PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER 5/15/22

Happy Easter and welcome to all who are here to worship with us. Today is the 5th Sunday of Easter, the weekend of the Feast of St. Matthias, and the kickoff for the St. Matthias 60th Anniversary celebration. Whoever you may be, or wherever you find yourself on the journey, please know that here at St. Matthias, All Are Welcome.

- This weekend we celebrate the Feast of St. Matthias. (Saturday Only) Don't miss the opening reception after the 5:00 pm Mass today. (Sunday Only) All are welcome to refreshments immediately following Mass today in the breezeway. Also in celebration of our patron saint, blessed holy water will be available to take from the baskets at all church door exits today. And don't forget that St. Matthias is also celebrating with the creation of the 60th Anniversary Cookbook. Submit your favorite recipe right on the St. Matthias website. The deadline is May 22nd and a link to submit your recipe as well as to order the cookbook is in the bulletin on page 7.
- Next weekend, May 21st and 22nd, we will have a special collection for the Development of the People. The collection will benefit the Church in Latin America, the Church in Africa, and the Church in Eastern Europe as well as the Catholic Home Mission Appeal, which seeks to strengthen the church at home by supporting essential pastoral programs in financially challenged dioceses in the United States.
- The movie and musical *Jesus Christ Superstar* in Live Concert with John Legend will be shown in the St. John XXIII Room after the 5pm Mass on Saturday, May 28th. Pizza with beverages and cookies will be available. Please RSVP by using the email address on page [x] of the bulletin.
- It's time again for the SMS Golf Classic at Royce Brook Golf Course. The tournament takes place on June 8th. You can register through the link provided in today's bulletin.

Did you know that between the resurrection and the Nicene Creed there is a gap of 300 years? During this time, our faith grew throughout the Middle East, Africa and Southern Europe by word of mouth. When we come to Mass here in this church, we are participating in a work that has gone on for over 2,000 years. What are we doing to spread the word?

Music for Our Assembly May 15, 2022 – 5th Sunday of Easter

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia. Psalm 98

Gathering Song - All Are Welcome in This Place

Refrain

All are welcome in this place. Behold Love's amazing grace.

All are welcome! All are welcome!

Bring your hopes, bring your dreams. Mercy flows and Love redeems!

All are welcome! All belong!

Welcome, all the broken-hearted, all who sorrow and despair.

You are not alone, for you are God's own! Together, we sing and we proclaim!

Refrain

Welcome, all who work for justice, bringing hope, charity and peace! You are not alone, for you are God's own! Together, we sing and we proclaim! Refrain

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Responsorial Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

I will praise your name, my King and my God.

Communion Hymn - As I Have Done for You

Refrain

I, your Lord and Master, now become your servant.

I who made the moon and stars will kneel to wash your feet.

This is my commandment: to love as I have loved you.

Kneel to wash each other's feet, as I have done for you.

All the world will know you are my disciples by the love that you offer, the kindness you show.

You have heard the voice of God in the words that I have spoken.

You beheld heaven's glory and have seen the face of God. Refrain

I must leave you now only for a moment.

I must go to my Father to make you a home.

On the day of my return, I will come to take you with me to the place I have promised where your joy will have no end. **Refrain**

I am like a vine, you are like the branches.

If you cling to my teaching you surely will live.

If you make your home in me, I will come to dwell within you.

You can count on my mercy when you ask for what you need. **Refrain**

I have called you friends, now no longer servants.

What I told you in secret, the world longs to know.

There can be no greater love than to give your life for others.

As the Father has loved me, so I love you as my own. Refrain

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Closing - How Can I Keep from Singing

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation. I hear the real though far off hymn that hails a new creation.

Refrain

No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I'm clinging. Since love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing; It sounds and echoes in my soul; how can I keep from singing? **Refrain**

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing.

All things are mine since I am his; how can I keep from singing? **Refrain**Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899; adapted with additional text by Doris Plenn, © 1957, 1964, Sanga Music, Inc.

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PRAYERS FOR THE MASS

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Glory to God...

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

Glory to God...

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the world, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. *Glory to God...*

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Responsorial Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

R I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD, and let your faithful ones bless you.

Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.

Let them make known your might to the children of Adam, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages, and your dominion endures through all generations.

R I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER May 15, 2022

Our response will be: "Risen Lord, hear our prayer."

- 1. For the church, her leaders, and members, especially those in this assembly as we celebrate our patron saint today...May we be known as disciples of Jesus by the love and care that we show one another, we pray...
- 2. For global, national, and local leaders...Inspire them to be true models of love and beacons of service to society, we pray...
- 3. For all who are receiving the sacraments of initiation, in particular our own First Communicants and Confirmandi...Nourish and strengthen them to grow in faith as they deepen their relationship with You, we pray...
- 4. For those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit...Heal them give them courage, and renew their hope whenever they despair, we pray...
- 5. For those who have died, especially Mary Kay Halecki... lead them home to you...and help loved ones left behind suffering the pain of loss find comfort and care in the hearts of others, we pray...
- 6. For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts today..., we pray...

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Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to you, and I believe your words, "Come to me all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you." Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.