

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

May 29, 2016

Saturday, May 28

4:30PM Raymond P. Beswick (21st Anniversary)

Sunday, May 29

7:30AM Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Hughes

9:30AM Carol Tinneney

11:30AM Robert G. Templeton (9th Anniversary)

Monday, May 30 Memorial Day

8:15AM **No 8:15 morning Mass**

9:00AM St. Benedict Cemetery

11:00AM St. Matthew Cemetery

Tuesday, May 31

8:15AM Alex Savani

Wednesday, June 1

8:15AM Mark R. Pecharo

Thursday, June 2

8:15AM Robert Hagelgans

Friday, June 3

8:15AM Walter Donikowski

Saturday, June 4

4:30PM Joe Speranza

Sunday, June 5

7:30AM John B. Coonan (4th Anniversary)

9:30AM Yolanda Esposito Novi

11:30AM Joseph Sirianni

Ruth Vonkumer



Tom Tone, David Talone, JoAnn LaSorsa, Marie Carney, Greg Atkinson, Sophie Grabowski, Msgr. Robert Grudowski, Anthony Bonanno, Joanne Toth, Theresa Lenczewski, Luke Birkhead, Erik Kozlowski, Marlene Salkowski, Roselie Partenheimer, John Walski, Carl Reiff, Joseph Blaszczak, Patrick Kelly, Sean McGonagle, Mary Pierce, Brian Dunlevy, Sr. Jean Streibig, Stephanie Hathaway, Charles Streibig, Theresa McGrath, Kylie Reiff, Nikki Dolan, Joseph Rozecki, Betty DiCola, Brother James Riley, Shawn Gallen, Eduardo Gloria, Molly Glick, Deb Smith, Ann Campbell, Francina Capolingua, Cathy Pierlott, Lynn Bowman, James Sousa, James Gauger, Emilia Bello Jones, Rita VanBuskirk, Joan Nasielski, Caroline Smerecki, Joan Pierce, Kevin Miller, Mike Ancin, Rylan

Borys, Susan Minnick, Ann Greco, Jessica Jara, Leanne Purcell, Joe Lotito, Matt McNamee, Kendall Soltys, Concezio Lelii, William McGrath, Carl Pierce, Ursula Kozlowski, Benedetto, McDaniels, Kevin Kelly, Emily Armstrong, Charles Lare, Joanne Kalacinski, Mary DiMedio, Margaret Palmer, Sue Stephan, Anna Marie Ferrier, Mary Stoffel, Jeri McClennen, Marie Bowman, John Boccella, Felicia Rzeznik, Pat Rowe, Jim Bokoski, Hans Pawling, Margie Burghart, Jack Susskind, Kristen Lafferty



Alice Aspera



PRAY FOR THE MILITARY: Staff Sgt Daniel Furtak, Lt. Michelle R. McNally, SSKC Terence J. McNally Jr., Sgt. Robert Bonneau, Andrew Midgett, Jonathan Staats, Col. Shawn McGinley, Lt. Col Evah McGinley, The 108th Wing McGuire AFB, Matthew Horning, 1st Lt. Stanley J. Reimer III, SR Brett Pellicciotti, LCPL Thomas Mazzochetti, Staff Sgt. Michael Alfonse, Robert Catapano U.S. Army 101st Airborne, Paul Brown, Marines, Corporal Andrew Teitjen, Michael Bondra.

CELEBRANTS MASS SCHEDULE

5/28 4:30 Fr. Ryan

5/29 7:30 Fr. Ryan 9:30 Fr. Heron 11:30 Msgr. Owens

6/4 4:30 Msgr. Owens

6/5 7:30 Fr. Genovese 9:30 Fr. Ryan 11:30 Fr. Heron

6/11 4:30 Fr. Genovese

6/12 7:30 Fr. Ryan 9:30 Fr. Heron 11:30 Msgr. Owens

6/18 4:30 Fr. Ryan

6/19 7:30 Fr. Heron 9:30 Fr. Ryan 11:30 Fr. Genovese

6/25 4:30 Fr. Genovese

6/26 7:30 Msgr. Owens 9:30 Fr. Heron 11:30 Fr. Ryan



MEMORIAL DAY MASSES: We will hold our annual Memorial Day Masses on **Monday, May 30** at **St. Benedict cemetery on Colwell Ln at 9AM** and **St. Matthew cemetery on North Lane, at 11AM**. You are invited

to attend as we remember those who died in any war as well as those who are buried in both parish cemeteries.

No 8:15AM Mass on Memorial Day.

Prepare for Next Sunday

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 5, 2016

1st Kings 17:17 – 24 Galatians 1:11 – 19 Luke 7:11 – 17

The 1st reading and the Gospel affirm that death does not have the last word. In each passage the son of a widow dies. Over the dead body of the boy, Elijah prays, "Let the life breath return to the body of this child." To the deceased youth of Nain Jesus commands, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" What gives us back our life and rescues us from death – as St. Paul's personal history attests – is "the Gospel" which comes "through a revelation of Jesus Christ."

Religious Education

PREP

PLEASE REGISTER FOR FALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES NOW!

THIS YEAR WE WILL CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION. TBA

(Pending Bishops calendar schedules coming soon)

The Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

(known as CCD) Beginning Sept. 11, 2016 Classes from Grades 1 – 7 will be held in the Parish Center from 10:25 am – 11:25 am on Sunday mornings.

Before the "busy" summer season begins, please take a moment to renew your registration for PREP/CCD for next year. Tuition remains the same. \$110.00 for one, \$165.00 for two, \$195.00 for three or more.

As the "refurbished" building is being completed we are planning class size and determining needs. The sooner you complete the renewal, the more accurate an idea we have to begin in September. Supplies and textbooks need to be ordered soon.

You can register online at the website, click on Religious Education/CCD registration on the left. The form has been streamlined. Payment can follow either in the mail, drop in collection basket, or mailbox on the rectory door. Checks made out to St. Matthews

If you wish to pay online,

- Click up on the right Parish giving.
- It will take you to a page with the choice to create an account or make a donation or payment
- If you select the one time payment.
- It will take you a page where you select contribution type (drop down, choose St. Matthew CCD), amount, and email and payment information.
- Click pay now.
- A report gets sent directly to my email

Please register soon. Thank you!

Any questions or concerns contact Miss Mary Kay at mckennamaryk@gmail.com or call the rectory 610-828-0424 ext. 6.

The 2017 Mass Book is open. To make it convenient for you we suggest coming to the rectory or you may call the rectory with your request (610-828-0424) #4 for the office or email stmatthewrectory@verizon.net

Fr. Marc Capizzi

In response to the needs of the faithful of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Fr. Marc Capizzi is appointed to School Minister, Roman Catholic High School, Philadelphia, with **residence at St. Matthew Parish, Conshohocken**, effective June 20, 2016. It is my fervent prayer that your ministry at Roman Catholic High School will be the source of many blessings for you and your students, and a means to your growth in priestly holiness. (Most Rev. Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.)



*Of hero
is someone who
has given
his or her life
to something bigger
than oneself*

This is Memorial Day weekend: a time for all Americans to stop and reflect on the noble sacrifices the many men and women in our Armed Services have made to preserve the freedom we enjoy and sometimes take for granted.

On this Memorial Day weekend, we remember those who have died in our nation's service. Regardless of how we might feel about war in general, or any particular war, it is only right that we should pray for those who gave their lives for our country and those who are presently serving throughout the world to protect our freedom.

We are Catholic and American. What a beautiful gift we have received: faithful to our Church and to our country. Our country has given us, in these past two centuries, a home with freedom and economic opportunity.

As our country faces new challenges affecting fundamental moral values, let us resolve to work with our fellow citizens of all creeds to be as brave as those we remember today to ensure the moral greatness of our country.

PRE-CANA: St. Matthew Parish is offering a one day pre-Cana program on **Saturday, July 16, 2016**



from 8:30am – 4 pm followed by Mass. Cost \$200 per couple. Couples from all parishes are welcomed. Contact Deacon Mike Kubiak: 610-828-0424 X 5

or deacon.mike.kubiak@comcast.net

Pre-Jordan Instructions: The Sacrament of Baptism is administered in church on the first three Sundays of each month following the 11:30 A.M. Mass. In preparation for having a child Baptized, parents are required to attend "Pre-Jordan Instructions." Classes are the



1st Tuesday of each month. **The next class is Tuesday, June 7 at 7PM in church.** You will be required to attend a class if this is the Baptism of your first child. To schedule your Baptism go to www.stmatthewparish.com or call the rectory 610-828-0424 press 4 for the office to register.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: We most 'warmly' invite you



to be a part of this Ministry by meeting with us in the St. Vincent DePaul room **Tuesday, June 14 at 7PM.** If you know of someone who might like to receive a shawl, please let us know-or make one yourself for someone special to you. Contact Alice O'Connor acaoc@verizon.net

God's Plan for Giving

May 22, 2016

WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR
YOUR OFFERTORY
GIFTS LAST WEEKEND:
\$11,375.00

Electronic giving \$1,309.00 + \$10,066.00 = \$11,375.00



ELECTRONIC GIVING: Parish Giving is convenient for you and there is **NO COST** for you to participate. Contact Deacon Mike Kubiak at deacon.mike.kubiak@comcast.net to register www.parishgiving.org or www.stmatthewparish.com



Summer vacation time will be here soon and many of us will be away with our families to enjoy fun and relaxation. Unfortunately, the bills at St. Matthews never take a vacation. There are several ways you can continue to support your Parish even though you might be away: Mail your Sunday offering to the Rectory;

Use Parish Giving at www.stmatthewparish.com to contribute via debit or credit card; Use your bank's online payment system to send your offering, or double-up on your offering before you go away or when you return. Thanks to everyone, in advance, for your support. We hope everyone has a happy and healthy summer.

ST MATTHEW'S SENIORS WILL BE MEETING AT THE GREAT AMERICAN PUB

All members are invited to attend a luncheon to be held June 15 at 12:30PM. This will be our last regular meeting before our summer break. The luncheon will be provided from the proceeds of the dues and 50/50 throughout the year. Please let us know if you will be able to attend. Contact Pat Hanna at [610-272-3610](tel:610-272-3610) or Kitty McNally at [610-825-9291](tel:610-825-9291)

ST. MARY'S GOLDEN AGE CLUB: Meets every Thursday at St. Mary's Church Hall. Three dollar fee. Play Cards 9:00 AM Snacks 10 AM Lunch 11 AM Play Bingo 12 – 2:30 PM. Dues for members due 2016 is \$10.00 for the year.

Casino Trips: are scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month: **June 14 & July 12.** Bus leaves 9:00 AM from 11th & Fayette, 9:15 AM from 3rd & Fayette, and at 9:30 AM from St. Mary's. Call Joe (610-825-4596).



ST. MATTHEW BOOK CLUB: Fiction with a Christian Twist - Do you enjoy a good story and some fine literature? The Christian "twist" is that some element of the tale involves faith or morals, belief or unbelief, God or no god. This is a good time to join the group. *Stones from the River* by Ursula Hagi will be the subject of discussion on **June 8.** To join - Monsignor Tom Owens at stmatt2014@gmail.com or 610 – 828 – 0424 ext. 112



JOB OPPORTUNITY

FULL TIME INFANT ASSISTANT:

Conshohocken Catholic Early Childhood Center is seeking a full time caregiver for infants in our newly formed Daycare center. Experience caring for infants is required. Previous daycare experience is preferred. Candidate must be loving, nurturing, and possess good leadership skills. For more information call Carol Kearney at 610-828-0755 or cceccdaycare@gmail.com

FULL TIME TEACHING POSITION: Merion Mercy Academy, an independent, all girls Catholic High School sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has an opening for a full time teaching position in the English department for the 2016-2017 school year. Qualified applicants with an English degree and secondary certification are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Monday, May 16th. Experienced preferred. Send to: Mary Ann Danovich - Vice Principal for Academic Affairs - Merion Mercy Academy - 511 Montgomery Avenue - Merion Station, PA 19066 - email: madanovich@merion-mercy.com

COMPANIONS NEEDED:

A non-medical homecare agency, Caring Hearts is looking to hire companions for our seniors. No experience needed except a caring heart. Companionship, driving to doctors appointments, shopping. A perfect job for empty nesters looking for something to do and some extra money. Call 484-580-8157 ask for Jeff.

FRAN THOMAS MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY JUNE 11, 2016
PLYMOUTH FIRE COMPANY
1323 COLWELL LANE
CONSHOHOCKEN, PA 19428

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT
PLEASE GO TO: WWW.REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG
USE SPONSOR CODE FranThomas
Walk ins welcomed.

FULL TIME TEACHING POSITION:

Merion Mercy Academy, a Catholic independent all girls high school sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has an opening for a full time teaching position in French and Spanish for the 2016-2017 school year. The schedule includes teaching AP French and Spanish 1. Qualified applicants with secondary certification in both languages are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Tuesday, June 7th to Mary Ann Danovich, Vice Principal for Academic Affairs, madanovich@merion-mercy.com

St. Matthew Cemetery: A recent survey of the cemetery property revealed enough unused land to accommodate 133 burial lots. This land was originally a tract identified as St. Patrick's Road. It will remain titled as the "St. Patrick Section". For any information on securing one of these lots please contact: Deacon Mike Kubiak at 610-828-0424 or email deacon.mike.kubiak@comcast.net



Fr. Tom Heron's Weekly Reflection

*Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord Jesus,
Welcome!*

I rejoice in your presence with the Saint Matthew faith worshipping community as we participate in the liturgy for Corpus Christi Sunday. We are blessed by your desire to give thanks to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, both parishioners and guests. May you be renewed in mind, heart and spirit through the Word and Eucharist we share. Thanks for joining us!

Genesis 14:18-20 Psalm 110 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
Luke 9:11b-17

A good start to our reflection on this Feast of Corpus Christi is a question often asked in the Book of Psalms. "What shall I give to the Lord for all He has given to me?"

Our spiritual ancestors recognized the importance of giving back to God from whom all good things come. In Old Testament times people were farmers and shepherds. They gave back to God the "first fruits of their toil." They gave back the best of what they had, the things they valued most: the unblemished lamb, the best produce, the finest part of their bounty.

What shall I give to the Lord? Their answer: The best of all the good things I have!

Later on, however, they grew and matured in their thinking. They came to realize that it was not merely the things we value that God wants. It is also a way of living and relating to others.

Listen to the prophet Micah. "With what shall I come before the Lord? Burnt offerings of sheep? Thousands of rams? Rivers of oil? The first-born child? God has shown us what is good—to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:6-8).

In other words, the best offering we can give to God is a goodly life. That means the best gift we can offer to God is the gift of ourselves—just as we are.

Many will probably think that that's the worst gift I can give back to God. Just as I am? Sinner that I am? Many people hide behind masks to present a false image of themselves to the world. They try to hide who they really are.

But what God wants is **us**, just as we are, so that He can work a miracle in our lives that will make us a guileless, unpretentious, honest human being.

This is where the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ comes in. Each day millions of people contend with the pangs of hunger. We meet such people in our Gospel

today.

Jesus cared about the physical well-being of people. We hear how He multiplied five loaves and two fish to feed a crowd of thousands.

We realize how hard it is for people to bear the pangs of hunger; but the pangs of spiritual hunger can be even harder to bear. These hungers can bring damaging consequences to a person's life. Think of the spiritual hunger many suffer because they have turned away from God.

How do they feed that hunger of the soul? They do it with substitutes such as drugs, alcohol, lust, or unrestrained spending.

When Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper, He was addressing the needs of all of us who, at one time or another, experience spiritual hunger.

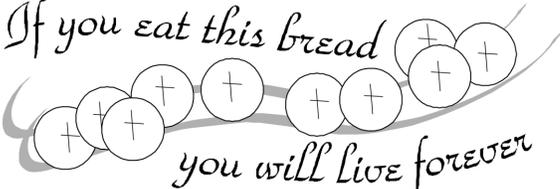
The gifts of bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. On the surface the Bread and Wine look the same but they have been truly changed so that when we come forward to receive communion we truly receive the Real Presence of Jesus. He begins to work a miracle deep in our hearts so that slowly but surely we are being transformed from sinner to saint. God wants us just as we are. He will work a miracle in us if we allow it to happen.

Jesus taught the crowds on the hillside and He teaches us through the Scriptures read at Mass. He, in other words, is feeding us. But Jesus also fed the crowds with food—at that time it was bread and fish. Now He feeds us with His Body and Blood. He feeds us in our loneliness with the gift of Himself.

So what can I give back to Him for all He is giving to me?

We are called to be a Eucharistic people, a people who bless the Lord for His goodness; and a people who share the blessings of life with others. He was the Good News to people and He fed them physically and spiritually. As we become more like Him through the reception of Holy Communion, we can do the same. Our transformation is an ongoing process, day-by-day. We have no need for substitutes.

"Archbishop Oscar Romero said, "It helps now and then to step back—take the long view. We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is the Lord's work. We plant the seeds that will one day grow; we water the seeds already planted knowing they hold future promise. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the Way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

If you eat this bread 
you will LIVE FOREVER

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