Pulpit Announcements – January 22, 2023 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to all who are here today on this Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.
Whoever you are, or wherever you find yourself on the journey, know that here at St. Matthias, All Are Welcome.

- Catholic Schools week begins tomorrow/today. After our 10 am Mass, there will be an Open House and all are welcome to tour the school.
- We are happy to announce that two of our parish youth,
 Emily Chavez and Melody Adamski, were the recipients of the Diocesan Youth Awards. Congratulations!
- Calling all Ushers: you are invited to a meeting and reception in the St. John XXIII room on Thursday, February 2nd at 7 pm. In case you didn't get the invitation yet, you are still welcome to attend. Please invite someone who would like to be an usher.
- Rosary Altar Society will meet tomorrow / today after the 10 AM Mass in the St. John XXIII Room. Would you like to know more about this ministry? Attend this meeting and see.
- Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the repair and maintenance of our facilities....

Beatitudes are guideposts for our living. Do we tend to ignore the blesssedness Jesus offers because they are counter-cultural? Or do we take them seriously and see how blessed we are even in those situations that the culture will not consider as blessed? Think of it for a moment as we get ready to celebrate His presence with us.

Music for Our Assembly January 29, 2023 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle A

Save us. Lord our God! And gather us from the nations to give thanks to your holy name and make it our glory to praise you...Psalm 106

Gathering Song – All Are Welcome All Belong

All are welcome in this place. Behold Love's amazing grace. All are welcome! All are welcome! Bring your hopes, bring your dreams. Mercy flows and Love redeems! All are welcome! All belong!

- 1. Welcome, all the broken-hearted, all who sorrow and despair. You are not alone, for you are God's own! Together, we sing and we proclaim!
- 2. Welcome, all who work for justice, bringing hope, charity, and peace! You are not alone, for you are God's own! Together, we sing and we proclaim!

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Prayer of the Faithful

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle A January 29, 2023

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

- 1. For Pope Francis and all church leaders...inspire them to be humble servants who will experience the Beatitudes and lead us in the Gospel message of your son Jesus. We pray ...
- 2. For world, national, and local leaders...Fill their hearts with a spirit of humility and service toward the poor, the hungry, the marginalized, and the lowly, we pray . . .
- 3. For our St. Matthias School, for the Principal, faculty, staff and parents, that our celebration of the Catholic Schools week will help us form our students in faith, caring, and excellence, we pray . . .
- 4. For those who suffer in body, mind or spirit...Send your healing touch, we pray. . .
- 5. For those who have died especially Alan Zlata, Receive them into your loving embrace, we pray . . .
- 6. For the intentions we hold in our hearts, we pray . . .

PRIEST	(MASS INTENTION)
(conclude with our 60th Anniversary Prayer)	

Preparation Hymn - Prayer of St. Francis

- 1. 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 seek So 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 – Miracle of Grace

Miracle of grace, mystery of faith,
 calling us to venture to the deep.
 Though our senses fail, your graces still prevail,
 and we become the love that we receive.

Bread of life, bread of life.

Those who eat this bread shall live and never die.

Bread of life, bread of life.

Your true presence in this holy sacrifice.

Bread of life.

- Unworthy though we are, you feed the hungry heart
 with bread come down from heaven above.
 And like a grain of wheat, we fall down at your feet,
 dying here with you. Oh, let us rise! *
- Your faithfulness revealed in this covenant you've sealed
 with your very body and your blood.
 Come, claim your bride again with love that cannot end,
 for what God joins no one can divide. *

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Closing Hymn - God Has Chosen Me

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 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*
- 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*

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Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

The LORD keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry.
The LORD sets captives free.

The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down.

The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers.

The fatherless and the widow the LORD sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts.

The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations.

Alleluia.

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