

Pulpit Announcements for the Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time July 28, 2024

Welcome to all who are here today on this
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Whoever you are or wherever you find yourself on the journey. Know
that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!

- The noon Mass on **Sunday, August 4th** will be the farewell Mass for Dee Nann on her retirement after 27 years of ministry at St. Matthias. Following the Mass, we will have the opportunity to personally offer her well wishes in the cafeteria over some light refreshments.
- We have launched our Christmas in July, Spread the Light campaign. It is not too early to secure your family tree to honor your loved ones, family occasions, or business. Forms are available in the back of the church or you can pay through Parish Giving via our website. We have 280 trees to sponsor so order early and don't miss out on this beautiful display that honors our loved ones and brings joy to our community.
- The Center for Great Expectations is running very low on baby wipes and Size 5 & 6 Huggies diapers. Please help if you can. Parishioners are welcome to drop the items off at their convenience at The Center for Great Expectations. See page 8 of the bulletin for details.
- Our weekly adoration is a peaceful experience for more and more of our parishioners. Join us this Monday evening, anytime between 6 pm - 8 pm, to spend time with the Eucharistic Lord. We conclude Adoration with a Benediction when the Deacon is available.
- Tuition Angels funds are running low. A report on Tuition Angels and their standing can be found on our website under *Latest News*. Please consider donating to this worthy cause.

Today's gospel is about Jesus multiplying the five loaves and two fishes, and satisfying the physical hunger of the multitudes that came to listen to Him. Thus He showed us that God cares not only for our souls but also for our bodies. We too must respect and take care of our body. May Jesus who comes to us in the Eucharist help us in this mission...

Music for Our Assembly
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*God is in His holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he gives might and strength to his peoplePsalm 68*

Gathering Hymn – As We Gather at Your Table

1. As we gather at your table,
As we listen to your word,
Help us know, O God, your presence;
Let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story
Till we claim it as our own;
Teach us through this holy banquet
How to make Love's vict'ry known.

2. Turn our worship into witness
In the sacrament of life;
Send us forth to love and serve you,
Bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion
To forgive as you forgave;
May we still behold your image
In the world you died to save.

3. Gracious Spirit, help us summon
Other guests to share that feast
Where triumphant Love will welcome
Those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us,
Nor will pride our peace destroy,
As we join with saints and angels
To repeat the sounding joy.

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Prayer of the Faithful

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Our response is: "In Your Name, Oh God, We Pray."

1. For the Church and her leaders, especially Pope Francis...Give them the hearts of true shepherds, guiding the faithful to work for justice, peace, love, compassion, and care, we pray.
2. For government leaders...Place their gifts unselfishly in the service of others so that we might achieve a vision of the common good for all, we pray ...
3. On this World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, may God's blessings be with them as we offer our care and gratitude for the sacrifice they made and the wisdom they impart to us, we pray
4. For the faith community of St. Matthias...Grant us the rest and peace in these summer days of Ordinary Time for balance, renewal, and a deepening relationship with Jesus, we pray. . .
5. For those who are ill in mind, body, or spirit...Fill them with hope and courage and restore them to good health; and for all those who have died, especially **Nedelia Salgado**. . . bring peace and comfort to those who mourn them, we pray. . .
6. For the prayers that are silent in our hearts, we pray...

The presider announces the Mass intention and concludes the Intercessions.

Preparation of the Gifts - In This Place

1. We are all hungry people,
we need shelter and strength.
We are one in our hurting,
we are one in our pain.
In our suff'ring and sadness,
we are saved by the grace
of the power and the Spirit
that is here in this place.

**We are gathered at table*
as one in the Lord.
We are gathered as people
who are living the Word.
Our hearts and our spirits
are nurtured by grace.
It is Jesus who fills us.
He is here in this place.**

2. All our lives are a Myst'ry;
we see not where they lead.
We are asked now to trust you
and we know we must believe.
As our feet become Christ's
feet,
we go forth with the grace
of the power and the Spirit
that is here in this place.

3. Though the world may tell us
to look at ourselves,
we reach out to another
where suffering dwells.
As our hands become
Christ's hands,
we are healed by the grace
of the power and the Spirit
that is here in this place.

4. In the bread that is broken
is the Christ that restores.
As we take, now receive him,
we find love evermore.
As the bread becomes Body,
we are filled with the grace
of the power and the Spirit
that is here in this place.

Communion Hymn – Gift of Finest Wheat

You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat;
Come give to us, O saving Lord,
The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
They know and heed his voice;
So when you call your fam'ly, Lord,
We follow and rejoice.
2. With joyful lips we sing to you
Our praise and gratitude,
That you should count us worthy, Lord,
To share this heav'nly food.
3. Is not the cup we bless and share
The blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare
Our oneness in the Lord?
4. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,
No mortal tongue can tell:
Whom all the world cannot contain
Comes in our hearts to dwell.
5. You give yourself to us, O Lord;
Then selfless let us be,
To serve each other in your name
In truth and charity.

Closing Hymn - O God Beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end.
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word;
We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
That we who know your favor may serve you as our King;
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still,
To marvel at your beauty and glory in you ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

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.

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,
and you give them their food in due season;
you open your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

The LORD is just in all his ways
and holy in all his works.

The LORD is near to all who call upon him,
to all who call upon him in truth.

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.