**4:30 pm—Communion Ministers:** J. Patel, P. Rodman; **Lector:** B. Woodruff; **Sacristan:** B. Woodruff

**8:30 am—Altar Server:** P. Gotham, J. Parshall; **Communion Ministers:** S. Brown, K. Rice; **Lector:** C. Andres; **Greeter/Ushers:** C. Wittman, C. Zanghi, A. Parshall; **Sacristan:** S. Brown; **Announcer:** D. O'Connor; **Live Stream:** C. Gotham

**10:30 am—Altar Server:** C. Coriddi; **Communion Ministers:** B. Gregory, B. Cope; **Lector:** B. Gregory; **Sacristan:** B. Gregory

**Attendance— 2/16/2025**

St. Matthew—4:30 pm	80
St. Mary's—8:30 am	49
St. Matthew—10:30 am	119



## 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	*Dan & Shirley Mulvaney
*Pat Conlon	*Jay Nowakowski
*Paul & Martha Pfuntner	*Robert & Mary Oelwang
Joseph & Betty Eberwein	*Joe Rausch
Mary Iten	Lenny & Marie Shumway
Leo Iten	*Frank & Estelle Rodman
*Paul Jones	*Nan Ryan
Beverly Luther	John Scherberger
*Ralph & Rocco Messura	*Michelle Stefano
*Betty West	*Kathie Regelsberger
Leo & Mary Ann Morsch	*Lois Cicero
*Linda Murphy	*James Sheehan
*Patrick Argentieri	*Anita Stefano
*Ofc. Anthony P. Mazurkiewicz	Randy Smith
Jean Marie Dellies	Betty Schrader
Joseph Carusotti	Leigh Ann Hockey
Kay C. Gordon	Larry & Eleanor Milligan
Thomas Linehan	Bill Boyea
Joan Shattuck	

### 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

### \*Donation Request

If you have a memorial on our list with an asterisk, would you please contact your parish office to either resubscribe or provide proof of the date you paid within the last year.

Praying for Those Who Are Ill

Florence Ahl, Gary Anderson, Diane Backus, William Beeley, Katey Boldt-Norton, Teresa Burritt, Catherine Couture, Kevin DeCillis, Hazel Delaney, Crystal DeMay, Joseph Dispenza, Larry Ebersold, Dave Fulton, Mary Sarah Hanna, Joan Harvey, John Henry, Mary Ann Hipp, Debbie Holtz, Dan Jones, Peggy Knight, Jean Long, Mark (Whitmore) Maltese, Shoshana Margolin, Rose Mazurkiewicz, Steve Milligan, Nina Monteleone, Christina Palella, Mia Rafanelli, Ann Marie Redman, Kathy Reynolds, Mary Sheehan, Bill Sidlauskas, Alan Siracusa, Erin Siracusa, Kathleen Smith, Helen Stefano, 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 themselves to place a name on the prayer list.

## This Week in Our Faith Community

### Monday, February 24

#### Bulletin Articles Due for 3/2

St. Matthew—9:00 am Mass

### Tuesday, February 25

St. Mary's—9:00 am Mass—Live Streamed

St. Mary's—9:30 am Euchre

### Wednesday, February 26

St. Matthew—9:00 am Mass

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

St. Matthew—12:30 pm Hearts & Hands

St. Mary's—6:00 pm Men's Group

### Thursday, February 27

St. Mary's—9:00 am Mass—Live Streamed

### Friday, February 28

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

### Saturday, March 1

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

St. Matthew—11:00 am First Saturday Rosary

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

St. Matthew—4:30 pm Mass

### Sunday, March 2

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,

This week we celebrate the 7<sup>th</sup> **Sunday of Ordinary Time**, and our readings entrust to us God’s loving and compassionate mercy.

Our first reading from the Book of Samuel relates to us the story of King Saul searching for David. Saul was convinced that David was out to get him, and he became obsessed with finding him; so much so that he put together an army of 3000 men to go after him. How did David respond to this? With mercy. He finds Saul asleep and vulnerable, but David insists that he not be harmed because he was anointed by God. **FYI: “Following Saul’s death, David was appointed king of Judah for seven years before becoming king of all Israel. In total, David would rule for 40 years as king, serving as the Lord’s anointed. He had treated the previous king with great respect and later received the role himself, being called a man after God’s own heart”** (1 Sam 13:13-14).

Mercy is also expressed in the responsorial psalm. **“Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name... Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.”**

This week’s second reading from St. Paul’s Letter to the Corinthians tells us **“The first man (Adam) was ‘earthly’; the second man (Christ) was from heaven.** As Christians, we spend our life aspiring to live as disciples of Christ, yet we are “earthly” people, like Adam before us. This is not just imagery, but rather a recognition that we, though “earthly” people, will one day **“bear the image of the heavenly one.”** This hope assures us that through God’s mercy and our dedication – we too, can one day live in God’s glory.

This week’s gospel passage from St. Luke pointedly directs us to be merciful to others, just as God shows mercy to us. Recently, we had a lesson in youth group on mercy, and I reiterated the importance of loving others – even when we don’t agree with them; even if they think differently than “we” do or live in a way “we” don’t find acceptable. It isn’t up to us to judge – God is (or certainly should be) our only judge. **“Love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.”** Those are words everyone should take to heart. That right there sums up our Christian call to show and share God’s love and mercy with all. We are given opportunities every single day to reflect God’s love to everyone we encounter. I pray that with the help of God, we can all strive to show mercy to others, just as our God shows mercy to us. **“For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.”**

In God’s Peace and Love, *Jeanette*

## 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.

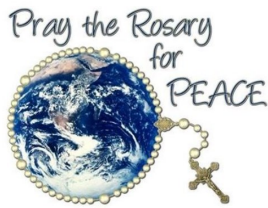
### Holy Orders:

If you’re interested in serving the People of God as a priest, please visit [ROCpriest.org](http://ROCpriest.org).

## Remembering All Those Serving in Our Military

Sgt. 1st Class Jacob Allison, Lt. Colonels Brian & Maria Beecher, Gunnery Sgt. Roy Beecher, T Sgt. Daniel Beecher, SPC Joshua Beecher, HM2 (FMF), Adam Bock, George Boyd, Lt. Cdr. William Burke, SSGs Ramiro & Melanie Carrasco, Major Alanna (Parrinello) Cook, Lt. Colonel Steven Cook, Sgt. Scott Cunningham, Cmdr. Kevin DeCillis - U.S.N., Private Bruce Flieger, AG2 Diane Gagle, Capt. Levi Gangi, Major Walter M. Golden III, Lt. Col. Christina R. Golden, Maj. Adam R. Golden, SPC Mark Griswold, Nathan Gutridge, Emily Hill, Fred Hill, SSG. Scott Jeffers, SSG Jason Junot, Cpl. Marine Nicole A. Maltese, Sgt. Richard Miller, Lt. Col. Jeffrey B. Murphy, Capt. Michael S. Redman, IT3 Christopher Redman, Col. Gregory Reese, Airman Tyler Regelsberger, Capt. John Rossiter, Gerald Ruf, Staff Sgt. Sean Schoonover, 2nd Lt. US Army Dennis Segrue, Airman 1st Class Kenneth A. Shelton, Marvin Singer, Lt. Commander John T. Slagle, Sr. Airman Josh Smith, Christopher Taber

**PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR PARISH OFFICE WITH ANY CHANGES TO THIS LIST**



### JOIN US for 1<sup>st</sup> SATURDAY ROSARY

We are coming together to pray the Rosary for our country and peace in the world. All are invited on March 1 for **1<sup>st</sup> SATURDAY ROSARY** from 11:00 -11:30 am at St. Matthew Church.

## Men's Group

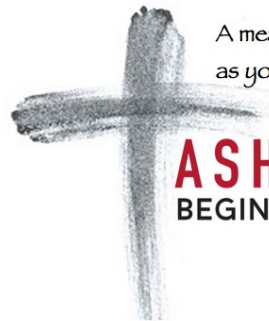
Our Faith Community Men's Group will meet this Wednesday from 6-8 pm at St. Mary's.

*All are welcome!*

For more information, please contact Per Adamson at 585-509-4492 or [persvenadamson@gmail.com](mailto:persvenadamson@gmail.com)



*The Holy Family Candle burns  
this week in memory of  
Ralph Messura*



A meaningful time for reflection as you begin the 40-day Lenten journey

## ASH WEDNESDAY BEGINS THE SEASON OF LENT

March 5, 2025

**St. Matthew Church, Livonia**  
9:00AM: Mass and Distribution of Ashes

**St. Mary's Church, Honeoye**  
5:30PM: Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes  
6:00PM: Lenten Soup Supper



### LENTEN SOUP SUPPER SCHEDULE

**Please join us for fellowship!**

- March 5—St. Mary's—After 5:30 pm Ash Service
- March 12—St. Matthew—After 5:30 pm Stations
- March 19—St. Mary's—After 5:30 pm Stations
- March 26—St. Matthew—After 5:30 pm Stations
- April 2—St. Mary's—After 5:30 pm Stations
- April 9—St. Matthew—After 5:30 pm Stations

Please sign up on the sheets at the entrance of both churches if you'd like to attend.

## Offertory

Collections—7/1/2024 through 1/31/2025

	24/25 Actual	24/25 Budget	Difference
St. Mary's	\$ 66,647	\$ 61,250	\$5,397
St. Matthew	\$129,532	\$149,625	(\$20,093)