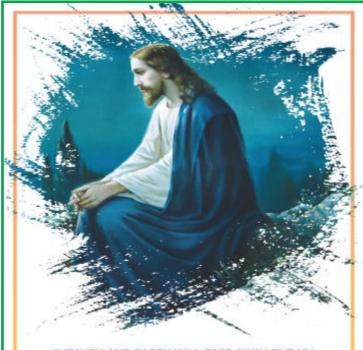


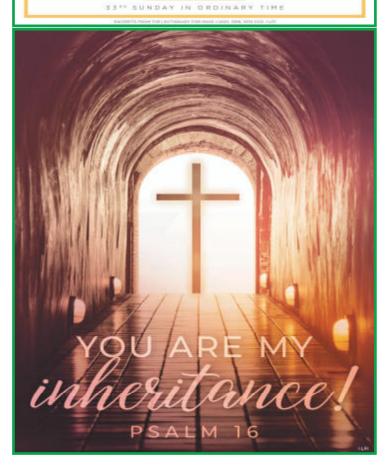
Saint Matthew Church The PULSE

November 14, 2021

Detroit, Michigan



"HEAVEN AND EARTH WILL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY." - MK 13:31



Gathering the pieces.





Watch your step and then it's out the door!

Securing the parts in the van for transport to the shop.



Readings for the Week of November 14, 2021

Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-	
	14, 18/Mk 13:24-32	
Monday:	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 [cf. 88]/Lk 18:35-43	
Tuesday:	2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [6b]/Lk 19:1-10	
Wednesday	: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15	
	[15b]/Lk 19:11-28	
Thursday:	1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [23b]/	
	Lk 19:41-44	
	Dedication: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/ Ps 105:2-3,	
	36-37, 42-43/Mt 14:22-33	
Friday:	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chron 29:10bcd, 1abc,	
	11d-12a, 12bcd [13b]/Lk 19:45-48	
Saturday:	1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19	
	[cf. 16a]/Lk 20:27-40	
Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/		
	Jn 18:33b-37	



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory." Take a moment to ponder these words from today's Gospel. How does this image make you feel? For people to truly understand the sig-

nificance of this message, something profound has to happen within. If we find ourselves reacting with a sense of dread or fear, we have to step back and ask why. Our answer will reveal a great deal about our relationship with God. It's hard to fall in love with a God of whom we are afraid. God does not want us to be afraid. Nor does He want us to align our wills to His in order to avoid some kind of horrendous eternal consequence. That sounds like too much of a superficial power play on the part of God who continues to seek out His children in love.

In order for these words to carry any type of significant meaning for us, they have to resonate with and touch us on a deeper level. They have to be able to connect some dots and have meaning for us in order for this promise to change our lives. Sometimes we get preoccupied with the uncertainty of our deaths. Not knowing when or how we will eventually die can be unsettling. But, more so than needing an answer to the "when" of death, the "what" of death answer we provide has more significance. What happens to us when we die? Whether we die during the natural course of our lives or when Christ comes again, the experience is the same. If we believe that we are meant to live in union with God eternally and that death completes and does not diminish us, then it is worth our time and effort to wait in vigilant hope of the Lord's coming in glory. Our journey back to God is something beautiful to be desired, not dreaded or feared.

Sadly, many folks believe that life is no more than a random occurrence without any purposeful direction or meaning. Death is simply death and nothing more. For them, the Second Coming of Christ and God's eternal promise have no meaning. When we understand the truth about who we are, it changes things up. We then can see ourselves as works in progress who have the choice to either resist the inspirations of the Divine Artist or give into the wonderful creativity of His will. Life awaiting the fullness of Christ to come becomes an unfolding of Divine surprises and abundant joy. God is eternally merciful, forgiving, and welcoming. It is only when we directly reject this gift and turn our backs on Love itself that we have anything to fear.



St. Elizabeth of Hungary | Feast Day November 17

Although her life was short, St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1207–1231) is recognized for her love of the poor and suffering, and as patroness of Catholic charities and the Secular Franciscan Order. The daughter of the King of Hungary, she chose a life of penance instead of leisure, which made an impact on the "commoners" she served.

St. Elizabeth married Louis of Thuringia when she was 14. Deeply in love, they had three children. Despite their wealth, she led a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor and sick under the spiritual direction of a Franciscan friar.

After six years of marriage, her husband died in the Crusades, and St. Elizabeth was grief-stricken. Her husband's family did not look kindly upon her and mistreated her before finally throwing her out of the palace. However, the return of her husband's allies from the Crusades resulted in her being reinstated, since her son was legal heir to the throne.

St. Elizabeth joined the Secular Franciscan Order in 1228 where she cared for the poor in a hospital she founded in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. She died in 1231, but her great popularity resulted in her being named a saint only four years later.



Courtesy of Janet Law

Deceased Members of the Lee and Fitzgerald Families Courtesy of Tim and Karen Fitzgerald

Orlando Moszczenski, Casmere Moszczenski Lucia Matelonek, Antoni Matelonek, James LaPratt Robert Matelonek, Paul Matelonek, Jimmy LaPratt Denise Matelonek, Renee Jaczkowski Lara Galka, Dave Galka, John Hypnarowicz Theresa Witkowski, Little Meryn Hodges Courtesy of Mark and Felicia Moszczenski

St. Matthew Parish ~ Happenings

Sunday, November 14 - following 10 am Mass - St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Matthew Conference Meeting, Church Auditorium

Saturday, November 20, 4:30 pm - Mass for Recently Deceased Members of St. Matthew Parish

Saturday, November 20, 4:30 pm and Sunday, November 21, 10 am Masses, respectively - Collection for Catholic Charities of SE Michigan

Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan

Archbishop Vigneron asks that a special collection be taken in parishes each year to benefit the important work of Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan (CCSEM). Your support is critical to the success of this collection and the continuation of diverse programming serving more than 20,000 individuals annually. As the charitable arm for the corporal works of mercy throughout the six counties of the Archdiocese, your support helps feed the hungry, clothe the naked, provide companionship to the lonely care for the sick, welcome the stranger, and more.

This will be the second collection next weekend. Envelopes are in the pews for your use. Please be generous.



A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

Today's Gospel teaches us that UNCERTAINTY is normal. There are some things in life which "no one knows…only the Father." Marriage and parenting are full of uncertainty, for the like the fig tree in the Gospel, the people we love grow and change.

2021 Celebrating Black Catholic History Month

Dr. Lena Edwards was born on September 17, 1900 to Dr. Thomas Edwards, an oral surgeon, and Marie Coakely Edwards. Lena was an extraordinarily intelligent woman who lived to serve others. She completed her undergraduate studies in three years at Howard University in Washington, DC and graduated from the Medical School in 1924. An advocate for natural childbirth, Dr. Edwards' occupation was truly her vocation in serving under-represented persons of color and those of European decent, yet prejudice continued to prevent her from entering residency at Margaret Hague Hospital in New Jersey. She returned to her alma mater, Howard University, in 1954 teaching obstetrics. She refused to accept the position of Department Chair due to her Catholic belief in the sin of abortion.

In 1964, she was recognized by President Lyndon Johnson for her life work and awarded her the Presidential Medal of Freedom for her meritorious contributions to the national interests of the United States as well as humankind.

CSA Minute ~ Sharing Christ



In his pastoral letter, Unleash the Gospel, Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron asks us to make Jesus

"known by our word and deed" — timely guidance for the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal.

The ministries, programs, and services supported by your generosity meet the spiritual and physical needs of parishes and countless individuals throughout the Archdiocese and southeast Michigan.

When we embrace the CSA for carrying out the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy, we witness Christ, and in turn, we open doors so others may also develop a deeper relationship with Him. We also extend our personal involvement in our local Church beyond our home parishes.

The CSA enables us, the Church in Detroit, to carry out Christ's ministry of mercy and love throughout southeast Michigan and beyond — works no one individual or parish could possibly do alone.

Your pledge may be paid with an optional initial payment and then nine additional payments. Paying your pledge over several months allows you to give more generously and consider your family budget and other financial responsibilities. You may also select a quarterly payment plan.



2021 Gold'n Harvest 50/50 Raffle

Don't forget to sell those 50/50 Raffle Tickets! Even in this time of the aftermath of COVID-19, there are many opportunities to sell tickets. Contact all your friends and family and ask

them to participate. Tell them the benefits of supporting our St. Matthew Parish.

Returns can be made and additional tickets are available after the weekend Masses and at the rectory. Mark your calendars for the day of our drawing, Sunday, December 12. There will be a small gathering of parishioners and a virtual streaming of the drawing. The three lucky winners will be announced as well as the Seller's winner.

Keep up your good work, as we look forward to another successful year!

Gianna House Pregnancy & Parenting Residence

Gianna House in Eastpointe, has launched a *Go Fund Me* fundraiser to support critical services and housing for young mothers in the community. The campaign is \$100,000 and is running now through November 29, 2021.

This one of a kind facility is a lifeline for young moms and moms-to-be. Starting as an outreach program and opening its doors as a residence for at-risk, pregnant youth in 2019, Gianna House has provided a safe, nurturing environment and support services for hundreds of young moms and babies. Gianna House provides housing, education and life-skills training, medical care, parenting classes and support, and other vital resources.

"We are a beacon of hope and safety for young women who find themselves in very difficult circumstances," says Joella Bush, Gianna House executive director. "In addition to temporary housing, we provide educational classes referral services to local medical experts, aftercare services, and help with critical supplies like diapers, baby clothes and toiletries, and more. Some of our moms are most grateful for the emotional support."

Gianna House provides housing for up to one year after the baby's birth, followed by assistance for a successful transition to independent living. Go Fund Me Link:

https://gofund.me/553b7cc1 https://giannahouse.org/

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH DIRECTORY

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WEEKEND/WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

4:30 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. By Appointment 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

Saturday	
Sunday	
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	
Reconciliation	
Holydays	

In your prayers...

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

Anthony Mastronardi Stephanie Smith Janet Law Laura Alix Jo Marie Nardi Anthony Crimaudo Rosemary Schoolcraft Tiffany Gelle Robert Stark Pauline Williams Eloise Parker Herb and Jeanne Damman Doreen Redman Sarah Wagner Nenette Ferreria Lolita Dorado Albert Fajardo Eduardo Fajardo Aurora Guinto Jesse Ocampo

Mary Spansky Marie Kane Mike Dulapa Kathy Bush Richard Goll Tim Fitzgerald Kristen Freiburger Joanne Papineau Elsa Camazzola William Walker IV Nancy Clemons Cathy D'Agostini

Ministers, Lectors, and Servers

LECTORS

SERVERS

Saturday, November 20, 2021, 4:30 p.m. **Julie Smith** Lauren Smith

Sunday, November 21, 2021, 10:00 a.m. David Smydra Lauren Gross Julia Zuerblis

Mass Schedule

Saturday, November 13 - Vigil: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary 4:30 p.m. - For the Deceased Veterans of the Armed Services

<u>Sunday, November 14 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> 10:00 a.m. - The Angle Family, Chuck Schuster (1st Anniv), Jaclyn Scott (3rd Anniv), Irene Lister

Monday, November 15 - St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

<u>Tuesday, November 16 - St. Margaret of Scotland, St.</u> <u>Gertrude, Virgin</u> 9:00 a.m. - For the Poor and Needy in our Community

<u>Wednesday, November 17 - St. Elizabeth of Hungary,</u> <u>Religious</u> 9:00 a.m. – For the Sick, Suffering, and Dying

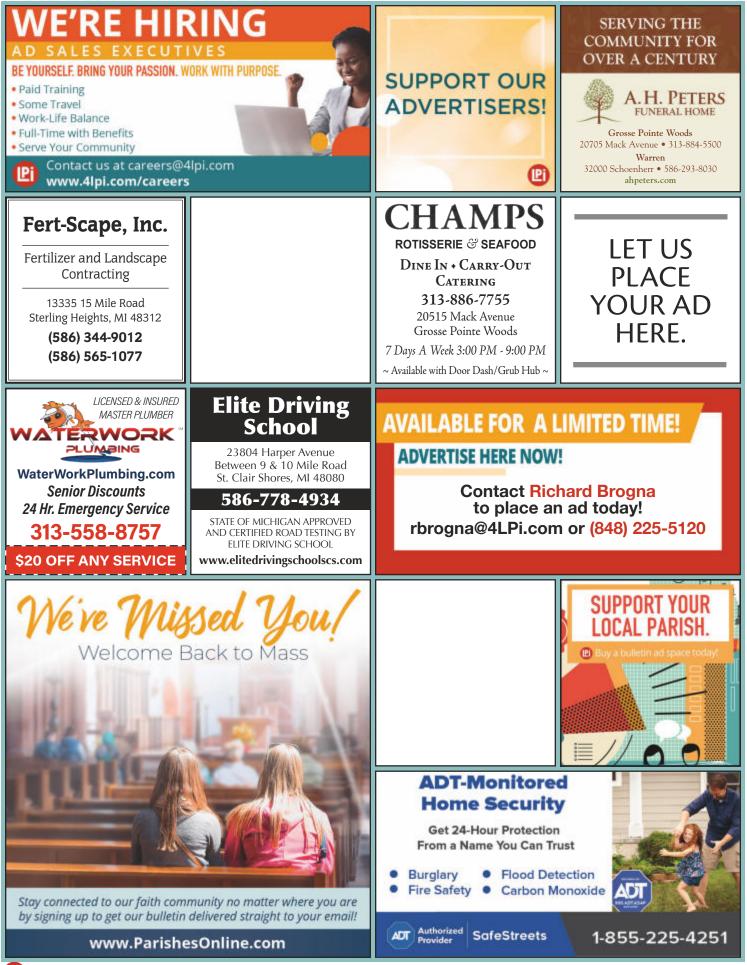
<u>Thursday, November 18 - The Dedication of the Basilica of</u> <u>Sts. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Philippine</u> <u>Duchesne, Virgin</u>

Friday, November 19 -9:00 a.m. - For an End to the COVID-19 Pandemic

<u>Saturday, November 20 - Vigil: Feast of Christ the King</u> 4:30 p.m. - For the Deceased Members of St. Matthew Parish

<u>Sunday, November 21 - Feast of Christ the King</u> 10:00 a.m. - Irene and John Ridella, Elsie Daniels Fryer, John Fryer





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