



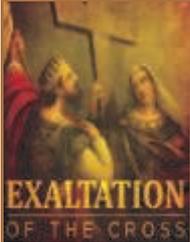
Saint Matthew Catholic Church

September 8, 2019

23rd Sunday in
Ordinary Time

229 South 28th Avenue
Wausau, WI 54401
715-842-3148
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Feast Day - September 14th

"Everything is a reminder of the Cross. We ourselves are made in the shape of a cross."

"You must accept your cross. If you bear it courageously, it will carry you to heaven."

St John Vianney

"This is the 'folly' of the cross: a folly capable of changing our sufferings into a declaration of love for God and mercy for our neighbor."

Pope-Emeritus Benedict XVI

Mass & Healing Service Today

- h Confessions: 2:00 - 3:15 pm
- h Sunday Mass: 3:30 pm
- h Healing Service to Follow Mass

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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 the Parish Center at 715-842-3148.

Next Baptism Class: Monday, November 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 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: 8 am - 12 noon



23rd Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27

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FR BOB IN ROME

On August 26th I began a 12 week Sabbatical in Rome; I will return the evening of November 15th.

Canon Law (the law that governs Church administration) strongly encourages priests to take a 3-month sabbatical once every 10 years. A sabbatical is a “study-retreat” time for a priest to rest from ministry and take time for study and an extended retreat. It is a time of renewal and of drawing more closely to the Lord through extended prayer and spiritual reading.

Fr. Peter Kieffer will be in charge of administering the needs of the parish in my absence. In the meantime, please keep me, and Fr. Peter, in your prayers. I promise I will be praying for you and your needs. Should you have a special need or prayer let me know.

My address in Rome will be:

Rev. Robert Thorn
Institute for Continuing Theological Education
North American College
00120 Vatican City State
EUROPE

Please note: Do NOT add the words Italy or Rome to the address, doing so will add 10 to 30 days to the delivery time.
Write only 00120 Vatican City State, EUROPE

ST. MATTHEW'S LADIES COUNCIL

When St. Matthew began, the ladies of the parish joined various “Circles” -- groups of 10 to 20 women who would meet periodically to enjoy one another's company while doing crafts, playing cards, organizing parish events, etc. Most of the circles have disappeared over the last 20 years. When I arrived in 2002 I heard about St. Matthew's Ladies Council. Every woman who joined the parish was considered a part of the Council.

The Ladies Council provided a great service for the parish in its heyday. The Ladies Council was in charge of organizing the Holly Hall event held on the first Saturday of November in the school, also the “No Bake, Bakesale”. These were their biggest fund-raisers. The funds from these events, and others have been used to provide scholarships for the children of St. Matthew's parishioners to attend Newman Catholic Schools. Some of the funds have been used in the past to cover the cost of Bibles in church, textbooks for students in religious education, new carpet in the rectory, candles in church, some sacramentals, and various other needs that arose. However, both the chair and the treasurer of the Council retired about two years ago.

As a result, The Parish Pastoral Council was faced with a decision about the future of the Council and its assets (which are parish assets). Last year it was decided to dissolve the St. Matthew's Ladies Council.

Perhaps it is time to reorganize a group (or groups) for women in our parish. I have been approached by some women about a group for young mothers, a group for single mothers, a book club, a travel group for retired women (and men), a Bible study for women.

As I researched online I found some good ideas for Ladies Groups:

- A Support Group for Caregivers: A support group for women who are caregivers for loved ones who are homebound or need extended care.
- A Marian Group that meets once a month for breakfast and, perhaps, invites a keynote guest speaker.
- Women of Christ – a nationally recognized group to help nurture the gifts of women as lay faithful in the Church.
- WINE – Women in the New Evangelization.
- Greeters Ministry: Women who focus on greeting and welcoming people to the parish before Mass and when the need arises.
- Playgroup: A group of Moms in the parish who get together a few times a month on weekday mornings to socialize and give their children opportunities for play.
- Church Clean Up: Meet once a month to dust and clean in church.
- Craft Night: Learning how to knit, sew, crochet, make a scrapbook, etc. and teach young girls some of these skills

There are all kinds of activities that could be developed in the parish. If you are interested in helping to reorganize, rename, **reinvent, women's ministry** in the parish please send a letter email to St. Matthew Parish Pastoral Council.

ABOUT HOLLY HALL: As I mentioned above, the Ladies Council sponsored Holly Hall for many years until a couple of years ago. That year there was no Holly Hall. The parish received numerous calls asking us to think about starting it up again. Since the Ladies Council no longer existed Norma Kipp decided to resurrect Holly Hall. She held a meeting and was blessed with a small dedicated core of volunteers. She chaired Holly Hall and Sharon Drefcinski co-chaired. We will have Holly Hall again this year (always the 1st Saturday of November) and we are looking for some people who would like to organize this popular craft sale. If you would be interested, please contact the office and leave your name and number for Norma Kipp.

Fr Bob



Caregiving Program Offered!
Marathon County Public Library, 300 N. 1st St, Wausau
Tuesdays, September 10th - October 15th: 1:00–2:45 pm

The Aging & Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin will offer a 6 week educational program called Powerful Tools for Caregivers. This program is designed to help family caregivers through their caregiving journey by providing tools and strategies for increased self-care. Participants will learn to reduce stress, increase confidence, improve communication, handle difficult emotions, increase ability to make tough decisions, and find helpful resources.

We hope you will join us! Preregistration is required.

Please call Meagan at the ADRC-CW, 715-261-6070, to sign up.

Thursday, Sept 12 at 7 pm - Sunday, Sept 15 at noon

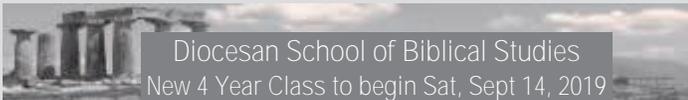
Domestic Church Retreat at St Anthony Spirituality Center, Marathon, WI



Grow in Faith Together as a Married Couple
Experience a More Joy-filled Marriage!

The Domestic Church movement is a lay led ministry for sacramentally married couples that enhances marriage and **family life by opening the treasures of the Church's**

teachings on love and life. During the retreat, couples will begin a spiritual **journey together. The goal of the retreat is to strengthen the couple's spousal** union and lead them to experience complete harmony and joy in their marriage through simple formation and meaningful dialogue. Register at: diolc.org/marriage-enrichment/ For information, call 608-791-2673. Financial scholarships are available.



Diocesan School of Biblical Studies
New 4 Year Class to begin Sat, Sept 14, 2019

Register Now! September 14th through the Spring of 2023. Classes held at St Anthony Retreat Center in Marathon, WI (classes also in La Crosse). Classes are held one Saturday a month for 9 months each year. The program joins the best of contemporary Catholic biblical learning with a desire for personal spiritual growth & use of scriptures in the Church. Permanent deacons, parish Bible study leaders, catechists, teachers, & regular bible readers looking for something **"beyond the basics" will profit from the program.** For the full program description: diocesanschoolofbiblicalstudies.weebly.com/ For questions call: Fr Mark Pierce at 715-842-4283 or email at frmarkpierce@gmail.com



Teaching the Way of Love

Necessary Parenting Conversations

Research shows that children who have regular conversations with their parents are less likely to participate in risk behaviors like drugs, alcohol and suicide. Are you able to discuss topics with ease in your home or is it more like pulling teeth to get your clan to engage?

Learn how to connect with your children during the Necessary Conversations webinar series. This 5-part series is designed to learn how to engage children in conversation and guide them towards the best in every situation. Register today at: twl4parents.com/necessary-conversations-webinar/. This series is brought to you by Teaching the Way of Love: your source for Catholic Parenting.

ShopWithScrip

Buy SCRIP in the Angelorum this Weekend!



September is a great month to buy Kwik Trip Scrip, the rebate is 9%!!

SCRIP Gift Cards make great gifts and help the parish **at the same time! Buy gift cards at "face value" & use them to buy items at participating businesses such as Walmart, Kwik Trip, 2510 Restaurant, Applebee's, Best Buy, County Market, El Mezcal Restaurant, Holiday Gas, etc.**

During the week many additional gift cards can be bought & ordered from St Matthew Parish Center (715-842-3148) or the SCRIP Office, if not available in the Angelorum. Orders are received within a few days at the Parish Center!

The bookrack at church and Parish Center have lists of the businesses for which SCRIP gift cards are available.

Volunteers are needed to help sell SCRIP after weekend Masses. If you can help, call Dottie B. at 715-432-0891

Thank you for buying SCRIP!



**HOLLY HALL CRAFT-VENDOR SHOW
NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT**



Last week in Fr Bob's "Note from the Pastor" he spoke about the dissolution of the Ladies Council. Holly Hall was a fundraiser for Parish needs since the early years of our parish. In 2017 a small group of volunteers took on this event to continue this tradition for the parish and the community.

Holly Hall is now a parish fundraiser, just as the Treasure Sale was! Holly Hall generates approximately \$10,000 for the parish each year. The parish needs this fund raiser to continue to cover the many expenses it has covered over the years. Unlike the Treasure Sale, the amount of time you need to give to this event is minimal, compared to the Treasure Sale, but each volunteer will make a difference!

We are thankful for the volunteer Chairpersons who answered our call 3 years ago. **They will be back this year, and we are grateful. To make everyone's job easier, we need people who will assist the chairperson by accepting responsibility for parts of their job.**

We are asking you to consider helping in any of these areas of Holly Hall:

- Vendors
- Raffle Tickets
- Raffle Prizes
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Publicity
- Luncheon
- Dining Room
- **Santa's Sweet Shop**
- Pie Table
- **Children's Only Shop**
- Set Up and Take Down of Gym and Cafeteria

St Matthew Parish has always been a parish that steps up to the plate when they are needed. We are people with giving hearts. We know that you will do it again!!

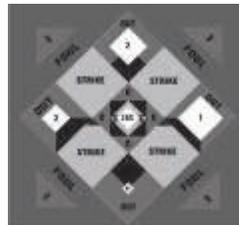
Sharon and I will be happy to talk with you about areas you are interested in volunteering, give us a call.

Sharon Drefcinski, 715-842-7490 , Norma Kipp, 715-409-6207

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart."

Elizabeth Andrew

St Matthew Inter-Church "Baseball Darts League"



Dart team is looking for players. We compete against other church teams, September - March on Monday nights starting at 6:30 pm.

We have a lot of fun! No talent required!

If you are interested in joining our team, call:

Marty Bever: 715-297-9598 or

Mike Bever: 715-544-8089 or

Ed Hack: (715) 842-0150

Additional Events

- ❑ September 8, Sunday - St Mary Fall Festival (205 S. 2nd St, Colby) Mass 10 am; Chicken & Ham Dinner: 10:30 am-1 pm \$10 Adults, \$5 Children, Preschool Free. Outdoor Auction, Raffle, Food Stand, Kountry Kitchen, Polka Music, Petting Zoo, Kids Games & Activities For information: 715-223-3033
- ❑ September 15, Sunday - Fall Festival Dinner: 10:30 am-1 pm & Auction: 1 pm (St Louis Parish, 188 S 2nd St, Dorchester, WI - Dorchester Memorial Hall) **Farmer's Market, Craft Fair, Bouncy House for Kids, etc**
- ❑ September 19, Thursday 2:30-7 pm **"Knights for life-Blood for Life"** blood donation drive at Abts Hall at St Agnes Parish in Weston. The Blood Bank's levels are low and needs blood for our community.
- ❑ September 22, Sunday - Fall Dinner: 11 am-1:30 pm (St Mary's, 303 16th Ave S, Bangor, WI) For information: (608) 486-1377 Meatballs & Ham, Potatoes & Gravy, Carrots, Cole Slaw, Bread, Pies & Bars Adults: \$12, Children 6-11: \$5, 5 yrs & under: Free
- ❑ **September 26, 27, 28 at 7:30 pm "Back to the 80's"** (Grand Theater, Wausau: www.centerstagelive.org or Facebook) Free Tickets from several area businesses or at the door each night. Performed by the CenterStage Band and Show Choir. Enjoy singing and dancing to memorable songs from **the 1980's accompanied by the live band.**
- ❑ Every Sunday: 7:15-8:15 pm - **"Young Adult Catholic Bible Study"** Biggy Coffee (320 E Bridge St., Wausau) For those in late teens, 20's, 30's.



This Week at Saint Matthew

Monday, September 9

Baptism Class - Parish Center Patio Room: 6:30 pm

Tuesday, September 10

Gospel of Matthew Bible Study - **Emily's Room: 10:30 am** - 12 Noon
Parish Center Library: 6:30 - 8 pm
Family Life Committee Meeting - Parish Center Patio Room: 6 pm

Wednesday, September 11

Peacemaker Quilters - Parish Center Patio Room: 1 pm
Religious Education Classes Begin - Holy Name School: 6:15 - 7:30 pm

Thursday, September 12

Jubilee House Free Community Meal - School Cafeteria: 4:30 - 6:00 pm

Sunday, September 15

Catechetical Sunday - Blessing of Catechists & Aides at 10 am Mass

Please support our Advertisers! Thank You!



Mass Intentions

September 9 - 15, 2019



Monday 8:00 am - †Irene Thorn
Tuesday 12:05 pm - †Fr. Jerald Willegar
Wednesday 8:00 am - †Mary Leitermann & †John Carey
Thursday 8:00 am - Vocations to Monastery of
The Holy Name of Jesus
Friday 8:00 am - †Ellen Martin
Saturday 8:00 am - Living & †Deceased Beever & Butzen Families
4:30 pm - †Virginia Hofmann
Sunday 8:00 am - †Michael "Mike" Mosure
10:00 am - †Rodolfo Cruz Jaramillo & Family
12 noon - †Juan Vargas

This Week's Scripture Readings

Monday, September 9 - Saint Peter Claver, Priest

Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 10

Col 2:6-15/Ps 145/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 11

Col 3:1-11/Ps 145/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 12 - The Most Holy Name of Mary

Col 3:12-17/Ps 150/Lk 6:27-38

Friday, Sept 13 - Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop/Doctor of Church

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 78/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Sun, Sept 15 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Catechetical Sunday

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32



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 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.

Celebration of Sacraments

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

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@stmatthewwauausau.org
Secretary - Ann Graveen Deadline Next Bulletin: 3 pm Monday
Finance Secretary - Barb Splinter



*Thank you for generously supporting
Saint Matthew Parish!*

Minimum budgeted amount needed weekly\$9,612.00

Stewardship Last Weekend.....\$7,850.80

SCRIP (last weekend).....2,145.00

A copy of the "Report of the Parish Finances" for this past fiscal year is in the bookrack at church for you to take and read. Thank you.

Weekend - Liturgical Ministers

Saturday September 14 4:30 pm	Sunday September 15 8:00 am	Sunday September 15 10:00 am
Lectors		
Joe Calderaro Mary Holm	Peggy Bant Henry Wanserski	Lynn Meyer Lee Peek
Eucharistic Ministers		
C Bush M Holm M Bourguignon F Heil L Heil J BOCKE* N FELTY*	P Bant D Lepak S Lepak J Peterson J Pritzl S PETERSON* J ZERNICKE*	K Lobner T Brzezinski J Fergot B Holl J Holl M JELINEK* B JELINEK*
Ushers and Greeters		
David Burish Marie Burish Allan Butalla	Tom Mullaaley R Huebsch J Huebsch	B Charlier Sharon Charlier Kevin Ellenbecker
Servers		
Alexis Barber Need Server	Jeremy Fech Kelly Huebsch	The Straub's
Musicians		
Cindy Blair Jeff Borski	Joel Stubbe Annette Southworth	Barb Britten Mary Lenard
Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)		Jeannie Henaman

*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:



Charlotte Bolz

She died on August 27, 2019

She is the sister of Don (Annette) Southworth

Ronald "Ron" Hinker

He died on August 30, 2019

He is the husband of Audrey Hinker

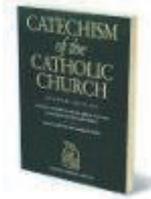
Sharon Seubert

She died on August 30, 2019

She is the wife of Allan Seubert

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

Growing in Your Relationship with Jesus Christ



A good way to grow in your relationship with Jesus is to read and ponder who Jesus is and what He has done for us. Reading through the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 15 minutes per day, 5 days a week is a great way to do this. Those who sign up will receive an email with the schedule for the upcoming two weeks. We begin Monday, Sept. 16th and end mid-June with a week off for Thanksgiving and two weeks off for Christmas.

If you are interested, send an email to Ann Lankford, Director for Catechesis and Evangelization at: alankford@diolc.org with "Reading the Catechism" in the subject line. Every year, over 100 people participate.

Saint Matthew's Feast Day - Saturday, September 21st

Celebrate our patron saint's feast day by

attending Mass at 8:00 am and then joining your parish family after Mass for a

"Dutch Treat Breakfast"
at 2510 Restaurant Deli



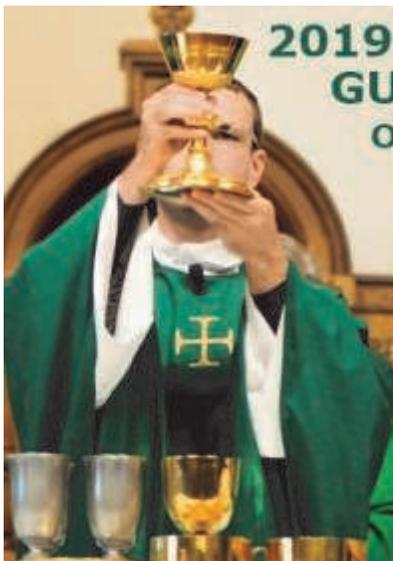
What's new at Holy Name Parish?

Confessions will be heard every Saturday morning after the 8:00 am Mass until 10:00 am. If the lines get longer, we'll extend the time to accommodate everyone.

All are welcome!



2019 VOCATIONS GUILD DINNER OCTOBER 8, 2019



St Michael Parish

611 Stark Street, Wausau

Adoration at 5:30 pm

Social at 6:00 pm

Dinner at 6:30 pm

A \$50 donation/person is requested.

Musician & Guest Speaker is Jim Busta, father of Mollie B of **Mollie B's Polka Party on RFT-TV.**

Register online at diolc.org/vocations-guild-dinner, email vocations@diolc.org, or call Renee at 608-791-2667.

Our Religious Education Department is in Great Need of the following Catechists and Aides:



- 3rd Grade Catechist
- 8th Grade Catechist and Aide
- 7th Grade Aide
- 9th Grade Aide

Classes are held Wednesdays from 6:15 - 7:30 pm at Holy Name School. Classroom Aides only need to be in the room to assist the Catechist. Weekly teaching is not required.

Please call Joy at (715) 842-3148 if you are able to help or for more information.



SAVE THE DATE! October 3rd - Parish Evening of Reflection



Our annual Parish Evening of Reflection is coming up. It will be at St Anthony's Spirituality Center.

Dinner at 6 pm, presentation by Fr Tim Oudenhoven at 7 pm and depart for home at 9 pm.

Please plan on attending this. It is always an excellent evening. Any questions call Annette 715-845-2569



2020 Calendar Raffle

The **Calendar Raffle** tickets will be available for sale starting next weekend. We anticipate selling 1500 tickets to reach our profit goal of \$20,000.

All tickets will be "pre-purchased", meaning you will have to pay the ticket seller \$20 for each ticket and then turn in the stub to be entered into the raffle. You can fill out the ticket immediately or put it in the collection basket or give to the sellers each week. You may purchase as many tickets as you would like.

The prize each week is \$150 cash. The week of Mother's Day and Father's Day the prize is \$200 each and the week of St Matthew's Feast Day the prize is \$250. A total of \$8,000 will be awarded.

We need a few people to help sell tickets each weekend until they are gone. Please contact Sheila at 715-848-1106 or by email: sheilay@charter.net

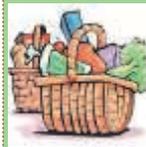


Saturday, October 12th: 12 noon - 1:00 pm

Plan to join us at St Matthew Parish for the

"Public Square Rosary Rally"

promoted by *America Needs Fatima!*



Thank You from the Circle of Joy!

The donations you made during this Share Sunday weekend are used to help those that are in need and are greatly appreciated. May God bless you for your generosity!



Sunday, September 15th
Catechetical Sunday

We would like all Religious Education Catechists & Aides to join us at the 10 am Mass Sunday, September 15th for a special blessing!

Please report to Joy when you arrive before Mass. Thank You for teaching our children!