

# Saint Matthew's Church

## A Roman Catholic Community

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:30 AM and 10:30 AM
Weekdays (T, W, & F)	8:30 AM
Holy Days	As Announced
Rosary & Novena	6:30 PM on Mondays (September – May)

Website: [www.stmatthewsvoorheesville.org](http://www.stmatthewsvoorheesville.org)

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**Prayer Chain** – Call the Parish Office to initiate our parish Prayer Chain for any special intentions you may have.

**Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage** – Please call the office for information on baptismal preparation classes. For marriages, call Father Tom, at least 6 months prior to the wedding date, to arrange.

**Hospital or Home Visits** – Please contact the parish office when serious illness and/or hospitalization occur. Many area hospitals no longer list patients by parish, so we rely on your timely notification to arrange a visit or the Anointing of the Sick.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** – Those who are interested in finding out more about joining the Catholic Church are asked to please call Deacon Paul. All inquiries are kept confidential.

**Parish Membership** – A heartfelt welcome to all new parishioners. We invite each family or individual to please register with us by calling or stopping by the parish office. Registration places you on our mailing list and ensures you receive up-to-date information on parish happenings.



We are a Roman Catholic Community called by Jesus Christ to proclaim the Kingdom of God through sacramental lives of prayer and ministry. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to give witness to the Gospel by serving God and others.

Our Parish Mission Statement

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

### Saturday, October 8

5:00 PM: Louise L. Smith  
11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

req. by: John F. Smith

and for: **Matthew O'Dell**

req. by: Kathy & Kara O'Dell

and for: **Joseph Ozimek**

req. by: Kris & Harry Keefe

### Sunday, October 9

The 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Oscar Tucker

req. by: Patty Barber & Family

and for: **Michael Iosue**

req. by: Dick & Beth Stewart

10:30 AM: **Larry & Josephine Brennan**  
(Wedding Anniversary)

req. by: Ciaran & Michelle Brennan

also for: **Deacon Jerry DeMauro**

req. by: Saint Matthew's Men's Assoc.

### Monday, October 10

Weekday in 28 week of Ordinary Time  
NO MORNING MASS

### Tuesday, October 11

Weekday in 28 week of Ordinary Time  
8:30 AM: Eucharist

### Wednesday, October 12

Weekday in 287 week of Ordinary Time  
8:30 AM : Eucharist

### Thursday, October 13

Weekday in 28 week of Ordinary Time  
NO MORNING MASS

### Friday, October 14

Memorial of Saint Callistus I Pope & Martyr

8:30 AM: Month's Mind Liturgy for  
Mary Walas

and for: **Michael & Michelle Stachowski**

req. by: Andre & Mira Lechowiczl

### Saturday, October 15

5:00 PM: **Bertha Meservy**

req. by: Saint Matthew's Men's Association

and for: **Diana Burns**

req. by: Anne & Bob Pennock

and for: **3 Month's Mind Liturgy for**  
**Janet Kerr**

req. by: Bill & Mary Ellen Rogers

### Sunday, October 16

The 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: **Jack Cahill**

req. by: The Jack Brennan Family

10:30 AM: **Carol Lansing, Rose Marie Hume, & Frances Palozzi**

req. by: The Lansing Family

and for: **Living & Deceased Members of**  
**the Men's Association**

req. by: The Men's Association

also for: **Ann Foley**

req. by: Tom & Ellie Dorn



**Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**  
No Faith Formation Classes

**Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Parish Office Closed – Columbus Day  
Rosary & Novena – 6:30 PM

**Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Grades 2 – 4 @ 3:15 – 4:30 PM  
Reconciliation Parent Mtg. – 7:00 PM

**Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Grades 2 – 4 @ 3:15 – 4:30 PM  
Music Ministry – 7:00 PM

**Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Apple Pie Baking – youth min. 9-3pm  
Altar Server Training after 5 PM Mass

**THOSE WHO ARE ILL...**

Donna Amato, Bill Boyd, Carly Carey, Connie Castellana, Tim Colchin, Joan Conway, Joseph Coury, Mildred Coury, Philip Davis, Doris Doyle, Bobby Flagler, Lynn Giudici-Reynolds, Christine Gwaldis, Ricky Haggerty, Richard Harrington, Catherine Johnston, Brett Lee, Jean LeCarl, Melissa Lee, Joe Markel, Nicole Retajczyk, Tina Rosen, Kathy Sansone, William Skicki, Allison Thomas, John Withkowski, Anna Davis, Jeannie Mormile, Richard Arthur, Eric Dagner, Katie Geiss, Mike Jones, Brad Schmidt, Susan Coffey, Rosemary Lee, William Golding, Frank Kodra, Michael Duncan, Lawrence Kremer, Jean Thomas, Nell Pritchard, Jane Cartwright, Benjamin Longale, & Bob Morrison



The chapel candle is lit this week in loving memory of John & James Ferraro  
Requested by Catherine Giacomini



**SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH**



**A NOVENA FOR ST. MATTHEW**

Once again this year we are keeping a Parish Novena, inviting parishioners of our parish to remember our patron saint in prayer for 9 weeks, concluding on the feast of Christ the King.

St. Matthew's Relic continues to visit those parish homes who have agreed to pray for our parish in the presence of the earthly reminder of our patron saint. Returning from the Munroe family home, the relic will be entrusted to the Ardizone family for the coming week on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Sacrificial Giving To Our Parish**

Many thanks to our parishioners and friends who contributed \$7,449.10 last weekend to the support of Saint Matthew's.

We appreciate your faithfulness.

Thanks, also to all those who generously contributed to the Catholic Charities collection for our local flood victims and the relief effort in East Africa.

**ALTAR LINEN MINISTRY**

St. Matthew's is in need of new volunteers for the washing of altar purificator cloths and towels. The job is easy and only requires about an hour of your time 1 or 2 months a year. If you can help out please call Pat Carmody at 765-4076 for information. Thank you. Saint Matthews's next celebration of infant baptism is being planned for the weekend of January 7 -8, 2012.



**ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED**

One of the best ways to help our children to appreciate our liturgy is to help them be more involved with it. They can do that by becoming Altar Servers at weekend Eucharist. If you have a child who has already received First Communion and would be interested in the Ministry of Altar Server please call Andrea at the Parish Office. We are now planning a training session after all masses the weekend of October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> for those interested and hope to install a new group to assist our prayer in this way soon.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION**

A Baptism Preparation Group is now forming. If you would like to be included for the first preparation session, scheduled for Monday, Oct 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, Please call the parish office or Peggy McQuade, our Baptism Team Coordinator at 872-9035. This session is also open to godparents, grandparents and expectant parents who like to plan ahead. Saint Matthews's next celebration of infant baptism is being planned for the weekend of January 7 -8, 2012.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

For just over a year now, a group of our parishioners have been conducting a Prayer Shawl Ministry. Meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month they knit or crochet a Prayer Shawl as a symbol of God's peace, shelter and sustenance for those who will wear them. Already several shawls have been given to persons who are sick or grieving the loss of a loved one. In order to include the prayer of our whole parish in this ministry, we will be blessing the Prayer Shawls that have already been prepared at weekend liturgy on October 22 and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

They will include our prayer when they are shared in the coming months. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, plan on joining them for their next meeting October 20<sup>th</sup> or call Peg O'Connor at 765-4959. If you would like to make a donation of yarn to the committee they need 14 oz. to 16 ozs. of yarn of the same kind for each shawl. Donations of cash to purchase yarn would also be appreciated. Thank you in advance for your generosity to this ministry.

**MEN'S ASSOCIATION**

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Please join us in service.....

**Saturday, October 6 – Capital City Rescue Mission**

Please contact Tom Dorn at 765-3304 or email: TDorn92781@aol.com to register or help. all Parishioners are welcome to join in service.

**FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY**

**BAKERS NEEDED!**

All Mid – Level and High School youth are encouraged to help bake apple pies for our annual fundraiser. Time slots to sign up are 9:00 Am – 12 Noon or 12 Noon - 3:00 PM. Please call 765-2373 or email [smatthewsyouthministry@verizon.net](mailto:smatthewsyouthministry@verizon.net) to say you can help.

**CEREAL BOXES NEEDED**

Our friends at New Day Art ( a Catholic Charities after-school program for children in South Albany) need our help! They are asking for donations of 14-16oz boxes for a craft project, Please leave any empty boxes in the marked container under the Youth Ministry bulletin board. Thank you!

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**TWO DAYS OF INSPIRATION FOR WOMEN**

Women of Faith Bus Trip –November 11-12, 2011, XL Center, Hartford, CT  
Escape from the everyday at a Women of Faith weekend and be refreshed, encouraged and inspired. Please join us for this surprisingly intimate, unexpectedly funny, deeply touching two day ecumenical Christian event filled with music, humor, drama and inspirational stories. Because the God who loves you can do far more than you can ever *Imagine*. To learn more come to an informational meeting after Mass this weekend, pick up a packet in the lobby, or contact Roberta Loccisano at 765-7986.  
Men encourage the women you love to attend – you'll be glad you did.

**HEY GIRLS!**

Are you interested in finding out about **Girl Scouts**? All girls K-12 are invited to come join us at the library for an information session. We would love to meet you to talk about all the pathways available in Girl Scouts. Troops, Individual members, Programs, Camps - Girl Scouts is what you make of it!! Come check us out! Monday, Oct 3rd, 7:00pm at the Voorheesville Public Library.

Adult volunteers are always needed as well. You don't have to have a daughter to want to help girls grow in Courage, Confidence and Character. We are looking for everything from *troop leaders* and *teen mentors* to *one time program volunteers*. Not comfortable working directly with the girls? We have behind the scenes needs in our organizational *Service Unit* level. We definitely have a place for YOU.

No registration necessary if you can come. If you can't make the date, contact our Recruitment Coordinator, Michele Reilly at 765-3411 for more information.

**FALL OPEN HOUSE**

Please visit La Salle Institute for its Fall Open House, 174 Williams Rd, adjacent to HVCC, on Sunday October 30, between 1 & 3 PM or for more information .....  
[www.lasalleinstitute.org](http://www.lasalleinstitute.org) 283-2500 x237



What are you doing  
New Year's Eve?

How about starting  
Saint Matthew's  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year  
together at

**A  
New  
Year's  
Eve Party!**

Join us for an enjoyable  
evening with  
music & dancing  
hors d'oeuvres  
wine & beer  
midnight dessert buffet  
& champagne toast