Pulpit Announcements for The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 13, 2025

Welcome to all who are here today to celebrate the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Whoever you are or wherever you find yourself on the journey, know that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!

- If you know some parents that are looking for an excellent school for their children, do speak to them about our St. Matthias School. This is the right time for new registrations.
- This is also the time for registering your children for the Religious Education/GIFT program. "Growing In Faith Together" is an intergenerational faith formation process that benefits the whole family. See the bulletin for more information.
- The farewell Mass for Fr. Abraham will be on Sunday, July 27th at 12 noon, followed by a reception in the cafeteria. All are invited. More details on page 7 of the bulletin.
- Janice Olmes and Joanne Garcia will speak to us today about the ministry of the "Anawim Community," as part of the Mission Appeal in our church. We warmly welcome them to our parish community.
- Our Monday Adoration will be from 6-8 PM. Come at your convenience and experience some quiet time with the Lord.

How many of us are willing to assist a stranger in distress? We admire those who go out of their way to help the needy. Today, Jesus invites us to follow the example of the Good Samaritan, focusing purely on the human need and not on human excuses not to help. May Jesus, who comes to the altar, help us become good Samaritans to those in need...

Music for Our Assembly July 13, 2025 The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory...Psalm 17

Gathering Hymn – The Summons

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

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Prayer of the Faithful

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

- 1. For Pope Leo XIV, our Bishop James and all church leaders that they may shepherd their people with deep compassion and love, we pray . . .
- 2. For those who govern the peoples of this world, for peace among the nations, for tolerance instead of war; for dialogue instead of violence; for forgiveness instead of retribution, for lines of division and prejudice to be erased, for a way to give in to compassion and peace, we pray . . .
- 3. For our community of St Matthias, to bring more of your love and compassion to life for all who care for those in need, especially those working in food pantries, soup kitchens, outreach ministries, and care of the homebound, and for our Ministers of Hospitality, we pray . . .
- 4. For those who travel, for those on vacation, for those who cannot get away, for those who welcome family and friends, for those who look forward to reunions, for those who spend the summer or a part in helping others, for those beginning life in new places, we pray ...
- 5. For all those who are suffering in mind, body, and spirit, that God may touch their hearts with His comforting healing love, And for all the deceased of the parish, especially *Gabriel D'Jamoos and Sanora Doyen*, May they find their rest in the arms of Jesus, we pray. . .
- 6. For the intentions in the hearts of all those in this assembly, we pray. . .

The PRIEST now mentions the Mass intention and says the JUBILEE PRAYER as the concluding prayer:

- **5 PM:** Rodolfo Banaag
- 8 AM: Keith Byer
- **10 AM:** John & Helen Dolak
- **12 PM:** Intention of Parishioners

Preparation of the Gifts - Prayer of St. Francis

Make me a channel of your peace.
 Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.
 Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
 And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

2. Make me a channel of your peace.Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.Where there is darkness only light,And where there's sadness ever joy.

3. O Master, grant that I may never seekSo much to be consoled, as to console,To be understood, as to understand,To be loved as to love with all my soul.

4. Make me a channel of your peace.It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,In giving of ourselves that we receive,And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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Communion Hymn – Christ Be Our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.
 Make us your own, your holy people,
 light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.Longing for hope, many despair.Your word alone has pow'r to save us.Make us your living voice.

3. Longing for food, many are hungry.Longing for water, many still thirst.Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed.

4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless.Longing for warmth, many are cold.Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone.

5. Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come.

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Closing Hymn - Canticle of the Sun

The heavens are telling the glory of God, and all creation is shouting for joy Come, dance in the forest, come, play in the field, and sing, sing to the glory of the Lord.

- Praise for the sun, the bringer of day, He carries the light of the Lord in his rays; The moon and the stars who light up the way Unto your throne.
- Praise for the wind that blows through the trees,
 The seas mighty storms, the gentlest breeze;
 They blow where they will, they blow where they please
 To please the Lord.
- 3. Praise for the rain that waters our fields,
 And blesses our crops so all the earth yields;
 From death unto life her myst'ry revealed Springs forth in joy.

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Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you shall live.

I pray to you, O LORD, for the time of your favor, O God! In your great kindness answer me with your constant help. Answer me, O LORD, for bounteous is your kindness: in your great mercy turn toward me.

I am afflicted and in pain; let your saving help, O God, protect me. I will praise the name of God in song, and I will glorify him with thanksgiving.

"See, you lowly ones, and be glad; you who seek God, may your hearts revive! For the LORD hears the poor, and his own who are in bonds he spurns not."

For God will save Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah. The descendants of his servants shall inherit it, and those who love his name shall inhabit it.

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