

**ST. MATTHIAS PARISH, MARLBOROUGH, MA**

**INTENTIONS OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Saturday, June 10 — 4:00 p.m.**

Judith Kossuth — Memorial

**Sunday, June 11 — 10:00 a.m.**

Leo Ketzner — 1-Month Memorial  
(Brother of Jane Jones)

**Tuesday, June 13 — 9:00 a.m.**

Antonio Masciarelli — Memorial

**Saturday, June 17 — 4:00 p.m.**

David Mauro — 4th Anniversary Memorial

**Sunday, June 18 — 10:00 a.m.**

Howard Zerella — 7th Anniversary Memorial  
Gloria Zerella-Mason — Memorial

**THIS WEEK AT ST. MATTHIAS**

**Saturday, June 10**

- **Celebration of the Eucharist**  
Church, 4:00 p.m.
- **Marlborough Community Cupboard Collection**  
Bins located at the church entrances

**Sunday, June 11**

- **Celebration of the Eucharist**  
Church, 10:00 a.m.
- **Coffee Social**  
Parish Hall, following Mass
- **Marlborough Community Cupboard Collection**  
Bins located at the church entrances

**Monday, June 12**

- **Finance Council Meeting**  
Upstairs Conference Room, 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 14**

- **Shawl Ministry**  
Downstairs Conference Room, 6:45 p.m.

**Thursday, June 15**

- **Choir Rehearsal**  
Church, 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, June 17**

- **Celebration of the Eucharist**  
Church, 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday, June 18**

- **Celebration of the Eucharist with Baptism**  
Church, 10:00 a.m.
- **Coffee Social**  
Parish Hall, following Mass

**Office Hours - Week of June 12**



**Monday, Tuesday and Thursday**

9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**

9:00 a.m. — Noon

**DONATION BOXES IN THE CHURCH**

*Did you know* collection boxes for *Our Father's Table* and the *St. Matthias St. Vincent DePaul Society* are installed by the church's main entrance? These collection boxes are secured to the wall and are checked regularly. If you prefer to place a donation in the offertory baskets, please feel free to use the purple Second Collection envelopes found in the pews and indicate which ministry the donation is for.

*Thank you.*

**Weekday Masses for the Week of June 12**

Weekday Celebration of the Eucharist  
will be held on

**Monday, Tuesday and Friday  
at 9:00 a.m.**

**Downstairs Conference Room**



**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**



Please welcome into our faith community

***Raelyn Ann Mason***

**Sunday, June 18** during the 10:00 a.m.

Celebration of the Eucharist

As a parish community let us keep *Raelyn Ann* and  
her family in our prayers.

**FROM FR. FRAN**

**Ordinary Time**

With the Easter Season over, the church moves into what is called Ordinary Time. It lasts until December 3<sup>rd</sup>, the first Sunday of Advent. During this time there are no specific aspects of the life of Christ or the life of the church celebrated. The weeks are ordered by numbers, e.g. the 10<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time etc. Throughout this time our Sunday gospel passages will be from the Gospel of Matthew.

There are two feasts that we celebrate on the first two Sundays of summer Ordinary Time, the Feast of the Trinity (this weekend), and the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ ( next weekend). There are also two feasts to be celebrated in August, the Feast of the Assumption of Mary on Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, and the Feast of the Transfiguration which falls on Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup>. Ordinary Time and the liturgical year concludes on November 26<sup>th</sup> with the Feast of Christ the King.

To mark the summer portion of Ordinary Time, you will notice a change in the Mass parts we will be singing ( beginning on June 25<sup>th</sup>) as well as a simpler environment dominated by the color green, the official liturgical color of Ordinary Time.

**Thank You, Choir Members!**

As we move into Ordinary Time, our choir members will be taking their annual summer break ( although they often sit together at mass during the summer and form an “unofficial” choir). On behalf of the parish I would like to thank the choir and all those in our music ministry who lead us so prayerfully in song each week. Juggling family, schedules, and unexpected happenings from week to week while being present to their music ministry is always challenging. Thank you for your dedication and faithful presence throughout the year.

**What is the Church Saying?**

I don't think I've ever watched as much cable news in my lifetime as I have watched over the past month. Situations and developments in Washington seem to come at us at a relentless speed. As Catholics, we have a resource that should be our first “go to” as we are try to sort things out. That resource, of course is the work of Christ as portrayed in the gospels, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit as found in the teachings of the church.

The gospels portray Jesus as the champion of the poor, the outcast, those treated unfairly in life. Christ invites his followers to walk in his footsteps, to be active in the support of anything that serves to raise up those made low by injustice, prejudice,

poverty, and hatred.

Throughout the centuries, the church has a baptismal duty to continue the work of Christ in every situation, in every generation. Our time is no different. Pope Francis is perhaps this hour's brightest beacon of the gospel. Through his encyclicals, daily homilies and actions, he is an example of someone who walks the talk, not in the name of politics or power, but simply because it's the right thing to do.

I highly encourage every parishioner to reflect on Christ's message and Pope Francis' words as we try to make some sense of the social and political climate of today. To that end, let me once again suggest a few web sites that are enlightening and encouraging as they examine the issues of the day through the lens of Christ and the church.

For everything “papal” the place to go is the Vatican's own webpage <http://w2.vatican.va>. There you will find all of Pope Francis speeches and writings. You can also download the Vatican's app: ThePopeApp, from the itunes store to get a very well done platform for your phone or tablet. Pope Francis is also on Twitter: Pope Francis@Pontifex.

For well-rounded discussions of current topics from a Jesuit perspective, check out [www.americamagazine.org](http://www.americamagazine.org) and [thejesuitpost.org](http://thejesuitpost.org). Two other sources for excellent analysis and reflection are: [commonwealmagazine.org](http://commonwealmagazine.org). and [cruxnow.com](http://cruxnow.com) A good source for catholic news is [catholicnews.com](http://catholicnews.com), the web home of the Catholic News Service. For news and entertainment and reflection, tune into the Catholic TV Network which is found on most cable line-ups. This, once local station, has now gone national and is helmed by our own Bishop Robert Reed.

**Confirmation Thank You**

Speaking of Bishop Reed, our parish was blessed to welcome him as presider at the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday. It was great to have him and listen to his inspiring words addressed not only to our youngsters but to all parishioners.

Once again, congratulations confirmandi, and thank you to all the family and friends who gathered together to witness the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon them. A special thank you goes to Theresa Salafia and Deacon Paul Coletti who walked with these young women and men as catechists. Thanks also to all who served in liturgical ministries for the celebration. Your dedication and prayerfulness helped to make the day a special celebration for the youngsters and the entire parish community.

**PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

**Weekly Offertory Goal: \$4,000.00**

Total Collection of May 27 and May 28.....\$ 3,985.00  
 Of that amount ParishPay donations..... \$ 1,099.00  
 Parishioners celebrating Mass May 27 and May 28.....288  
 Catholic Relief Services..... \$ 373.00  
 Ascension of the Lord Mass May 25..... \$ 525.00

Total Collection of June 3 and June 4.....\$ 3,835.00  
 Of that amount ParishPay donations.....\$ 340.00  
 Parishioners celebrating Mass June 3 and June 4.....383  
 Seminarian Collection..... \$ 575.00  
 Of that amount ParishPay donations were..... \$ 90.00

**Special Collections for June**

- June 10 and 11— Parish Maintenance
- June 17 and 18—Parochial Schools
- June 24 and 25—Peter's Pence



In the pews are purple Second Collection envelopes. Please feel free to use these envelopes as needed to donate to any special or second collection

## MOST HOLY TRINITY

### FAITH FORMATION

Thank you for your prayers and continued support of the young people in Faith Formation. Our year's gatherings were completed this weekend with the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation administered by Bishop Robert Reed.



Family registration forms will be sent out by July 1 via mail. Kindly review form for accuracy of your email address, street address and phone numbers as well as allergy and learning needs information.

### CALL FOR CATECHISTS

Faith Formation registration for 2017-2018 will begin soon. There are grade levels that need catechists and catechist helpers. All catechists and helpers need to complete a CORI report and participate in Protecting God's Children training as mandated by the Archdiocese of Boston Child Advocacy Office. (This training is provided at Saint Matthias). For each catechist and helper training is provided for curriculum development and activities that enhance the faith growth of the children.

Please contact Theresa Salafia, Faith Formation Director, at [tsalafia@stmattpar.org](mailto:tsalafia@stmattpar.org) or 508-460-9255, if you

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

Do you know about Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)?

If you were never baptized, or you were baptized in another Christian faith, we can help you be initiated into the Catholic Church. Adults who are interested in becoming Catholic are invited to join the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" (RCIA) program.

If you were baptized Catholic, but never received Eucharist, we can help you complete your sacraments. If you were baptized Catholic and received Eucharist, but for whatever reason, never received Confirmation, we can help you to receive Confirmation.

Saint Matthias welcomes those who wish to know more about baptism or completion of the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. A team of people is ready to join you in your faith journey. Please speak with Father Fran, Deacons Doug or Paul, or Theresa Salafia, Faith Formation Director 508-460-9255 or email [tsalafia@stmattpar.org](mailto:tsalafia@stmattpar.org).

### PRAY FOR THE HEALING OF THE SICK

*Please Pray For...*



*Richard Abraham, Boyle Family, Nancy Bradford, Laurie Burt, Eileen Busque, Peggy Cronin, Delia Cruz, Connie Cyr, Del Cyr, Clara Mae Dickerson, Doyle Family, Colin Fawkes, John Gifford, Joe Gillis, Hannah Gluck, Philomena Hedin, Russ Hokanson, Emma Johnson, Kathryn Keeler, Emma Larrivee, Irene McCarthy, Maura McGuinness, Holly McIntyre, Kay McNeill, Roger Melenson, Michael Messom, Theresa Morrill, Megan Murphy, Deborah Natoli, Theresa Perry, Deacon Doug Peltak, Jean Peltak, Andy Rivers, Benjamin Smith, Edward Suzano, Ray Thomas, Trunfio Family, and Jenny Weibel.*

To add someone to this prayer list, please call the parish

### CATHOLIC APPEAL ANNUAL COLLECTION

As of May 30 Saint Matthias parishioners have donated \$20,056.00. The balance of \$1,480.00 is needed to fulfill the goal of \$21,536.00 given by the Archdiocese. June 30 is the final date for donating. **Please note the parish will need to use its operating funds to pay the Archdiocese in order to meet this goal.**

You may donate directly to the appeal by going on-line: [www.bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://www.bostoncatholicappeal.org). click "Donate Now" on the top right hand of the page.

### LOST AND FOUND

An attendee at a recent funeral had left her coat on the coat rack downstairs. It is a woman's black cashmere blend and she is anxious to get it back. Since black coats tend to look alike we are hoping that someone accidentally grabbed it thinking it was their coat. Please take a moment to check your closet to make sure you have the right one. Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.

### THANK YOU—AIR CONDITIONERS

Thank you to Gene Balinski and Bob Mulvaney for setting up the air conditioning units in the parish offices and conference rooms. If the warm weather ever arrives they will be greatly appreciated!

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

You are encouraged to read and pray from scripture at home during the week as you reflect on this Sunday's Word and prepare to celebrate next week's Eucharist.

Readings for June 10 and 11 — The Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4B-6, 8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

Readings for June 17 and 18

Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14B-16A; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17;  
John 6:51-58

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### **Blessing of Catechists**

Sunday, September 17 during the 10:00 am Mass.  
Church

### **Welcome Back Parish Family Picnic**

Sunday, September 17 following 10:00 am Mass  
Parish grounds.

### **Blessing of the Animals**

Sunday, October 1  
Parish Portico

### **Yard Sale**

Saturday, October 14  
Parish Hall

### **Mass of Remembrance**

Sunday, November 12  
Church / Parish Hall

### **Christmas Bazaar**

Saturday, December 2  
Parish Hall

## **REMEMBERING OUR FATHERS MONTH OF JUNE**



During the month of June, we remember our deceased fathers and those men who have been a source of strength, comfort and inspiration to us with a special Prayer of the Faithful at each of the masses. You are invited to inscribe the names of the important men in your life in our book of remembrance, located near the tabernacle.

If you wish to make a donation in honor of someone who has touched your life, you are invited to place your donation in the Father's Day envelopes found in the pews. Father's Day envelopes were included in your monthly packet. You may place your donation in the collection basket throughout June or drop it off (or mail it) to the parish office.

## **MARLBROUGH COMMUNITY CUPBOARD COLLECTION**

This weekend collection bins will be available at the church entrances for non-perishable food items to be donated to the Marlborough Community Cupboard. Non-perishable meals such as coffee, tea, juice boxes, tuna, macaroni products, boxed cereals and other boxed meals such as hamburger helper are great summer meal options.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our friends and neighbors in the community.

