

Pulpit Announcements for the Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time August 4, 2024

**Welcome to all who are here today on this
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

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

- Thank you to the parents who have already registered their children in our St. Matthias School and in the Religious Formation that we know as GIFT (Growing In Faith Together). Others are encouraged to do so at the earliest.
- **Tomorrow/Today**, the noon Mass will be the farewell Mass for Dee Nann on her retirement after 26 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.
- Thank you to those who have already responded to our “Christmas in July, Spread the Light campaign” securing a 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.
- Our weekly adoration is a happy experience for more and more of our parishioners. Join us this Monday evening, anytime between 6 - 8 pm, to be with the Eucharistic Lord.

Jesus warns us not to work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life. He offers imperishable food at this Eucharist. May our gathering around His table help us to be nourished by Him who is the Bread of Life....

Music for Our Assembly
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*O God, come to my assistance, O Lord make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help: O Lord, do not delayPsalm 70*

Gathering Hymn – Here at this Table

**Come and be filled here at this table.
Food for all who hunger
and drink for all who thirst.
Drink of his love, wine of salvation.
You shall live forever in Jesus Christ the Lord.**

1. You who labor for justice,
you who labor for peace,
you who steady the plow
in the field of the Lord,

2. You with lives full of pain,
you who sorrow and weep,
you, beloved of Christ,
come to him, come to him!

Prayer of the Faithful

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

1. For Pope Francis and all Church leaders ... That they listen closely to the Holy Spirit, and so proclaim with fresh boldness the truth of the Gospel to all people, we pray...
2. For all governmental leaders especially those of our country, ... that they may pursue justice, truth, and peace for all. That they stop the in-fighting and nastiness which benefits no one, we pray ...
3. For this faith community of St Matthias...that the Lord will nourish us with the Bread of Life to build up and strengthen those of us suffering under heavy burdens, we pray
4. For those whose eyes look hopefully to God in a time of sickness, poverty, grief, addiction, imprisonment, abuse, or natural calamities: that He may open His hand and satisfy their desire for good things, we pray.
5. For all who have died, especially _____ That they who ate the Bread of Life on earth will find that the Divine Life will be their joy in Heaven, we pray. . .
6. For the intentions in the hearts of all those in this assembly, (LONG PAUSE), we pray...

The presider announces the Mass intention and concludes the Intercessions.

Preparation of the Gifts - And Katawan Ni Kristo

1. In the presence of our God,
as we gather here in Christ,
feel the Spirit breathe upon us,
the breath of life, graced and divine.
We have come to break the bread;
we have come to share our lives.
Let us bring these fruits to the table,
the love of God, yours and mine!

**Ang katawan ni Kristo,
ang katawan ni Kristo.
Behold, the Body of Christ!
Jesus, our Savior and Life!
Rejoice, O People of God!
We are the Body of Christ!**

2. When we gather in our homes,
through our prayers and our meals,
we are fed and nourished together,
our families, broken and blessed.
In the household of the Lord,
where we come to share the meal,
we are fed the words of our Savior,
one family, strengthened and healed. (to Refrain)

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Communion Hymn – I Am the Bread of Life

1. I am the Bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger;
and who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father beckons.

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

2. The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live for ever,
you shall live for ever.
3. Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood,
and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you.
4. I am the Resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
even though you die,
you shall live for ever.
5. Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
Who has come
into the world.

Closing Hymn - Joyful Joyful We Adore You

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore you,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before you,
Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

2. All your works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect your rays,
Stars and angels sing around you,
Center of unbroken praise;
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Sound their praise eternally.

3. You are giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
God our Father, Christ our brother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus
Which the morning stars began;
God's own love is reigning o'er us,
Joining People hand in hand.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sun-ward,
In the triumph song of life.

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

What we have heard and know,
and what our fathers have declared to us,
We will declare to the generation to come
the glorious deeds of the LORD and his strength
and the wonders that he wrought.

He commanded the skies above
and opened the doors of heaven;
he rained manna upon them for food
and gave them heavenly bread.

Man ate the bread of angels,
food he sent them in abundance.
And he brought them to his holy land,
to the mountains his right hand had won.

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.