



Saint Matthew Catholic Church

June 2, 2019
The Ascension of the Lord
7th Sunday of Easter

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



Feast Day June 5th
"The Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship, but to keep her on her course."
Saint Boniface
(c. 675 – June 5, 754)

Mass Schedule Horario de Misas

Weekends

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am
10:00 am
12:00 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

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

Vespers - Evening Prayer: Wednesdays - 5 pm

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, July 8th
at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center Patio Room.

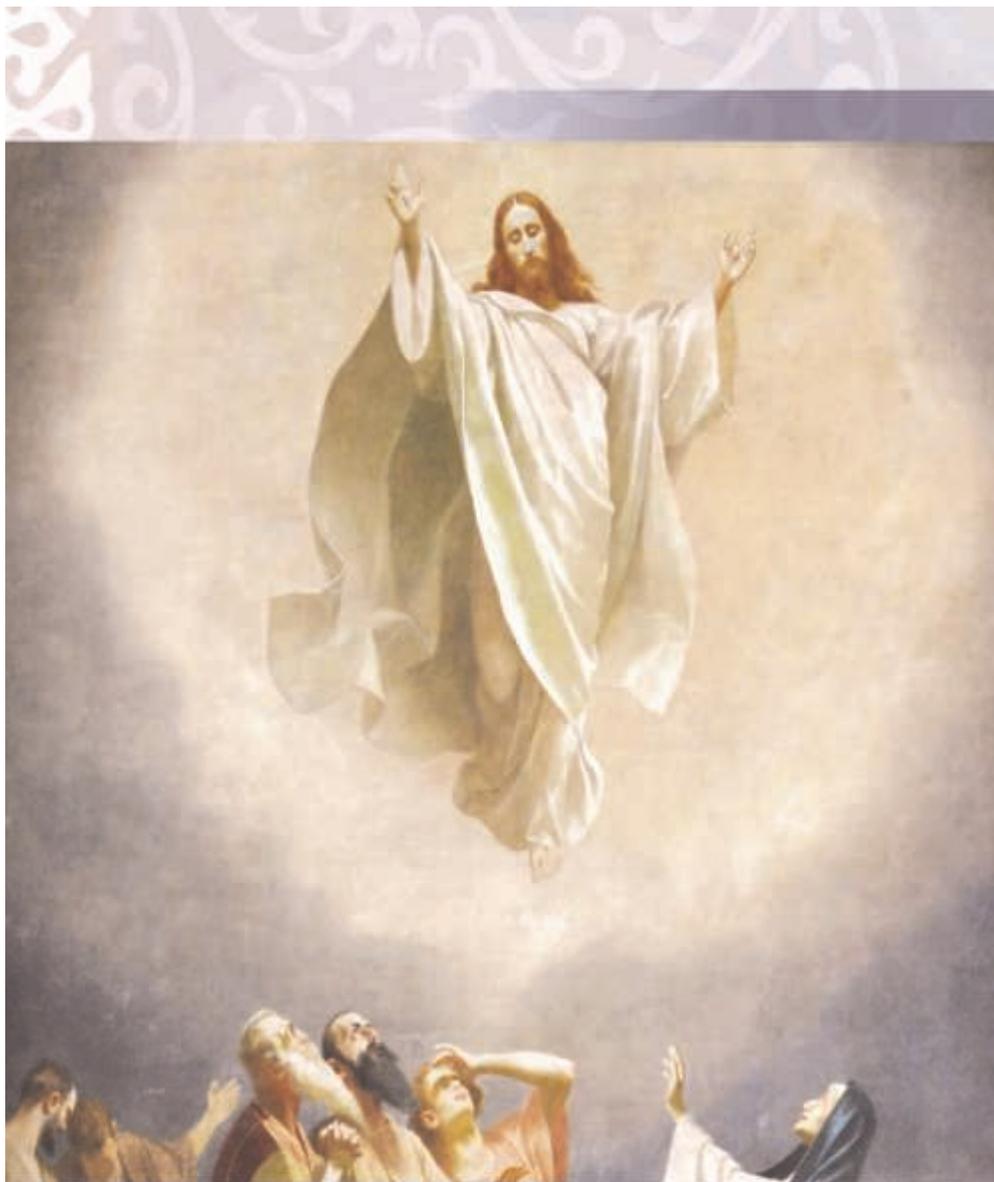
Bautismo

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

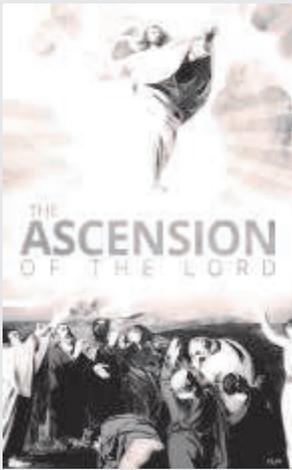
Parish Center Office (Oficina): 715-842-3148
221 S 28th Avenue
(Behind school/atrás de la escuela)

Hours/Horas: Monday-Thursday: 8 am - 4 pm
Friday: closed through Labor Day



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. - Lk 24:51



Gospel Meditation A Deeper Understanding of Scripture

What is the most common image you've seen of the Ascension? It's typically Jesus hovering above the earth surrounded by brilliant light. The Ascension is a beautiful feast, but it's about more than the distant glory of God. It's about the blessing of God and the transformative power of trust.

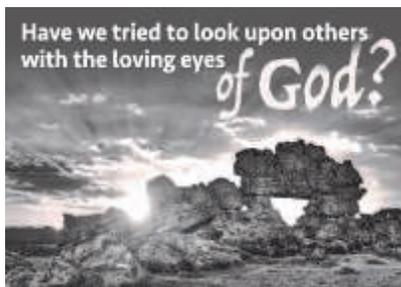
"You are witnesses to these things." Before He ascends, Jesus reminds the disciples of the basic message of the Gospel and of the disciples' own important role. They are to proclaim the Gospel message by their personal witness to the saving power of God. "I am sending the promise of my Father upon you... clothed with power from on high." Jesus promises to equip the disciples for this important mission. Not only are they receiving a command, but they're receiving the empowerment they need to move. "He... raised His hands, and blessed them." Even now, though the fulfillment of Pentecost is still to come, Jesus gives them a parting gift before He ascends into heaven. Finally, "They... returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God."

The disciples faced an unknown future. Their teacher had left them, and the political and religious authorities weren't exactly thrilled about Jesus and His growing movement. But the memory of our Father's redemptive love, the promise of the Holy Spirit, and the blessing of Christ sustained them. Jesus trusted them to act in His name. They could trust Him in return. Do you face uncertainty in your own life? Remember, we are all called to be disciples and witnesses. We have received the indwelling of the Holy Spirit at our baptism. We are blessed by Christ beyond imagining in the sacraments. This Ascension feast, we too can trust in God! With this firm trust, we too can return to our daily lives, praising God with great joy!



Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the Week

Today, we are reminded that it is Jesus' suffering, death, resurrection, AND ascension all taken together that make the one event that brings salvation to humanity. Jesus' return to the Father completes the work Jesus came to accomplish and clearly shows us the forgiveness, mercy, and love the Father wishes to bestow upon His children. Faith allows us to savor the mystery of God's design and the hope that awaits us. Today, we are called to look up and see that Jesus ascended to the Father. His mission is completed, and ours is now beginning. Having "looked up," we now have to "look out" into our broken world and deliver the Good News. We now have a new perspective on life and can see things differently: life comes from death, hope from despair, faith from doubt, joy from sadness, and freedom to those who are held bound. It is amazing news indeed! How do we spread the word?



Everyday Stewardship Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

I travel a good bit, which means I am away from my wife and children for decent periods of time. But what makes it easier for me, besides being able to share the Good News of Jesus with people all over, is that I know I will not be gone forever. I will return, and then all will be well again. I have been called by God to be away from them at times, but God always brings me back to them.

Each liturgical year, we celebrate Jesus' ascension into heaven. The feast speaks much to who Jesus is theologically. But in a very practical way, we also acknowledge that He has gone to be with the Father, but will return someday. Just as I return after a conference or visit with a parish to those God has entrusted to me and I love, Jesus will return to those entrusted to Him and whom He loves.

But just like when I am away, there are things to be done. Life goes on for my wife and children with school, work, activities, and the basic responsibilities of family. In good stewardship, they are called to give generously to each other and devote themselves to God. Without them tending to things, upon my return I would find everything in turmoil and disarray. Then when I return, we become one again, and we are about the Lord's work together.

The Lord ascended into heaven, but we are not to sit by quietly awaiting His return. Much needs to be done. He has entrusted much to us, expecting us to be good stewards. If you think that you have all the time in the world to complete the tasks at hand, think again. His return will be when we least expect it. It is time to be about our Father's work.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Commissioned & Sent

Have you heard the Good News? If you're reading this, chances are you probably have. You've heard the good news that God became man and that Jesus suffered, died, and rose for you, me, and everyone in between. Do you know you're part of it?

This week, we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord. When Jesus ascended into heaven, He gave specific directions to His Apostles. "Go and make disciples of all nations." They listened! They made disciples, who made disciples, who made disciples, who made disciples, on down the centuries. And here we are! So what's next? The truth is that we're all commissioned and sent. It happened at our baptism, when we were made sharers in this sacred mission of Jesus. Who will make the next disciples? I hope it's you!

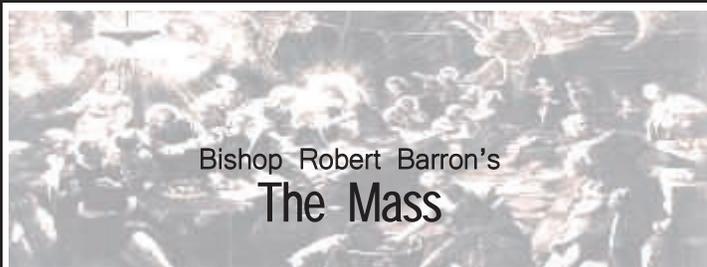


Coming This Fall at St Matthew Parish
Jeff Cavins' Gospel of Matthew Bible Study

Understand the Gospel like never before!

This 24 week video study by Jeff Cavins provides an in-depth explanation of the Gospel of Matthew. Lyonel Wisnewski will be leading this study on Tuesdays. First class starts September 10th for a 24 week faith filled journey. You may select a class during the day (10:30 am - 12 noon) or evening (6:30 pm - 8:00 pm). To reserve your class time or for any questions call Janet 715-575-4264.

Sign up by August 27th so we may order the class books.



**Bishop Robert Barron's
 The Mass**

Dates: June 12, 19, 26, July 17, 24 & 31
 Time: 1:00 pm—2:30 pm
 Location: Holy Name of Jesus - Simmons Hall
Lower level of church.
 Cost: \$5 participant for Companion Booklet
 Books are not required, but if you would like to, it is only \$30 for Participant Manual
Make checks payable to Holy Name.
 Register: Pick up registration form at the entrances of Holy Name church or email Noel Furger at noel@holynamewausau.com.



Ordination of Priests
 Saturday, June 22 at 10 am
 St Joseph the Workman Cathedral - La Crosse, WI

Deacon Brandon Guenther
 Deacon Ethan Hokamp

May God Bless You Both!

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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

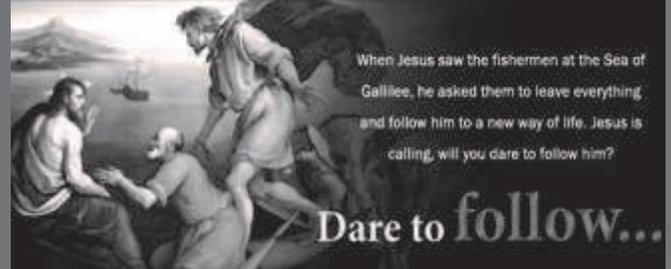
St Therese
 Rothschild

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

DARE TO FOLLOW RETREAT - JUNE 14-16, 2019

For Boys going into 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th grades
 Holy Cross Diocesan Center
 3710 East Avenue S. - La Crosse, WI 54601
 No Cost - Limited to 25 registrants

Dare to Follow... When Jesus saw the fishermen at the Sea of Galilee, He asked them to leave everything and follow Him to a new way of life. Jesus is calling, will you dare to follow Him?



Spend a couple of days with young men your own age...

- Learning more about your Catholic Faith
- Talking about the vocation of priesthood
- Having fun

If you are interested, please contact the Vocations Office:
 1-608-791-2667 or Email: rorth@diolc.org

Buy SCRIP in the Angelorum this Weekend!

Thank you for buying SCRIP!



SCRIP Gift Cards can be bought during the week at St Matthew Parish Center: 715-842-3148.

SCRIP gift cards are available for many businesses (lists are in the bookrack at church and **at the Parish Center**). Purchase cards at "face value" & use them to purchase items at participating businesses such as Wal-mart, Trigs, Krist & Holiday Gas, etc. SCRIP Gift Cards make great gifts and help the parish at the same time!

Volunteers are needed to help sell SCRIP after weekend Masses.



If you can help, call Dottie B. at 715-432-0891



Would you like to sing with the choir, Saturday, June 8th at the 4:30 pm Pentecost Vigil Mass? Join us in Emily's Room in the Angelorum at 4 pm to warm up.

Additional Events

- June 7, Fri (5 pm-11 pm) & June 8, Sat (1 pm-11 pm) - **"June Bug Festival"** - St Mark Parish (602 Military Rd, Rothschild) 715-359-5206 Food, Music, Petting Zoo, Games for Kids/Adults, Silent Auction, Cash Raffles, etc.
- June 8, Sat (8 am-4 pm) & June 9, Sun (9 am-1 pm) - **"Rummage Sale"** Trinity Lutheran Church (501 Stewart Ave, Wausau)
- June 8, Sat (1-3:30 pm & Mass with Polka Music at 4 pm) & June 9, Sun (2-4:30 pm) - **"Picnic Style Bingo"** - St Peter's Middle School (800 4th Ave, Stevens Point) Call Judy at 715-344-6115 for questions. Food, games, raffles, bake sale, music, etc.
- June 29, Sat (4 pm Polka Mass; 5 pm-12 am: Music, Food, Raffles, Games, etc) & June 30, Sun (10:10 am Polka Mass; 10:30 am-1:30 pm Family-Style Chicken Dinner; Bingo: 1 pm; Music: 11 am-7 pm) - **"Event in Bevent"** St Ladislaus Parish (Jct of Hwys 153 & Y)
- Every Sunday: 7:15-8:15 pm - **"Young Adult Catholic Bible Study"** Biggby Coffee (320 E Bridge St., 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, June 4

Newman Education Committee Meeting - **St Michael's Church: 6 pm**
Buildings & Grounds Meeting - Parish Center Patio Room: 7 pm

Wednesday, June 5

Gaudete Choir Practice - Church: 6:30 pm

Thursday, June 6

Jubilee House Free Community Meal - School Cafeteria: 4:30 - 6:00 pm
Committees & Staff Picnic - Parish Center Patio Room:
Social at 5 pm with Meal at 5:30 pm

Friday, June 7 - Parish Office Closed

Saturday, June 8

Share Sunday Weekend
Gaudete Choir sings at 4:30 pm Mass

Sunday, June 9

Share Sunday Weekend
Confessions: 2:00 - 3:15 pm
Mass Followed by Healing Service: 3:30 pm

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2018-2019

Target: \$72,765



Last month to pay on your pledges to the Annual Appeal. Please do so, soon! We need everybody to meet their commitment in order to come out even. If you have misplaced your pledge cards or have forgotten what the remainder of your pledge is, please phone Ann at the Parish Center, 715-842-3148 and she will gladly assist you in making your final payment. Thank you and remember God is always with us.

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

Parish Staff (715-842-3148)

Pastor - Rev. Robert Thorn	Plant Manager - Jason Seliger
Associate Pastor - Rev. Peter Kieffer	DRE & Hispanic RE - Joy Orozco
Deacon - Rev. Mr. Tom Tierney	Bulletin Editor - Rosemary Beever
Pastoral Care - Dorothy Giallombardo	rosemarybr@stmatthewwausau.org
Secretary - Ann Graveen	<u>Deadline Next Bulletin: 3 pm Monday</u>
Finance Secretary - Barb Splinter	



*Thank you for generously supporting
Saint Matthew Parish!*

Minimum budgeted amount needed weekly.....	\$9,612.00
Stewardship Last Weekend.....	\$6,591.83
SCRIP (last weekend).....	\$2,450.00
SCRIP Rebate April, 2019.....	\$668.00



Mass Intentions

June 3 - 9, 2019



Pray for Us

Monday	8:00 am - † Jenny Hack
Tuesday	12:05 pm - † Martha Allord (Ladies Council)
Wednesday	8:00 am - † John Bauer
Thursday	8:00 am - † Julie & †Robert Bourguignon & †Deceased Schauer & Bourguignon Families
Friday	8:00 am - † Mary Wagner (Ladies Council)
Saturday	8:00 am - Intention of: John D Sorges
	4:30 pm - † Lloyd Krautkramer
Sunday	8:00 am - † Judy Koy
	10:00 am - † Norbert & †Alice "Peggy" Britten
	12 noon - Living & †Deceased St Matthew Parishioners
	3:30 pm - † Poor Souls in Purgatory

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, June 3 - Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs
Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday, June 4
Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68/Jn 17:1-11

Wednesday, June 5 - Saint Boniface, Bishop & Martyr
Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68/Jn 17:11-19

Thursday, June 6 - Saint Norbert, Bishop
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16/Jn 17:20-26

Friday, June 7
Acts 25:13-21/Ps 103/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday, June 8
Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11/Jn 21:20-25

Sunday, June 9 - Pentecost Sunday
Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33/Ex 19:3-8, 16-20/Dn 3:52-56
or Ps 119/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39.
Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104/1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23
or Jn 14:15-16, 23-26



Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday June 8 4:30 pm	Sunday June 9 8:00 am	Sunday June 9 10:00 am
Lectors		
Jeanne Alexejun Mary Holm	Tom Roovers Theresa Stubbe	Pat Loy Lee Peek
Eucharistic Ministers		
D Burish J Alexejun M Holm J Bocke M Bourguignon N FELTY* L LACH*	G Dederich D Janssen S Peterson K Stencil J Pritzl T ROOVERS* MP ROOVERS*	K Lobner P Loy A Boller J Fergot R Keen D EVERT* T BRZEZINSKI*
Ushers and Greeters		
A Butalla D Mayer Ken Chapman	J Babi J Huebsch R Huebsch	D Kohnhorst R Krueger K Malovrh
Servers		
Alexis Barber Need Server	Jeremy Fech K Huebsch	A Peek M Peek
Musicians		
Lynn & Nancy Dorothy/Choir	Jim Washebek Annette Southworth	Barb Britten Mary Lenard



A BIG Thank You to the Men's Club
Thank you to the Men's Club for supplying Mulch and spreading it around the church to make the grounds look beautiful!



St Matthew Parish Summer Help Needed

Position is for 8 weeks Starting June 17th
Monday - Friday: 6 am-2 pm OR 7 am-3 pm

Jason, our Custodian, is in need of a summer helper. This opportunity is for a student 16 years of age or older or an adult. Must be able to lift 50 lbs and use a riding lawnmower.

To get an application form stop by the Parish Center or to have an application form emailed to you, call the Parish Center: 715-842-3148.



Looking for a Volunteer

We are looking for a volunteer to pull a bush out, trim dead branches off trees and cut a tree down.

If you can help, please call Jason at: 715-581-2005

Thank You!



Guitars Needed

Starting Hispanic beginning guitar group.
If anyone has a guitar or 2 that they could lend or donate, please contact Dorothy Giallombardo at 715-432-5519

Volunteers Needed to Visit the Sick & Homebound



Can you spare some time once or more a month to visit those in our parish who are at home sick or homebound? You can visit one or more persons a month, whatever you have time for.

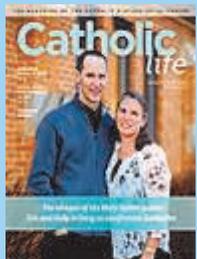
We also need someone who is available on First Fridays for visits. Looking for people able to do this on an on-going basis for a year or two. Call Dorothy at: 715-842-3148 if you can help. Thanks!



**Religious Freedom Week
June 22 to June 29**

St Matthew Parish will have Eucharistic Adoration on Monday, June 24th: 6 pm - 9 pm

"In the face of our country's challenges, and challenges within the Church herself, Catholics find strength in the hope of Jesus Christ. We want to share that hope with everyone."



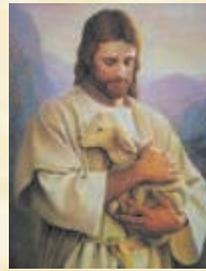
Catholic Life Magazine

We hope that all parishioners are enjoying the Catholic Life Magazine that is published and sent by the Diocese of La Crosse. St Matthew Parish has ensured that our parishioners are receiving this magazine, in order to keep current with catholic events in our diocese and the world.

Donations to help cover the cost of this magazine are appreciated and can be placed in

the Sunday Collection Basket in the "green envelope" that is provided in your Contribution Envelopes. Thank you and God bless you!

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 and Sympathy go to the Family and Friends of:

Kenneth "Pete" Hoffman

He died on May 25, 2019

He is the husband of Kathleen Hoffman

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



Parish Activities Meeting

As many of you know, the Treasure Sale will not occur this year. The Parish Finance Council decided to form a Parish Activities Committee.

This organizational meeting will be on Tuesday, June 11th at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Survey results and Activity Committees will be discussed.

**"Parachute with the Angels"
This Summer at St Matthew's Vacation Bible School**



July 15 - 19
8 am - 12 noon
Grades K - 6th

We need volunteers to help at our Vacation Bible School. Please call Joy at: 715-842-3148 to volunteer.



SUN. 06.23  **VS.**  **1PM**

This is more than just a tailgate. This is more than just baseball. It's a chance to share faith and joy with friends and family. Join the Brewers for our ninth-annual Ballpark Day of Faith celebration.

Ticket price includes: tailgate food, beer, soda, water, chips and dessert - an estimated \$20 value.

Schedule		Tickets
9:30-10:15 am	Arrival	Terrace Reserved \$30
10:15 am	Open Air Mass	Loge Bleachers \$40
11:15 am-12:45 pm	Tailgater Lunch	Loge Outfield \$50
12:45 pm	Walk to Stadium	Club Outfield \$60
1:10 pm	First Pitch	Johnsonville Deck* \$80

*Limited Availability

Tickets can be purchased online at groupmatics.events/event/dayoffaith
For a limited time, use code "BDF" for 10% off the cost of your ticket.
Go to www.dayoffaith.com for more information