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Building the Kingdom of God  
for 130 Years in "The Ville"**

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# **St. Matthew the Apostle Catholic Church**

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## **AUGUST MASS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday: 10:00 AM, St. Matthew Church**  
**Monday: 09:00 AM, Catholic Academy (begin 9/11)**  
**Tuesday: 12:00 PM, St. Matthew Church**  
**Wednesday: 12:00 PM, St. Augustine Church**  
**Thursday: 12:00 PM, Our Lady of the Holy Cross**  
**Saturday: 04:00 PM, Our Lady of the Holy Cross**

## **RECONCILIATION**

**One (1) hour before Mass and by Appointment**

### **Parish Staff**

**Parochial Administrator: Father Scott Scheiderer**  
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## **COMMUNITY HELP ORGANIZATIONS**

<b>St. Vincent DePaul Society</b>	<b>2715 North Sarah Street</b>	<b>289-6101, mailbox 1169</b>
<b>Northside Youth &amp; Senior Service Center</b>	<b>4120 Maffitt Ave.</b>	<b>531-4161 or 531-1937</b>
<b>St. Louis Catholic Academy</b>	<b>4720 Carter Ave.</b>	<b>389-0401</b>
<b>Northside Community Housing</b>	<b>4067 Lincoln Ave.</b>	<b>534-5400</b>
<b>Child &amp; Family Empowerment Center, Inc.</b>	<b>4145 Kennerly Ave.</b>	<b>449-1333</b>
<b>Unfailing Love Christian Church-Food Pantry</b>	<b>4068 Maffitt Ave.</b>	<b>371-1057</b>

- ◇ **For instructions** in the Catholic Faith, or in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation or First Communion, call the Office.
- ◇ **For marriages**, call the Office 6 months in advance.

Sunday, August 20, 2023



**ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE**

*A Parish Totally Committed and Dedicated to its Parishioners and Community.*

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:**

The very heart of St. Matthew the Apostle Catholic Church is Jesus Christ present on the altar. Our mission, born at that altar, is to be sent forth into our neighborhood in order to build up the Kingdom of God. The labor of this effort must address in deed more than in word the needs of our people.

**Sunday Mass is live-streamed.**

**Please go to the parish website and click on the link to view.**

**August 20, 2023**  
**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Saturday Vigil (OLHC)**

**Ushers:** N/A

**Lector:** Sheila Johnson

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:** N/A

**Acolyte:** Bill Collier

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**Sunday, Mass (SMA)**

**Ushers:** Claire Hay, Kenneth Bell,  
Luci Rucker,  
Rochelle Love

**Lector:** Judy Lydon  
Helen Smith

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**  
\*\*Marie Graham

**Acolyte:** Pam Mason, Carl Summers, Jr.

**\*\* Only if Needed**

**August 27, 2023**  
**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Saturday Vigil (OLHC)**

**Ushers:** N/A

**Lector:** Dionne Flowers

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:** N/A

**Acolyte:** Jim Smith

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**Sunday, Mass (SMA)**

**Ushers:** Demicoe Taylor, Demitria  
Taylor, Deanna Hannon,  
Tonya Wade

**Lector:** Lotanna Ezepue  
Carl Summers, Jr.

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**  
\*\*Venus Spain

**Acolyte:** Samuel Wade, Brennan  
Anderson

**\*\* Only if Needed**

# Sunday, August 20, 2023

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**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Reading I

Isaiah 56:1-7

I will bring foreigners to my holy  
mountain;

Psalm 67

O God, let all the nations praise you!

Reading II

Romans 11:13-32

The gifts and the call of God for Israel  
are irrevocable.

Gospel

Matthew 15:21-28

O woman, great is your faith!

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**Scripture Readings**  
**August 21st - August 26th**

**Monday: St. Pius X, Pope**

Judg. 2:11-19, Ps. 106; Matt. 19:16-22

\*World Peace

**Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary**

Judg. 6:11-24, Ps. 85; Matt. 19:23-30

\*Deceased of the Parish

**Wednesday: 20th Week in Ordinary  
Time**

Judg. 9:6-15, Ps. 21; Matt. 20:1-16

\*Special Intentions

**Thursday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle**

Rev. 21:9-14, Ps. 145; John 1:45-51

\* Benefactors

**Friday: 20th Week in Ordinary Time**

Ruth 1:1-22, Ps. 146; Matt. 22:34-40

**Saturday: 20th Week in Ordinary Time**

Ruth 2:1-17, Ps. 128; Matt. 23:1-12

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**August 27, 2023**

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Reading I

Isaiah 22:19-23

I will place the key of the House of David  
upon his shoulder.

Psalm 138

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake  
the work of your hands.

Reading II

Romans 11:33-36

From God and through him and for him  
are all things.

*Anima Christi*

*Soul of Christ, sanctify me.*

*Body of Christ, save me.*

*Blood of Christ, inebriate me.*

*Water from the side of Christ, wash me.*

*Passion of Christ, strengthen me. I*

*O good Jesus, hear me.*

*Within your wounds, hide me.*

*Permit me not to be separated from you.*

*From the wicked enemy defend me.*

*At the hour of my death call me,*

*bid me come to your side,*

*that with your saints I may praise you*

*forever and ever. Amen*

Sunday, August 20, 2023

**Pastor's Pen**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace! I hope your week was blessed! This past week, St. Louis Catholic Academy along with many other schools started their 2023-2024 academic year. I know you'll join me in praying for our children and young adults as they begin a new year of studies. We also pray for all our young men and women pursuing education at the collegiate level! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of our younger generations and enkindle in them the fire of Your Love!

In our Gospel this weekend, we encounter the Canaanite woman, who comes to Jesus seeking deliverance for her daughter. This Canaanite woman is often held up as a model for effective prayer. She comes to Jesus with faith, perseverance, and humility. She believes that Jesus has the power and authority to heal her daughter, she persists in seeking His assistance though He is initially silent and then even declines her request, and finally, she humbles herself before the Lord knowing she has no claim on the God of Israel as she is a Gentile. What an extraordinary example! May we imitate her tenacity in our own prayer to the Lord that we may hear His words, "Great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish" (Matthew 15:28).

My prayers remain for you all! May the Lord bless you and keep you... May the Lord make His Face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you... May the Lord lift up His Countenance upon you, and give you peace (Numbers 6:24-26)!

Sincerely Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Scott Scheiderer  
Parochial Administrator of OLHC, SA,  
SEMJB, and SMA

**August Birthdays & Anniversary**

Happy Birthday  
&  
Anniversary  
to all who celebrate this month!

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**HOMEBOUND AND SICK**

Ethel Franklin  
Jerry Hall

please contact your parish  
Secretary to be added to the list  
and inserted in the bulletin!

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**PARISHES NEWS**

**Our Lady of the Holy Cross**

**Offertory August 12th**

\$ 1,375.00 - General Fund

\$ 25.00 - Online Giving

**St. Elizabeth, MOJB**

**Offertory August 13th**

\$ 1,144.65 - General Fund

\$ 385.00 - Online Giving

**St. Augustine**

**Offertory August 13th**

\$ 1,226.00 - General Fund

\$ 1,050.00 - Online Giving

**St. Matthew the Apostle**

**Offertory August 13th**

\$ 628.65 - General Fund

\$ 535.00 - Online Giving

# Sunday, August 20, 2023

## Transition Team Update

On Wednesday, 8/9, the Transition Team met for the second time. Again, the Transition Team is a team made up of parishioners from all the parishes involved in the proposed merger. Its purpose is to advise the pastor in uniting the parish communities and to help keep parishioners informed as to what is happening. Our team consists of 12 members, 3 representatives from each of the 4 parishes in our merger. Below is a list of the members:

**Our Lady of the Holy Cross (OLHC):** Dionne Flowers; Barbara Johnson; Jan Quinn

**St. Augustine (SA):** Michele Brown; Corliss Cox; Simeon Layne

**St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist (SEMJB):** Kenneth Bell; Brenda Vanderford; Sandra Wilson

**St. Matthew (SM):** Stephen Belt; Denise Martin Harper; Desiray Taylor

In our meeting on Wednesday, 8/9, we first discussed the state of the parish merger. As many are aware an appeal to Rome has been made on behalf of St. Matthew, the Apostle Church. There is also potential for appeal from the St. Augustine and St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist parishes. The Archdiocese of St. Louis will be able to confirm whether an appeal has been made by those parishes by the end of September. This means that the parish merger is on-hold till a decision is finalized by the authorities in Rome. We will continue to worship together as one and provide sacramental and pastoral needs, but the individual parishes will remain as separate entities for the time being.

In order to respect the appeal process and after consulting the Transition Team, I've decided that the procedure of "naming the new parish" will be partially on-hold. We will begin receiving suggestions as to a "new name" but will not proceed past this "introductory stage" of the naming process. So, if you have thoughts as to a new name, let your Transition Team or me know, and we'll begin compiling a list.

In other business, we discussed how we received several sign-ups for liturgical ministers, but we are in need of more! I informed the Transition Team that we will have trainings for the various ministries in the near future: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Servers/Acolytes, Lectors, Ushers, etc. Please sign-up! We are blessed to have two Kenrick-Glennon seminarians assist us this academic year. They will be joining us at our Sunday liturgies and helping out with various ministries after the Labor Day weekend.

Feedback from our first weekend of worshipping together as a parish family was overall very positive. There was, however, a request for a more even distribution of Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses. In order to accommodate this request, we are going to make a slight change to our September Mass schedule so Our Lady of the Holy Cross, St. Augustine, and St. Matthew all have 1 month of Saturday Vigil Masses and 1 month of Sunday Masses moving forward. Because St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist is still in disrepair, it will remain limited to a Monday, All-School daily Mass. The new weekend Mass schedule for September and October will be as follows:

September: 4:00 pm Saturday Vigil at St. Matthew; 10:00 am Sunday at St. Augustine

October: 4:00 pm Saturday Vigil at St. Augustine; 10:00 am Sunday at Our Lady of the Holy Cross

If you have feedback, questions, or comments regarding our weekend Masses, please inform the Transition Team or me. We want to keep alive the Spirit, Who is so palpably present!

Finally, if you have parish events you'd like published in our bulletin, bring them forward to the Transition Team. We will be providing space in our bulletin each week for upcoming events in our four parishes. These are great ways we can come together and unite as a family!

My prayers remain for you and your loved ones! If you need to get ahold of me, please feel free to contact me via phone or email: 314.531.6443; [scottscheiderer@archstl.org](mailto:scottscheiderer@archstl.org). Thank you!

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Fr. Scott Scheiderer

Parochial Administrator of OLHC, SA, SEMJB, and SM

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**ARE YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW IN NEED  
OF RECEIVING ANY SACRAMENT(S)?**

**If anyone has sacramental needs (Baptism, First Holy Communion, First Reconciliation, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)), please contact the parish office.**

**† First Reconciliation (Confession)/First Eucharist (Communion):**

Any child or youth in the second grade or older who has been baptized: There will be a **mandatory orientation meeting** for parents (only) of children preparing to receive First Holy Communion (Eucharist) this year.

**† Confirmation:**

Any youth who has been baptized and must be in grades 7th - 12th and at least 12 years of age at the time of the administration of the Sacrament. All candidates and their families must attend an information session prior to enrollment.

**† All other sacramental needs:** Contact the parish office.

**Sacramental Preparation:** If you or anyone you know is in need of **any** sacrament, please contact the parish office immediately. It will soon be too late to enroll in many of these sessions this school year.

If you have any questions contact the parish office at 314-531-6443.

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**Calling all Catechist!**

**Please contact the office (314.531.6443) to register  
as a Catechist with the Parish.**



# Sunday, August 20, 2023

## Interim Mass Schedule (September)

<b>Tuesdays</b> 12pm	<b>St. Matthew the Apostle</b> 2715 N. Sarah St., 63113
<b>Wednesdays</b> 12pm	<b>St. Augustine Catholic Church</b> 1371 Hamilton Ave., 63112
<b>Thursdays</b> 12pm	<b>Our Lady of the Holy Cross</b> 8115 Church Road, 63147
<b>Fridays</b>	<b>No Public Masses</b>
<b>Saturdays</b> 4pm	<b>St. Matthew the Apostle</b> 2715 N. Sarah St., 63113
<b>Sundays</b> 10am	<b>St. Augustine Catholic Church</b> 2715 N. Sarah St., 63113
<b>Mon. Sep 11</b> 9am	<b>St. Elizabeth /Catholic Academy</b> 4720 Carter Ave., 63115

**Fun, Fellowship, Food, Fredbird ... and Free!** The Friends of the Poor Walk is a national St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) event held annually at 250 locations across the country. SVDP Conferences at St. Elizabeth, Mother of John and St. Clement have co-hosted a Walk at St. Clement (1510 Bopp Rd, 63131). We hope you will join us on Saturday, September 23, for a morning of fun for all ages. Activities begin following 8 a.m. Mass, with a ¾ mile walk at 9 a.m., Fredbird at 9:30 a.m., and food, fellowship, face painting, and more all morning. Even if you can't complete the walk, come for the comradery! Attendance is free, but registering in advance helps us plan. A chartered bus will be provided if there is sufficient interest. Register at [bit.ly/FOPattend](https://bit.ly/FOPattend) or by calling Mary at 314.852.2305.

**Are you called to liturgical ministry?** If you are interested in serving as a Greeter/Usher, Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or Acolyte, paper forms are available in the back of Church OR go to <https://www.osvhub.com/stmatthew-the-apostle-church/forms/liturgical-minister-volunteer-contact-form> to fill out the online form. For questions contact Kim Reid at [sacredheart4kim@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheart4kim@gmail.com). Training will be offered later this fall.



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Patricia Rush  
Barrington Gates  
Patricia Crawford  
Katherine Brewster  
Lena Brewster Kennon  
Inez Brewster McClinton

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Mabel Hall	Gregory Hall
Leo Hall	Jarvis Hall
Gail Hall	Mattie Hall
Susie Brewster	Velma Brewster

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Alladin & Rezia Martin  
William & Augusta Theriot  
& All Family Members  
Who Have Passed

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<p><b>In Loving Memory of Leroy &amp; Maudesta Gougisha Jerone "Ronnie" Gougisha Janet Gougisha Joshua Johnson</b></p>	<p> <b>In Loving Memory of James &amp; Margaret Bland Theresa Frisch-Gordon</b> <hr/><b>Beloved Father &amp; Mother and Grandmother</b></p>	<p><b><i>In Memory of Mrs. Angela Akunmo (née Ezepue)</i></b> <b><i>May her soul Rest in Peace. Amen</i></b></p>
<p><b><i>In Loving Memory of Stanley &amp; Clayton Rice Ernest &amp; Lucinda Rice John &amp; Mary Briggs Clayton &amp; Althlee Williams Harrison York Smith, II</i></b></p>	<p> Be a member of The Holy Name Society <hr/>Try to attend Daily Mass</p>	<p><b>In Beloved Memory of Carl Jacob Westfall Carl Lewis Westfall Sophia Alexander Westfall Ann A. Parker William "Beanie" Westfall</b></p>
<p><b>In Memory of Beulah &amp; Walter McPherson Mildred &amp; Barney Simms And Other Family Members</b></p>	<p><b><i>Memorialize a loved one In this space</i></b></p>	<p><b>In Loving Memory of Choi S. Handley</b>  (wife, mother, daughter, sister)</p>
<p><b>In Loving Memory of Ida Collins                Lindell Collins Sr. Lindell Collins Jr.    Ernest Collins Albert Mason Jr.    William Collins Sr. Doris Mason</b></p>	<p><b>In Loving Memory of Jannia Fields Vivian Kirksey Henry Frank Clay, Jr. Henrietta Clay</b></p>	<p><b>Is Stephens Ministry for you? Contact Teresa Scurlock 314.397.2748 Margaret Ann McCabe 314.609-9285</b></p>
<p> <b>In Memory of Helena C. Anthony Shawn C. Anthony Lloyd Tilghman Francis Tilghman Theresa Tilghman John O. Tilghman Lloyd (chick) Tilghman</b></p>	<p><b>In Loving Memory of Burton &amp; Ruby Woods, Paul &amp; Victoria Powell, George Powell, Willie Paul Powell, Charles "Bobby" Powell, Elenora Ross, Mattie Toney, Elijah "Joe" Turnage, Equellia Woods , lola Abney</b></p>	<p><b><i>Memorialize a loved one In this space</i></b></p>
<p><b>In Memoriam</b>  Oliver McCullum                Raymond Prisby, Sr. Gretchen McCullum        Mary Prisby Holliday Levester McCullum        Gladys Prisby-Ross Ruby Williams                Raymond Prisby, Jr. Willa Mae McFarley        Russell E. Prisby Virginia Ann Saunders        Vivian Prisby</p>	<p><b><i>In loving memory of Thad Hollie, Jr., Esq. "Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always abiding in the word of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." 1 Corinthians 15:58</i></b></p>	
<p><b><u>IN MEMORIAM</u></b> <b>Deceased Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society @ St. Matthew</b></p>		
<p><b>Liz Bell Beatrice Blackshear Henry Brown Dorothy Cain</b></p>	<p><b>Leo Glaze Flora Hailey Cloteal Harris Gwendolyn Harris</b></p>	<p><b>Mary Hoskins Lillie Johnson Al &amp; Felecia Leake Ruth Mitchell        Jean Short</b></p>
<p> <b>Knights of Peter Claver Father Zimmerman Council 150</b>   <b>Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary St. Matthew Court 150</b>  <b>SPREADING EVANGELIZATION SINCE 1909</b> <b>For information contact: Isom Williams, Jr. (Knights) Patricia Hughes (Ladies)</b></p>	<p><b>In Memory of Earl Franklin Johnson, Sr. Earl Franklin Johnson, Jr. Marian Fleming John E. Ford, Jr. Ella &amp; Willie Butler Samuel Sheppard Marquez Oliver</b></p>	<p> <b>Be a member of St. Ann Sodality</b>  <b>Attend Mass regularly Meetings every 3rd Sunday</b></p>

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