



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

**June 30, 2019**

**Detroit, Michigan**

*Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head." - Lk 9:58*



***Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

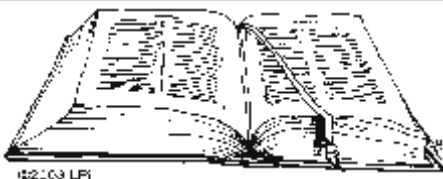
## Readings for the Week of June 30, 2019

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [cf. 5a]/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62  
Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11 [8a]/Mt 8:18-22  
Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12 [3a]/Mt 8:23-27  
Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 20:24-29  
Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Mt 9:1-8  
Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 [1b]/Mt 9:9-13  
Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [3a]/Mt 9:14-17  
Next Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

### 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Have you ever heard that the Gospel is radical? In our times, we hear that word and think of fundamentalists, radical activists, or extremists - people who go beyond limits to achieve their goals and may not consider themselves bound by normal propriety or morality. Their ethos might not be so different from James and John in today's Gospel. "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?" This isn't so foreign to some of the stories of the Old Testament. Yet Jesus rebukes them. He won't be exacting in the way his contemporaries expected. There will be no radical rain down of fire and brimstone. Jesus is radical in another way: the call to discipleship.

"The Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head." "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks back to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." These can be difficult passages to read. These are not normal things to hear! It can be easy for many of us to avoid the exacting nature of the Gospel, which might not be what we think it is. James and John wanted to set the bar high for others on the outside and to punish those who didn't meet that standard. Jesus sets the bar high for his disciples, those who say they want to follow him. He may be using some hyperbole, but it's only to send a clear message. This is a radical call, one that has a cost. To truly put God and others first, before ourselves, will involve sacrifice. How is Jesus asking you to be radical today?



### A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

Today's Gospel reminds us once we set our "hand to the plow" of parenting and marriage, "we cannot look back." This is what commitment means: we have said YES to what was, what is, and to what can be.

## Ordinary Time

Christmas Time and Easter Time highlight the central mysteries of the Paschal Mystery, namely, the incarnation, death on the cross, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ, and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The Sundays and weeks of Ordinary Time, on the other hand, take us through the life of Christ. This is the time of conversion. This is living the life of Christ.

Ordinary Time is a time for growth and maturation, a time in which the mystery of Christ is called to penetrate ever more deeply into history until all things are finally caught up in Christ. The goal, toward which all of history is directed, is represented by the final Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

During Ordinary Time (counted time) in our Liturgical Year, we celebrate Mass with the priest wearing green vestments. These green vestments signify a time to reflect and take note of our lives, a time to calm down and ask ourselves where are we, and where are we going?

*It's not easy bein' green  
Having to spend each Sunday  
The color of the leaves  
When it could be nicer  
Bein' red or yellow or gold  
Or something much more colorful like that*

*But green's the color of summer  
And green can be cool and friendly like  
And green can be big like a mountain  
Or important like a river or tall like a tree*

*When green is all there is to be  
It could make you wonder why  
But, why wonder? (why wonder?)  
It's green and it'll do fine  
It's beautiful. And I think it's what it should be*  
Kermit the Frog :-)



### Celebrating Our Freedom

Heavenly Father, you have given us the gifts of life and liberty and entrust to your people the duty to guard these gifts wherever they are threatened.

Help us to protect the freedom of all to follow the Gospel of your Son, Jesus Christ, and to bring his light and truth to the ends of the earth.

Guide all who play a role in enacting legislation to uphold the freedom of conscience of all citizens.

Send us your Spirit to inspire in us the wisdom and courage needed to witness to the truth and to stand up for all whose religious liberty is endangered.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our country, pray for us.

**St. Matthew Parish ~ Happenings**

**Saturday, June 29, 4:30 pm, Sunday, June 30, 10 am Masses, respectively - Peter Pence Collection**

**Thursday, July 4, 9:00 am Mass - Celebrate Independence Day with a Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Thursday, July 4, and Friday, July 5 - Rectory Office Closed for the Holiday**

**SAVE THE DATE! Tiger Game Outing for the Parish, Tuesday, July 23!**

**Rice Bowl Collection**

During our Lenten journey, we encountered families from the countries of Guatemala, Uganda, Sierra Leone, Gaza, and an immigrant family struggling to return home.

These encounters made us aware of the challenges facing others in our human family. Many are their needs, and many of you responded with generous hearts to aid those who are trying to build a better life for themselves and their families.

Your Lenten almsgiving realized a total of **\$1,287.59** that will be used wisely and well by the Catholic Relief Services in helping these people improve their lives.

**Tiger Game Tickets for our Parish Outing on Sale Now!**

This year Laura Ridella was able to secure the same game seats as what we had last year. These seats afford a better view of the game, and where there are less steps.

This improvement is more convenient and adds to a better enjoyment of the game. The game tickets are \$32 each with an additional \$8 per ticket to offset the cost of the bus transportation. This is always a fun night for the parish, plan on coming.

**Go Tigers! Play ball!**



**CSA Minute ~ Sharing Christ**



**Catholic Services Appeal** - The 2019 Catholic Services Appeal is underway. Gifts to the CSA make possible more than 100 ministries, programs, and services that bless the lives of thousands throughout our Archdiocese each day.

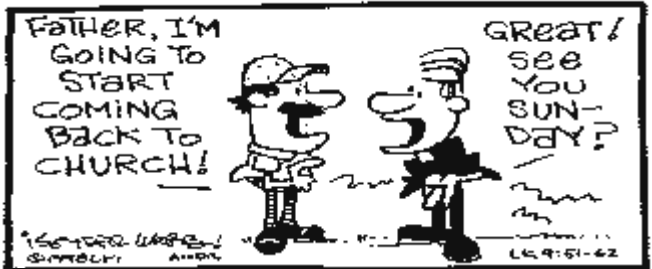
This year's CSA theme is *Opening Doors to Witness Christ*. As we become conscious witnesses to God's everlasting mercy, we unleash the Gospel to everyone we meet. Each year when we support the CSA, we renew this opportunity to witness Jesus.

If you have already pledged your gift to the 2019 CSA, thank you! If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully consider generously supporting this year's effort. You may pledge a gift to your parish online at [give.aod.org](http://give.aod.org).

**Peter's Pence Collection  
Be a Witness of Charity**

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. Envelopes are in the pews for your convenience.

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**St. Matthew Tiger Baseball Outing ~ Ticket Order Form  
Detroit Tigers vs. the Phillies ~ Tuesday, July 23rd ~ 7:10 p.m.**

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

# Ticket (s) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$40 (\$32 for game; \$8 for bus) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of Persons for Bus Transportation \_\_\_\_\_ (Bus transportation is limited to 56 Persons!)

**Submit completed form to Rectory with full payment (cash or check payable to St. Matthew).**

**Call the Rectory if you have any questions: 313-884-4470**

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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.*

Chuck Schuster	Alice Mocerì
Bienvenido Fajardo	Janet Law
Lolita Dorado	Jesse Ocampo
Rita Moroni	Mike Holster
Albert Fajardo	Laura Alix
Virginia Fajardo	Betty Leone
Madeline O'Neill	Michelle Harter
Kurt Beghuyn	JoMarie Nardi
Sebastiano Stellino	Thomas Bingham
Teresita Covacha	David Beaupre
Richard Gargulinski	Kenneth Beaupre
Joe Petrylka	Anthony Crimauddo
Roger Sharpe	Thomas Giles
Nenette Ferreria	Mary Bielman
Anthony Mastronardi	Rosemary Schoolcraft
Eduardo Fajardo	
Kathy Bush	
Glenda Johnson	
Robert Stark	
Stephanie Smith	



# Ministers, Lectors, and Servers

## EUCCHARISTIC

### MINISTERS

*Independence Day,*  
Marilyn Lynn  
Beverly Goll

### LECTORS

Thursday, July 4, 2019, 9:00 a.m.  
Bill Zuerblis

### SERVERS

Julia Zuerblis

Saturday, July 6, 2019, 4:30 p.m.

Janet Bielman

Bruce Campbell

Ian Campbell

Sunday, July 7, 2019, 10:00 a.m.

Marilyn Lynn

William Zuerblis

Lauren Gross

Keith Arcicovich

Mary Pocius

Beverly Goll

Julia Zuerblis

Patti Hammond

Veronica Obianwu

Greg Redman

Kristen Stark

## Mass Schedule

**Saturday, June 29 - Vigil: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 p.m. - Laura Bush Terry, John P. Langan

**Sunday, June 30 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:00 a.m. - Judy Stark, Laura Bush Terry, Joseph Wilk (30th Anniv), Edward Ryczek, Rita Allman (11th Anniv), Increase in Vocations to the Priesthood

**Monday, July 1 - St. Junipero Serra, Priest**

**Tuesday, July 2 -**

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

**Wednesday, July 3 - St. Thomas, Apostle**

9:00 a.m. - For Missionaries Serving around the World

**Thursday, July 4 - Independence Day**

9:00 a.m. - Salustiano Guinto

**Friday, July 5 - St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal**

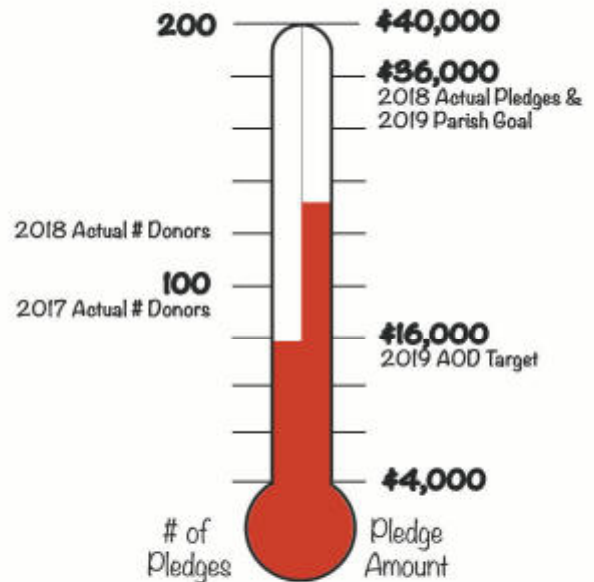
**Saturday, July 6 - Vigil: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 p.m. - Mary Macelt, Prepidigna Fajardo

**Sunday, July 7 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:00 a.m. - Judy Stark, John and Kathy Bush., For Deceased Bishops, Priests, and Deacons

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