

# Saint Matthew Catholic Church

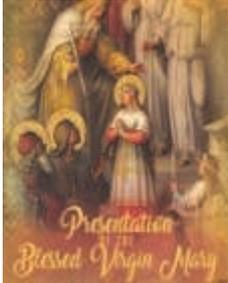
November 18, 2018

33rd Sunday  
In Ordinary Time

229 South 28th Avenue  
Wausau, WI 54401  
715-842-3148  
www.stmatthewausau.org



Feast Day - Nov 21



Thursday, Nov 22



## Mass Schedule Horario de Misas

### Weekends

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

### Weekdays

Monday: 8:00 am  
Tuesday: 12:05 pm  
Weds thru Sat: 8:00 am

### Confessions

Saturday: 11 am - 12 noon or by Appointment

### Vespers - Evening Prayer of the Church

Wednesdays - 5:00 pm

### Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Wednesdays - after 8 am Mass until 5 pm  
(Benediction at 4:50 pm)

1st Fridays - Benediction after 8 am Mass

### Rosary

Daily before Mass & Wednesdays at 4:30 pm  
Mon, Weds, Friday - with Prayer for Priests

### Baptism

The parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Class. Godparents are encouraged to attend. You must register one week before the class by calling Kris at (715) 675-6750.

Next Baptism Class: Monday, January 14th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center Patio Room.

### 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



“Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.” - Mk 13:30-32



By Ann Lankford  
Director for Catechesis and Evangelization  
Diocese of La Crosse

# Give Thanks to the Lord

As we approach Thanksgiving, we all know that we have many things for which we need to be thankful. There is one preeminent reason that stands above and before **all others. That is God's gift of Himself to us in the Person of His Son Jesus**, who is our Savior and Lord. Through Jesus not only is it possible to receive forgiveness for our sins, but our relationship with God is restored and very real and personal. Practically speaking, what does that look like? Let me share my story.

During college, I had an interesting experience of learning to be more grateful. I spent my junior year abroad, studying at an Institute in Nantes, France. My goal was to earn a degree in French in order to teach high school. Therefore, I wanted to become fluent in speaking the language.

There was another student in the program whom I got to know reasonably well. Paula loved Jesus and was intent on assisting me to realize that Jesus died on the cross for me, personally. My practice of the faith at this point included going to Mass every Sunday and praying every night in bed, even though I would usually fall asleep after 30 seconds of **"prayer time."** **My perception of faith was more about following rules and trying to do what was right and good in order to earn my way to Heaven.**

During the school week, between classes, I would enter into conversation with Paula, about various topics regarding the French people and the culture, as well as art, architecture, poetry and other classes that we were taking. Occasionally, Paula would speak about Jesus, and His incredible love for me. I would listen and think about it a bit, but really my focus was on seeing as much of Europe that was possible during that year.

While in France, I lived with a family in which the father worked for the government, so their residence was located in a government-owned building. I had a bedroom to myself that overlooked a busy traffic center that was circular with a large obelisk in the middle and many streets entering off the sides of the circle, looking like the spokes of a bicycle wheel.

I will always remember the view from my window because one morning after waking up early, I was looking out the long windows and there was a profound moment when, **through God's grace, I came to understand that Jesus died on the cross for me.** Somehow I knew that this was not just something that I figured out intellectually, but God allowed me to **"know" it in the depths of my heart. And this experience totally changed my perspective.**

What I came to understand was Catholic Christianity is not simply a set of rules, but that it is first a love story, a relationship with Jesus Christ who loves each one of us like a priceless treasure and He gave His life for each person. I can know Him and develop a friendship with Him through times of daily prayer. And most importantly, I came to realize my need for Jesus as my Savior. In dying upon the Cross, Jesus bridges the gap between God and me. I need God not just when I face a crisis, but at all times because He rescues me from sin and death. And this is true for every person.

**This life is not about "earning" my way to Heaven, because I can't earn it. God gives it to me freely through Jesus Christ.** I need the power of His grace to stay close to Him, to be faithful in daily prayer and to be strengthened to follow Him more closely.

On Thanksgiving Day and beyond, please consider taking some time to thank Jesus for dying on the cross so that your sins could be forgiven. Feel free to ask Him to allow you to **"know" this fact in the depths of your heart; to know that He died for you personally out of love.** Jesus is with you in your joys and struggles, and He can bring healing, forgiveness and deeper meaning to your life. **Don't be afraid to ask Him to show you personally that He is real and what He has done for you: Ask Him to reveal your need for Him, not just generally, but as the only way to eternal life with God in Heaven. Ask and you shall receive: Jesus loves to answer this prayer!** This is the truth that makes Thanksgiving happy.



Knights of Columbus - Never Forgotten Honor Flight  
Catholic Charities Wausau Warming Center  
6th Annual Fund Raising Dinner

Thank You! Thank You!

The Pere' Rene Menard Assembly of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights of Columbus extends a **BIG Thank You** to St. Matthew's Men's Club members who helped make our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Spare Rib & Sauerkraut Dinner a success. Thank you **Men's Club members: Mike Nichols, Brian Krause, Larry Sanders & Glen Yeager** for setting up the dining room on Saturday afternoon. It looked very nice & patriotic for Veterans Day!

Thank you to all the members (too numerous to mention without possibly forgetting someone) who came & waited tables for our guests & cleaned & reset the tables. Cleaning the Dining Room after Dinner was special and really appreciated. Your work & cooperation helped make the dinner a great success.

A special *thank you* to our two lady hostesses, Judy Pederson & Faye Brzezinski, who directed the men in their tasks & took care of the various details we forgot.

A **HUGE thank you** to our 4<sup>TH</sup> Degree member & Men's Club member Ken Teeters for being our chef in preparing the food & leading us in helping to prepare it. Thank you Ken.

Thank you to everyone who came to eat & enjoy the dinner we prepared for you. This was our best year ever!!!

Mike Jilek  
Pere' Rene Menard Assembly  
Knights of Columbus



Help Wanted

We are looking for a few parishioners to become part of the money counting team. This volunteer opportunity is every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday morning. If interested or if you have questions, please call Barb at the Parish Office 715-842-3148. Thank you!!



Please Support the Retirement Fund for Religious

Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests need your help. All of us, in some way or another, have benefitted from their many years of service in Catholic schools, hospitals, and parishes. Your gift to the national *Retirement Fund for Religious* provides funding for medication, nursing care, and more. The collection for this campaign will be at Holy Mass the weekend of December 8-9. Thank you for your support! *Roughly 94 percent of donations to the fund directly aid senior religious and their communities.*



Catholic Women's Club

The Catholic Women's Club will meet on  
Monday, December 3rd at 12 noon  
at Mountain Edge Restaurant  
(Formerly Best Western) in Rib Mountain

Program: Christmas Songs      Presenter: Peter Karpinsk

\*Please bring items for Warming Center.

Please call Peggy: 715-842-2845 OR Kathy: 715-842-7200 for Reservations.  
Dues: \$10.00    Meal: \$13.00



Two Marches for Life – Washington, D.C. or Chicago

There are two excellent opportunities to march for life once again this year.

The Pilgrimage for Life to Washington, D.C., sponsored by the Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, runs January 16-20, 2019. Visit [www.dioc.org/yja](http://www.dioc.org/yja) and click on "**Pilgrimage for Life**" to sign up.

The March for Life Chicago is one day only, January 13, and you can sign up by visiting [www.prolifewi.org](http://www.prolifewi.org) and scrolling down to the link.

Both pro-life marches have buses leaving from locations around our diocese.



Circle of Joy - Thanksgiving Baskets



The CIRCLES OF JOY will be assembling Thanksgiving Baskets for needy/struggling households in Marathon County on Monday, Nov 19th. PLEASE, if you or someone you know would appreciate one, please call 211; you will be referred to the chapter nearest your home.

Regarding Donations: Please check the expiration Dates on Food Items as we cannot give out expired food. Cash donations are most welcome. EVERY donation is tax deductible. Please make checks out to "Wausau West Side Circle of Joy"; drop into offertory collection basket or the blue buckets set out on *Share Sunday*. Call with any questions @ 715-848-4177 or 715-359-8678. THANK YOU for helping us serve those most in need, especially those with children.

"WE ARE THE HANDS OF YOUR CHARITABLE HEARTS".



Diaconate Discernment Retreat February 1-2, 2019

Are you a man at least 35 years of age who feels a yearning to give yourself more radically to the service of God and the Church? Can you see yourself preaching the Gospel, serving those in need, and assisting at the altar? Are you perhaps called to be a deacon? Talk to your pastor about attending the

**Diaconate Discernment Retreat to be held at St. Anthony's Spirituality Center** February 1-2, 2019, and then call the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at 608-791-0161. A new deacon formation class will begin in the fall of 2019 and attendance at the Discernment Retreat is a prerequisite. For more on the diaconate and the discernment retreat, visit [www.dioc.org/diaconate](http://www.dioc.org/diaconate)



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Additional Events

- ❑ Sat, Dec 8: 11 am - 2 pm - "**St Agnes Sweet Shoppe**" - St Agnes Abts Hall (6101 Zinser St, Weston)
- ❑ Every Sunday: 7:15 pm - "**Young Adult Catholic Bible Study**" Biggy Coffee (320 E Bridge Street, Wausau) For those in late teens, 20's, 30's.
- ❑ Every Monday: 7 pm - "**Wausau Area Catholic Young Adult Group**" St Mary's Oratory Basement (325 Grand Ave, Wausau) Info: 715-216-3879



Save the Date "Come and Belong"

"See what love the Father has bestowed on us, that we may be called children of God." -1 John 3:1

Join 5000 teens from around the USA to celebrate our Catholic faith with a weekend of music, speakers & fellowship.

This conference is open to all teens who will have completed 8th grade by the date of the conference.

Early Bird Cost \$275. Fundraising is available.

Includes: Conference, hotel, transportation & most meals.

Contact Noel at 715-842-4543 to find out more about this amazing event!

Go to: [www.steubenvilleconferences.com/events/nroch/](http://www.steubenvilleconferences.com/events/nroch/)  
to see what this year's conference will be all about!



## This Week at Saint Matthew

Monday, November 19

Circle of Joy Assembling Thanksgiving Baskets in Patio Room

Tuesday, November 20

Bible Timeline - **Church, Emily's Room: 10:30 am** - 12 noon

Bible & Sacraments Scripture Class - PC Library: 1-2:30 pm & 6:30-8:00 pm

Wednesday, November 21

**NO "That Man Is You"** - Hunting Season!!!

Bible Timeline - Parish Center Patio Room: 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Peacemaker Quilters - Parish Center Patio Room: 1 pm

**NO Children's Christmas Choir Practice**

NO Religious Education Class

Thursday, November 22 - Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Parish Office Closed

NO Jubilee House Free Community Meal

Friday, November 23

Parish Office Closed



Diocesan Annual Appeal 2018-2019

Target: \$72,652

Are you looking for your misplaced/lost Diocesan Annual Appeal pledge card? No problem! Look no further! Call Ann, at the parish office at: 715-842-3148 and she will be more than happy to either send you a new card or take your information over the phone. All of our parishioners need to be counted in order for us to reach our target. Please pledge whatever amount you are able and it will be appreciated. Thank you!

### Celebration of Sacraments

Marriage - Arrangements must be made six (6) months in advance with Fr Bob.

Anointing of the Sick - Call Dorothy at 715-432-5519 to make arrangements to be anointed when you are seriously ill or before a scheduled surgery.

Hospital Visits - When admitted to the hospital, let the hospital know you would like to have Fr Bob or Fr Peter visit you.

Visits to the Homebound - Call Dorothy at 715-432-5519 to arrange for visits to your home, assisted living facility, or nursing home.

Intercessory Prayer - Call Bonnie at 715-675-9876 when you need extra prayer. Our prayer group is always ready to pray for you!

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

### Office (Oficina) "Parish Center" - 221 S. 28th Avenue

Behind the school - atrás de la escuela.

Hours/Horas:

Monday - Thursday: 8 am - 4 pm

Friday: 8 am - 12 noon

Phone: 715-842-3148

#### Parish Staff

Pastor - Rev. Robert Thorn  
Associate Pastor - Rev. Peter Kieffer  
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  
rosemarybr@stmatthewausau.org  
Deadline Next Bulletin: 3 pm Monday



*Thank you for generously supporting  
Saint Matthew Parish!*

Minimum budgeted amount needed weekly.....\$9,612.00

Stewardship last weekend.....\$7,271.75



## Mass Intentions

November 19 - 25, 2018

Mon 8:00 am - †**Jenny Hack**  
Tues 12:05 pm - †**John Bauer**  
Weds 8:00 am - †**Jane Rose Gahnz** (Ladies Council)  
Thurs 8:00 am - †**Mary Jo Borowczyk**  
Fri 8:00 am - Health of Joanna Boornazian  
Sat 8:00 am - †**Frank & †Agnes Bembenek**  
4:30 pm - †**Michael "Mike" Lach**  
Sun 8:00 am - **Living & †Deceased St. Matthew Parishioners**  
10:00 am - †**Sylvester & †Helen Gajewski**  
12 noon - †**Cipriano Pintor**

### This Week's Scripture Readings

Monday, November 19

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 20

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 21 - Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, Nov 22 - St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr; Thanksgiving Day

Sir 50:22-24/Ps 113/1 Cor 1:3-9/Lk 17:11-19

Friday, Nov 23 - St Clement I, Pope/Martyr; St Columban, Abbot;

Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119/Lk 19:45-48 Bl Miguel Agustín Pro, Priest/Martyr

Saturday, Nov 24 - St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs

Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144/Lk 20:27-40

Sunday, November 25 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33-37



### Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday November 24 4:30 pm	Sunday November 25 8:00 am	Sunday November 25 10:00 am
<b>Lectors</b>		
Mary Holm Jeanne Alexejun	Patty Thomson Bernie Dohr	Lynn Meyer
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>		
J Alexejun L Lach N Felty M Holm M Bourguignon D BAXTER* M BEATTIE*	A Seubert K Stencil J Zernicke B Dohr J Pritzl W THOMSON* P THOMSON*	K Miilu MA Neuens M Nichols P Sliwicki K Sliwicki L SANDERS* T BRZEZINSKI
<b>Ushers and Greeters</b>		
Dave Burish Marie Burish Mike Baxter	Dave Mosure Joy Mosure Pat Ruesch	R Krueger K Malovrh Don Kohnhorst
<b>Servers</b>		
Bobbi Jo Zimick Alexis Barber	M Mosure J Fech	C Bergo A Malbone
<b>Musicians</b>		
Nancy Losinski Cindy Blair	Annette Southworth Bernie Riehle	Nancy Losinski Gordon Crow
<b>Children's Liturgy of the Word</b>		Jeannie Henaman



## Sacrament of Baptism

Dominic Perez  
Son of Uziel and Roselba

Was baptized on Monday, November 5th  
Welcome Into Our Catholic Faith Community!  
May Jesus be your dearest companion!  
Congratulations!

*"I baptize you  
in the name of the  
Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit."*

2018 Prayers and Condolences

Our prayers and sympathy go to the family and friends of:

Verdelma Broderick  
She died on November 2nd  
She is the Aunt of Fr Bob Thorn

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



in  
loving  
memory



### Advent Candles and Wreaths

Advent Candles & Metal Wreaths are available  
for purchase in the Angelorum.

\$5.00 - Advent Candles (1 box/set)  
\$6.00 - Metal Wreath

Please place payment in the canister on the table or in an  
envelope (with note what money is for) and put in the  
Collection Basket. Thank You and Have a Blessed Advent!

### St Matthew's Children's Christmas Choir



**Announcing the start of St Matthew's Children's  
Christmas Choir!** The choir is open to all kids  
from Grade 2 through College.

The choir sings at the 4:30 PM Mass on  
Christmas Eve at St Matthew Church. Dr. Ellen Schumann and Emalyn  
Nikstad are excited to lead the choir again this year. We will be practicing on  
**Wednesday nights from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM** prior to Religious Education  
classes at **Holy Name School**. We will not be practicing on November 21, the  
day before Thanksgiving. A pizza supper will be served to the choir members  
before they head off to religion class.

We are also looking for **musicians**. Musicians should be in 7<sup>th</sup> Grade through  
College and will not need to attend all practices. We will have opportunities for  
vocal solo or small group singing for older students.

If you are interested, **you must register**. Either email Dr. Schumann at  
[ellenmschumann@gmail.com](mailto:ellenmschumann@gmail.com) or call her at 715-845-2628. We are looking  
forward to a fun time of fellowship and song. Please join us!

Mark Your Calendars and Join in the Fun!!!  
Join us in decorating the  
Church and Angelorum for Christmas

**On Sunday, December 23rd at 1:15 pm**




**PLEASE HELP US - Our children need YOU!!!**

Our Religious Education Department is in need of a Grade 6  
catechist, and several aides. Please consider giving an hour of  
your week to help the children grow in their love and knowledge  
of Jesus. Call Joy: 715-842-3148 for more information.




Have your children or grandchildren outgrown their Lego, Duplo  
or wooden block sets? Our Religious Education Department is in  
need of these for special activities. Would you kindly consider  
donating them to our program? Thank you!



## Christmas Dinner

MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
Men's Club Christmas Dinner  
Tuesday, December 11  
5 pm Social, 6 pm Dinner  
Catered by Lisa's  
White Elephant Gift Exchange  
\$15 per person including 50/50  
Make Your Reservations Soon:  
Email: Joel Stubbe ([joelst wob@yahoo.com](mailto:joelst wob@yahoo.com))  
Call: Mike Bourguignon (715-241-0030)  
or Glen Yeager (715-573-1109)



## Parish Christmas Breakfast Everyone is Invited!

December 3rd: 9:00 - 11:30 am  
School Cafeteria  
Special Guest: St Nicholas

Our New Parishioners from May - December will be our honored guests.  
Please join us and welcome the newest members of our parish family.

We encourage families with children to come for breakfast as we will have a  
special guest just for the children, and the young of heart! **St Nicholas!!!**  
He will share his story with the children and give them a little treat!!

Pancakes, sausage, baked eggs, fruit & coffee cake are on the menu.  
Come hungry, when Ken cooks breakfast you will enjoy a hearty breakfast and  
no one ever goes away hungry! Ken always has a couple surprises up his  
sleeve too, you don't want to miss it! *Free-will offering will be accepted.*

*Welcome Our New Parishioners:*

Robert & Sharon Anderson	Aaron & Jacqueline Phillips
JoAnn Bickler	and Clara
Dorothy Giallombardo	Justin & Melissa Steele
Pauline Holl	and Melika, Isaiah, Xander,
Robert & Jane Holl	Lexi, Lorelei, Declan
Ebert & Abbey Nitzke	James Zajackowski
and Samuel, Owen, Caleb	



### Buy SCRIP November 17th & 18th After All Masses

Remember to purchase SCRIP cards  
when doing your Thanksgiving meal shopping.  
**We have SCRIP for County Market, Trig's, Quality  
Foods, and Roundy's (Pick N Sav).**

We also need volunteers to help us sell SCRIP after Masses on  
weekends. If you are interested please sign up  
on the sheet in the Angelorum, or call the  
Parish Center: 715-842-3148.




### Donations for Advent and Christmas Candles and Flowers



To beautify the church and sanctuary and to honor the birth of Jesus  
you may donate a candle or flowers in memory of loved ones.

Place your donations in an envelope and include your name and the  
name of the person you are remembering and put in the collection  
basket at Mass or mail to:  
(St Matthew Parish Center, 221 S. 28th Ave, Wausau, WI 54401)  
Thank You and May You have a Blessed Christmas Season!!!