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Dedicated July 30, 1893
Building the Kingdom of God
for 130 Years in "The Ville"**

St. Matthew Transition Team

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SEPTEMBER MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday: 10:00 AM, St. Augustine 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, St. Matthew Church**

RECONCILIATION

One (1) hour before Mass and by Appointment

Parish Staff

**Parochial Administrator: Father Scott Scheiderer
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COMMUNITY HELP ORGANIZATIONS

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

- ◇ **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, September 3, 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.

September 3, 2023 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil (SMA)

Ushers: N/A

Lector: Kim Reid

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: TBD

Acolyte: N/A

Sunday, Mass (SA)

Ushers: Luci Rucker, Rochelle Love
Eleanor Hickerson

Lector: Stephen Byes
Denise Martin-Harper

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Barbara Jackson
Delores Ewing

Acolyte: Corliss Cox
Venus Spain

September 10, 2023 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil (SMA)

Ushers: N/A

Lector: Myles McCabe

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Margaret Ann McCabe

Acolyte: N/A

Sunday, Mass (SA)

Ushers: Luci Rucker, Jean Anderson
Linda Hancock-Ross
Caroline Brown

Lector: Janice Stewart
Leslie House

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:

Louis Coffman

Acolyte: Pam Mason
Venus Spain

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September 3, 2023
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I

Jeremiah 20:7-9

The word of the Lord God
has bought me derision

Psalm 63

My soul is thirsting for you,
O Lord my God.

Reading II

Romans 12:1-2

Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice;

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-27

Who ever wishes to come after me
must deny himself.

Scripture Readings
September 4th - September 9th

Monday: 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

1 Thess. 4:13-18, Ps. 96; Luke 4:16-30

*World Peace

Tuesday: 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

1 Thess. 5:1-11, Ps. 27; Luke 4:31-37

*Deceased of the Parish

Wednesday: 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

Col. 1:1-8, Ps. 52; Luke 4:38-44

*Special Intentions

Thursday: 22nd Week in Ordinary Time

Col. 1:9-14, Ps. 98; Luke 5:1-11

*Gene Hanheide

**Friday: The Nativity of The Blessed
Virgin Mary**

Mic.5:1-4, Ps. 13; Matt. 1:1-23

Saturday: St. Peter Claver, Priest

Col. 1:21-23, Ps. 54; Luke 6:1-5

September 10, 2023
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I

Ezekiel 33:7-9

If you do not speak out to dissuade the
wicked from his way, I will hold you
responsible for his death.

Psalm 95

If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Reading II

Romans 13:8-10

Love is the fulfillment of the law.

Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

If your brother or sister listens to you
you have won them over.

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.

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*

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Pastor's Pen

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace! Well, we begin a new month, the month of September. In the Catholic Church, **the month of September is devoted to Our Lady of Sorrows**, whose memorial is celebrated on September 15th. When the Infant Jesus was presented in the Temple by His parents, Mary and Joseph, the righteous and devout Simeon prophesied over the Blessed Virgin Mary: **"...a sword will pierce through your own soul also, that thoughts out of many hearts may be revealed"** (Luke 2:35).

Simeon foresaw the unique participation our Lady would have in the Cross of our Savior, and because of her willingness to embrace such a vocation, she merited, through the grace of God, a special tenderness of heart to not only console her Son in His Passion and Death but to console our hearts in our pain and sorrow, for we too are her children in the order of grace. So, we invoke our Lady under this special title: Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us!

September is also a month of special feasts for our parishes! This weekend, as we begin our Sunday Masses at St. Augustine, we will celebrate the **parish's patronal feast**. You might recall from last week, August 28th marked the Feast of St. Augustine. A special permission is granted to parishes to celebrate their patronal feast on the weekend before or after the parish feast day, so the prayers for our Sunday Mass will be from that particular celebration. **The following weekend (9/10), we honor St. Peter Claver!** The Knights and Ladies of St. Peter Claver will join us that weekend in rejoicing over their extraordinary patron saint. Then, on September 17th, **Our Lady of the Holy Cross will host a special Mass in honor of their patronal feast, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross!**

Wait, there's more...

At the Vigil Mass on September 23rd, we will honor St. Matthew, whose feast is celebrated on September 21st. Wow! God is blessing us in a special way in the month of September... Let us give Him thanks and praise for uniting us as a family in Christ!

Have a blessed Labor Day! Please join me in praying that our work may always be directed to the glory of God! Let us also pray for the unemployed that they may find suitable work. God bless and keep you all!

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

September Birthdays & Anniversary

Happy Birthday
&
Anniversary
to all who celebrate this month!

HOMEBOUND AND SICK

Harold Cole, Harriett White,
Gus Hinton, Arsenia Kincade,
Finely Martin, Ethel Franklin

WE REMEMBER

Jerry Hall
Marlene Watkins

Please contact your parish secretary to be added to the list and inserted in the bulletin!

PARISHES NEWS

Our Lady of the Holy Cross

Offertory August 27th

\$ 895.00 - General Fund

\$ 65.00 - Online Giving

St. Elizabeth, MOJB

Offertory August 27th

\$ 1888.00 - General Fund

\$ 385.00 - Online Giving

St. Augustine

Offertory August 27th

\$ 916.00 - General Fund

\$ 180.00 - Online Giving

St. Matthew the Apostle

Offertory August 27th

\$ 881.00 - General Fund

\$ 641.00 - Online Giving

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Transition Team Update

On Wednesday, 8/23, the Transition Team met at the St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist rectory for our bi-monthly meeting. The first order of business was to discuss the weekend Masses. As you know, **our schedule for the weekend Masses in September and October is now finalized:**

Month of September: Saturday Vigil (4:00 p.m.) at St. Matthew; Sunday (10:00 a.m.) at St. Augustine.

Month of October: Saturday Vigil (4:00 p.m.) at St. Augustine; Sunday (10:00 a.m.) at Our Lady of the Holy Cross.

I encouraged the Transition Team to begin discerning about how the weekend Mass schedule will take shape post-October. If you have thoughts in this regard, please reach out to me or to a Transition Team member. Also **open for discussion is our weekday Mass schedule.** I really want to increase our weekday Mass participation. If the current times/places are not conducive to your schedule, please offer suggestions as to how we can accommodate. Would a morning Mass time be better? Would a fixed location for all weekday Masses be best?

Also discussed was our **need for parishioners to sign-up for liturgical ministries** (i.e. extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, lectors, ushers/greeters, audio/visual team, etc.). In the month of September, I plan to offer trainings for extraordinary ministers and for altar servers, so look forward to those details. Further, **catechists (teachers of the faith) are needed** as we begin faith formation for adults (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults [RCIA]) and for the youth (youth group; children's liturgy of the word).

The past couple weeks, I have received many **suggestions as to a "new name" for our parish.** Thank you for your input! I have begun compiling a list of names, so if you have a suggestion, please let me or a Transition Team member know. **Below is the specific criteria provided by the Archdiocese for naming a new parish:**

- *Name should be taken from –the Blessed Trinity; a Mystery of Christ's life (ex: Baptism of our Lord, Transfiguration, etc.); the Holy Spirit; the Blessed Virgin Mary; the Holy Angels; the Saints
- *It is preferable not to choose a name that is in use within the Archdiocese.
- *Hyphenated names of current parishes are not permitted.
- *The names of other parishes, Catholic and non-Catholic, in or near the territory of the new parish, should be taken into consideration in the interest of avoiding any confusion.

There was also discussion regarding **special events/celebrations and social gatherings** at the various parishes. This is a great way for our parishes to come together and build unity. If your parish hosts a special event, make sure it is widely publicized (i.e., bulletin, Mass announcements, website, social media, etc.) so people from our parishes are able to participate. Please notify me, a parish secretary, or a Transition Team member to help in this regard. Also, talk is underway regarding the **planning of a large-scale social event** (i.e., trivia night, fall festival, etc.). Ideas are greatly appreciated!

Further, **personnel needs** are surfacing in our cluster of parishes. Currently, there is a need for a **business manager, a secretary, a maintenance supervisor, and drivers for Sunday Mass.** If you or someone you know might be interested in one of these positions, please contact me for further information.

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Finally, highlighted at our meeting was a discussion as to the **importance of effective communication**. We deeply desire the faithful of our four parishes to be “in the know.” We want open communication lines between the clergy, staff, Transition Team, and parishioners, so please don’t hesitate to suggest how we can help facilitate this process. A **“communications team” is being formed** to address this need and to start brainstorming ideas as how to best utilize the many forms of social media. If you’re interested in being a part of this effort, please let me or a Transition Team member know. Thanks!

My prayers remain for you and your loved ones! Again, here’s **my contact information**: 314.531.6443 (office); 303.579.1266 (cell); scottscheiderer@archstl.org. Thank you!

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Fr. Scott Scheiderer

Parochial Administrator of OLHC, SA, SEMJB, and SM

**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.

Calling all Catechist!

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

“SOCK ANGEL CAMPAIGN”

The Knights and Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver are requesting donations of much needed **new socks** to be given to our homeless community. Participating is easy. Just drop new socks in the box for the needy. Look for our sock box located in the church. Please help those in need.

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Interim Mass Schedule (September)

(starts Sep. 11)	Mondays 9 a.m.	St. Elizabeth/Catholic Academy 4720 Carter Ave., 63115
	Tuesdays 12 p.m.	St. Matthew the Apostle 2715 N. Sarah St., 63113
	Wednesdays 12 p.m.	St. Augustine Catholic Church 1371 Hamilton Ave., 63112
	Thursdays 12 p.m.	Our Lady of the Holy Cross 8115 Church Road, 63147
	Fridays	No Public Masses
	Saturdays 4 p.m.	St. Matthew the Apostle 2715 N. Sarah St., 63113
	Sundays 10 a.m.	St. Augustine Catholic Church 1371 Hamilton Ave., 63112

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 the Baptist 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 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. Training will be offered later this fall.



Habitat for Neighborhood Business

We support existing and aspiring entrepreneurs and others who share our mission to increase commercial investment in under-served neighborhoods.

Contact Gladys Smith, Program Administrator, at 314-977-3625.

"Strengthening Neighborhood Businesses"

IN REMEMBRANCE

Patrick W. Rush
Patricia Rush
Barrington Gates
Patricia Crawford
Katherine Brewster
Lena Brewster Kennon
Inez Brewster McClinton

IN LOVING MEMORY

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

In Memory of

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

Please support the businesses and pray for the people that sponsor these ads. They make our bulletins possible!

<p>In Loving Memory of Leroy & Maudesta Gougisha Jerone "Ronnie" Gougisha Janet Gougisha Joshua Johnson</p>	<p> In Loving Memory of James & Margaret Bland Theresa Frisch-Gordon <hr/>Beloved Father & Mother and Grandmother</p>	<p><i>In Memory of Mrs. Angela Akunmo (née Ezepue)</i> <i>May her soul Rest in Peace. Amen</i></p>
<p><i>In Loving Memory of Stanley & Clayton Rice Ernest & Lucinda Rice John & Mary Briggs Clayton & Althlee Williams Harrison York Smith, II</i></p>	<p> Be a member of The Holy Name Society <hr/>Try to attend Daily Mass</p>	<p>In Beloved Memory of Carl Jacob Westfall Carl Lewis Westfall Sophia Alexander Westfall Ann A. Parker William "Beanie" Westfall</p>
<p>In Memory of Beulah & Walter McPherson Mildred & Barney Simms And Other Family Members</p>	<p><i>Memorialize a loved one In this space</i></p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Choi S. Handley (wife, mother, daughter, sister)</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of Ida Collins Lindell Collins Sr. Lindell Collins Jr. Ernest Collins Albert Mason Jr. William Collins Sr. Doris Mason</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Jannia Fields Vivian Kirksey Henry Frank Clay, Jr. Henrietta Clay</p>	<p>Is Stephens Ministry for you? Contact Teresa Scurlock 314.397.2748 Margaret Ann McCabe 314.609-9285</p>
<p> In Memory of Helena C. Anthony Shawn C. Anthony Lloyd Tilghman Francis Tilghman Theresa Tilghman John O. Tilghman Lloyd (chick) Tilghman</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Burton & Ruby Woods, Paul & Victoria Powell, George Powell, Willie Paul Powell, Charles "Bobby" Powell, Elenora Ross, Mattie Toney, Elijah "Joe" Turnage, Equellia Woods , lola Abney</p>	<p><i>Memorialize a loved one In this space</i></p>
<p>In Memoriam 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><i>In loving memory of Thad Hollie, Jr., Esq.</i> <i>"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."</i> <i>1 Corinthians 15:58</i></p>	
<p><u>IN MEMORIAM</u> Deceased Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society @ St. Matthew</p>		
<p>Liz Bell Beatrice Blackshear Henry Brown Dorothy Cain</p>	<p>Leo Glaze Flora Hailey Cloteal Harris Gwendolyn Harris</p>	<p>Mary Hoskins Lillie Johnson Al & Felecia Leake Ruth Mitchell Jean Short</p>
<p> Knights of Peter Claver Father Zimmerman Council 150  Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary St. Matthew Court 150 SPREADING EVANGELIZATION SINCE 1909 For information contact: Isom Williams, Jr. (Knights) Patricia Hughes (Ladies)</p>	<p>In Memory of Earl Franklin Johnson, Sr. Earl Franklin Johnson, Jr. Marian Fleming John E. Ford, Jr. Ella & Willie Butler Samuel Sheppard Marquez Oliver</p>	<p> Be a member of St. Ann Sodality <hr/>Attend Mass regularly Meetings every 3rd Sunday</p>