

Pulpit Announcements – August 21, 2022

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome to all who are here today on this 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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

The Mass Book for 2023 is now open in the Parish Office. Many have been reserving Masses, especially Memorial Masses, on a specific date/time in 2023. Do not forget to reserve for your dear ones.

RCIA! We will be hearing about it more frequently these weeks. It is an invitation to the whole parish to be on the lookout for those interested in becoming Catholics, or for those who were baptized but wish to complete the remaining two Sacraments of Initiation, that is Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Have you passed through a narrow gate? What was it like? Would you not prefer a wider gate? But Jesus is asking us to choose the narrow gate! The narrow gate that leads to eternal life. Let us take Him at His Word, because he will be with us all the way!

Music for Our Assembly

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Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long....Psalm 86

Gathering Song – Gather Us In

1. Here in this place new light is streaming, Now is the darkness vanished away,
See in this space our fears and our dreamings, Brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in' the lost and forsaken, Gather us in' the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken, We shall arise at the sound of our name.
2. We are the young' our lives are a myst'ry, We are the old' who yearn for your face,
We have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, Called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in' the rich and the haughty, Gather us in' the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly, Give us the courage to enter the song.
3. Here we will take the wine and the water, Here we will take the bread of new birth,
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, Call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion, Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.
4. Not in the dark of buildings confining, Not in some heaven, light years away,
But here in this place the new light is shining, Now is the Kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever, Gather us in and make us your own;
Gather us in' all peoples together, Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 117: 1, 2

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Praise the LORD, all you nations;
glorify him, all you peoples!

For steadfast is his kindness toward us,
and the fidelity of the LORD endures forever.

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Communion Hymn - Shelter me O God

Shelter me, O God; hide me in the shadow of your wings. You alone are my hope.

1. When my foes surround me, set me high above their reach. Hear when I call your name.

2. As a mother gathers her young beneath her care, gather me into your arms.

3. Though I walk in darkness, through the needle's eye of death, you will never leave my side.

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Closing Hymn – Go Make A Difference

Go make a difference. We can make a difference. Go make a difference in the world.

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1. We are the salt of the earth, called to let the people see the love of God in you and me.

We are the light of the world, not to be hidden but be seen. Go make a difference in the world.

2. We are the hands of Christ reaching out to those in need, the face of God for all to see.

We are the spirit of hope; we are the voice of peace. Go make a difference in the world.

3. So let your love shine on, let it shine for all to see. Go make a difference in the world.

And the spirit of Christ will be with us as we go. Go make a difference in the world.

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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 Lord, 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 the church, her leaders, and members . . . help us to spread the message of welcome and inclusivity in Your kingdom on earth, we pray . . .

2. For global, national, and civic leaders, especially those of our own nation . . . teach them to recognize and value even the least among the people they serve, we pray . . .

3. For this intentional faith community of Saint Matthias . . . strengthen and guide us through the “narrow gate”, to choose Your will over what is easy or convenient, we pray . . .

4. For those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit . . . sustain them in their time of need and lead them to a place of healing and peace, we pray . . . For those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit . . . sustain them in their time of need and lead them to a place of healing and peace, we pray . . .

5. For those who have died, especially Gertrude Murphy, Theresa Spinelli, and Bernice Ostrowski . . . bring them all rejoicing into the true gladness of heaven, we pray . . .

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

PRIEST _____(MASS INTENTION)