

Pulpit Announcements for the Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time November 17, 2024

**Welcome to all who are here today on this
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

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

- **New Jersey Right to Life 2024 Respect Life Raffle Tickets will be on sale on the weekend of November 16 & 17. 1st prize is a 2025 Volvo SUV; its retail value is over \$44,000. Donation for the ticket is \$10.**
- **This weekend SMYLE is collecting food donations for the Franklin Township Food Back - 15 mins before/after all Masses. We greatly appreciate your generosity and support.**
- **Our Book of Mass Intentions for 2025 will be opened on Monday November 11, from 8:30 AM. Please read more about the Mass Intention Guidelines on pg 7 in today's bulletin.**
- **We are in the final phase of promoting our "Spread the Light" Campaign. Trees are still available and we humbly request you to sponsor one. Forms are available in the back of the church or you can go to Parish Giving via our website.**
- **This is the time to invite as many of our parishioners to come help with the tree set up and decorations. Please see page 9 in our bulletin for more details.**
- **You are welcome to join many of our parishioners at the Adoration on Monday evening - any time between 6-8 pm.**

No one likes to think of the end of life or the end of the world, But today's Scriptures invite us to reflect on these very topics. If we compare our earthly life to an athlete trying to reach the finishing line where we are warmly welcomed, then end-time thoughts will not be scary. Jesus is there with us always. Let us earnestly welcome Him into our midst at this Eucharist, as we thank God for His constant presence with us....

Music for Our Assembly
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*The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me and I will answer you,
and I will lead back your captives from every place... Jeremiah 29:11,12,14*

Gathering Hymn – In Every Age

1. Long before the mountains came to be
and the land and sea and stars of the night,
through the endless seasons of all time,
you have always been,
you will always be.

**In ev'ry age, O God,
you have been our refuge.
In ev'ry age, O God,
you have been our hope.**

2. Destiny is cast, and at your silent word
we return to dust and scatter to the wind.
A thousand years are like a single moment gone,
as the light that fades
at the end of day.

3. Teach us to make use of the time we have.
Teach us to be patient even as we wait.
Teach us to embrace our ev'ry joy and pain.
To sleep peacefully,
and to rise up strong.

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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 and ministers . . . strengthen and bless them in their mission to spread the everlasting Word of God, we pray...
2. For world, national, and civic leaders, especially those in our own country . . . give them eyes to see and ears to hear the needs of the people they serve, especially as we keep today as the World Day of the Poor', we pray ...
3. For this intentional faith community of Saint Matthias . . . open our minds and hearts and make us attentive to the many ways God is present to us every day, and in thanksgiving to our Vincent De Paul Society that does so much good to help the needy, we pray. . .
4. For those who are ill in body, mind or spirit . . . show them the path to renewed health as they place their trust in your unfailing care,we pray. . .
5. For those who have died believing in the promise of resurrection, especially **Jean Elguicze, Sau Ling Yung** and those named on our parish remembrance list . . . welcome them into the fullness of joy in your presence, we pray. . .
6. For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts this day, we pray...

The presider announces the Mass intention and concludes the Intercessions:

5 PM: Gertrude & Lee Quinn / Blessings for Claire Gatarz

8 AM: Lena Sciotto

10 AM: Deceased Brothers of Knights of Columbus

12 PM: Intention of Parishioners

Preparation of the Gifts - The Lord is My Light

1. The Lord is my light, my help, my salvation.

Why should I fear?

With God I fear no one.

God protects me all my life.

With the Lord what should I dread?

**The Lord is my light,
the Lord is my help,
the Lord is my salvation.**

2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord that I long for:
all of my days with God to be dwelling,
gazing with awe at the beauty of God,
and in wonder look on God's house.

3. I know I will live to see the Lord's goodness,
now, in this life I'm sure I will see it.

Trust in the Lord, be strong and be brave;

wait in hope for God, our salvation.

Communion Hymn – You Are Near

**O Lord, I know you are near,
standing always at my side.
You guard me from the foe,
and you lead me in ways everlasting.**

1. Lord, you have searched my heart,
and you know when I sit and when I stand.
Your hand is upon me, protecting me from death,
keeping me from harm.

2. Where can I run from your love?
If I climb to the heavens you are there;
if I fly to the sunrise or sail beyond the sea,
still I'd find you there.

3. You know my heart and its ways,
you who formed me before I was born,
in the secret of darkness before I saw the sun,
in my mother's womb.

4. Marvelous to me are your works;
how profound are your thoughts, my Lord.
Even if I could count them, they number as the stars,
you would still be there.

Closing Hymn - Soon and Very Soon

**Soon and very soon we care going to see the King (3x)
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King.**

**No more crying there we are going to see the King (3x)
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King.**

**No more dying there we are going to see the King (3x)
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King.**

**Soon and very soon we care going to see the King (3x)
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're going to see the King.**

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11

You are my inheritance, O Lord!

O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,
you it is who hold fast my lot.

I set the LORD ever before me;
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,
my body, too, abides in confidence;
because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld,
nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.

You will show me the path to life,
fullness of joys in your presence,
the delights at your right hand forever.

You are my inheritance, O Lord!