

ST. MATTHEW PARISH

JULY 8, 2018



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MASS SCHEDULE
SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:30 PM
SUNDAY: 7:30 AM
9:30 AM
11:30AM
DAILY MASS
8:15 AM
HOLY DAYS
VIGIL 7PM
8:15 AM
12 NOON
CONFESSION
SATURDAYS 3:30 – 4:15 PM

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**CONSHOHOCKEN CATHOLIC SCHOOL EARLY
CHILDHOOD CENTER:** (610) 828-0755
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NEW PARISHIONERS

WE WELCOME ALL NEW MEMBERS TO OUR PARISH
FAMILY. FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE PLEASE REGISTER
ON THE WEB AT WWW.STMATTHEWPARISH.COM

"WE, THE PEOPLE OF ST. MATTHEW PARISH DESIRE TO GROW IN FAITH AND IN UNION WITH JESUS CHRIST AND WITH ONE ANOTHER. THROUGH WORSHIP, PRAYER, ECUMENICAL OUTREACH, EDUCATION, AND ACTION, WE SEEK TO RESPOND TO THE CHALLENGES OF THE GOSPEL IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE STRIVE TO BECOME A PLACE OF WELCOME AND RECONCILIATION TO EACH PERSON WHO COMES TO US; A PEOPLE OF FAITH, EMPOWERED BY LOVE TO REACH OUT IN SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT GOD WILL ASSIST US AND BLESS US AS WE STRIVE TO REALIZE THIS VISION."

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD SUNDAYS OF THE
MONTH AFTER 11:30 MASS TO
REGISTER FOR BAPTISM GO TO
WWW.STMATTHEWPARISH.COM

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

YOU MUST SUBMIT A WEDDING FORM
AT WWW.STMATTHEWPARISH.COM
TO SCHEDULE A WEDDING

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

BEFORE SURGERY ARRANGE TO BE
ANOINTED AFTER MASS OR CONTACT
THE HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, July 7

8:15AM Margaret McKeon

4:30PM Carl Schultz
MaryFlor Horn (6th Anniversary)

Sunday, July 8

7:30AM Joseph S. Baranowski

9:30AM John J. Williams Sr.
John & Philomena Signore

11:30AM Dec'd members of the Thomas
Cannon & Mulrone Families

Monday, July 9

8:15AM Helen & Joseph Schank
Mary Margaret Klesius

Tuesday, July 10

8:15AM Tony Paparo

Wednesday, July 11

8:15AM Thomas Dempsey
Audrey DeFrangesco

Thursday, July 12

8:15AM Joseph Speranza

Friday, July 13

8:15AM Rachael Minnick

Saturday, July 14

4:30PM Maureen Herninko

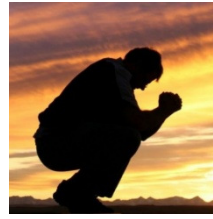
Sunday, July 15

7:30AM St. Matthew Parishioners

9:30AM Agnes Nangle (26th Anniversary)

11:30AM Kristina Morris

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Tom Tone, David Talone, JoAnn LaSorsa, Marie Carney, Greg Atkinson, Msgr. Robert Grudowski, Anthony Bonanno, Theresa Lenczewski, Luke Birkhead, Erik Kozlowski, Marlene Salkowski, Roselie Partenheimer, John Walski, Carl Reiff, Joseph Blaszczak, Patrick Kelly, Sean McGonagle, Mary Pierce, Brian Dunlevy, Stephanie Hathaway, Charles Streibig, Kylie Reiff, Eduardo Gloria, Molly Glick, Deb Smith, Ann Campbell, Francina Capolingua, Cathy Pierlott, Lynn Bowman, James Gauger, Rita VanBuskirk, Caroline Smerecki, Joan Pierce, Kevin Miller, Rylan Borys, Susan Minnick, Jessica Jara, Kendall Soltys, Concezio Lelii, William McGrath, Carl Pierce, Ursula Kozlowski, Benedetto McDaniels, Kevin Kelly, Joanne Kalacinski, Anna Marie Ferrier, Mary Stoffel, Jeri McClennen, John Boccella, Jim Bokoski, Hans Pawling, Margie Burghart, Debbie Miller Hannon, Robert Berk, Emma Forlini, Baby Noah Marchetti, Roseann Sirianni Lare, Theresa Steinhauer, Gregory Mazzochetti, Minnie Olearsky, Veronica Lilick, Jessie Bonkowski, Marlin McCarthy, Grace McCracken, Joe Lipinski, David Foults, Sr. Debbie Adams, Joe Januzelli, Owen Reichner, Patty Tomczak, Joe Spence, Charles Gehringer, Theresa Wagner, Bishop Joe Cistone, Debbie Beto, Michael O'Callaghan, Charles Kelley, Jeannie McGrath, Renee Marinelli, Tom Moore, Marie Bowman, Monica Farrell, Charlotte Marinari, Francis Van Buskirk, Joan Dobry McCormick

PRAY FOR THE MILITARY

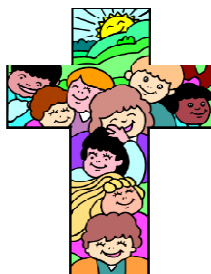


Staff Sgt Daniel Furtak, Lt. Michelle R. McNally, SSKC Terence J. McNally Jr., Sgt. Robert Bonneau, Andrew Midgett, Lt. Col Evah McGinley, The 108th Wing McGuire AFB, Petty Officer George Horning Jr., 1st Lt. Stanley J. Reimer III, SR Brett Pellicciotti, Corporal Thomas Mazzochetti, Robert Catapano U.S. Army 101st Airborne, Michael Bondra, Senior Airman Jacob Shoemaker, Senior Master Sgt. Curt W. Zeiders III, Edward Sobeck, 2nd Lt. Ryan D'Ambrosio, 2nd Lt. Eraina D'Ambrosio, Lt. Col Jeffrey Matthew

CELEBRANTS MASS SCHEDULE

7/7 4:30 Fr. Ryan
7/8 7:30 Msgr. Ricci 9:30 Msgr. Owens 11:30 Fr. Heron
7/14 4:30 Fr. McKeaney
7/15 7:30 Msgr. Owens 9:30 Fr. Heron 11:30 Msgr. Ricci
7/21 4:30 Msgr. Owens
7/22 7:30 Fr. McKeaney 9:30 Fr. Ryan 11:30 Fr. Heron
7/28 4:30 Fr. McKeaney
7/29 7:30 Fr. Heron 9:30 Msgr. Ricci 11:30 Fr. Ryan

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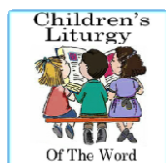


Interested in sharing your faith with our most precious treasure, our children? Volunteer to teach or assist with our Religious Education Program. We meet one hour between the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses Sunday mornings from Sept - March. Consider getting involved with a dedicated

staff and a wonderful group of children. The most important qualification is a love for Jesus and a desire to share it with our young ones. Contact Mary Kay at 610-828-0424 ext. 6 or mckennamaryk@gmail.com.

Please renew your registration as soon as possible. Renewal forms available in CCD office and sent home for those already in program.

Parents: REGISTRATION FOR FIRST GRADE AND NEW STUDENTS FOR 2018 HAS BEGUN. VISIT THE ST. MATTHEW WEBSITE CLICK ON LINK



LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN is held every Sunday at the 9:30AM Mass. All children (ages 3 – 9) are invited from the altar to the sacristy to share in a child-like presentation of the Readings of the Day. They return after the Prayer of the Faithful. Parents and older siblings are encouraged to accompany younger siblings. **10 year old and up are encouraged to become altar servers.**

Children's liturgy will go on vacation as of June 17th it will resume in September.



St. Matthew Parish is offering a one day pre-Cana program on **Saturday, October 27, 2018** from 8:30am – 4 pm followed by Mass at 4:30PM. Cost \$200 per couple. Couples from all parishes are welcomed. Contact Helene at hlegg100@aol.com to register for the class.

St. MATTHEW STUDENTS EXCEL:

Our parish recently received notification of the performance of our high school students. We are particularly proud of those who demonstrated academic excellence.

Merion Mercy Academy:

Distinguished Honors: **Gemma C. Del Buono**

Honors: **Gabriella M. Martino**

Honors: **Ashleigh P. Marmer**

Congratulations to all of our students!

ALTAR SERVERS: Are you 10 years old or older? Do you want to help in the parish? Join the St. Matthew's Altar Servers. E-mail stmatthewrectory@verizon.net

The 2019 Mass Book is open: For your convenience, there will be Mass Intention forms in the back of Church. Follow the instructions on the form and place in the collection basket or email your request to stmatthewrectory@verizon.net or 610-828-0424 X4.

United Methodist Church (CUMC), 20 W. 6th Avenue, Conshohocken, PA 19428: CUMC will host **Dinner with Choir - "Taste of Philly" and Bingo**, 5pm-7pm, **Friday, July 27th**. Dinner will feature such delicacies as cheese steaks, tomato pie, tasty cakes, soft pretzels. After



dinner, we'll play some Buddy Bingo with small PA themed prizes. Short overview of the Child Sponsorship and other Childcare Worldwide programs and possibly the Choir will perform a song! **Free admission - Please let us know if you are planning to attend: Call or text: 610-955-5146 with # for dinner.**

The **Ugandan Kids Choir concert will be at 10AM on Sunday, July 29th**. All are invited to a farewell lunch immediately following the performance. By coming to this event, you will enjoy traditional African song and dance, as well as help support children in need all around the world. Be sure to bring your family and friends! We will take up a Love Offering to support the work of the choir and Childcare Worldwide programs. **Please let us know if you are planning to attend: Call or text: 610-955-5146 with # for lunch.**

St. Matthew's Conshohocken Young Adult Group

aims to provide fellowship through social, spiritual and service opportunities for those in their 20s and 30s and the young at heart. To sign up for events join the St. Matthew Conshohocken Young Adults Facebook group. If you have any questions, please contact Tony Moral at tony.moral2@gmail.com or Erin Garrett at erin.garret@gmail.com



TRASH AT ST. MATTHEW CEMETERY



Please do not dump trash at the cemeteries. Kindly take your trash with you. We appreciate your undivided attention to this matter.



Electronic Parish Giving is convenient for you and there is **NO COST** for you to participate. To register www.parishgiving.org or

www.stmatthewparish.com

We are a Stewardship Parish

July 1, 2018
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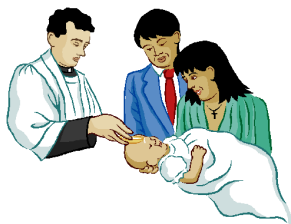
Due to an early bulletin deadline these numbers are not available.

Prepare for next Sunday

15th Sunday in ordinary time

Amos 7:12 – 15 Ephesians 1:3 – 10 Mark 6:7 – 13

In the gospel today, Jesus removes the twelve from their worldly occupations and sends them forth two by two. They go poorly, without provisions, in order to proclaim to the world that their only real possession is Jesus Christ – and that he is enough. The genuineness with which the preaching pairs love each other will persuade many to repent and accept the offer of God's cure.



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 **except for July due to the holiday. The next class is July 10 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



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, **July 10** 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



ATTENTION: THE SENIOR CITIZENS ARE GOING TO SEE THE READING "FIGHT'N PHILLIES" ON **TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2018,** ALL ARE INVITED! THE COST IS \$42.00 PER PERSON AND INCLUDES GAME TICKET AND BUS TRANSPORTATION. A BUFFET (HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, BARBECUED SANDWICHES, VEGETABLE LASAGNA, MAC'N CHEESE, BARBECUED RIBS, POTATO SALAD, PASTA SALAD AND FRUIT.) THE BUS LEAVES THE CHURCH AT 5:45PM AND RETURNS AT APPROXIMATELY 9:30/10:00 PM. IF INTERESTED CONTACT **DAVE MINNICK, 610-825-3899** FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR TO SIGN UP.

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

Casino Trips: scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday of each month: **July 10 & August 14.** Bus leaves 9:00 AM from 11th & Fayette, 9:15 AM from 3rd & Fayette, 9:30 AM from St. Mary's. Call Joe (610-825-4596).

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SOCIETY ANNUAL 'GRANDE FESTA ITALIANA 2018'

1210 East Ridge Pike in Plymouth Meeting, PA - Saturday, July 14 – Grounds Open at 4PM until 11PM - Sunday, July 15 – Grounds Open at 12Noon until 10PM - Quality Entertainment Saturday night from 7P.M. – 11P.M. with 'Ken Battista Band' And Sunday from 1P.M. – 4P.M. Italian melodies with 'Jerry Trecroce' - Also on Sunday from 6P.M. – 10P.M. the very popular 'A M Radio' Fine Traditional Foods, Games, Prizes and Family Fun! **New this year... Shuttle Service available at the Conte Luna building parking lot Additional parking at JFK Park on Fairfield road.** Our celebration will include at 9:45 P.M. Sunday evening a . . .Grand Prize Drawing of \$1000 For Information/Details (610.277.5320 Or Find us on Facebook **A very warm welcome is being extended to all!** + **Sunday, July 15th Feast Day Mass In Honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel + MASS in HONOR of OLMC:** On Sunday morning, July 15th, a Mass and Procession honoring our patroness will be held beginning at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 454 Fairfield Road in Plymouth Meeting, PA. Monsignor Charles Sangermano, Pastor of Holy Saviour Parish, Norristown will be the Main Celebrant.



Job opportunities at Conshohocken Catholic Early Childhood Center

Full Time Toddler Group Supervisor:

Conshohocken Catholic Early Childhood Center is seeking a full time Group Supervisor for a toddler classroom. Associate Degree or Bachelor's Degree in education is preferred. Candidate must be loving, nurturing, and possess good leadership skills. Position requires designing and implementing age appropriate lesson plans and activities, fostering positive parent communication, and a desire to work as part of a team. For more information call Carol Kearney at 610-825-4823 or email cceccdaycare@gmail.com

Full Time Infant Assistant Group Supervisor:

Conshohocken Catholic Early Childhood Center is seeking full time caregivers for infants and toddlers in our Daycare center. Experience caring for infants and/or toddlers is required. Previous daycare experience is preferred. Candidate must be loving, nurturing, and possess good leadership skills. For more information call Carol Kearney at 610-825-4823 or email cceccdaycare@gmail.com

Full Time Preschool Teachers Aide:

Conshohocken Catholic early Childhood Center is seeking an energetic classroom aide for our Pre-K Program. Candidate must have previous experience working with young children. Associate Degree or Bachelor's Degree in Education is preferred. For more information email Carol Kearney at cceccdaycare@gmail.com

“Conshohocken Catholic Early Childhood Center is an equal opportunity employer. We will not discriminate and will take affirmative action measures to ensure against discrimination in employment, recruitment, advertisements for employment, compensation, termination, upgrading, promotions, and other conditions of employment against any employee or job applicant on the bases of **race, color, gender, national origin, age, religion, creed, disability, veteran's status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.”**

Part Time Therapist

Busy chiropractic office in Conshohocken seeking a PART TIME afternoon therapist. Will train no experience necessary. M,T,W 2:30 7:30 F 2:30 -5:30 every other sat 7:45 -12. Contact Sallie 610-828-2500.

Gwynedd Mercy Academy High School, an independent, all-girls Catholic college preparatory school sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has an opening for a full-time teaching position in the Language Department. Courses to be taught in the 2018-2019 school year are Spanish 1 and Honors Spanish 2. Qualified applicants with teaching experience and a degree in Spanish are asked to submit their resume and PA clearances to Cindy DeCandido at careers@gmahs.org.

Catholic Women's Conference 2018

Join us for a day of friendship, prayer and growth in your faith at the 2018 Catholic Women's Conference. This year's theme is "Daughters of the King" and the day will be devoted to helping women discover their foundational identity as daughters of the King of Heaven and Earth. Saturday, October 27, 2018, 9am-4pm, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA. Talks will be offered in English, Spanish and American Sign Language. **A mid-September sellout is expected.** Register today at: catholicwomensconference.org.

July 23 & 24, 2018, 9 am- 5 pm (Concert July 24 at 7:00 pm)

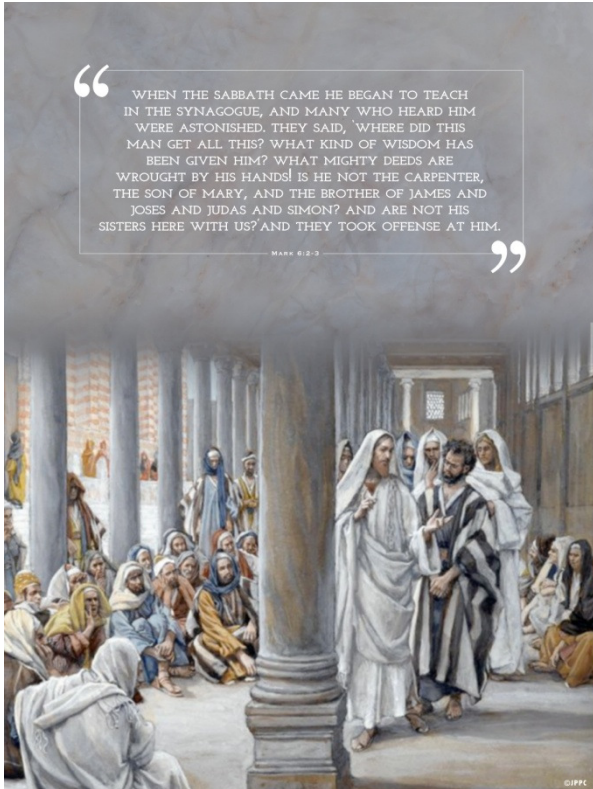
Event: Cantate Domino Festival

The camp, open to boys and girls ages 7 through 15, provides a unique musical experience including an introduction to sacred repertoire, vocal breathing techniques, vowel formation, choral tone, sight singing and music theory. **Location:** Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, 18th and the Parkway, Philadelphia

More info: Visit the www.odwphiladelphia.org. Registration is \$50 per child, and each additional child per family is \$25.

FR. TOM HERON'S WEEKLY REFLECTION

The Word of God is the divine seed from which sanctity springs. We cannot share in the mission and message of Jesus if we have not sincerely, generously and warmly welcomed the Word of God, the Good News, within ourselves.



Today we heard about the very difficult task God gave to Ezekiel, “I am sending you to preach to a people who are hard of face and obstinate of heart and rebellious in spirit.” Who would want such a task? Notice that God says something else to Ezekiel. He says, “Look Ezekiel, you go and preach My message of conversion to this people and, whether they heed you or resist you, they shall know that a prophet has been among them.”

In today's Gospel, Jesus also faces a rebellious people. His message was upsetting to those who were well-satisfied with the comfort and security of their lives. When Jesus came with new ideas, with new ways of understanding God, with new ways of living life, the people treated Him badly, rejected Him and eventually threw Him out of town. The words of God to Ezekiel come back to us, “Whether they heed my word or resist, they shall know that a prophet has been among them.”

The common denominator here is that the people of Ezekiel's day and the people of Jesus' day preferred God's message to be so veiled as to be impenetrable. Don't give us the naked truth. Water it down, put a veil over it, so we do not have to see it clearly. Don't ask anything of us. Leave us in our comfort and security. Above all, don't ask us to change our ways. But God keeps sending us prophets. Often we don't recognize them. We expect some cosmic event to awaken us from our moral slumber. God's truth is not veiled but God's prophets always come in a unique package. Ezekiel came in a light-hearted eccentric manner. St. Paul came as a flawed tent-maker. Jesus came as a carpenter from Nazareth. All too plain, too ordinary to disclose anything of God or salvation.

St. Thomas More was King Henry VIII's prophet. Henry was obsessed with obtaining Thomas More's approval for his marriage to Anne Boleyn. Why? Thomas More was only a man, after all. He made no public protest. He simply remained silent. So why was Henry VIII so intent on gaining More's approval?

Because Thomas More was an honest man and a moral man. Like a mirror, such people reflect our conscience. They stand in judgment of us. Not so much by what they say, but by who they are.

God sends prophets to us in many different forms - family members, friends, even strangers. Can we look beyond a person's color, race, gender, religion, wealth, education, job, physical appearance to hear what the person has to say?

But God also asks us to be prophets. Share the Word of God - an invitation God gives to us all. What holds us back from fulfilling the prophetic role that we received at baptism? We fear challenging the actions and attitudes of our friends (parishioners) because they might laugh at us, even reject us. But we fear being a prophet most of all because it means we have to practice what we believe and preach. To accept the prophetic role, we have to question our own lifestyles and see how well we measure up to the message we proclaim.

As Christians, we hold in our hearts the living Word of God, of Jesus Christ. It's a message we must share: “Whether they heed us or resist us, they shall know that a prophet has been among them.”

Mother Teresa did not simply practice charity, she embodied it.

Ezekiel, Jesus and Saint Paul are not just voices from distant centuries. Their words are everyday realities. Day by day we live out the cruelty and ferocity they excoriate.

The Word remains. This is a great comfort of one who preaches. My voice will disappear, but the Living Word, which is Jesus, will remain in the hearts of those who are receptive to it week-in and week-out.