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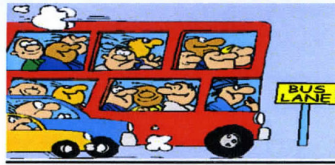
August 21, 2016
Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time



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RENEWAL

Msgr. Walter, Fr. Tomi, and Fr. Sunil will be speaking at all masses this weekend about our plans to re-invigorate St. Matthew Parish in the coming year.



St. Matthew Church “On the Move”: An Aspiration Survey

Catechesis and Education

Teaching Masses on Sundays: 2 times a year	
Small group Masses with sharing and teaching on week days: 1 hour	
Bible studies for Adults and Adolescents on Wednesdays both morning and evening	
2 hour seminar on various topics: 4 times a year on Sundays	
3 hours workshop on Marriage, Divorce and Annulments(one time)	
Online Bible Knowledge Enrichment Program (Texts, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter)	
Catechists for Mondays and Tuesdays. An hour and half commitment	
Name and Phone number:	
Pilgrimage to Italy April 27 to May 4, 2017: \$ 2899	
Name and Phone number	

Please select 3 items that you will participate from the above table

Spirituality

Speaker Events: 7 Pm to 9 Pm (2 times a year)	
Faith Sharing Witness Talks on Sundays for 4 minutes	
Retreats for men, women, youth and families at Holy Family Retreat Center, Hartford	
Advent and Lenten Days/Nights of Reflections	
Special Adoration and Mass for healing: 3 times a year	
72 Hours of Adoration leading to Thanksgiving Day Mass	
24 Hours Rosary in October	
Acts of Mercy Sunday to conclude the year of Mercy (Raking for Seniors)	
Intercessory Prayer Group (Half hour before 12.10 Mass)	
Adoration for Children (First Friday from 5:00 pm to 5.30 pm)	
Pilgrimage to Divine Mercy Center MA OR St.Kateri Tekakwitha Shrine NY: \$ 35	
Mission Trip to Peru for High School Youth: \$ 2000	

Please select 4 items that you will participate from the above table

Community Building

Financial Peace University : \$ 49 per family	
Name and Phone number	
Financial Management Program for Youth: One time for 2 hours	
Open Door Shelter 5 times a year on Sundays	
Cooking with Purpose for people in need	
Meals for Seniors	
Tutoring	
Stroller Brigade	
Home Bound Ministry: Name and Phone Number	
Tool Belt Brigade: Name and Phone Number	
Support group for the Elderly and Care Givers	
Support group for Single Parents	
Coin Collection for the Mission by children	

Please select 5 items that you will participate from the above table

Please only return this form if you have not already done so.



St. Matthew Food Pantry

will be re-opening on September 7th

We need to re-stock our shelves with the following items:

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Peanut Butter | Rice (not instant) |
| Dried Beans | Pasta Sauce |
| Spaghetti | Cereal |
| School Snacks | Crackers |
| Laundry detergent | Toilet Paper |
| Coffee (decaf & regular) | Paper Towels |

The Food Pantry Ministry would like to thank everyone for their generous support.

Msgr. Walter's Wish List

- New Refrigerator for Great Room Kitchen \$3,500.00
- WiFi in Church & Parish Center \$6,500.00
- Carpet Cleaning in Church & Parish Center \$3,850.00
- New Phone System \$9,300.00

Please let Msgr. Walter know if you are able to help with any of these items.



As of Friday, August 12th, St. Matthew Parish has raised \$203,000 which is 101.46% of our goal of \$200,000. Thanks to all who were able to participate in supporting the many Diocesan Programs with their contributions.



**ST. MATTHEW PARISH
COMMUNITY SUPPER
WEDNESDAY, September 14th
6:00PM - 8:00PM**



- Community Supper for those in the parish, as well as for those outside the parish
- Opportunity for us to follow the mission of the parish to build community and strengthen relationships
- All are welcome
- Invite your neighbors and friends
- \$1.00 per person *to be paid at the door*
- To reserve your seat, either call Carol in the office (203) 838-3788 or complete the form below & drop in the basket or at the office.

Community Supper

NAME: _____ Tel# _____

of Guests _____

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 22

12:10pm Lina Tilesio
6:30pm Special Intention

Tuesday, August 23

12:10pm Alfred Tilesio

Wednesday, August 24

12:10pm James Finch

Thursday, August 25

12:10pm Nilda Canevari

Friday, August 26

12:10pm Anna DeSantis

Saturday, August 27

4:00pm Richard Daskam
Ed McGettigan
Ken Phelan
Leroy Lohman
Marilyn Filene
Peter Hafner
Special Intention
Luisa Legaspi
Anna D'Attilo

Sunday, August 28

7:30am Marie Jeanne Mendence
9:00am Dagmor Anastasio
10:30am Lucy Dyke
12:00pm Henry & Marie Poniatowski
5:00pm Bert Chieffalo
Mae Murphy McNulty
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All weekday Masses are celebrated in the Chapel.

Confessions in the Church

Every Saturday 3:15pm - 4:00pm
Every Tuesday 7:00pm - 8:30pm

PARISH OFFICE Phone: (203) 838-3788

Monday - Thursday: 8:00am - 4:00pm
Friday: 8:00am - 1:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am - 1:15pm (Closed for the Summer)

The Office closes daily during the 12:10pm Mass

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory, 08/14/16:	\$14,637.00
On-Line Giving:	\$ 1,215.00
Average Gift, 08/14/16	\$ 26.05
Offertory, Same Week, 2015	\$12,211.00
Capital Improvements:	\$ 3,859.00
Candle Stands:	\$ 317.00

Your generosity and support of our parish truly enable us to carry out God's work in our community and beyond. God Bless! Msgr. Walter



ELECTRONIC GIVING

is available through our parish website.



**Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them,
O Lord: Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them**

Please remember in your prayers:

Anna D'Attilo
Laura Bedoya
Wesley Lent
Marie Saymon
Thomas Lanza

We extend our sympathy to their families & friends.



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III

Carmen Lora and Patrick Kennedy

**The 2017 Mass Book will be open
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Registration

REGISTRATION ENDS SEPTEMBER 8TH

Registration information for grades 1-8 has been emailed. If you have not received an email or if you are new to the program, please contact the Faith Formation office at (203)838-3788 ext.107 or by email stmattreled@gmail.com. All information including the registration form is available on our website on the Faith Formation menu tab.



**WE WELCOME
THE NEWLY BAPTIZED!**



Enzo Iodice

Congratulations to his parents, family, & friends!



Confirmation registration was emailed last week. Additional copies may be picked up outside the Faith Formation Office or downloaded from our website in the Confirmation menu under the Faith Formation tab: stmattewnorwalk.org/religious-formation/confirmation/

Registration for Confirmation will close on September 25, 2016.

**DIOCESAN
BLUE MASS**
Commemorating the Fifteenth Anniversary of 9-11

Sunday, September 11, 2016 - 9:00 A.M.
St. Thomas Aquinas, 1719 Post Road, Fairfield, CT

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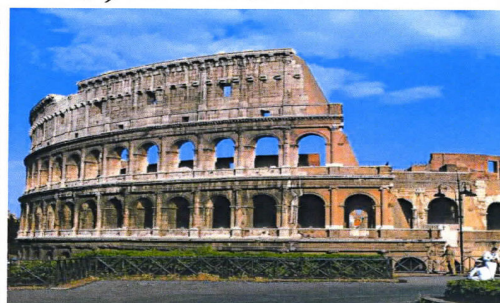
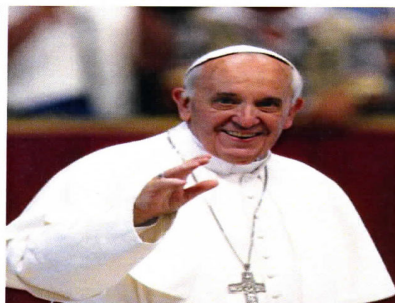
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10. It is our job: Jesus sent us to: **"Go and Teach all Nations"**

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