



St. Matthew

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time | 14th Sunday after Pentecost
August 25th



Parish Purpose Statement

Our parish purpose is to use beauty and truth to inspire and develop disciples to transform the secular order by the grace of God, for His glorification and the edification of man.

OFFICE INFORMATION

Mon/Wed/Fri:
8:30 am - 11:30 am
12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday
11:00 am (OF), 1:00 pm (EF)

Mon/Tues/Wed/Fri
12:10 pm (OF)

First Saturday
9:00 am (EF)

OF: Ordinary Form
EF: Extraordinary Form

CONFESSION

Sunday: 2:30 pm
Monday: 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Saturday: 10:30 - 11:30 am

ADORATION

Monday: 12:40 - 7:00 pm

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

Monday: 6:30 pm

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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Submit items by Monday for publication in the following week's bulletin to:
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RENTALS

Interested in renting Augustinian Hall, Undercroft or the gym for your next event? Contact our facility manager at:
rentals@flintcatholic.org

ONLINE GIVING



SCAN FOR QUICK DONATION, THANK YOU!

THIS WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW

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14th Sunday after Pentecost

(† Deceased)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

Hot Dog Days of Summer after Both Masses

11:00 The People of St. Matthew Parish

1:00 † Neil Martin by Rick Kray

2:30 Confessions

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

12:00 Angelus

12:10 Intentions of John Wellington by Jann DeMars

12:30 Adoration

5:30 Confessions

6:30 Evening Prayer

7:00 Benediction

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

12:00 Angelus

12:10 Intentions of Donald & Colette Reuther by Don & Therese Simon

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

12:00 Angelus

12:10 † Fr. James Sheridan by Pat Dailey

6:30 Greater Flint Area Men's Group (Undercroft)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

12:00 Angelus

12:10 Intentions of Fr. Anthony Strouse

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

10:30 Confessions

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Week of:	August 4, 2024	August 11, 2024
Anticipated Income	\$ 6,100.00	\$ 6,100.00
Actual income	\$ 6,455.88	\$ 5,405.38
Over (Under)	\$ 355.88	\$ (694.62)

DON ANTONIO'S DISPATCH

This Wednesday the Church celebrates the memorial of St. Augustine (and the day before we celebrate his mother, St. Monica). Given the long history of service by Augustinians to St. Matthew parish, this has a special importance here. For me, too, as a third order Dominican, St. Augustine's rule is what St. Dominic adopted for his new mendicant order, so it's special for me as well. St. Augustine is a great example of seeking the truth. And even though he wandered away, he finally realized that the truth was present in the Catholic Church. His mother, St. Monica, is also a great witness for parents whose children have wandered away from the faith, and the perseverance it takes in prayer for them to return. Sts. Augustine and Monica, pray for us!

I have noticed over the past few weeks that our Monday evening time for confessions is not quite long enough. I have barely made it out in time to start benediction and reposi-tion on time, and even have had to hear confessions afterwards to accommodate those who waited in line, but could not make their confession before benediction. So, beginning 9 September, I am extending our Monday evening confession time. As of that date, it will begin at 5:00 p.m. (30 minutes earlier), and end at 6:30 p.m. I hope this helps every have a chance to reconcile with God, the Church, and each other through the Sacrament of Penance.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

ORDINARY FORM 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Joshua 24: 1-2, 15-17, 18

Psalms 34: 2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

Ephesians 5: 21-32

John 6: 60-69

*Your words,
Lord, are Spirit
and life*

EXTRAORDINARY FORM 14th Sunday after Pentecost

*Behold, O God, our
protector*

Galatians 5: 16-24

Psalms 117: 8-9

Matthew 6: 24-33

PRAYER REQUESTS



For all the couples attending the Retrouvaille Program during the next two months, that they will be open to healing and be able to renew their marriage.

MARRIAGE BANNS

The following parties are preparing for the Sacra-ment of Marriage. Any impediments regarding these couples, please inform the parish office immediately.



Jack Stouffer & Heather Blasius

LECTOR SCHEDULE

September 1

K Downs

September 8

MUSIC MINISTRY

**"...and sing the love
amazing..."**

In 1955, Pope Pius XII wrote: St. Paul showed us clearly that sacred chant was used and held in honor from the very beginning in the Church founded by the Divine Redeemer when he wrote to the Ephesians: "Be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs." He indicates that this custom of singing hymns was in force in the assemblies of Christians when he says: "When you come together, each of you has a hymn."



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PARISH ROSES

In Appreciation of Fr. Anthony Strouse



Offering the roses is a wonderful way to honor the memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion. The offering is \$20 each or \$60 for all three altars of St. Therese, St. Mary and St. Joseph.

Please call or visit the church office to make arrangements.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are able to help with any of the following, please contact the parish office.

Money Counters

We are in need of volunteers to help with money counting. We will train you!

Ushers

There is a need for ushers at the 11 am Sunday Mass.

Chanters/Singers

We are looking for people interested in chanting/singing at the 1 pm Sunday Mass.

FAITH STUDIES & GROUPS

New Study - *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy*

God sent prophets to call the people back to their covenant relationship with him. In *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy*, discover how God is constantly calling you to a deeper relationship with him, as well as the ways you are called to be the voice of God to others. We will meet for 10 weeks on Thursday evenings starting September 12th at 6:30 pm. Cost of the study is \$35, register on the parish website or call the parish office.

Greater Flint Men's Group

The Greater Flint area men's group will meet **Wednesday, August 28, 6:30-8:00 pm** in the church basement. Come for fellowship and formation in the Catholic faith. No previous attendance or instruction is necessary. The group will pray Vespers and study Pope Benedict XVI's weekly addresses collected in *Jesus, the Apostles and the Early Church* (Ignatius Press) and available for free on the Vatican website. This week's text is "St. Paul and the Church" of November 22, 2006.

Ladies' Study Group

'How the Saints Shaped History' by local author, Randall Petrides. This book "focuses on the essential role of the saints as vessels of God's grace in moving the Church (and the world) through her two-thousand-year history...It tells the story of how more than 180 saints...led the Church through many crises and back to her spiritual roots." Join us on **Wednesday morning, August 28 from 10:00-11:30am**. Both meet at the home of Rae Ann Houbeck, Grand Blanc – 810-919-8696.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will once again be offering Confirmation Prep at St. Matthew starting in the fall! If you have a child that needs to prepare to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, visit our website for registration!



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is coming to St. Matthew this fall. CGS Level 1 is offered for children Pre-K through Kindergarten; Level 2 for 1st - 3rd grade and Faith Explorers for 4th through 6th grade. We will be posting registration for 2024-2025 in the coming weeks.

SACRAMENTS AT ST. MATTHEW

BAPTISM - Call the office to make arrangements.

FIRST COMMUNION - If you believe your child is ready to receive his or her First Communion, there is no need to wait! Call the office to get the process started.

CONFIRMATION - If you or your child are seeking the sacrament of confirmation, please contact Amanda Williams at the parish office. We will begin prep for 2025 Confirmations in the fall of 2024.

MATRIMONY - Contact Fr. Anthony at least 9 months in advance.

SACRAMENTAL PREP - We accept sacramental prep from Catholic schools as well as prep done at home. Call the office with any questions regarding your child's sacramental prep.

BECOMING CATHOLIC - If you are interested in becoming Catholic or just learning more, we look forward to helping you! Contact the parish office to setup a meeting.

DIVING DEEPER INTO THE FAITH

Breviary

The breviary serves as the official prayer book for the Liturgy of the Hours. The breviary's structure is designed to sanctify the hours of the day, dividing them into distinct offices such as Lauds (Morning Prayer), Vespers (Evening Prayer), and Compline (Night Prayer), among others. Each office includes a series of psalms, canticles, scripture readings, intercessions, and hymns. The breviary ensures that the prayers of the Church are continuous and unified. Traditionally used by clergy and monastic communities, the breviary has become more accessible to the laity, encouraging a broader participation in the daily rhythm of prayer.

Join us for Vespers (Evening Prayer) on Mondays at 6:30 pm, followed by Benediction.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Augustine

St. Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD) was an important figure in Christian theology and Western philosophy. Born in what is now Algeria, he spent much of his early life in pursuit of truth through various philosophies before converting to Christianity under the influence of his mother, Saint Monica, and the teachings of Saint Ambrose. As a bishop, Augustine wrote extensively on topics such as the nature of God, original sin, and the human soul. His major works, including "Confessions" and "The City of God," have profoundly shaped Catholic doctrine, particularly through his exploration of the relationship between faith and reason, the nature of grace, and the moral complexities of human life. Augustine's ideas have had a lasting influence, making him one of the most important intellectual figures in the history of the Western world.



St. Augustine, pray for us!

IN OUR PARISH

Sunday Social - Coffee & Donuts

Join us in the St. Matthew parish basement for refreshments and fellowship after Mass every 1st & 3rd Sundays of the Month! Join us after the 11:00 am Mass **Sunday, September 1st**. Sign up to bring donuts on either the first or third Sunday of the month, next date is September 1, 2024. Signing up is a one-time commitment. Use the volunteer sign up online or call the church office!

North End Soup Kitchen

St. Matthew is signed up to assist at the North End Soup Kitchen on Thursdays. Come on out and give a hand. You can drop in from 2 pm to 5:30 pm, or sign up on the website if you would like to volunteer regularly! This is a great outreach opportunity for the entire family!

First Saturday Mass & Potluck

Join us for the First Saturday Mass (EF) on **September 7th at 9 am**. After Mass, join us for a potluck breakfast in the Augustinian hall. Use the QR code to sign up for a dish to pass, or visit the parish website.



Trivia Night

Join us **Saturday, September 14th, at 6:30 pm** in St. Matthew's Augustinian Hall. Cost is \$5 per person. Join us for fun, faith and fellowship. Questions cover the sacred and the profane, ranging from the sublime to the absurd, everything from pop culture to the fundamentals of the faith. You do not need a whole team, come as you are and we'll connect you with new friends. Sloppy Joes, Chips, Pop, and Water will be available.



Hope in the Box

There is a Hope in the Box for Catholic Charities container in the Narthex. Specific monthly needs are listed on the box, but any personal needs items can be donated at anytime. Thank you in advance for your donations.

September Requested Item:
Bar and hand soap



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2024
ST. MICHAEL'S CONFERENCE CENTER
609 E 5TH AVE, FLINT, MI 48503
DOORS OPEN: 5:30PM / EVENT: 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Moving Help

The Servants of God's Love will be moving from St. Matthew parish on Saturday, 28 September. If you are interested in helping them to move, please contact Sr. Stacy Whitfield (srswhitfield@gmail.com) and she will coordinate the schedule for that day. Thanks for any help you want to give!



Fr. Anthony will be moving to St. Matthew Rectory on Thursday, October 10. If you are interested in helping him move, email him at franthonystrouse@flintcatholic.org

Meals for Moms

If you are an expectant mother of the parish and would like to participate, fill out the form available on our website and we will be in contact with you.

If you are interested in getting notifications whenever we have new families that are in need of meals, please email us at stmatthewmealsformoms@gmail.com

St. Matthew Feast Day Celebration

Saturday, September 21
5:00 pm Mass | 6:00 pm Dinner

Catered by
Scratch BBQ

\$10/person
RSVP required by
September 11

If your address and contact information has changed, please notify the office. Also, If you find that you are in need of offering envelopes or would like to receive the monthly issue of FAITH Magazine, or **no longer** need to receive them, kindly let us know. Thank you!