

**PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS
JANUARY 17, 2021
2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

We welcome all of you who have come here to worship with us.

Today is the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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

- In an effort to benefit Unity Square, our Youth Group (12-18), SMYLE, will be collecting Dunkin cards and personal hygiene items (toothbrushes, toothpaste, tissue packs, hand sanitizer) in the church Cry Room after all the masses next weekend. Items should be brought to church in plastic grocery bags. More information on Unity Square, an initiative of catholic Charities, can be found on the cover page of the bulletin.
- Don't forget that the deadline for *Night of Winners* prize donations is this coming Friday, January 22nd. Please drop off all donated items to the Parish or School Offices during open hours.

**One of our three very wise deacons, reflecting on today's reading from the Book of Samuel, says in the bulletin,
"Listening to God through our prayers, and listening to others through whom God calls us, is the key to being a disciple of Jesus."**

Deacon John tells us today that in these very tense and divisive times it's easier not to listen than to discern the truth from others.

Let us listen intently to the scripture and to one another in hopes that we hear God's voice through all the noise and disruption.

"SPEAK LORD, YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING"

Music for the Assembly 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O most high! Psalm 66*

Gathering Hymn- Our God Is Here

Here in this time, here in this place, here we are standing face to face.
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.
Here for the broken, here for the strong, here in this temple we belong.
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here. And we cry:
"Holy! Holy! Holy are you!"
We cry: "Holy! Holy! Holy and true!"
Amen, we do believe our God is here.
Our God is here.

Here in the Word, God is revealed, here where the wounded can be healed.
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.
Here we become what we receive, here in this Eucharistic feast.
We are his body, living as one; our God is here. And we cry:
"Holy! Holy! Holy are you!"
We cry: "Holy! Holy! Holy and true!"
Amen, we do believe our God is here.
Our God is here.

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Psalm Response- Here I am, Lord. Here am I Lord. I come to do your will.

Communion/Closing - Here I Am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

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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. 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. 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.

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
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Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

R. (8a and 9a) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

I have waited, waited for the LORD,
and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.
And he put a new song into my mouth,
a hymn to our God.

Sacrifice or offering you wished not,
but ears open to obedience you gave me.
Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not;
then said I, "Behold I come."

"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me,
to do your will, O my God, is my delight,
and your law is within my heart!"

I announced your justice in the vast assembly;
I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know.

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Prayers of the Faithful

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 17th, 2021

Our response will be: *In Your name, O God, we pray*

1. For Pope Francis and all Church leaders...Let Your Holy Spirit lead all Christians to be one in faith, hope, and charity, emboldened by where our Lord leads us, we pray...

In Your name, O God, we pray

2. For all governmental leaders especially those of our country...Let us remember that we are all children of God and as we celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day, that Justice, peace, and reconciliation may reign...And for a safe, peaceful and uneventful transfer of power this week across our country, we pray...

In Your name, O God, we pray

3. For this faith community of St Matthias...Help us to pray for each other as we face continuing hardships during the pandemic and through our country's turmoil, and let us extend open ears, helping hands and forgiving hearts to one another, we pray...

In Your name, O God, we pray

4. For those who are ill in body, mind or spirit, especially those on our Parish and School family sick list...Make them aware of the hope and healing Our Lord promises us, we pray...

In Your name, O God, we pray

5. For all who have died, especially Mathai Joseph Orapankal, Russel Mulholland and Christine Vongartzen...Give them peace in the gentle arms of our Lord, we pray...

In Your name, O God, we pray

6. For the intentions in the hearts of all those in this assembly, (LONG PAUSE), we pray...

In Your name, O God, 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.