

Pulpit Announcements - July 31, 2022

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome to all who are here today on this 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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

- This weekend is your last chance to complete our Parish survey, if you have not yet done so. This survey will help us to determine our parish needs for some long overdue repairs. The survey is available on our church website under Latest News.

Please participate, your voice matters.

- The members of our St. Matthias Music Ministry hope that you are having a great summer so far. And while you are relaxing poolside, start dreaming about how awesome it would be if you joined one of our many choirs when we start rehearsing again in September, especially if you love to sing or play an instrument.

We are so proud of our unique Music Ministry experience of music, prayer, spirituality, learning and friendship, and it's just waiting for you!

Come say hello to our musicians after Mass today - they would love to tell you more!

Vanity of vanities...All is vanity! To hear these words in today's first reading is quite unsettling, don't you think so?

Yet if we are honest, we will know it is the truth.

The liturgy today invites us to rethink what we think is essential for life, to re-evaluate what is truly necessary for

life!

Music for Our Assembly

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God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he gives might and strength to his people. Psalm 68

Gathering Song - These Alone Are Enough

1. Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams. Take my mind with all its plans and schemes.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.
2. Take my thoughts, O Lord, and my memory. Take my tears, my joys, my liberty.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.
3. I surrender, Lord, all I have and hold. I return to you your gifts untold.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.
4. When the darkness falls on my final days, take the very breath that sang your praise.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.

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Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 90:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8

If today you hear God's voice, harden not your hearts

You turn man back to dust,
saying, "Return, O children of men."
For a thousand years in your sight
are as yesterday, now that it is past,
or as a watch of the night.

You make an end of them in their sleep;
the next morning they are like the changing grass,
Which at dawn springs up anew,
but by evening wilts and fades.

Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Return, O LORD! How long?
Have pity on your servants!

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.
And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours;
prosper the work of our hands for us!
Prosper the work of our hands!

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Communion Hymn - In Every Age

1. Long before the mountains came to be
and the land and sea and stars of the night,
through the endless seasons of all time, you have always been,
you will always be.

In ev'ry age, O God, you have been our refuge.

In ev'ry age, O God, you have been our hope.

2. Destiny is cast, and at your silent word
we return to dust and scatter to the wind.
A thousand years are like a single moment gone, as the light that
fades at the end of day.

3. Teach us to make use of the time we have.
Teach us to be patient even as we wait.
Teach us to embrace our ev'ry joy and pain. To sleep peacefully,
and to rise up strong.

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Closing Hymn - Lead Me Lord

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit, longing for their Lord,
for God's coming kingdom shall be theirs.
Blessed are the sorrowing, for they shall be consoled,
and the meek shall come to rule the world.
2. Blessed are the merciful, for mercy shall be theirs,
and the pure in heart shall see their God.
Blest are they whose hunger only holiness can fill, for I say they shall be
satisfied.
3. Blest are they who through their lifetimes sow the seeds of peace;
all will call them children of the Lord.
Blest are you, though persecuted in your holy life, for in heaven, great is
your reward.

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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.

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

Glory to God...

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

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Our response is: “In your name, O God, we pray...”

1. For Pope Francis as he completes his trip to Canada to advance reconciliation and healing between our Church and indigenous communities there...May continued listening and the dialogue by all of us lead to Your forgiveness for the sins inflicted, to Your healing that is so greatly needed, and most of all to our own active advocacy as Christians in the name of the dignity of each person, we pray...

2. For all world leaders and for any of us who lead others...Let the quest for justice, peace, equality and equity be at the foundation of governance, we pray...

3. For the faith community of St. Matthias...Give us a greater sense of the common good so that Your gifts never become idols that control us, but instead are there for the benefit of the whole human family, we pray...

4. For our parish young people and their group leaders participating in our St. Matthias week-long ServiceWorX camp...Help them to grow in their awareness of the needs in our community, and see Christ in those they encounter this week, we pray...

5. For the sick of mind, heart, body, and spirit...Sustain them with Your love and Your power, we pray...

6. For the deceased, especially Irving Leong and Frank Kane ...Welcome them into Your heavenly home and comfort those left here to mourn them, we pray...

7. For the silent intentions we hold deep in our hearts we pray...

PRIEST _____ (MASS INTENTION)

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.

✠ 60th Anniversary Prayer ✠

God of love, our hearts are filled with gratitude as we celebrate 60 years of our life as the parish community of St. Matthias. Thank you for the manifold blessings we received and the grace you gave us in times of our crises. We humbly ask you to give us greater fervor to live as missionary disciples of your Son Jesus. Help us to be more of a forgiving community that respects and accepts all as brothers and sisters created in your image and likeness. May we celebrate our diversity as your gift.

We praise you for our past, rejoice in our present and hope for better tomorrows for us and for our youth. Help us to be better stewards of the whole of creation as we reach out to everyone in our parish and in the larger community in love and compassion, especially those in most need of our presence, listening and support. May this important anniversary spur us on to grow stronger and give credible witness to your loving presence in us. Amen.

St. Matthias, Pray for us.

Mary Help of Christians, Pray for us

St. Joseph, Pray for us.

**In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**