



Saint Matthew CATHOLIC CHURCH

DEEPENING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH TOGETHER

OCTOBER 9 + TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Realizing he had been healed...
he fell at the feet of Jesus

and thanked him.

Luke 17:11-19

MASS SCHEDULE

MASS

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. | 8 a.m.
Wed. | 7 p.m. (Adoration at 6 p.m.)
Saturday Vigil | 5 p.m.
Sunday | 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m.

CONFESSION

Wednesday | 6 - 6:50 p.m.
Saturday | 4 - 4:45 p.m.

PARISH INFORMATION

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Father Tien Tran

DEACONS:

Lachlan Cameron & Bill Forte

PARISH NEWS



LITURGY SCHEDULE (OCTOBER 10-16, 2022)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- ✠ Jerry Nalipinski
 - Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1
 - Lk 11:29-32

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- ✠ For James Francis
 - Gal 5:1-6
 - Lk 11:37-41

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

- 7:00 p.m. Mass
- ✠ Collin Bruce
 - Gal 5:18-25
 - Lk 11:42-46

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- ✠ For Michael Marcuri
 - Eph 1:1-10
 - Lk 11:47-54

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- ✠ For the Phillips & Pason Families
 - Eph 1:11-14
 - Lk 12:1-7

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

- 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass
- ✠ For Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shaughnessy
- 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass
- ✠ For Father Justin Raines
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass
- ✠ For the People
 - Ex 17:8-13
 - 2 Tm 3:14-4:2
 - Lk 18:1-8

- ✠ **Special Intention**
- ✠ *May they rest in peace*

CALLING ALL MOMS!

St. Gianna Circle invites moms of all ages and stages to join us on Tuesday, October 11 at 7 p.m. in the Cohan-Hansom Building for our monthly meeting. We'll be discussing Myths of the Modern Mother. By identifying and exploring the motherhood myths and falsehoods, we can break away from them. We can start to move toward discovering our own sense of purpose and success. We define motherhood rather than letting the state of motherhood define us. As women, our role as mothers or caretakers is only one layer of many. Babies are always welcome at St. Gianna Circle! For help finding childcare, email Elizabeth Abaray, elizabeth.abaray@live.com.

MASS INTENTIONS

We are currently accepting submissions for Mass Intentions for weekday and weekend Masses. Mass Intentions can be made for the repose of the soul for someone who has died; in thanksgiving for marriages, ordinations, and birthdays; or for the special intentions of those in need of prayer. To place a Mass Intention, please contact Kelly Ott at kott@stmatthewtn.org.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

- FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 2, 2022 -

PARISH, VISITORS, AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWALS, ONLINE GIVING, AND LOOSE CASH	\$17,570
SECOND COLLECTION	\$436

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING SAINT MATTHEW!
MAKE YOUR GIFT TODAY ON OUR GIVING PAGE:
www.stmatthewtn.org/church/giving



SAINT MATTHEW MEN'S CLUB PRESENTS

Oktoberfest

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 **AFTER THE 5 P.M. MASS**

2022

Please join us for this fun annual event sponsored by the Saint Matthew Men's Club. Menu includes Brats, Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Chowder, Chips, Beer, Wine, and Soft Drinks. DJ Louie will provide the music as well as fun games for the kids.

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PARISH NEWS

LUNCH BUNCH RETURNS THIS TUESDAY!



After two long years, we are excited to welcome the senior members of our community back for an afternoon of fun, fellowship, and bingo! The event will take place this Tuesday, October 11 in the Parish Conference Center.

Check-in will begin at 11:45 a.m., and the event will begin promptly at noon. Please park near the church and enter through the portico entrance of the church. The check-in desk will be right inside the portico entrance. Registration for this month's event has closed. If you have any questions, please contact Martin Strobel at mstrobel@stmatthewtn.org or (615) 550-5101.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE - NOVEMBER 2

On All Souls Day, we will celebrate the Mass of Remembrance, commemorating the lives of those we lost over the past year. If you have lost a loved one over the past year (November 2021-present), please email bereavement@stmatthewtn.org to have their name included in the Mass. The Book of Remembrance will be in the Narthex until October 31 for any parishioners who would like to write in names of any loved ones who have passed away. Please make plans to attend this special service.

JOIN OUR FEED THE PRIEST MINISTRY!

We are seeking volunteers for our Feed the Priest ministry. We are in need of helpers—families or individuals—to provide meals for our priests every Tuesday. If you are interested in joining this important ministry, please contact Valerie Canning at vcanning@fab-line.com.

BECOME A GIFT BEARER

Would you like to participate in one of our upcoming Masses? We are looking for volunteers to be offertory gift bearers at each of our weekend Masses. All parishioners—individuals and families of all sizes—are invited to sign up. To register, visit bit.ly/smcgiftbearer.

FAMILY SOCIAL MINISTRY BOX OF JOY CAMPAIGN

Box of Joy provides the opportunity to participate in a simple and tangible work of mercy by partnering with Cross Catholic Outreach. By sending Box of Joy gifts filled with toys, clothing, school supplies, a rosary and The Story of Jesus, we can demonstrate Christ's compassion to poor children in developing countries. Last year, we packed 60 boxes, so we are working to surpass that record this year. Participants buy items for a girl or boy of a certain age, fill one or more shoe boxes with the goodies, and return the filled box(es) to the church office by October 28. Please email or text Theresa Chau if you can participate in this opportunity. She will provide you with the supplies to get started. (813) 361-4334, theresa.a.chau@gmail.com. Thank you!



This weekend, during the reception of Holy Communion, we will be singing *Let All Things Now Living*. Katherine Kennicott Davis wrote the lyrics of this hymn, published in 1939. Ms. Kennicott was a prolific composer who composed over 800 pieces, most of which were choral works. Another well known piece she composed is the Christmas song, *The Little Drummer Boy*.

A song of praise, it exhorts all of creation to live out its purpose of offering praise and thanksgiving to God, culminating in the phrase "To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!" While we are reminded of all the beauty that God has created in the universe, we are also called to ponder how all creation proclaims God's divinity.

The melody is the hymntune ASH GROVE, a traditional Welsh melody. While its current form was first published in 1802 in *The Bardic Museum*, it may significantly predate that publication. A similar melody appears in *The Beggar's Opera* published in 1728. It has since appeared in various classical works, Liturgical works and as a hymn in over 100 different hymnals.

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FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

Follow Saint Matthew to deepen your Catholic faith on your favorite social media platform! Find us on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube to keep up with everything happening here on Sneed Road.

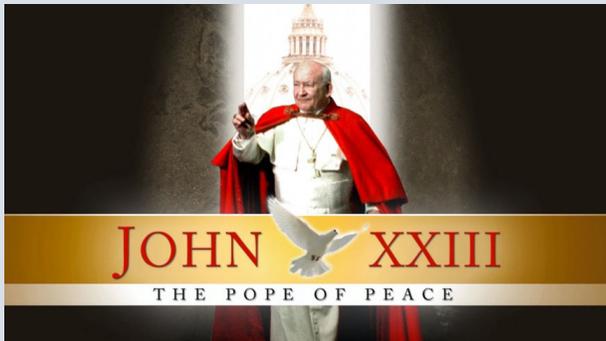
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FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK - OCTOBER 9



JOHN XXIII: THE POPE OF PEACE

This movie tells the life story of John XXIII from his youth through his young priesthood, episcopacy, life as cardinal, and eventually his life as pope. Elected supposedly as an “interim Pope” who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council.

To watch this title and many more like it, visit FORMED.org and sign up using our parish zip code (37069).

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY REQUESTS

Do you have a loved one who is homebound or in an assisted living community and cannot make it to Mass? We have ministers available to serve! Our Homebound Ministry delivers Holy Communion to those who are unable to make it to Mass, but we must be aware of their situation in order to schedule regular visits. To learn more, contact Kelly Ott at kott@stmatthewtn.org.

SAINT MATTHEW SCHOOL IS SEEKING A NEW PRE-K ASSISTANT

Saint Matthew School is looking for a part time Pre-K teacher’s assistant for our four-year-old classroom. The class schedule is Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The position offers competitive wages. If interested, please email Michelle Puryear at mpuryear@stmatthewtn.org.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The Saint Matthew Respect for Life ministry invites everyone to participate in 40 Days for Life. The fall campaign will be held from September 28 to November 6. The 40-day prayer vigil is underway. Saint Matthew parishioners should try to sign up for Tuesdays, if possible. Feel free to sign up for as many days as you’d like. You can register for the prayer vigil at www.40daysforlife.com/en/nashville.

Other Events:

- Jericho March - October 15 at noon at Planned Parenthood (412 Dr. DB Todd Blvd, Nashville, TN)
- Rosary & Mass - November 5 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary of the Seven Sorrows (328 Rep. John Lewis Way, Nashville, TN)

Roe is no more because you prayed. But Planned Parenthood is still open, and we will hold 40 Day campaigns until they close for good in our city. Please join us in this noble cause.



VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM SAINT MATTHEW.

www.stmatthewtn.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

FATHER RYAN ADMISSIONS

The application for Father Ryan High School is now open for the 2023-2024 school year. With record-breaking numbers applying for this current school year, we encourage prospective families to apply as early as possible. To learn more, please visit www.fatherryan.org/admissions/apply.

WHAT'S ON NASHVILLE CATHOLIC RADIO?

We are back for a new season at Nashville Catholic Radio! Listen to the classic “We Believe” show, which put Nashville Catholic Radio on the airwaves, on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. Tune in to Nashville Catholic Radio via 100.5FM or streaming online at www.nashvillecr.com.

REGISTER FOR AN UPCOMING CURSILLO WEEKEND

Cursillo is a three-day weekend for adults to rediscover being Catholic and explore how you individually bring being Catholic to your daily life. The retreat is hosted at Camp Marymount in Fairview, TN. For more information and to register for one of our upcoming retreats, visit www.nashvillecursillo.com.

FATHER RYAN 2022 PREVIEW DAY

Join Father Ryan on Sunday, October 23 from 12:30-4 p.m. for its Preview Day! Tour the campus, attend classes, join sessions on Academics and the House System, and so much more! Doors open for check-in at 12:30 p.m. in the Center for the Arts. To register, please visit www.fatherryan.org/visit.

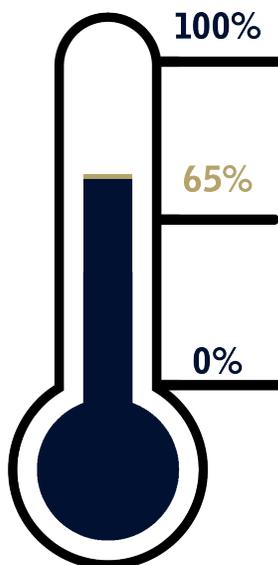
FATHER RYAN BLESSING OF FIRST RESPONDERS

In recognition of National First Responders Day, Father Ryan invites all first responders throughout the Irish community to wear your uniform and come to their campus on Wednesday, October 12, at 10:30 a.m. for an all-school Mass for Service and a blessing of first responders, with a lunch reception to follow.

THEGODMINUTE.ORG

Want a quick, daily dose of Theology? The God Minute is a small group of priests, nuns and lay people who start their day in prayer. Soft music, sacred scripture and a thoughtful reflection are weaved into a 10-minute guided reflection. Visit www.thegodminute.org to learn more!

THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL FOR MINISTRIES: OVER \$60,000 RAISED!



Thanks to your generous support, Saint Matthew has crossed the halfway mark in the 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal for Ministries!

Saint Matthew's goal for this year's appeal is \$115,390. We are currently at 65% of that goal with a total of \$75,411.

Your generosity supports ministries and services that carry forth the Bishop's mission and vision, including adult and youth catechesis, support for clergy, sacramental marriage, life at all stages, robust Catholic schools and much more.

If you have already donated, we appreciate your contribution! If not, please visit www.stmatthewtn.org/church/giving to make your gift today!

TONY'S REFLECTION
THE UNWORTHY SERVANT

October is known as the month of the rosary in the Church. Those in the secular world tend to view the rosary as a superstitious instrument deployed by pious old folks. Yet, the rosary is a great treasure that brings depth and precision as it assists in destroying false teachings all the while bringing souls closer to Christ. Here is where the story of the rosary becomes intriguing.

In the 13th century, the Albigensians violently opposed the incarnation, the passion of Christ, and His resurrection as they believed that all matter is evil. At one point, the Albigensians murdered a papal legate who had been sent from Rome to dialogue with them. In 1214, Saint Dominic, was in anguish because he was failing in his attempt to defeat the Albigensian heresy. After he had been praying and doing severe penances, The Blessed Mother appeared to St. Dominic with three angels and said, "Dear Dominic, do you know which weapon the Blessed Trinity wants to use to reform the world?" In holy awe and respect, Dominic asked for enlightenment on what this weapon would be. Our Lady responded, "I want you to know that, in this warfare, the battering ram has always been the angelic Psalter, which is the foundation of the New Testament. Therefore, if you wish to reach these hardened souls and win them over to God, preach my Psalter."

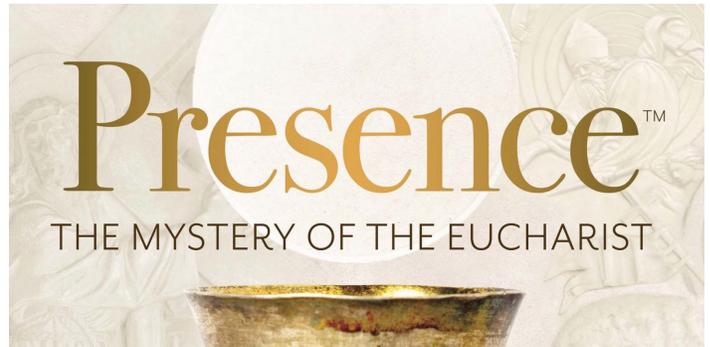
The Marian Psalter was a prayer developed that involved praying 150 Hail Mary's divided into groups of 10 by Our Fathers. Prayer beads were used to keep track of the Hail Mary's. Mary revealed to St. Dominic which mysteries should be preached to correspond to the prayers: stories of Christ's life which directly contradicted the heresy of the Albigensians. After having been knighted by the Virgin with the spiritual sword, St. Dominic helped conquer the heresy of lies and won souls back to Christ Church.

Here, we see that the sword God would infuse to swat the false ideas of the world was the sacred mysteries of Christianity. The mold for the spiritual sword is the Hail Mary and Our Father prayer while also containing the blade that destroys all heresies – the saving mysteries of the God-man. Given that our world is fraught with immorality, lies, and a muddled-up notion of the faith, the rosary remains a powerful defense to cut through the confusion and allow Christ's light to shine.

God has established that the bookends of history involve a woman and her offspring conquering and crushing a serpent dragon (Genesis 3:15, Revelation 12). The woman is the Blessed Virgin Mary. Her offspring is Jesus Christ. The serpent dragon is the devil. As in any battle, victory comes through a weapon. This month, let us utilize this weapon to combat errors and bring more souls back to Christ.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

PRESENCE SERIES: COMING SOON!



Back by popular demand, join us this January for *Presence*. As we continue to celebrate the Year of Eucharistic Revival, this special series from FORMED explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation. More information will be made available soon.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS ED & IGNITE UPDATE

Religious Ed & Ignite are off this Sunday and next Sunday, October 16. Sessions will resume on October 23. We will have a Catechist In-Service on Sunday, October 16 in the Parish Conference Center at 11:45 pm. All Catechists and volunteers are welcome.

BECOME AN RCIA SPONSOR



We are in need of three more people to serve as sponsors for our RCIA candidates and

catechumens. A sponsor acts as a mentor to another and helps guide them on their journey to become Catholic. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please fill out a brief form at bit.ly/smrciasponsor. For questions, please contact Tony Jesse at tjesse@stmatthewtn.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY

NO LIFE TEEN THIS WEEKEND

As we end fall break this weekend, Life Teen will not meet tonight, October 9. The season will resume next Sunday, October 16 from 5-7 p.m. in the Parish Conference Center. There is still time to register for Life Teen! Visit bit.ly/smclifeteen22-23 to register.

UPCOMING LIFE TEEN DATES

As we kick off the new year of Life Teen, take a look at our upcoming events taking place this month!

LIFE TEEN SOCIAL EVENT

Sunday, October 16

BONFIRE & LIVE MUSIC

Sunday, October 23

LIFE TEEN NIGHT

Sunday, October 30

WHAT IS LIFE TEEN?

Life Teen is Saint Matthew's youth group for students in high school. During the school year (August-May), we meet most Sundays from 5-7 p.m. in the Parish Conference Center to play games and learn more about our Catholic faith. We discuss how our faith plays into our everyday lives and build true fellowship with one another.



LIFE TEEN ADVENT RETREAT

Saint Matthew Life Teen is working with several other parishes to hold a high school Advent Retreat at Gasper River in Bowling Green, KY from December 9-11. More information will be made available soon. To register, visit bit.ly/smclifeteenadventretreat.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Take a look at these upcoming youth events taking place around our diocese.

SEARCH RETREATS

Various dates in 2022-23

Registration for the 2022-2023 SEARCH season is now open at soundscatholic.com! Save the dates: SEARCH 374: Nov 11-13 | SEARCH 375: Dec 2-4.

WORLD YOUTH DAY

July 28-August 8, 2023

The Diocese of Nashville is going to World Youth Day in 2023! All youth of the diocese ages 16 and up are invited to attend. For more information on WYD, visit soundscatholic.com/world-youth-day.

PURIFIED

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

Renowned Catholic speaker of the Chastity Project, Jason Evert, will lead "PURIFIED" at St. Philip Catholic Church on November 30 from 7-9 p.m. Register at www.chastity.com/purified.

YOUTH 2000

February 24-26, 2023

Youth 2000 will be held at St. Philip Catholic Church. More information to come.



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Want to learn about the faith? Visit
<http://bit.ly/SMCFaithFormationInterestForm>



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