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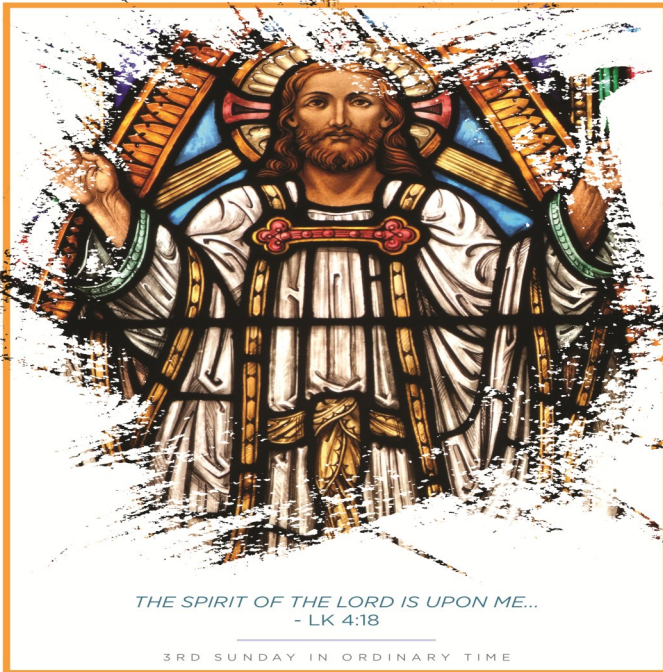
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Our Mission Is To Go and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ ~ January 26, 2025



The Word of the Laird



Today's Gospel presents Jesus in the synagogue at Nazareth. While comments on the books of Moses were limited to the Scribes, comments on the prophetic writings could be made by any Jewish male over the age of thirty. So when Jesus opens the scroll of Isaiah he cites Isaiah 61:1-2 and Isaiah 58:6.

This "year of favor" will define His ministry. And then He adds, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." What He is sharing with them is that the times that the prophets had foretold of God's definitive intervention on behalf of His people has not taken place. This will unfold as Jesus continues to carry out His ministry of both teaching and healing.

It may be that we might find ourselves attentive to Jesus' words and experiencing that "The spirit of the Lord is upon me; therefore he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, Recovery of sight to the blind and release to prisoners. To announce a year of favor from the Lord."

What might be the ways in which we experience Jesus' glad tidings? Or in which we find release and recovery of sight? May God's grace be at work in us as well that we might more fully experience the goodness that Jesus has brought about.

Thanks be to God.

Readings and Hymns

Readings 861

Hymns:

St. Mary's:

Entrance	473
Offertory	498
Recessional	548

St. Matthew:

10:30 Mass

Entrance	361
Offertory	771
Recessional	739

Folk Mass

Entrance	725
Offertory	656
Recessional	619



Saturday, January 25

St. Matthew 4:30 pm—Joseph Finnochario (Barb West)

Sunday, January 26—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's 8:30 am — For the People of this Faith Community

St. Matthew 10:30 am— Frank West (Marcia Rausch)

Monday, January 27

St. Matthew 9:00 am—Richard O'Connor (Family)

Tuesday, January 28

St. Mary's 9:00—Jim Fitzsimmons (Joan & Family)

Wednesday—January 29

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

Thursday—January 30

St. Mary's 9:00 am

Saturday, February 1

St. Matthew 4:30 pm—Ralph Galimi (Steven & Bonnie Passero)

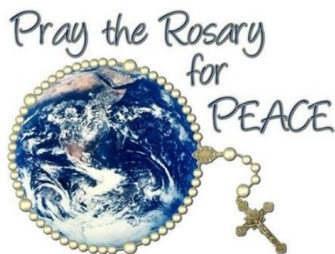
Sunday, February 2—4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's 8:30 am — Fred & Dolores Root and Family (Dan Shaw)

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

Parishes Online

Our weekly Bulletin (along with many others) is available on Parishesonline.com. Search on Livonia, NY to find ours. Our Bulletin is available the Thursday before the weekend.



**JOIN US for
1st SATURDAY
ROSARY**

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

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FEBRUARY 1 & 2

4:30 pm—Communion Ministers: J. Ellison, M. Gillen; **Lector:** P. Rodman; **Sacristan:** D&L Wilbur

8:30 am—Altar Server: P. Gotham, L. Norris; **Communion Ministers:** S. Brown, J. Parshall; **Lector:** P. Gardner; **Greeter/Ushers:** C. Wittman, C. Zanghi, D. Horning; **Sacristan:** S. Brown; **Announcer:** B. Missell; **Live Stream:** C. Gotham

10:30 am—Altar Server: C. Coriddi; **Communion Ministers:** A. Huber, J. Kahn; **Lector:** J. Kahn; **Sacristan:** A. Huber

Attendance— 1/19/2025

St. Matthew—4:30 pm	87
St. Mary's—8:30 am	79
St. Matthew—10:30 am	183

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
Lucille DeClerck	Robert & Mary Oelwang
Jule DeClerck	Paul & Martha Pfuntner
Joseph & Betty Eberwein	Joe Rausch
Mary Iten	Patrick L Guenther
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
Lenny & Marie Shumway	Debra Czudak
Linda Murphy	James Sheehan
Patrick Argentieri	Anita Stefano
Ofc. Anthony P. Mazurkiewicz	Joan Shattuck
Jean Marie Dellies	Betty Schrader
Joseph Carusotti	Leigh Ann Hockey
Kay C. Gordon	Larry & Eleanor Milligan
Thomas Linehan	Bill Boyea

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
 Paul & Martha Pfuntner
 Baier, Root and Shaw Families
 Mazurkiewicz and Rumfola Families
 Moeller & Fritzen Families
 Cicero and Lyeth Families
 Hockey and McGinnis Families
 Koch Family



Church Chuckle

Baptismal pool repairs have been postponed for a week because Reverend Atkins has been feeling under the water.

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, Ed Wendelgass

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, January 27

Noon—Bulletin Articles due for 2/2

St. Matthew—9:00 am Mass

Tuesday, January 28

St. Mary's—9:00 am Mass

St. Mary's—9:30 am Euchre

Wednesday, January 29

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 Club

Thursday, January 30

St. Mary's—9:00 am Mass

Friday, January 31

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

Saturday, February 1

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

St. Matthew—11:00 am 1st Saturday Rosary

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

St. Matthew—4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, February 2

St. Mary's—8:30 am Mass

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 3rd **Sunday of Ordinary Time**. The Mass readings reveal a clear message of “the word.” Weekly, at Mass, we come together to listen, learn, and pray. We are filled to the brim with God through word and sacrament, and the readings this week emphasize the beauty of God’s word shared with us all.

Our first reading from the Prophet Nehemiah, finds Ezra the priest sharing the word with his people. **“He read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law.”** That last line struck me – *all* the people listened **attentively!** As they listened, they were disheartened by what they heard, but Ezra told them, **“Today is holy to the LORD your God...Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength!”**. The same must be true for us as we gather together and listen to God’s word because it strengthens us and gives us life.

The responsorial psalm for this week reiterates this as we proclaim, **“Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.”** And the second reading from St. Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians tells us **“God has so constructed the body as to give greater honor to a part that is without it, so that there may be no division in the body, but that the parts may have the same concern for one another. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy.”** WE are the body of Christ. WE work together to proclaim God’s kingdom by sharing God’s message with joy, humility, and love as we are called to do. We do this through our concern, our listening, and our presence. Together we become strong and remarkable.

The dream for a religion teacher is not only sharing God’s word but helping others to truly hear it. To grasp onto the lifeline that the word offers as we learn the story of our salvation. Whenever I’m teaching the little ones, most especially when we’re reading Scripture (during children’s liturgy of the word) I always begin by saying, “Okay, everybody – put your listening ears on!” and most of the time they do. Some more than others, but they’re there, and they’re hearing the word of God...and that is so very important because God’s word gives us life.

Can you even imagine the scenario that takes place in this week’s gospel passage? Jesus, in the synagogue, takes up the scroll, unrolls it, and begins to read aloud. **“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.”** As he finished reading, we are told that **“the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him”** as he said, **“Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”** The eyes of all looked at him “intently” and the ears listened to the word **read by God himself!** We, too, should look and listen intently as the word is proclaimed. The next time you’re at Mass, put the missal down, look at the lector, watch the choir members or the cantor, and sing along with the responsorial psalm. Look at the deacon as he reads the gospel, and truly listen. Absorb the word into your soul – and thank God for giving us this amazing gift.

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.

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. Christinia 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



you're invited

Please join us next today for our Give Warmth, Give Hope Coffee Hour after 10:30 Mass at St. Matthew. This coffee hour will complete our annual appeal to assist our friends in Livingston County by providing heat through Catholic Charities. This coffee hour also includes a silent auction where you can bid on fabulous items donated by our parishioners and friends.

Thank you for your participation!

Give A Spiritual Gift!



The Sanctuary Candle and the Holy Family Candle are available for scheduling. Please stop by or call either parish office to schedule a candle in memory, in thanksgiving, or for a special intention. A \$10 donation per candle is greatly appreciated.



Hearts & Hands Knitting Group

Group meets every Wednesday, 12:30 pm at St. Matthew.

We prayerfully make shawls, blankets, hats, mittens, etc. to be given to our friends in need.



St. Mary's Comfort Quilters

Meet the 1st. & 3rd. Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am.

Interested? Call St. Mary's Office
229-5007

Offertory

Collections—7/1/2024 through 12/31/2024

	24/25 Actual	24/25 Budget	Difference
St. Mary's	\$65,514	\$52,500	\$13,014
St. Matthew	\$113,977	\$128,250	(\$15,273)