

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
JUNE 20, 2021

Welcome to all who are here to worship with us.

Today is the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Happy Father's Day weekend.

**Whoever you may be, or wherever you find yourself on the journey,
please know that here at St. Matthias,
*All Are Welcome.***

- Attention parents of 2nd – 6th grades. Your kids won't want to miss the high energy, hands on STEM Camp which runs from June 28th – July 2nd. The camp is open to SMS and non-SMS students. See the bulletin page 8 for registration information.
- Would your son or daughter in grades K-5 want to be part of Cub Scout Pack 195 at St. Matthias? Explore the fun which runs from September 2021 through June 2022. More information can be found on page 10 of the bulletin.
- Calling all senior altar servers. The parish would like to honor you on Sunday June 27th at the 12:00 mass. For more information please contact Phyllis Stone in the Parish office or Cathy Allegro in the school.
- Finally, in Pope Francis' declaration of 2021 as the year of St. Joseph, we are urged to support families of all kinds and accompany them along the journey of life. In honor of the occasion, 4 dioceses in NJ (including our own) have partnered to host the *Joy of Love and Family Conference Series* starting June 24th. See page 10 of the bulletin for details.

John Newton, the composer of *Amazing Grace* is said to have been transformed by God from the Captain of a slave ship to an abolitionist some years after converting to Christianity.

You might say his transformation was to a "new being."

The disciples were never the same after they encountered the storm at sea.

May the storms of life bring us all to life transforming encounters with God.

Music for Our Assembly

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The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them forever...Psalm 28

Entrance Hymn - Sing of the Lord's Goodness

Sing of the Lord's goodness, Father of all wisdom, come to him and bless his name. Mercy he has shown us, his love is forever, faithful to the end of days.

Refrain

Come, then, all you nations, sing of your Lord's goodness, melodies of praise and thanks to God.

Ring out the Lord's glory, praise him with your music, worship him and bless his name.

Power he has wielded, honor in his garment, risen from the snares of death.

His word he has spoken, one bread he has broken, new life he now gives to all. **Refrain**

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Responsorial Psalm

Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks to the Lord. His love is everlasting.

Communion Hymn - Be Not Afraid

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.

You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.

You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.

You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain

Be not afraid. I go before you always. Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown.

If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.

If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side,

know that I am with you through it all. **Refrain**

Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs.

Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh.

And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of me, blessed, blessed are you! **Refrain**

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Closing Song - How Can I Keep From Singing

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.

I hear the real though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

Refrain

No storm can shake my inmost calm, While to that rock I'm clinging.

Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, How can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing;

It sounds and echoes in my soul; how can I keep from singing? **Refrain**

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

PRAYERS FOR THE MASS

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Glory to God...

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

Glory to God...

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Glory to God...

CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Responsorial Psalm

107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31

R. Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

**They who sailed the sea in ships,
trading on the deep waters,
These saw the works of the LORD
and his wonders in the abyss.**

**His command raised up a storm wind
which tossed its waves on high.
They mounted up to heaven; they sank to the
depths;
their hearts melted away in their plight.**

**They cried to the LORD in their distress;
from their straits he rescued them,
He hushed the storm to a gentle breeze,
and the billows of the sea were stilled.**

**They rejoiced that they were calmed,
and he brought them to their desired haven.
Let them give thanks to the LORD for his kindness
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.**

R. Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

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

- 1. For Pope Francis, bishops, and all church leaders...Inspire them to preach of Your wonders and the everlasting love of Christ, we pray...**
- 2. For global, national, and civic leaders...Guide them to bring peace and justice among peoples, and in this Pride Month, inspire them to build bridges that recognize the dignity and gifts of our LGBTQ community members, we pray...**
- 3. For this faith community of Saint Matthias...May we always give thanks to the LORD for his kindness and his wondrous deeds, we pray...**
- 4. For those we call "father" on this Father's day weekend...May the one who is Father and Lord of all be their guide and their peace, we pray...**
- 5. For the commemoration of Juneteenth when freedom finally reach all who were enslaved in our country...Guide us to establish the justice you proclaimed, that all peoples might dwell in harmony and peace, united by that one love that binds us to each other, and to you, we pray...**
- 6. For those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit, especially those on our parish and school sick lists...In Your mercy, comfort them in their time of need, we pray...**
- 7. For those who have died, especially Thomas Polefka, Adoracion DeGuzman, and Adulcia Franka Davis...and in memory of Antoinetta and Antonio DiRienzo...grant them the eternal rest promised to all the faithful, we pray...**
- 8. For the intentions we hold in our hearts...Hear our petitions and hold us always in Your love, we pray...**

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.

**I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.**

**Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace You as if You were already there and
unite myself wholly to You,
and I believe your words,**

**"Come to me all you who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will refresh you."**

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.