

Saint Matthew Catholic Church

February 24, 2019

7th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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



"By His obedience to Mary and Joseph, as well as by His humble work during the long years in Nazareth, Jesus gives us the example of holiness in the daily life of family and work."

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 564

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

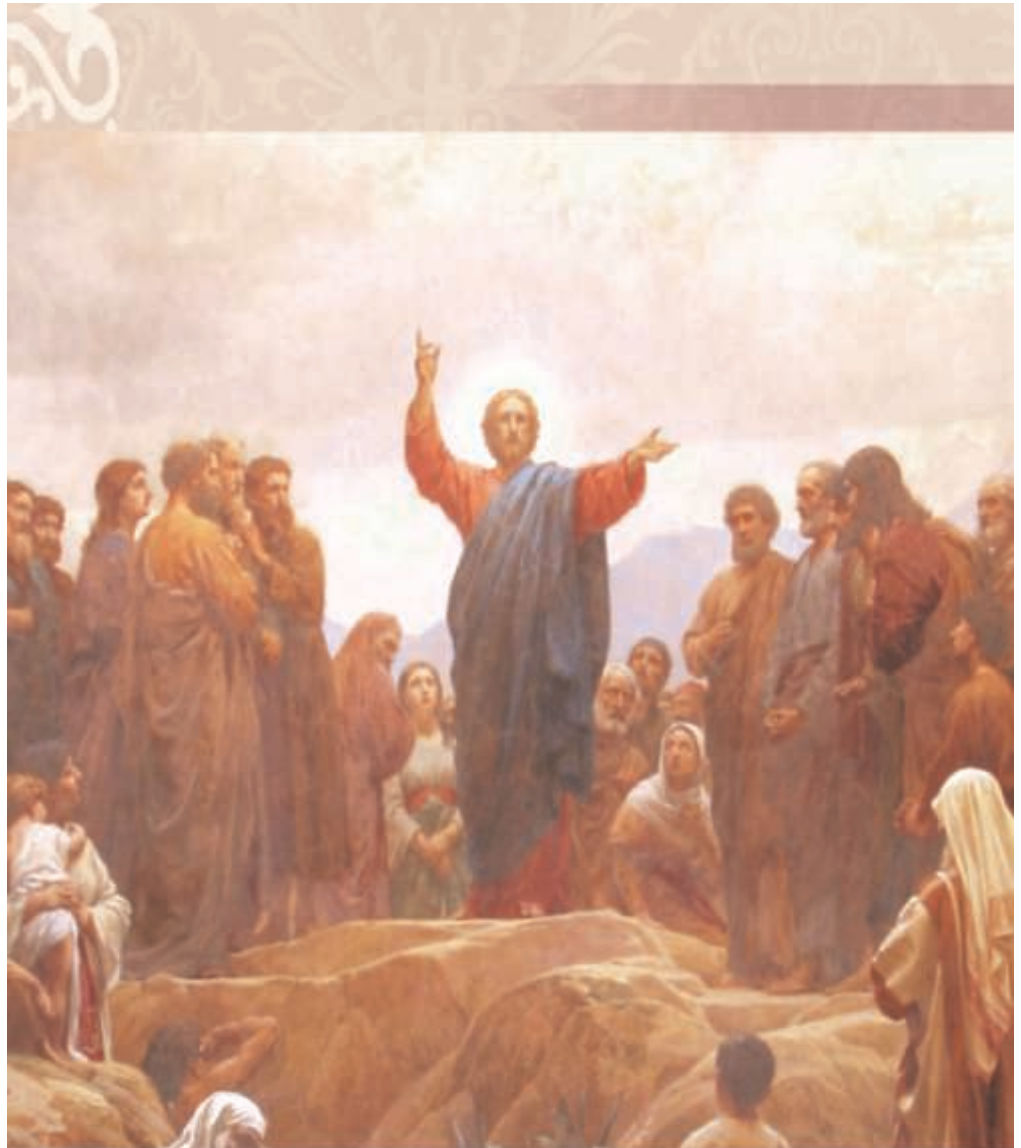
The parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Class. Godparents are encouraged to attend. You must register one week before the class by calling Kris at (715) 675-6750.

Next Baptism Class: Monday, March 11th
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

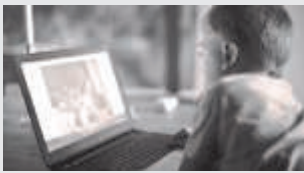
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"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." - Lk 6:36



Making Your Home a Safe Haven

By Alice Heinzen
Director for Marriage and Family Life

Pornography is not a topic most adults are comfortable speaking about. This is especially the case when it comes to parents addressing it **with their children. Regrettably though, it's the topic that's becoming more and more necessary to address in our digital age.** Too many parents, grandparents, and guardians think their children have not been exposed to internet-based pornography. This is simply not true. Statistics tell us another story.

First exposure to Internet pornography is often during the elementary school years. This often occurs by accident. Picture this: your child typed in the wrong word on social media, your nephew clicked on the **wrong YouTube video, or your godchild's friend showed him his first sexually explicit image on Instagram.** When parents and guardians **haven't created an environment where it's safe and open to dialogue** about uncomfortable topics, children will often hide these experiences out of shame and embarrassment.

What does pornography do?

Pornography perverts the intimate giving of spouses to each other because it takes what is made to be a sacred gift of self between husband and wife and turns it into a public performance designed to make a profit. Pornography objectifies persons and tempts people to infidelity, shattered families, darkness and isolation. *(See Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 2354)*

In 2016, the Bishops of the United States wrote: *Create in Me a Clean Heart: A Pastoral Response to Pornography.* This document reminds **us that pornography causes damage to oneself, one's relationships, society, and the Body of Christ.** That is why it can never be justified and is always wrong. In the pastoral letter, we read:

"Pornography use hurts the user by potentially diminishing his or her capacity for healthy human intimacy and relationships. It presents a distorted view of human sexuality that is contrary to authentic love, and it harms a person's sense of self-worth... It can increase isolation between people because of the feelings of shame and self-reproach it generates. It breaks down trust between family members, and it damages the ability of parents and other adults to be virtuous role models for children." (pg 7)

Bishop Callahan and the pastors of the Diocese are committed to helping parents make their homes safe and equipping them to eliminate pornography. They recognize the immediate need to address pornography because of its widespread availability through devices that seamlessly connect to the Internet.

Pornography is instantly accessible, seemingly anonymous, and mostly free to any individual – child or adult – who has a smartphone, tablet or computer. In one or two clicks, anyone can be exposed to the porn industry which appears to be endlessly novel and exciting. In very little time, anyone can view porn and become instantly gratified in a **virtual reality that degrades God's beautiful plan for human love and sexuality.**

"The Internet's perceived anonymity can entice a person to view images or engage in activities that they would hesitate to do off-line, and the novelty of Internet pornography can itself be intoxicating, affecting brain chemistry and seducing viewers to keep clicking. In contrast to a magazine, the Internet has no final page." *(Create in Me a Clean Heart. Pg 10)*

All of us must uphold the truth about each person's God-given dignity by rejecting anything that would harm it. Thus, diocesan leadership is committed to guide and equip parents and other individuals for this task. The U.S. Bishops state clearly that:

"The use of pornography by anyone in the home deprives the home of its role as a safe haven and has negative effects throughout a family's life and across generations."

(Create in Me a Clean Heart. Pg 15)

The parishes of the Diocese will celebrate its first annual Safe Haven Sunday on March 10th. Within the context of Mass, parishes in the diocese will provide age appropriate teaching and resources that will support and protect individuals, marriages, and families, making all homes a safe haven.

The theme of this year's Safe Haven Sunday is ***"Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children"***. Each household will be offered **Covenant Eyes' book, Equipped: Smart Catholic Parenting in a Sexualized Culture.** This book includes a unique seven-day text-to-opt-in program. This challenge provides practical tips that can be taken to create safer digital environments within the home. Everyone is encouraged to take advantage of these resources.

Pornography doesn't need to be fought alone. The resources provided on Safe Haven Sunday will both encourage and teach individuals and families dealing with the effects of pornography that loving support is available. It's worth battling pornography in order to become whole and clean of heart.

Safe Haven Sunday is made possible through a partnership with CovenantEyes.com. Special thanks is extended to the La Crosse Diocesan Council of Catholic Women for their financial support. For more information about Safe Haven Sunday, visit: diolc.org/marriage/shs

Enrolling Now for 2019-2020 School Year!

Newman Catholic Schools is a shared ministry among area Catholic parishes.

Our schools & centers are places where faith & education come together. Students receive an outstanding education rich in faith formation & excellent academic preparation. Families from area Catholic parishes & all faiths are welcomed to attend our schools & early childhood centers.

Need registration information? Visit www.newmancatholicsschools.com or call and come to visit your Newman Catholic Schools at these locations:

NC Early Childhood Center - St Michael: 715-848-0206

(Licensed Child Care, Preschool, *4K)

NC Early Childhood Center - St Therese: 715-355-5254

(Licensed Child Care, *4K)

NC Elementary School - St Mark: 715-359-9662

(Preschool, *4K, K – Gr. 5)

NC Elementary School - St Anne: 715-845-5754

(Gr. K – 5)

NC Middle School (Gr. 6 – 8) / NC High School (Gr. 9 – 12): 715-845-8274

Limited Enrollment in some grade levels and courses.

** 4K – Tuition Free – WSD & DCE Collaborative Programs*



Eucharistic Adoration in the Area



Pax Christi
Adoration Chapel
Marathon, WI

h Sunday: 12 noon - 11 pm
h Tuesday: 9 am - 11 pm
h Wednesday: 9 am through 8 pm
h Thursday
h Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

St Therese
Rothschild

h Tuesday after the 8 am Mass until 8 am Friday
h After 6 pm, ring main entrance doorbell to enter.
h To volunteer, call 715-359-8352.



Bring in Your Old Palms

Bring in your old palms, they will be used for ashes on Ash Wednesday.

Put them in the basket on the table in the Angelorum. **Thank You!**



St Vincent de Paul's "SMART CHICKS and OLD BAGS"

(Sale includes new & gently used purses, scarves, hats and jewelry)

March 2 at St Michael Parish

Sale: 10:00 am - 1:30 pm (Free Shopping)

A Mashtini Lunch, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm (\$10)

Collection boxes for donated items are located in the back of church.
For additional information, call Mary Brotz at 715-574-1624

New Lay Formation Institute (LFI) Class Starts in the Fall Registration Underway!



Registration is open for the next two-year Lay Formation cycle that begins in fall of 2019. Draw closer to Christ and deepen your knowledge of the Faith in a joyful community of learners!

See brochure, schedule and application form at diolc.org/lay-formation. Discuss with your pastor and contact the Office for Ministries and Social Concerns at ministries@diolc.org or call (608) 791-0161.

If you would like to sit in on a class this spring (March 2 or April 6) for a "sample," just ask.



Give to Catholic Relief Services to Alleviate Suffering in Venezuela

The humanitarian crisis in Venezuela is escalating as political and economic instability has left hundreds of thousands of families without access to food, medical care and critical life and social services.

You can help by giving to Catholic Relief Services: www.crs.org



SCRIP on Sale this Weekend in the Angelorum
SCRIP Gift Cards can be bought on weekends in the Angelorum OR during the week at St Matthew Parish Center: 715-842-3148

SCRIP Gift Cards make great gifts and help the parish at the same time!
Thank you to those of you who have bought SCRIP!



St Anne Church, 700 W Bridge St, Wausau
Fridays, March 8 - April 12: 4 - 7 pm
(Pickup & Delivery Orders begin at 1 pm - Fridays.
Call: 715-849-3930 Ext 6)

St Adalbert Church, 3305 St Adalbert Rd, Rosholt
Fridays, March 1 - April 12: 4 - 7:30 pm
\$10 - Fish or Shrimp or Combo
\$6 - Children's Fish or Shrimp
(Take-out Orders: 715-677-4518)

Children's Come and See Day at Mater Redemptoris House of Formation

Come and See is an opportunity to visit with the Sisters, pray, play and learn more about the Sister's life.

When: March 23, 2019

Who: Girls ages 9-12

Where: Mater Redemptoris House of Formation in La Crosse

Registration and Information: Register by March 13 (or until filled) at www.materredemptoris.org

Questions: Contact Sister M. Consolata at 608-788-4530 or materredemptoris@gmail.com



Safe Haven Sunday – March 10th

Research studies have found that viewing porn decreases a person's ability to become intimate and that it desensitizes you to cruelty. Neither of these are good for you or your family.

Learn more about the harms of pornography and how to protect your family on Safe Haven Sunday, on March 10. Learn more about ending porn exposure at: diolc.org/shs



Prayer Shawls Available

If you (or someone you know) would like a "Prayer Shawl", Contact Dorothy at: 715-842-3148

What is a Prayer Shawl?

Prayer Shawls are usually knitted or crocheted while prayers are being said for the person who will receive the prayer shawl. The shawls are often given to those who are suffering from physical or emotional problems. It can give hope and comfort to the person wearing it, knowing that prayers were said for them by the person making it and they are receiving the blessings of the priest who blessed it.



The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet March 7th at 1:00 pm at St Therese in the upper church where *Mary's Way of the Cross* will be prayed.

The business meeting and raffle drawings from the luncheon will follow.



Raise Them Well Parenting Webinar Series - March 11th "Physical Maturity" Starts: 7:00 pm

Description: Parents want their children to grow into adults who respect their bodies and are healthy. How do you do that in a world filled with contradicting messages about what the body is for? How can parents instill in their children respect for God's plan for their bodies? We'll explore these questions during this webinar and offer strategies that parents can use. Register at: <https://diolc.regfox.com/raise-them-well-physical-maturity>

Additional Events

- ☐ March 3, Sun: 11 am-1 pm - **"Kapusta-Kielbasa, Golabki, Meatballs & Potato Dumpling Dinner"** - Holy Family-St William Catholic Church (106 N Ellms St, Wittenberg: 715-535-2571)
- ☐ March 3, Sun: 8 am-12 noon - **"Pancake Breakfast"** - St Philip Catholic Church, Wagner Hall (Rudolph, WI) 715-435-3182
- ☐ March 9, Sat: 5-7 pm - **"Spaghetti Dinner"** - St Ladislaus Church Basement (173141 State Hwy 153, Hatley: 715-446-3060)
- ☐ March 9, Sat: (4-7 pm) - **"Spaghetti Dinner"** - Sacred Heart Church-Polonia (7375 Church Street, Custer: 715-592-4221)
- ☐ March 10, Sun: 1 pm - **"Bingo"** - St Adalbert Catholic School (3305 St Adalbert Rd, Rosholt: 715-677-4518)
- ☐ March 16, Sat 5 pm - **"Holy Temptations Feast Night"** - St Florian Church Basement (500 Church Ln, Hatley) For more Info: 715-446-3085 Ext 301
Tickets \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door
- ☐ March 31, Sun: 11 am-1 pm - **"Grilled Pork Chop Dinner"** - St Michael's Parish (324 Main St, Junction City: 715-457-2925)
- ☐ April 7, Sun: 11 am-1:30 pm - **"Spring Luncheon with 'A Patchwork Quilt of Heartwarming Stories'"** - St Ladislaus Church (173141 State Hwy 153, Hatley) \$10/person Register by April 2: 715-454-6347 or 715-341-2546
- ☐ April 10, Weds: 6:30-8 pm - **"Youth Rally-Apex Ministries, an International Comedy Duo"** - St Ladislaus Church (173141 State Hwy 153, Hatley) Suggested Donation: \$2/person Advanced Registration Required: Sister Mary Ellen: 715-446-3060 or sisterme@stladislaus.org
- ☐ Every Sunday: 7:15 pm - **"Young Adult Catholic Bible Study"** Biggby 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



This Week at Saint Matthew

Tuesday, February 26

Bible Timeline - **Church, Emily's Room: 10:30 am** - 12 noon
Building and Grounds Meeting - School Cafeteria: 7:00 pm

Wednesday, February 27

That Man Is You - Parish Center Patio Room: 6:00 - 7:30 am
Peacemaker Quilters - Parish Center Patio Room: 1 pm
Bible Timeline - Parish Center Patio Room: 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Religious Education Class - Holy Name School: 6:15 - 7:30 pm

Thursday, February 28

Jubilee House Free Community Meal - School Cafeteria: 4:30 - 6:00 pm
Men's Club - School Cafeteria: 7 pm

Sunday, March 3

Confirmation Service Retreat, TSO (Teens Serving Others): St Matthew Parish



Diocesan Annual Appeal 2018-2019 Target: \$72,765

Hope you aren't snowed in! If you are unable to reach your mail box to send out your pledge, you can pick up the phone and give Ann a ring. She will be happy to help you by filling out a pledge card with your amount specified (large or small) and do the mailing for you. **It's as easy as that! Call today if you haven't already done so to 715 842-3148.** We must reach our target of \$72,765. We can do it! St Matthew people are sacrificial people.

All for God and God for all! May He bless you! 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 Phone: 715-842-3148
Friday: 8 am - 12 noon

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 <u>Deadline Next Bulletin:</u> 3 pm Monday
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*Thank you for generously supporting
Saint Matthew Parish!*

Minimum budgeted amount needed weekly.....	\$9,612.00
Stewardship Last Weekend.....	\$8,766.63
3rd Sunday.....	\$2,453.00



Mass Intentions

February 25 - March 3, 2019



Mon	8:00 am	†Leona Tucker
Tues	12:05 pm	†Marilyn Szatkowski
Weds	8:00 am	†Joseph M Monaco
Thurs	8:00 am	†Joan Weisenberger
Fri	8:00 am	†Anna Nowak
Sat	8:00 am	Special Intention: JTS
	4:30 pm	Helping Hands Volunteer/Supporters
Sun	8:00 am	†Tim Gierl
	10:00 am	†Deceased Family of Carol Adler
	12 noon	Living & †Deceased St Matthew Parishioners

This Week's Scripture Readings

Monday, February 25

Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday, February 26

Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday, February 27

Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday, February 28

Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1/Mk 9:41-50

Friday, March 1

Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday, March 2

Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103/Mk 10:13-16

Sunday, March 3 - 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time


Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45



Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday March 2 4:30 pm	Sunday March 3 8:00 am	Sunday March 3 10:00 am
Lectors		
Jeanne Alexejun Mary Holm	Bernie Dohr Jim Low	Lee Peek
Eucharistic Ministers		
J Bocke M Bourguignon N Felty F Heil L Heil J ALEXEJUN* M HOLM*	B Dohr S Peterson J Pritzl A Seubert J Zernicke J LOW* S LOW*	A Boller B Cveykus J Fergot M Jelinek B Jelinek T BRZEZINSKI* D EVERT*
Ushers and Greeters		
Don Baur Mary Baur Marcy Heil	P Ruesch J Stubbe Jody Babl	G Tapper K Malovrh Chuck Miller
Servers		
A Hynes G Hynes	Sondelski's	The Debyles
Musicians		
Ellen Schumann Annette Southworth	Bill Dohr Annette Southworth	Barb Britten Mary Lenard
Children's Liturgy of the Word		Melissa Willemon


2019




Prayers and Condolences
 Our prayers and sympathy go to the family and friends of:
Roger Ristow
 He died on January 22nd
 He is the brother-in-law of Patricia Kohn
*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
 and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen*

St Matthew Parish Lenten Mission
“Embracing Lent to the Joy of Easter”

Save the Dates: Sun, Mon, Tues, March 17, 18, 19
 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 Speaker: Msgr Joseph Diermeier

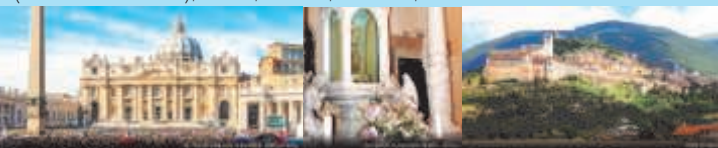



Men's Club Meeting
 Thursday, February 28th - 7 pm
 School Cafeteria




Join Fr Dan Thelen on the Shrines of Italy Pilgrimage
 June 10-19, 2019 \$3,989 from New York (JFK)
 Optional Post Tour to Florence and Venice: June 19-23 (\$1,079)
 For more information: www.pilgrimages.com/frthelen
 or call Liz or Caterina at: 1-800-206-8687

Visit: Rome (Papal Audience), Trevi Fountain/Piazza Navona, Basilica of St John the Lateran & St Mary Major, Holy Steps, Vatican Museum, Appian Way, Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls, Catacombs, Montecassino, San Giovanni Rotondo (view incorrupt body of Padre Pio), Monte Sant' Angel, Lanciano (Eucharistic Miracle), Assisi, Gubbio, LaVerna, and more!



Wednesday Lenten Soup Suppers: March 6 - April 17

Starting Ash Wednesday and every Wednesday during Lent, come to the School Cafeteria between 4:15 - 6:30 pm and enjoy our famous and delicious Soup Suppers! Meals include a variety of soups, sandwiches, salads, desserts, and a beverage!



Soups Served on Ash Wednesday

- Tomato
- Cream of Vegetable

Volunteers Needed:
 We will need help on Tuesdays to prepare soup starting about 1:30 pm and on **Wednesday's anytime between 3:00-6:30 pm**. Sign up sheets in back of church or call: Faye (715-845-3302) or Ken (715-675-5568) for more information.

Soup Supper Donations Needed:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean Plastic Ice Cream Pails • Large & Small Plastic Containers (Cool Whip Bowls) • Mayo/Miracle Whip/Salad Dressing • Noodles: Macaroni & Rotini • American Cheese Slices • Shredded Cheddar Cheese • Mozzarella Cheese Sticks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuna • All Tomato Products • Chili & Kidney Beans • Crackers • Jello: Regular & Sugar Free • Spear Pickles • Coffee: Regular & Decaf • Desserts: Needed Every Wednesday
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Bins are in the entrance to Church for your donations. Please drop off Desserts on Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon in the school cafeteria. Thank You!

St Matt's Men's Club
Punczka/Paczki Production Day
Come Help Us Make Our Famous “Punczka/Paczki”
 Saturday, March 2nd
 Anytime between 7:30 am 4:30 pm




Come & enjoy the fun, you'll have a Great Time!
 Great camaraderie - make some new friends!
 Everyone is welcome young & old alike.
If you haven't helped in the past you have to come & see. Come for an hour or as long as you want. You don't even have to sign up.

Come to the School Cafeteria/Gym
“Free lunch, refreshments, and a whole lot of fun!”
No experience needed, the Men's Club will provide the instructions. Our trainers have over 20 years of experience!
Just bring an Apron & a Cap or Hat (hair restraint)
Men's Club provides everything else.




Don't Miss It, It Will Be A Great Time as Always!!




Wish your spouse was more of a saint?
 Chances are your beloved wishes you were too!
 Learn how to become saints together at the Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat March 28th-31st.
 Couples attending the retreat will experience what it means to love perfectly in Christ. Take your marriage to the next level of joy.
 Register today at diolc.org/marriage-enrichment/
 For more information, call 608-791-2673. *Scholarships are available.*

Treasure Sale Meeting
 Tuesday, March 5th at 6:30 pm in the School Cafeteria



Please come to this meeting, as we need to decide if there will be a 2019 Treasure Sale and we would like your input! The Treasure Sale is a very major fundraising event for our Parish. But, after the 2018 Treasure Sale, some of our long-time volunteers are unable to Chair their Departments for 2019. In order to continue the Treasure Sale, we are **looking for volunteers to be the “Chair Person” for a few Departments.**
Thank you!



Looking to help others in need?
 Our Confirmation Candidates will begin work to help Pink Box Purpose which is an organization that helps women in Third World countries who are unable to afford sanitary napkins. Each candidate will need at least 1 yard of flannel (NOT FLEECE) & 2 yards of cotton (ie quilting fabric).
 For more information please call Joy at 715-842-3148