

Family and the Gospel: John 1:35-42
Jesus’ question in today’s gospel is still valid today: “What are you looking for?” What do you want from your spouse, children or parents? Families are populated with imperfect people. To expect perfection is unreal. To expect and accept imperfection is wisdom.

Please Note: The annual Parish spaghetti dinner normally held in February has been cancelled this year due to Covid concerns.

Saint Matthew School News – Catholic Schools Week will be January 31st to February 5th. Plans are for the week to begin with a school Mass on Sunday, January 31st at 10:30 am. More information will be forthcoming about the week’s events.

On **February 13th** St. Matthew School will be holding their first online auction. Donations are being accepted and can be dropped off in the school office. Items to consider donating include homemade furniture, quilts, crafts, etc. You may also make a monetary donation that we can put towards gift certificates, tickets to events, golf passes, etc. Please contact Rebecca Burkholder, Alison Narehood, or the school office with any questions.

Scrip Purchases can be made after weekend masses or by contacting Alison Narehood by phone at 684-4121 or stmatthewschoolscrip@gmail.com There are a variety of vendors available.

Please remember that our parish uses the monthly “**yellow envelope**” to collect our Catholic Ministries Drive (CMD) donations. The 2021 collection drive is underway with the final parish goal being determined by the Diocese in February. In 2020 our parish donated 90% toward our annual goal. Please consider assisting in this drive to assist the various ministries of our Diocese.

FYI: Anyone interested in submitting information in the weekly bulletin, the deadline for submission will be **Thursday mornings by 10:00 AM.**

Rosary Making Any parishioner interested in making rosaries is asked to contact Donna Cunningham at 814-632-5199. Plans are for a group to meet after Daily Mass at 8:30 am but the day will be dependent on the volunteers.

Update on Mass Scheduling for 2020 and 2021 There will be no new Mass intentions accepted for the remaining of 2020 and at least until July 2021. However, Mass intentions will be accepted for recently deceased family members and friends.

Christmas collection for 2020 totaled \$10,134.00. Thank you for your generosity!

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CULTIVATING QUIET



"They saw where he was staying and they stayed with him."

John 1: 35-42

**THOUGHTS ON STEWARDSHIP
AS A WAY OF LIFE**

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’”

John 1: 38

What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or, is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God? Take time, each day, in silence and ask the Lord what it is that He wants you to do.

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Elementary Classes: (Grades K-8): Sunday mornings
9:00 am to 10:15 am (weekly during the school year)

High School: (Grades 9-11): Sunday: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
(twice a month during the school year)

RCIA: Susan Burkholder (814) 684-0352
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Saint Matthew Catholic School
“serving our community since 1869”
Principal: Mr. Terry DeCarbo
Principal’s email: tdecarbo@stmatthew-school.org
School Phone: (814) 684-3510
School web-site: www.stmatthew-school.org

We welcome all visitors. If you live in the area, please call the Parish Office to register and become an active member of our parish family.



January 17, 2021
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday at 5:30 PM
Sunday at 10:30 AM
Weekday Mass Schedule:
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 8:00 AM
Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule:
- at 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday at 6:30 pm or anytime upon request.

*Please remember if these times do not allow you to attend mass you can do so at **Saint Joseph Church** in Bellwood either on **Saturday at 4:00 PM** or **Sunday at 9:00 AM** and also on **Monday at 8:00 AM** and **Tuesday at 6:00 PM** and **the Sacrament of Reconciliation** is celebrated on Saturday at 3:30 PM.*

Mass Schedule & Intentions:
January 16 - 24, 2021

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| Sat. | 5:30 pm | Richard Searer – Margaret Baker Jozef Kovacik - Martha Russell |
| Sun. | 10:30 am | For the People – by the Pastor |
| Mon. | 8:00 am | Mass at Saint Joseph Church, Bellwood |
| Tues. | 6:00 pm | Mass at Saint Joseph Church, Bellwood |
| Wed. | 9:00 am | John J. Gurekovich – JR Bertha and John Yenter, Jr - Estate |
| Thurs. | 8:00 am | Jim Delozier – Surgical/Endoscopy Cntr Tony Hample – Connie Geraci |
| Fri. | 8:00 am | Mary Welsh - CDA Marie Zanghi – Estate |
| Sat. | 5:30 pm | William & Hulda Engelman - Estate Christine Tennis – Mary Margaret Zang |
| Sun. | 10:30 am | For the People - by the Pastor |

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Lector – Weekdays – D Cunningham

Lectors – January 23 & 24

Sat. 5:30 pm D Strayer, K Pearasn, J Ieraci

Sun. 10:30 am H Quinn, D Parker, R Parker

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist – Jan. 23 & 24

Sat. 5:30 pm † M Raffetto, K Raffetto, L Morrison

Sun. 10:30 am † D Castagnola, R Long, S Ronan

† Indicates Eucharistic minister that will be responsible for going to the tabernacle and also to the choir loft.

Music Ministers – Jan 23 & 24

Sat. 5:30 pm Richard/Ella

Sun. 10:30 am Tammy/Nathan

Song sheets will be provided at each Mass

Activities for the Week of Jan 18 – 24

Mon. 6:00 pm No School

Wed. 9:00 am SMS School Mass

3:30 pm Rosary

Thur. 6:30 pm Bingo (H)

Sun 9:00 am R/E Virtual

Financial Report – January 10, 2021

Regular Weekly (Sunday) Collection \$6,557 \$32 (children)

Weekly (Sunday) Collection Goal \$5,800

Beginning July 1, 2020 and Ending June 30, 2021

Year to date Sunday Collection Income \$ 132,292

Year to date Sunday Collection Goal \$ 162,400

Yearly Collection Goal for Sundays \$ 301,600

Year to date Bingo Net Income (2021) \$ 0

Catholic School Second Collection \$ 13

Catholic School Envelopes \$ 23

Religious Education Envelopes \$ 0

Good Samaritan \$ 130

2021 Catholic Ministries Drive TARGET \$ 39,280

CMD Donations for 2021 \$ 755

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!

Please remember that out of love, respect, safety and well-being of others masks must be worn at Mass.

Holy Communion will be distributed AFTER Mass in the Gathering Space on Saturdays at 6:45 PM and on Sundays at 11:45 AM for those who do not attend Mass in person. You are also invited to the celebration of Mass on weekdays especially if you cannot attend on Sunday.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR ILL AND HOMEBOUND

Elizabeth Adler, Sandy Ashcroft, Margaret Baker, Ann Beachem, Shirley Beam, Clinton Bisenger, Matt Bland, Melissa & Curt Braun, Larry Brisbin, Jaxon Brown, Michael Brown, Charles Cannistraci, Sara Castagnola, Colleen Cecere, Edwin Coltabaugh, George Damico, Ryan DelBaggio, Rocco DelBaggio, Patricia Devincenzo, Stone Harrison DeVore, Sharon Dick, Gail Dietze, Helen Domenick, C.C.W. Sisters: Linda LaMagna, Karen Duddy, & Jane Miller, Sue Evans, Margaret Fink, Catherine Garland, Perry Glace, Bob Grimarm, Beverly Gross, Dan Hahn, Sharon Hahn, Earl Harris, Dorothy & Jim Heaton, Deborah Heaton, John Herist, Peggy Hickman, Kathy Hillard, Shirley Hosband, Rob Hughes, Bill Hunter, Joe Ieraci, Peg Irvin, Kitty Johnston, Corrine Jones, Alexis Kensinger, Connie Kollar, Mary Jane Korman, John Lewis, Jerry Lynn Jr., Bob Macie, Mel MacMillin, Carter MacMillin, Shawn Marie, Suzan Martindale, Toni Martinez, Colette McCaffrey, Ellen McGee, Mike & Sue McKean, Erik McMulloch, Michael McNelis, Donald Miller, Frank & Pam Moore, Donna Miller, Sarah Miller, Thomas Miller, Tracy Miller, Helen Molnar, Robert Molnar, Joyce Moyer, Ailani Myers, Joseph Narehood, Alberta Naylor, Denise Neil, Patty Norris, Adam Perry, LeeAnn Spangler Price, Glace Rider, Halee Ridgeway, Gary Ritchey, Joel Rivera, Amy Rizzo, John Romano, Leonard Romano, Lucille Romano, Mae Romano, Eddie Sharer, Harry Sickler, Timothy Smith, Joe Snyder, Jerry Spangler, Glenn Stevens, Evelyn Stever, Rick Stever, Marlene Stimer, Mike Stack, Chris Stoner, Molly Sturniolo, Brenda Sweitzer, Brian Teagarden, Evelyn Toney, Dale VanHorne, Ethan Vila, Mary Ward, Linda Webb, Stephanie Wage, Frank White, Bob White, Sam Whitesill, Kimberly Hovis-Williams, Liam Wirtner, Crystal Wright, Cheryl Wunsch, Ann Yaniello

As a family of believers we pray for all who are suffering but especially our sick & homebound friends and family members. The names of recently added are in italics and underlined.

Please notify the parish office if a name can be removed.

† **Plenary Indulgence:** Bishop Mark has stated that those impacted during this time are eligible to receive a Plenary Indulgence, which, according to the Catechism, removes the temporal punishment due to sin. The conditions for the Plenary Indulgence include watching a televised Mass, praying the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross or other devotions, or at least reciting the Creed, the Lord’s Prayer, and a pious invocation to the Blessed Mother, offering this trial in a spirit of faith in God and Charity towards one’s brothers and sisters. There must be a true commitment to fulfilling the sacramental obligations of Reconciliation and Eucharist as soon as possible.

All are reminded that the Christian faithful are **not** obliged to participate at Mass on Sunday due to the circumstance of the Coronavirus pandemic. This remains in effect until further notice.

Stewardship Reflections: Imagine Jesus asking you, “What are you looking for?” We might respond with answers like a better job, more kids, retirement, or any number of things what we think will make our lives better. The things we seek may be righteous, but as disciples of Christ, we should first and foremost seek the Kingdom of God. The story of Jesus’ first disciples concludes with Andrew intentionally sharing the gift of meeting the Lord and did not hoard it to himself. Instead he sought his brother and proclaimed what he had experienced, which serves as a reminder to us

Our calling is to be missionary disciples – to seek the Lord and share what we have found. Our faith is a gift? The first role of a steward of the Good News is to share it with others. Let us begin Ordinary time in the Year of Grace 2021 with this in mind. May we respond as Samuel did, **“Here am I, Lord; I come to do Your will!”**

ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE sponsored by the Knight of Columbus has been cancelled due to pandemic concerns. The faithful are encouraged to pray as a family or individually for an end to abortion. Let us take a stand to respect all life “from womb to tomb”.

Music Ministry: On behalf of the parish Music Ministry, I would like to thank all of our parishioners that attend in-person Mass for your continued participation. Each week, we are able to hear the congregational singing – even through masks! – and it is certainly a welcomed sound! I would also like to personally thank the anonymous parishioners who have been so generous over the last few months with various cards and gifts. As musicians, we are happy to continue to serve the parish in this manner and are grateful for the opportunity. When we are able to return to a more normal time, we look forward to welcoming back our music ministers who have been unable to be with us in person and will hopefully introduce some newcomers as well. ~ Leslie Estep

Attached to this week’s bulletin is the **Plenary Indulgences Available for the Year of Saint Joseph** in 2021 declared by Pope Francis. The indulgence is from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. Please include this in your prayer devotional for this year.

2020 Contribution Statements: For Tax year 2020, parishioners are able to access their Contribution Statements online. **Directions for Accessing your Contribution Statements:**

1. An email will be sent to you on Monday, January 18, 2021, that will give you the link needed to access your account. This email will be from a no-reply email address. It will say in the subject line that it is from St. Matthew’s Church. If you do not get an email or you do not have access to the internet, please call (684-1480) or email the church office at stmatthewtyrone@gmail.com with your name, envelope number, and a corrected/preferred email.
2. Open the email and inside their will be a blue hyperlink on the words “Manage My Family”. Click in the hyperlink and it will redirect you to the site, where it will request that you create a password.
3. After you create a password, it will log you into your account. Now, you can access your giving history and your personal information. On this site, you can check that your giving is accurate and update personal information such as address or phone numbers.
4. To access your Contribution Statement, click on “Giving History”
5. In “Giving History”, click on the “Detail” section. This will pull up all of your family members.
6. Click on the Head of Household’s name (The person who the envelopes are sent to). You should be able to see your giving for the current year.
7. To see last year’s contribution statement, click on the date range and choose “Last Year”.
8. Then click on the “View and Print Statement” button. Your statement should open in a separate tab for you to view and print.