



# Saint Matthew Church The PULSE

October 7, 2018

Detroit, Michigan

*27<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
IN ORDINARY TIME*

He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female." - Mk 10:3-6

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## St. Matthew Parish Report July 1, 2018 to September 30, 2018

Budget/14 Weeks:  
@ \$2,442 (rounded) \$34,192.34

Actual/14 Weeks: \$30,216.81

Online Giving/14 Weeks: \$3,893.00

Total Actual/14 Weeks: \$34,109.81

Overage/**Shortfall**: **(\$82.53)**

Average Collection/Sunday: \$2,436.42

Average % of Budget/Sunday: 99.7%

Average % over (**under**)/Sunday: **(0.3%)**

Debt Reduction Envelope/14 Weeks: \$941.00

Online Debt Reduction Giving: \$120.00

Total Debt Reduction Giving: \$1,061.00

**NET OVERAGE First Quarter 2018: \$978.47**

## Respect Life *Sunday*

**THROUGH THE  
CHURCH'S TEACHING,  
GOD INVITES US TO  
A FULLER, RICHER, DEEPER WAY  
OF LIFE AND LOVE.**

WHERE THERE IS  
*Charity & Wisdom,*  
THERE IS NEITHER  
*Fear nor Ignorance.*

-ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

## Readings for the Week of October 7, 2018

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/  
Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12  
Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c [5]/  
Lk 10:25-37  
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15  
[24b]/Lk 10:38-42  
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4  
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [69]/  
Lk 11:5-13  
Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [5]/Lk 11:15-26  
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 11:27  
-28  
Next Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/  
Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

### 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." This verse is part of a beautiful reflection on childlike faith. We're reminded of the innocence of children, how eager they are to experience life and how quick they are to trust. Rarely do we hear it with the story that immediately precedes it. The Pharisees question Jesus on the lawfulness of divorce!

Hardly the sort of thorny moral conversation one typically has in front of children. Yet here we are. Jesus' response goes further back than the Mosaic law. "From the beginning, God made them male and female ... the two shall become one flesh ... what God has joined together, no human being must separate." Jesus cites a particular set of passages from Genesis 1 and 2, before the Fall in Genesis 3. Adam and Eve possessed original innocence. How eager they were to encounter one another and to explore the garden! How immediate their initial trust in God. We no longer live in Eden. As we age in our fallen world, our childlike trust is wounded and betrayed. We become hardened to the beauties of life. We're quick to find a way around difficult moments.

In brief, things become complicated as we lose our innocence. The teachings of Christ and the Church on sexuality become more challenging or more objectionable. Jesus recognizes this in today's Gospel. His invitation is not to compromise with our broken reality. It is a return to beauty, to the fullness of life as it was meant to be. We can affirm our trust in God. We can view life with gratitude. We can experience healing of our lost innocence. This is possible today -- now! -- by grace. Indeed, "the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."



### A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

In today's Gospel, Jesus encourages married couples to throw away the marriage rule book. Rules are for those with "hardened hearts." Married couples are called to be a sacramental reflection of God's faithful and selfless love... a place where people live and love beyond rules and formulas.



Did you know?

### Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn

Of all the many manifestations of Mary's loving presence among us throughout the centuries, in this apparition alone does she appear to us in the manner of a pregnant mother. She holds within her the unborn Christ, proclaiming the sanctity and blessedness of life within the womb. Her reverence and tenderness communicate to us the joy and awe with which we must approach each growing life. In contemplating her simplicity we find the strength to emulate her faith, and proceed with confidence in the knowledge that God will overcome the seemingly insurmountable barriers looming all around us in the world today.

Oh Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of Life,  
We honor you as Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Thank you for pointing us to Jesus your Son,  
The only Savior and hope of the world.

Renew our hope in him,

That we all may have the courage to say Yes to life,  
And to defend those children in danger of abortion.

Give us your compassion

To reach out to those tempted to abort,  
And to those suffering from a past abortion.

Lead us to the day when abortion

Will be a sad, past chapter in our history.

Keep us close to Jesus, the Life of the World,  
Who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

Respect Life

### October: Respect Life Month

October is the National Respect Life month. Join the nation in keeping the life of the unborn in your prayers throughout October and consider taking an action step to protect the rights of the unborn. There are many opportunities to help the prolife mission, including volunteering at a local crisis pregnancy center, volunteering with your local Right to Life affiliate, or participating in 40 Days for Life, where many will gather in prayer outside of abortion clinics throughout this month.

It is an answer to prayer every time an abortion facility closes. With many abortion facilities still operating in Michigan, the fight for life must continue. When we fight for life, we are fighting not only for the protection of the baby, but also for the protection of the mother. On many levels, we see the horrors that abortion facilities are inflicting on both women and infants. Prolife advocates must continue to pray for the end of abortion, and the closing of these facilities.

## St. Matthew Parish ~ Happenings

**Saturday, October 6, and Sunday, October 7, 4:30 pm and 10 am Masses - SOCK Campaign Continues; Our 2018 Gold'n Harvest 50/50 Raffle Kick-off!**

**Sunday, October 7, 10 am Mass - Andrew and Laura Godoshian Babies' Baptism**

**Tuesday, October 9, 6 pm - Parish Council Meeting, Rectory Conference Room**

**Saturday, October 13, and Sunday, October 14, 4:30 pm and 10 am Masses - Mass of the Anointing**

**Sunday, October 14, following 10 am Mass - Hospitality Sunday, Flu Shots Available, Church Auditorium**



## Capuchin Soup Kitchen

**Saturday, September 29, to Sunday, October 7  
~ The 2018 SOCK Drive ~**

*Many people in our community are hungry. The Capuchin Soup Kitchen strives to satisfy not only physical hunger, but spiritual, social, and intellectual hungers as well. They are asking our parish to participate in their annual Parish Signature Drive in support of their programs and services.*

*This weekend of October 6/7, Bill Ridella will continue to collect signatures and donations to help the Capuchin Soup Kitchen provide the following:*

- *An average of 1,600 to 2,000 meals per day served from two locations*
- *Emergency food pantry services to 150 families and individuals per day*
- *Hundreds of articles of clothing distributed per day*
- *Appliances and furniture to families burned out of their homes, or re-establishing households after spending time in a shelter*
- *Showers and a change of clothing for individuals who have no bathing facilities available elsewhere*
- *Tutoring and art therapy services for up to 45 children per day*
- *Instruction and practical experience in urban agriculture provided on a two-and-a half acre farm.*

*For a tax-deductible donation of \$20, you can join parishioners throughout the Archdiocese in having your signature printed in the Capuchin Soup Kitchen 2018 SOCK program book.*

*~ Please help represent St. Matthew Parish in supporting the Capuchin Soup Kitchen ~*



## CSA Minute ~ Sharing Christ



**Catholic Services Appeal** - Pastors, staff members, and volunteer who work hard on the CSA in our parishes will gather at Sacred Heart Major Seminary next week to offer their insights and suggestions for conducting our annual appeal to the CSA Steering Committee.

For many years, the CSA has been the means of delivering archdiocesan ministries, programs, and activities that are an integral part of the spirit of the initiatives described in *Unleash the Gospel*. The goal of the CSA Steering Committee is to improve the marketing and operational components of the CSA, which is why it hosts a gathering and listening issue each autumn.

Those integral to their parish's CSA efforts must RSVP for the Fall Gathering Session on Thursday, October 11, at <http://rsvp.aodcsa.org> by October 8.

### **Our Hunger Barrel is Empty!**

This summer has been hard on those less fortunate in our community. Our Hunger Barrel has been filled several times and put to good use. Now our SVdP volunteers who have been asked many times these past weeks for food assistance are finding that the **barrel is empty!**

If you could find it in your hearts and budget to buy extra non-perishable food items and place them in our Hunger Barrel in the front vestibule, it would be so appreciated. Hygiene and paper products are needed as well. Thanks so much!

### **St. Clare of Montefalco Parish Community Annual Oktoberfest Weekend**

Friday, October 12, Oktoberfest Bingo, 6:30 to 9:30 pm

\$1/Admission ~ \$7/Game Card Book

Refreshments Served

Saturday Night Oktoberfest Party

6:30 to 11:30 pm, advance tickets available, 313-647-5000

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Sunday, October 14, 5 pm Oktoberfest Mass

Afterglow with Music and Dancing, Refreshments

### **St. Martin de Porres Church Organ Concert**

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## **2018 CSA "DOUBLE DOWN"**

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**~ PAY! ~**

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Joe Balistreri ~ *Saturday Organist*  
David Troiano ~ *Weekday Organist*

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### PARISH COUNCIL

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### PARISH ORGANIZATION

Dennis Costello ~ *St. Vincent de Paul / Christian Service*  
Dan McBride ~ *St. Vincent de Paul / Christian Service*

### 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.*

Chuck Schuster  
Bienvenido Fajardo  
Lolita Dorado  
Rita Moroni  
Albert Fajardo  
Virginia Fajardo  
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Janice Lafferty  
Janet Law  
Dan Lusch  
Michelle DeLeauw  
Jesse Ocampo

# Ministers, Lectors, and Servers

## EUCCHARISTIC

### MINISTERS

### LECTORS

### SERVERS

Saturday, October 13, 2018, 4:30 p.m.		
Janet Bielman	Julie Smith	John Smith
Mary Bielman		Lauren Smith
Sunday, October 14, 2018, 10:00 a.m.		
Marilyn Lynn	Bruce Campbell	Ian Campbell
Dorothy Brooks		Julia Zuerblis
Beverly Goll		
Veronica Obianwu		
Greg Redman		
Jean Solomon		
Kristen Stark		

## Mass Schedule

**Saturday, October 6th - Vigil: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 4:30 p.m. - For the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, Matthew Allen, Dennis Price

**Sunday, October 7th - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 10:00 a.m. - Judy Stark, Larry Hamel, Father Jeff Anifer (5th Anniv)

**Monday, October 8th -**

**Tuesday, October 9th - St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest**  
 9:00 a.m. - For the Poor and Needy in our Community

**Wednesday, October 10th -**  
 9:00 a.m. - For the Sick, Suffering, and Dying

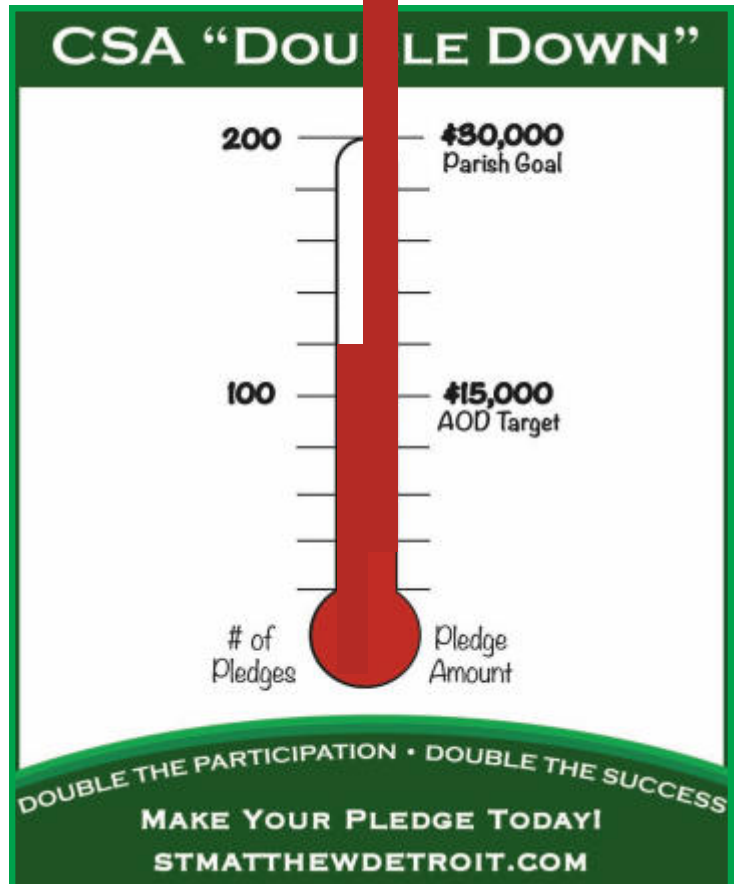
**Thursday, October 11th - St. John XXIII, Pope**

**Friday, October 12th -**  
 9:00 a.m. - For the Safety of all Creation

**Saturday, October 13th - Vigil: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 4:30 p.m. - Paul Coen, Raphael and Emma Marchi

**Sunday, October 14th - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 10:00 a.m. - The Rowe Family, Judy Stark, Annette Laige, Larry Hamel

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