

Pulpit Announcements for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

**Welcome to all who are here today
on this sixth Sunday of Easter. Whoever you are, or
wherever you find yourself on the journey.
Know that here at St. Matthias, ALL ARE WELCOME!**

- **St. Matthias Ministry Fair will take place next weekend. Some 30 ministries of our parish are joining the Fair in the cafeteria. Please drop in after any Mass and you will be amazed at the various displays. Chat with the Ministry members at each table and be familiar with the multiple ministries that make up St. Matthias such a vibrant community.**
- **A reminder to our parents with teens: The New Jersey Youth Day at Six Flags is on May 21, which is next Sunday. It will be a great experience for our youth. Have you registered? If not, now is the time. Bulletin has the info.**
- **Next weekend is the collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign.**

The Scripture readings today focus on joy and love - qualities we appreciate in everyone but in a special way in mothers. We are grateful to the Mother's love that was unconditional - like the divine love.

**Shall we turn and wish all mothers
"A very happy Mother's Day?"**

Music for Our Assembly

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*Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, Alleluia... Isaiah 48:20*

Entrance Hymn – 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!

4. 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

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Our response is: “Risen Lord, hear our prayer.”

1. For the universal church, its leaders, and members . . . renew the gifts of the Spirit in all of us as we work to build up the Body of Christ; For global, national, and civic leaders . . . to bring justice to a hurting world, we pray...
2. For this intentional faith community of Saint Matthias, in particular our own First Communicants and Confirmandi . . . help us to keep Your commandments in a spirit of mutual love and respect for each other, we pray...
3. For all those we honor with the name of “Mother” . . . bless them today and always as they share in the life-giving mission of Christ, we pray . . .
4. For those who endure illness of body, mind, or spirit . . . by Your continued presence in their lives remind them that they are never alone in their struggles, we pray...
5. For those who have died, especially ***Frances Frankenger, Todd Furbee, Paul Paetow, and Bernadette Petit*** . . . while on earth they placed their hope in You, reward their faithfulness now in the kingdom of heaven, we pray . . .
6. For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts today, (LONG PAUSE)...we pray...

Presider announces the Mass intention and concludes with the 60th Anniversary Prayer.

Preparation Hymn – O Beloved of God

1. O Matthias, graced by the Spirit, destined to stand for the one who could not stand,
So to be witness to the Resurrection of the Lord of Life who called you friend.

O beloved of God, friend of the Lord, pray for us! Pray for us this day.

2. Formed in love by Word and by sacrament, sent in grace by the power of the Spirit, let us work to bring forth the kingdom, to be bread for the hungry and hope for the Lord.
3. Pray for us that we too may follow the Way, the Truth, and the Life, and be witnesses to the Resurrection of the Lord of Life, who calls us friend.

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Communion Hymn – Like a Child Rests

**Like a child rests in its mother's arms,
so will I rest in you.**

1. My God, I am not proud.
I do not look for things too great.
2. My God, I trust in you.
You care for me; you give me peace.
3. O Israel, trust in God,
now and always trust in God.

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Closing Hymn – 10,000 Reasons - Bless the Lord O, My Soul

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul, Worship his holy name,
Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship your holy name.

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing your song again, whatever may come and whatever lies before me, Let me be singing when the evening comes!
2. You're rich in love and you're slow to anger, Your name is great and your heart is kind, for all your goodness I will keep on singing, 10,000 reasons for my heart to find!
3. And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come, Still my soul will sing your praise unending, 10,000 years and then forever more.

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Responsorial Psalm - 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7,16, 20

Let all the earth cry out, cry out to God with joy.

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth,
sing praise to the glory of his name;
proclaim his glorious praise.

Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!"

"Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you,
sing praise to your name!"

Come and see the works of God,
his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

He has changed the sea into dry land;
through the river, they passed on foot;
therefore, let us rejoice in him.
He rules by his might forever.

Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare
what he has done for me.

Blessed be God who refused me not
my prayer or his kindness!

Let all the earth cry out, cry out to God with joy.