

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

August 16, 2020
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. Mt 15:28



Parish Center Office (Oficina)

(Behind school/atrás de la escuela)
221 S 28th Avenue - 715-842-3148
* Call Parish Center Before Coming.

www.stmatthewausau.org

YouTube:

"St. Matthew Wausau"

Facebook:

"St Matthew Catholic Church"

Online Donations to St Matthew Parish:

www.stmatthewausau.org/donations

Emailed Bulletins:

www.parishesonline.com

Diocese of La Crosse: www.dioc.org

Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Weekends: Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am
Español-Spanish: 12:00 noon

***Bishop Callahan continues to dispense the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.**

Sunday Mass can be viewed on our website any time after 4 pm Saturday and all day Sunday.

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday: 8 am
***Weekday Masses will continue to be live-streamed on YouTube at 8 am.**

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday: 9 am - 5 pm
Benediction at 4:50 pm

Guidelines for Attending Sunday Mass

Sign Up Not Required for Attending Mass

- We welcome you to attend Mass. Accommodations for social distancing will be made if attendance is greater than 120 individuals (25% occupancy standard), which we haven't exceeded.
- Please wear a face mask while attending Mass due to government mandates. Please bring your own face mask (some face masks & hand sanitizers are available at entrances).
- Please come 10 minutes early, so ushers can seat everyone before Mass begins.



God Guides Us Through the Holy Angels

By Ann and Carol Lankford



This is the fifth in a series that examines the ways in which God guides us, with our focus here on the holy angels. In our culture, we tend to think of angels usually as small, ornamental cherubs, whereas in reality, they are powerful, brilliant beings. Based upon numerous historical events in the Bible and our Catholic Tradition handed down from the Apostles, the Church teaches that we are surrounded by the watchful care and intercession of angels. Angels glorify God without ceasing and serve His saving plans uniquely in providing guardianship and guidance for each person.

Angels are spiritual beings; they are persons, but without bodies. Angels are servants and messengers of God. "Beside each believer stands a guardian angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life." (Catechism of the Catholic Church— hereafter CCC, paragraph 336.) God desires nothing more than that we receive His boundless love and be saved by Him. Angels have served and continue to serve this accomplishment of God's plan, aiding us in our journey - to guide and keep us on track.

Here is one example from the New Testament: "On the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to the tomb. There was a violent earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and rolled back the stone. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. For fear of him, the guards trembled and became like dead men. The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; for He has risen, just as He said. Come, see the place where He lay. Go quickly and tell His disciples: He has risen from the dead and is going before you to Galilee. There you will see Him'" (Mat. 28:1 -7).

It is helpful to understand that there are good angels and bad angels and how this came to be. "The Church teaches that Satan was at first a good angel, made by God: The devil and the other demons were created naturally good by God, but they became evil by their own doing," by freely choosing, with clear and full understanding, to reject God. Satan and the fallen angels are creatures, powerful from the fact that they are pure spirits, but still creatures," subject to the Creator God (CCC 391, 395).The fallen angels seek to mislead us; they accuse us, they lie to us and tempt us to reject and hate God in an effort to draw us away from Jesus and His desire for our destiny with Him forever. With the help of God's grace and through the guidance and assistance He provides us through His holy angels, we are strengthened to engage in this continuous battle for our souls.

A good way to keep an awareness of the reality of the presence of our Guardian Angel is to pray the "Angel of God" prayer often. We can ask for light that allows us to see God's good way (rather than darkness); to be guarded (rather than being left defenseless); to be ruled by being in line with the Word of God (rather than wandering aimlessly); and to be guided with specific directions for personal circumstances.

We will know that we are following the direction of good angels because their guidance will always be in sync with God's Word in the Scriptures and teachings of the Church and will bring peace, joy and the confirmation of other faithful Christians. We see this through a true story of a healing experience of Brother Andrew, a Dutchman who spent much of his life smuggling Bibles behind the Iron Curtain. Despite all the good he had done, Brother Andrew couldn't shake the shame he felt for his part in having been among the Dutch soldiers sent to fight the people of Indonesia. It took an encounter with an angel to free him from that burden. To read the complete story and another true story regarding the guidance of angels, go to www.diolc.org/inserts. What an incredible gift it is that throughout the span of our lives, we have the watchful care and intercession of angels. Let us be open to receiving the guidance of these angels whom God has assigned to us!

Guardian Angel Prayer

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits me here,
ever this day be at my side,
to light and guard, to rule and guide.
Amen



Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep

Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray thee, Lord, my soul to keep;
If I should die before I wake,
I pray thee, Lord, my soul to take.
If I should live for other days,
I pray thee, Lord, to guide my ways.
Amen.



"Make friends with the angels,
who though invisible
are always with you.
Often invoke them, constantly
praise them, and make good
use of their help and
assistance in all your temporal
and spiritual affairs."

Saint Francis de Sales

Prayer to One's Guardian Angel

Dear Angel, in His goodness God gave you to me to guide, protect, and enlighten me, and to bring me back to the right way when I go astray.

Encourage me when I am disheartened, and instruct me when I err in judgment.

Help me to become more Christlike, and so some day to be accepted into the company of Angels and Saints in heaven. Amen



Live-Streamed/Prerecorded Sunday & Daily Mass
La Crosse Diocese Live-Stream Schedule:

diolc.org/live & diolc.org/tvmass; diocesan YouTube channel, Facebook, and Wausau TV channels (Ch):



- Cable & Satellite: Ch 12 at 6:30 am Sunday
 Public Access: Ch 980 at 6 pm Sat & 9 am Sunday
- **Monday-Saturday English Mass: 8:00 am**
 - **Monday-Saturday Spanish Mass: 8:30 am**
 - **Sunday English Mass: 9:30 am**
 - **Sunday Spanish Mass: 10:30 am**

EWTN: www.ewtn.com/tv/watch-live; EWTN App; YouTube Channel, & TV Sunday and daily Masses broadcast at 7 am, 11 am, 6 pm & 11 pm
Relevant Radio: www.relevantradio.com and on Relevant Radio App
 Live-streamed Sunday and daily Masses: 12 noon Sunday - Saturday.
 Previous Masses available 30 minutes after live broadcast in their archive.

Celebration of Sacraments

Confession

Saturday: 11:00 am - 12 noon or by Appointment

Baptism

A Baptism Preparation Class must be attended by the parents and the Godparents are encouraged to attend. You must register one week before the class by calling the Parish Center at 715-842-3148.



Next Baptism Class: Monday, September 14: 6:30 pm-Parish Center Patio Rm

Bautismo

Para Bautismos los padres y padrinos deben tomar una clase de preparación. Generalmente las clases son el primer martes de cada mes a las 6:30 pm en el centro parroquial. Para mayor informes y registrarse para la clase llame a Joy al 715-842-3148.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with Fr Bob.

Anointing of the Sick

Call Dorothy at 715-432-5519 to make arrangements for:

- ▣ Anointing of the Sick - available when you are seriously ill or before a scheduled surgery.
- ▣ Visits to the Homebound - visits to your home, assisted living facility, or nursing home.

Hospital Visits - Let the hospital know when you are admitted that you would like to have Fr Bob or Fr Juan Pedro visit you.

In Need of Prayer? - Our prayer group is always ready to pray for you when you need extra prayer. Call Bonnie at 715-675-9876.

* You may also call the Parish Center at 715-842-3148



Voting as a Christian
 Faithful Citizenship

As the November election approaches, it is important to understand not only candidates and parties, but also the contrasting worldviews that underlie much of our

politics: core beliefs about God, the human person, and the meaning and direction of our lives. For a reflection on this vital topic, visit: www.diolc.org/faithful-citizenship, where you will find many other resources as well.



Ask Congress to Include Non-Public Schools as Recipients of Emergency Aid.

Several U.S. Bishops co-signed an Aug 5 letter to congressional leaders, which reads in part: "As you consider additional aid to help Americans through the [pandemic] crisis, we implore you to ensure that the education needs of all children are met, including children in Catholic and other nonpublic schools... The most effective way to help struggling families stay attached to their schools is to fund emergency tuition scholarships for low-income families to use at Catholic or other non-public schools." The Bishops ask the faithful to urge their U.S. Senators and Representatives to support this emergency assistance. For the contact

information for Wisconsin Senators Ron Johnson and Tammy Baldwin and your U.S. Representative, visit www.govtrack.us



Magic Paper Box at St Matthew Parish

Don't forget to put your paper recyclables in the "Magic Paper Box" container behind the school (southeast side). Money earned from recycling paper helps to pay the loan for the Angelorum! Thank you for helping your Parish!



Support St Mathew Parish when you shop on Amazon by:

- ☺ Going to: www.smile.amazon.com (instead of: www.amazon.com) and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to St Matthew Parish! AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.
- ☺ When first visiting AmazonSmile, you will be prompted to select a charitable organization. **Select "St. Matthew Parish - Wausau WI"**
- ☺ Thank you for supporting St Matthew Parish when you shop "AmazonSmile"!



Scrip Gift Cards are Still Available to Buy at St Matthew Parish Center!!!



Call the Parish Center at 715-842-3148

or Stop by Monday-Thursday 8 am - 4 pm

Shop with Scrip Gift Cards in everyday categories including groceries, gas, restaurants and more. Over 100 Wausau Area Businesses have Scrip Gift Cards available for purchase.

Buy cards for you and your family for everyday purchases and **don't forget they make perfect gifts for that hard to buy for person!**

Help support St Matthew Parish without spending extra money by using Scrip when you shop. When you buy a \$25 Texas Roadhouse Scrip Gift Card you get \$25 to spend at Texas Roadhouse Restaurant and the Texas Roadhouse gives St Matthew Parish a 15% **rebate. It's a win-win situation.** You get to eat good food and St Matthew Parish receives a rebate! (Rebate percentages vary from 1.5% to 25% depending on the business. If you buy Scrip directly online that you choose St Matthew Parish as the beneficiary.)

How to Order Scrip Gift Cards

1. St Matthew Parish Center: Call 715-842-3148 to order Scrip. To get Scrip by Thursday, call in your order by 9 am Monday. *No transaction fees when you pay St Matthew Parish directly!*
2. Newman Catholic Schools Scrip Office - Online Only: Call: 715-849-7713 Email: scrip@newmancatholicschools.com
 If you pay with a credit card there is a 2.6% fee per transaction, or to order online you will need to set up a PrestoPay account.

Summer Scrip Hours: Monday and Thursday: 9 am - 4 pm



This Week at Saint Matthew

Tuesday, August 18

Buildings & Grounds Meeting - Parish Center Patio Room: 7 pm

Parish Staff (715-842-3148)

Pastor: Rev. Robert C. Thorn
 Associate Pastor: Rev. Juan Pedro Roblez-Baltazar
 Deacon: Rev. Mr. Tom Tierney
 Pastoral Care: Dorothy Giallombardo
 Secretary: Ann Graveen

Finance Secretary: Barb Splinter
 Plant Manager: Jason Seliger
 DRE & Hispanic RE: Joy Orozco
 Bulletin Editor: Rosemary Beever
Bulletin Deadline - 3 pm Monday:
 rosemarybulletin@stmatthewwausau.org



Fr. Peter's contact information at his new assignment:

Mailing address:

St. Mary's Parish
 1812 Lynn Avenue
 Altoona, WI 54720

E-mail: peter.kieffer23@gmail.com

August 20, 2020

2:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Knights for Life - Blood Drive

The *Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council* serving St Mark, St Agnes and St Therese Parishes is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Thursday, August 20th starting at 2:30 pm at St Agnes Parish Abts Hall.

The Blood Bank levels are low and they are in need of blood for our community. We are asking families and friends to help support this effort by donating blood to give life to those in need. You can go to the **website of the "Blood Central of Northcentral Wisconsin"** for more information regarding donating blood.

<https://www.bcnwi.org/>



Sharing God's Blessings

Thank You for Your Continued Support!

Minimum Budgeted Amount Needed Weekly.....\$9,612.00

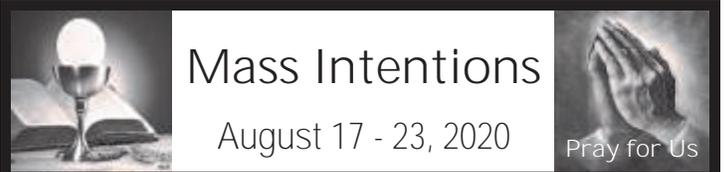
Sunday Collection.....To Be Announced

SCRIP.....To Be Announced

Calendar Raffle Winner: August 10 - Irene Nowak (#535)

Parish Contributions: Our weekly offertory collection provides the necessary funds to meet our financial obligations - staff payroll, insurance payments, utility bills, building maintenance, etc. While public Masses are limited at this time, our daily work of parish and pastoral ministry will continue on. Please consider sending your weekly donations by:

- Mail (St Matthew Parish, 221 S 28th Ave, Wausau, WI 54401)
- Monthly Electronic Funds Transfer from your bank (to set up, contact Barb at: 715-842-3148 or email: barbsr@stmatthewwausau.org).
- Bill Pay through your Bank (contact your bank to set up).
- Online Giving: (via credit card or direct debit)
 - www.stmatthewwausau.org/donations (one-time donations)
 - www.stmatthewwausau.org/payments (recurring donations available)



Mass Intentions

August 17 - 23, 2020

Pray for Us

Monday 8:00 am - †Don Southworth

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Thursday 8:00 am - †Rick Henrichs

Friday 8:00 am - †Sandy Kreger

Saturday 8:00 am - †Poor Souls in Purgatory

4:30 pm - †Michael "Mike" Lach

Sunday 8:00 am - †Rick Henrichs

10:00 am - †Jerry and †Charlene Nowak

12 noon - Priest's Intention

Scripture Readings

Monday, August 17

Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-21/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 18

Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35-36/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 19 - Saint John Eudes, Priest

Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 20 - Saint Bernard, Abbot/Doctor of Church

Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51/Mt 22:1-14

Friday, August 21 - Saint Pius X, Pope

Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 22 - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ez 43:1-7/Ps 85/Mt 23:1-12

Sunday, August 23 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23/Ps 138/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20



Would You Like to be Visited While in the Hospital?



If you would like Father to visit you or a family member when admitted to the hospital, please call the Parish Center (715-842-3148) or Dorothy (715-432-5519).

Also, notify the hospital to put you on the St Matthew parishioner list. It is important to notify St Matthew Parish when you are in the hospital, as we cannot guarantee the hospital will always notify us. Currently, Father is able to visit those in the hospital but not in nursing homes.

Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday August 22 4:30 pm	Sunday August 23 8:00 am	Sunday August 23 10:00 am
Lectors		
Micheline Beattie	Bernie Dohr	Lee Peek
Musicians		
Lynn Meyer Nancy Losinski	Bill Dohr Annette Southworth	Jim Washebek Sara Schmitt



Sacrament of Matrimony



August 8, 2020

Benjamin Nichols
and
Ashley Bender

Congratulations
and God's Blessings
on your Marriage!

*He will wipe every tear from their eyes,
and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain...Rev 21:4*

Our Prayers & Sympathy go to the Family & Friends of:



Deacon Garry Lee Jolliffe
He died July 28, 2020
He is the Husband of Emma
(He served as Deacon at St Matthew Parish)

Marge Rosnostik
She died August 5, 2020
She is the Sister of Jack (Mary Ann) Neuens

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen*

PARISH PICNIC!

St Matthew
Parish Family Picnic
originally scheduled for
August 16th
has been cancelled.

We look forward to a great
Parish Family Picnic in 2021!
Stay well!

Men's Club Picnic

Has Been Canceled
on Thursday, August 27th

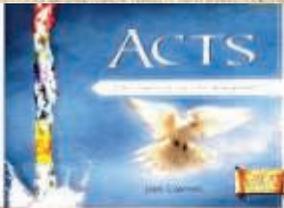


HOPE
LIFE CENTER

HOPE Life Center's Operation Baby Bottle

Please pick up a baby bottle in the Angelorum
and fill it with your coins, cash, or checks.

Return your filled baby bottle to the Angelorum on the weekend
of August 29th & 30th. [Thank you for your support!](#)



Coming this September to St. Matthew

20 week Bible Study-Acts by Jeff Cavins

The Compelling Story of the First Christians

Acts is the story of how a few Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. They faced secular forces, internal strife, and hostile crowds, and despite all of this, they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men.

The Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom study program traces how the Gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today. The 20-session *Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom* study program will help you to see your place in the Church as a disciple of Christ.

Good Fellowship, Discussion, Growth in Faith

Class starts: Tuesday, September 8th

Select a time that fits your schedule:

10:30 am or 6:30 pm, Tuesdays

RSVP: by August 23rd so we may order the Acts workbooks.

Call Janet at 715-575-4264

Group facilitator is Lyonel Wisnewski

Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement
Witnesses for Christ Virtual Conference
Saturday, August 29th: 9 am - 5 pm
Freedom from one of the greatest obstacles in life

the "cage" of
everyday discouragement we all
experience.



Live-streamed presentations by
Fr Timothy Gallagher, a world-renowned
teacher and spiritual director. For details with a downloadable brochure
and to register online, go to: www.dioc.org/witness

Cost is \$15 which includes Fr Gallagher's book shipped to your home.
Read "Facing Our Greatest Obstacle in Life" that explains why you
would want to attend this important Conference.

Are You Interested in the Catholic Faith?



A Journey of Faith

Join Our RCIA Classes
Starting at the End of September
and Grow in Understanding and Faith.

Are you someone you know
interested in becoming a member of the
Catholic Church? Would you like to
know more about the Catholic Church?
We invite you to join our RCIA classes
which will be starting at the end of

September. If you are an adult catholic who has not been confirmed
and would like to go through the confirmation program to be confirmed,
please attend the RCIA classes.

Call 715-842-3148 or talk to Fr Bob to sign up.