Pulpit Announcements for the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 20, 2023

Welcome to all who are here today on this 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

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

- The deadline for registering for the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis in November is coming up. A reminder to the parents of our High School SMYLE youth members to contact Deacon John or Sue Lenczewski. More info is in the bulletin.
- We are planning to restore our "Children's Liturgy of the Word" as we used to do pre-Pandemic. We are looking for volunteers to help with once a month. Training will be given. Please contact Dee Nann or Fr. Abraham.
- Sr. Mary Vertucci is a familiar name for us all. She will be with us in two weeks' time on September 3rd at the 10 AM Mass. See bulletin for more details.
- A reminder inviting all to our weekly adoration on Monday. Drop in any time between 6 - 8 pm.

God's attitude of welcoming everyone is very clear when today's Scripture says: "My house shall be called a house of prayer for ALL peoples." Here at St. Matthias, we are a welcoming church. But how do we practice that outside the church? How do we treat others who are different from us? May our fellowship during Mass in church help us to increase our fellowship with all...! Music for Our Assembly August 20, 2023 20th Sunday of Ordinary

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere ...Psalm 84

Entrance Hymn – Gather Us In

- Here in this place new light is streaming, Now is the darkness vanished away, See in this space our fears and our dreamings, Brought here to you in the light of this day. Gather us in' the lost and forsaken, Gather us in' the blind and the lame; Call to us now, and we shall awaken, We shall arise at the sound of our name.
- We are the young' our lives are a myst'ry, We are the old' who yearn for your face, We have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, Called to be light to the whole human race. Gather us in' the rich and the haughty, Gather us in' the proud and the strong; Give us a heart so meek and so lowly, Give us the courage to enter the song.
- 3. Here we will take the wine and the water, Here we will take the bread of new birth, Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, Call us anew to be salt for the earth. Give us to drink the wine of compassion, Give us to eat the bread that is you; Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

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Prayer of the Faithful 20th Sunday of Ordinary August 20, 2023

Our response is: "In Your name, O God, we pray."

- For Pope Francis and all who preach the Gospel...May their words give hope and a sense of welcome to all who seek the House of Prayer which is meant for all people, we pray...
- 2. For world and local leaders...Transform their hearts so that we may turn from the paths of injustice, conflict, and war, we pray...
- 3. For the Church including this faith community of St. Matthias... Make us open to the small whisper of Your voice to be led by it in our lives; And for the persecuted Christians in different countries, especially now in Pakistan, we pray...
- For all those affected by wildfires and other disasters in Hawaii, Canada and elsewhere...Bestow on them Your healing touch, we pray...
- 6. For the silent prayers within our hearts, we pray...

Presider announces the Mass intention and concludes.

Preparation Hymn – Precious Lord

- Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on let me stand,
 I am tired I am weak, I am worn.
 Through the storm, through the night,
 Lead me on to the light.
 Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
- When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near, When my life is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall, Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
- When the darkness appears
 And the night draws near,
 And the day is past and gone,
 At the river I stand,
 Guide my feet, hold my hand.
 Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

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Communion Hymn – You Are the Healing

 Jesus, you are the healing, you came to make us whole again.

Jesus, you are the healing, come show us how to live. Jesus, you are the healing, Jesus, you are the healing, Jesus, you are the healing, come show us how to live.

2. Jesus, you are the freedom,

you break the chains that bi Jesus, you are the freedom, Jesus, you are the freedom, Jesus, you are the freedom, come show us how to live. 3. Jesus, you are the power,you triumph over sin anddeath.

Jesus, you are the power, come show us how to live. Jesus, you are the power, Jesus, you are the power, Jesus, you are the power, come show us how to live.

4. Jesus, the resurrection,
you raise us to eternal life.
Jesus, the resurrection,
come show us how to live.
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Jesus, the resurrection,
Jesus, the resurrection,
come show us how to live.

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Closing Hymn – Lord you Give the Great Commission

- Lord, you give the great commission: 'Heal the sick and preach the word.' Lest the Church neglect its mission, And the Gospel go unheard, Help us witness to your purpose With renewed integrity; With renewed integrity; With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.
- Lord, you call us to your service:
 'In my name baptize and teach.'
 That the world may trust your promise,
 Life abundant meant for each,
 Give us all new fervor, draw us
 Closer in community;
 With the Spirit's gifts empower us
 For the work of ministry.
- 5. Lord, you bless with words assuring:
 'I am with you to the end.'
 Faith and hope and love restoring, May we serve as you intend,
 And, amid the cares that claim us,
 Hold in mind eternity;
 With the Spirit's gifts empower us
 For the work of ministry.

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

O God, let all the nations praise you!

May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let his face shine upon us. So may your way be known upon earth; among all nations, your salvation.

May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the peoples in equity; the nations on the earth you guide.

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you! May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him!

O God, let all the nations praise you!