



# *Saint Matthew Church* **The PULSE**

September 23, 2018

Detroit, Michigan



**25<sup>th</sup>**

**SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:37a**

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Today ~ Hospitality Sunday ~ September 23rd ~ Following the 10 am Mass  
Church Auditorium ~ Join Fellow Parishioners to Celebrate St. Matthew's Feast Day!

## Readings for the Week of September 23, 2018

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37  
Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1]/Lk 8:16-18  
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21  
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6  
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9  
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18 -22  
Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51  
Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



## Feast Day, September 29

**Archangel Michael** - whose name means 'he who is as God', is most often thought of as the angel of protection and the most powerful of all the angels. He is considered a leader within the angelic realm and a patron angel of righteousness, mercy and justice. As such, scriptural artwork depicts him as a warrior most often carrying a sword. Archangel Michael assists situations where you are afraid, confused or concerned for your safety. He helps to release fear and doubt, and supports us in making life changes and is often said to work closely with those who perform healing work or provide spiritual teaching. He can even fix mechanical and electrical problems! Additional areas where Archangel Michael can be of assistance include courage, direction, energy and vitality, all aspects of life purpose, motivation, space clearing, spirit release, worthiness and self-esteem.

*O Holy St. Michael, come to our aid with all Holy Angels.  
Be our safeguard against the snares of the devil.*

**Archangel Gabriel** - whose name means 'God is my strength'. One of the two archangels specifically named in the Bible in both the Old and New Testament, she is often portrayed holding a trumpet and as the only female archangel. As the patron of communications, Archangel Gabriel is the messenger angel, acting as a messenger of God. She helps writers, teachers, journalists and artists to convey their message, to find motivation and confidence, and to market their skills. She also assists in overcoming issues of fear and procrastination in communication as well as in all areas related to children, helping during conception, pregnancy, childbirth and child rearing.

*O Holy St. Gabriel, come to our aid with your Legion of Angels.  
Help us to become good servants of the Lord.*

**Archangel Raphael** - whose name means 'God heals', is the archangel designated for physical and emotional healing. In Hebrew the word "ropeh" means 'to heal'. Archangel Raphael not only helps in healing individuals but also helps healers in their healing practice. He can help reduce addictions and cravings and is powerful in healing other injuries and illnesses, with cures often occurring immediately. Archangel Raphael aids in restoring and maintaining harmony and peace. He is also the patron of travelers, watching over them to ensure a safe and harmonious journey. Working in conjunction with Archangel Michael, Archangel Raphael helps to clear away fears and stressors that maybe adversely affecting your health.

*St. Raphael the Archangel!  
You are Raphael the Healer  
You are Raphael the Guide  
You are Raphael the Companion.*

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Oscars. The Super Bowl. TV talent shows. Your son's Little League championship. We live in a culture set on competition. The desire to "be the best" goes beyond hobbies and into politics, the corporate world, and parenting comparisons at the park. This desire is as old as the human race, and it surely arose in Jesus' day. While Biblical society was significantly less open and upwardly mobile than our own, power was attractive. From what we know, many of Jesus' disciples had come from lowly backgrounds. Now they followed an increasingly popular rabbi who seemed primed to do something big. Jesus does his best to dissuade their high hopes by prophesying his own defeat. "The Son of Man is to be handed over and they will kill him." Internalizing the message proves challenging for the disciples, and their attention remains fixed on earthly glory. "They [discuss] among themselves on the way who was the greatest." True to style, Jesus flips their pretensions on their heads. "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

We have heard these Biblical principles before. Do we believe them? In our professional lives, do we do whatever we can to get ahead, or are we concerned with the entire team succeeding? In the lives of our children, are we more concerned with victory or with building character? Jesus doesn't condemn success, but he reframes it. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." Today's Gospel is a reality check. In God's eyes, our success will not be measured by worldly output alone but by how much love and service we offer to others in the process.



## A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

Disagreements are common in families. But what would you say if Jesus posed the same question, "What are you arguing about?" Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another? Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.

## St. Matthew Parish ~ Happenings

**Sunday, September 23, following 10 am Mass** - Hospitality Sunday, Celebrate our patron, St. Matthew!

**Saturday, September 29, and Sunday, September 30, 4:30 pm and 10 am Masses** - Stewardship Sunday; SOCK Campaign Kickoff!

**Saturday, October 6, and Sunday, October 7, 4:30 pm and 10 am Masses** - SOCK Campaign Continues!



### St. Vincent de Paul Society Walk for the Poor

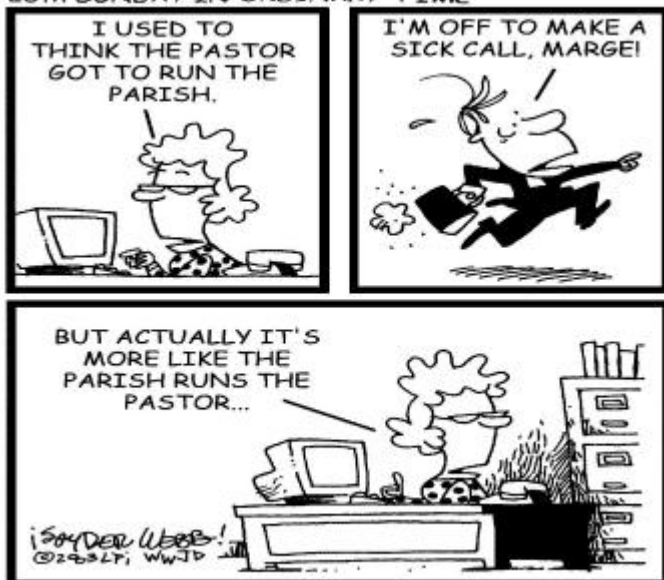
On Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am the Society of St. Vincent de Paul "Friends of the Poor Walk" will take place at Belle Isle. This event allows the entire metropolitan Detroit St. Vincent de Paul organization to proudly walk in support of our mission – hands on charitable work for people in need.

Walkers from our own St. Matthew's parish will participate in this event. All from our parish are welcome to join our conference members for this day of friendship and solidarity.

A representative from our St. Matthew conference of SVdP will be in the back of church after Mass on the weekends of September 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> and September 22<sup>rd</sup>/23<sup>th</sup> to answer your questions and accept pledges for our walkers. Your donation in a fixed amount will help our conference provide much needed assistance to individuals and families living in our community. Donations in any amount are welcomed and will help us serve the less fortunate who reach out to us on a regular basis for such things as food, clothing, furniture, appliances, rent and utility assistance. For your convenience, a pledge can be made after Mass today or later in the month with payment collected in a few weeks time.

Your financial support will directly impact in a positive way those in the surrounding area of our parish that are struggling. All donations raised by St. Matthew's will be kept and used for charitable work by our parish SVdP conference. Thank you in advance for your generosity. And please, come join us if you can on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> for our "Friends of the Poor Walk". We would love for you to be a part of this inspiring event. All registered participants will receive a t-shirt and lunch immediately after the walk.

### 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## CSA Minute ~ Sharing Christ



**Pastoral Music** - This week, pastoral musicians will gather for "In Service of the Sacred," a conference on music and liturgy presented by the archdiocesan Academy of Sacred Music at Sacred Heart Major Seminary.

Conference keynotes will cover "Authentically Catholic," "Authenticity in Gospel Worship," and "Authenticity in Spanish Worship," complementing conference sessions on planning bilingual liturgies and praise and worship in liturgy.

Your CSA gifts support the work of the Christian Worship Office, which certifies pastoral musicians in the Archdiocese of Detroit and coordinates the Archdiocesan Chorus along with other music ministries.

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August 24, 2018

Rev. Duane Novelly  
St. Matthew Church

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*It is a privilege and an honor to be a part of this home mission ministry, yet our work wouldn't be possible without the support from communities that pray for us and support our efforts. God bless you for shepherding a parish that has such caring and generous hearts!*

Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Don Tranel, Director of Development

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### WEEKEND/WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	9:00 a.m.
Reconciliation	By Appointment
Holydays	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

*In your prayers...*

*Please remember those in our parish and in our families who are sick or in need of our prayers.*

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# Ministers, Lectors, and Servers

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Janet Bielman  
Janet Law  
Marie Vorkamp

## LECTORS

Daniel McBride

## SERVERS

Ian Campbell

Saturday, September 29, 2018, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 30, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

Marilyn Lynn  
Keith Arcicovich  
Beverly Goll  
Linda Holster  
Michael Holster  
Debra Nieddu  
Joseph Nieddu

Mary Ann Pilette

Lauren Gross  
Julia Zuerblis

## Mass Schedule

Saturday, September 22nd - Vigil: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. - For an Increase in Vocations

Sunday, September 23rd - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. - Judy Stark, Janan Schiblie

Monday, September 24th -

Tuesday, September 25th -

9:00 a.m. - For the Sick, Suffering, and Dying

Wednesday, September 26th - Sts. Cosmos and Damian, Martyrs

9:00 a.m. - For the Poor and Needy in our Community

Thursday, September 27th - St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

Friday, September 28th - St. Wenceslaus, Martyr:

St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 a.m. - For the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

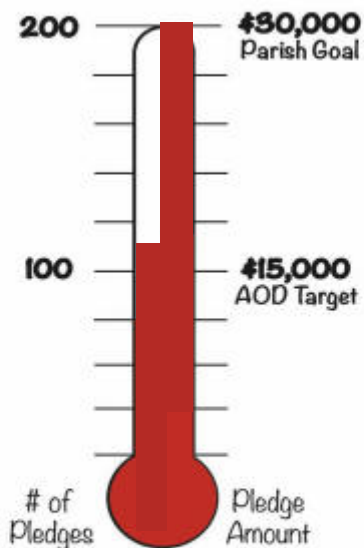
Saturday, September 29th - Vigil: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. - For the People of St. Matthew Parish

Sunday, September 30th - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. - Judy Stark, For an Increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life

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