

Pulpit Announcements for the Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time September 29, 2024

Welcome to all who are here today on this
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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

- GIFT and sacramental preparations are about to begin. If you have not yet registered your child for **GIFT** or, if appropriate, **Communion** or **Confirmation** prep please visit stmatthias.net and do so as soon as possible. Registration links can also be found on page 8 of the bulletin.
- Next **Sunday, October 6th**, is Respect Life Sunday. There will be a special collection for Sister Mary Vertucci and the Emusoi Center. Please support this worthy cause.
- The St. Matthias Racial Justice Initiative is hosting the 2nd session of their 4-part Election Series this coming **Thursday, October 9th from 7 to 8:30 pm** in the **St. John XXIII Room**. This is a safe, non-partisan event to link our Catholic Social Teaching with several racial justice topics. This upcoming session will focus on *The Common Good*. For details visit www.stmatthias.net/election2024/
- The deadline for sponsoring a Christmas Tree is already fast approaching. If you have not already sponsored a tree this year to perhaps honor your loved ones, family occasions, or promote your business, we encourage you to do so. Forms are available in the back of the church or you can pay through Parish Giving via our website.

In today's 2nd reading, the passage warns the wealthy of impending judgment, condemning their hoarded riches, luxury, and exploitation of workers. Their decayed wealth and unjust actions, including withholding wages and oppressing the innocent, will testify against them and lead to their downfall. The cries of those they wronged have reached God. May God touch all of our hearts today in the way we use our material wealth and our spiritual talents.

Music for Our Assembly
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All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy... Daniel 3:31

Gathering Hymn – God Has Chosen Me

1. God has chosen me, God has chosen me
to bring good news to the poor.
God has chosen me, God has chosen me
to bring new sight to those searching for light:
God has chosen me, chosen me:

**And to tell the world that God's kingdom is near,
to remove oppression and breakdown fear,
yes, God's time is near, God's time is near,
God's time is near, God's time is near.**

2. God has chosen me, God has chosen me
to set alight a new fire.
God has chosen me, God has chosen me
to bring to birth a new kingdom on earth:
God has chosen me, chosen me:

3. God is calling me, God is calling me
in all whose cry is unheard.
God is calling me, God is calling me
to raise up the voice with no power or choice:
God is calling me, calling me:

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 wisdom from above that is peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy, and good fruits, we pray...
2. For world, national, and local government leaders everywhere... Strengthen them to become servant leaders who show compassion for the wounded, and work for peace and justice, we pray ...
3. For the community of St. Matthias... Open our hearts to all that Jesus has taught to do for us, especially serving others, we pray. . .
4. For those who are ill in mind, body, or spirit... Help them to trust in You, and show them the way to healing and wholeness... And for the poor in our midst... Let us extend our hearts and hands to help them, we pray. . .
5. For all who have died, especially ____... extend Your loving arms to bring them into everlasting life, we pray. . .
6. For the silent prayers that we carry in our hearts, we pray...

The presider announces the Mass intention and concludes the Intercessions:

5 PM: Intention of Parishioners / Claudia Gemgnani

8 AM: William & Mary Wallace

10 AM: Alexander James & Frederick Yearwood / Mary Barrood

12 PM: Francis R. & Florence S. Lyons

Preparation of the Gifts - The Summons

1. God of day and God of darkness,
Now we stand before the night;
As the shadows stretch and deepen,
Come and make our darkness bright.
All creation still is groaning
For the dawning of your might,
When the Sun of peace and justice
Fills the earth with radiant light.
2. Still the nations curse the darkness,
Still the rich oppress the poor;
Still the earth is bruised and broken
By the ones who still want more.
Come and wake us from our sleeping,
So our hearts cannot ignore
All your people lost and broken,
All your children at our door.
3. Show us Christ in one another,
Make us servants strong and true;
Give us all your love of justice
So we do what you would do.
4. Let us call all people holy,
Let us pledge our lives anew,
Make us one with all the lowly,
Let us all be one in you.

4. You shall be the path that guides us,
You the light that in us burns;
Shining deep within all people,
Yours the love that we must learn,
For our hearts shall wander restless
'Til they safe to you return;
Finding you in one another,
We shall all your face discern.
5. Praise to you in day and darkness,
You our source and you our end;
Praise to you who love and nurture us
As a father, mother, friend.
Grant us all a peaceful resting,
Let each mind and body mend,
So we rise refreshed tomorrow,
Hearts renewed to Kingdom tend.

Communion Hymn – Loving and Forgiving

**Loving and forgiving are you, O Lord;
slow to anger, rich in kindness,
loving and forgiving are you.**

1. All my being, bless the Lord,
bless the holy name of God.
All my being, bless the Lord,
rememb'ring the goodness of God.

2. God forgives us all our sins,
healing those who live in pain,
saving us from final death,
God fills us with goodness and love.

3. Good and gracious is the Lord,
slow to anger, rich in love.
God remembers not our sins;
forgiving and loving is God.

4. As heaven soars above the earth,
so great the love of God for us.
As far as east is from the west,
the Lord takes our sins from us.

*Text: Based on Psalm 103:8, 1–2, 3–4, 8–10, 11–12.
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Closing Hymn - Change Our Hearts

**Change our hearts this time,
your word says it can be.
Change our minds this time,
your life could make us free.
We are the people your call set apart,
Lord, this time change our hearts.**

1. Brought by your hand to the edge of our dreams,
one foot in paradise, one in the waste;
drawn by your promises, still we are lured by the
shadows
and the chains we leave behind. But.....

3. Show us the way that leads to your side,
over the mountains and sands of the soul.
Be for us manna, water from stone,
light which says we never walk alone. And....

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the LORD is perfect,
refreshing the soul;
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,
giving wisdom to the simple.

The fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true,
all of them just.

Though your servant is careful of them,
very diligent in keeping them,
yet who can detect failings?
Cleanse me from my unknown faults!

From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant;
let it not rule over me.

Then shall I be blameless and innocent
of serious sin.

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