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**September 23, 2018  
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**From the Pastor's Desk**



My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As they return to their headquarters in Capernaum, the disciples argue who among them is the greatest. The expected answer is Peter because he gave the correct answer when asked about the identity of Jesus. He is also the spokesman of the group, and Jesus pay attention to him. But Jesus gives an unexpected answer. The greatest among them is the last of all and the servant of all. The greatest does not think he is God's favorite. He is unassuming. He does not expect he should be the leader. He serves everyone in the group. Jesus redefines the meaning of greatness, presenting different criteria.

So any person, not just one, can be the greatest if the person serves the community and has high moral values. The person does not compromise with evil. For the "greatest", the world looks at the strongest, the richest, the most powerful, and the most influential. The "greatest" dictates what others should do and suppresses those who attempt to resist.

Christians must not be self-conscious of their blessedness. They should never think they are better than others. They should rather follow Jesus, the greatest leader who comes not "to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mk 10:45).

Your Servant in Christ,  
Fr Khanh D. Nguyen, Pastor

**❖ DAILY MASS TIMES & READINGS ❖**

**Monday, September 24, St. Pacifico of San Severino.**  
Proverbs 3:27-34; Gosp Luke 8:16-18 - Mass at 8:45 am

**Tuesday, September 25.** Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13; Gosp Luke 8:19-21 - no morning Mass

**Wednesday, September 26, St. Cosmos & Damian.**  
Proverbs 30:5-9; Gosp Luke 9:1-6 – Mass at 8:45 am

**Thursday, September 27, St. Vincent de Paul.**  
Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Gosp Luke 9:7-9– Mass at 8:45 am

**Friday, September 28.** Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Gosp Luke 9:18-22 – Mass at 8:45 am

**Saturday, September 29, Sts. Gabriel, Raphael & Michael, Archangels.** 1 Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Gosp John 1:47-51 - Mass at 8:45 am

**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 30**  
Numbers 11:25-29; Gosp Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**INTERNATIONAL ROSARY** – Please join us in the Church on Friday October 5, at 6:30 pm to honor the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary/Our Lady of Victory. Reception follows in the Community Center Conference Room.



**PASTA, PASTA, PASTA** Our St. Vincent de Paul food bank is in need of dry pasta & canned spaghetti sauce. Thank you for your continued support.

**PARISH PICNIC AND MINISTRY FAIR**



**THIS WEEKEND**

► **MINISTRY FAIR** – Learn about the numerous ministries and volunteer opportunities at St. Matthew Ministry Fair this weekend after all Masses in the Community Center.



► **PARISH PICNIC** is this Sunday, September 23, from 4 - 6:30 pm. Food and fellowship. Bring a salad or dessert to share.



**COMPLINE OF MERCY** Please join Our Lady of the Lake Parish on Sunday, September 23, at 8:30 pm for Compline of Mercy. In light of the recent events in the Catholic Church in the U.S., Fr. Tim Clark will anoint those who have ever suffered sexual abuse, clerical or otherwise and will lead communal and reflective prayer asking for God's mercy and loving presence in the Church and within our hearts. For more information, call Abbie Naze, Music & Liturgy Director at 206-523-6776.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)**

resumes on this weekend at the 10 am Sunday Mass. "Let the children come to me." There is no registration or cost. CLOW is a program that helps our young parishioners understand the Scripture we hear at Mass. At the 10 am Mass, we invite children to the pre-kindergarten classroom to hear the Scripture readings (Liturgy of the Word). Our catechists share God's Word and relate it to the lives of the children. We invite pre-kindergarten and elementary grade students when Father sends us following the Opening Prayer at Mass. The children return to Mass at the Preparation of the Altar. Parents are welcome at any time.

**FIRST CONFESSION CLASSES** begin Sunday, October 14, from 9 - 9:55 am in the ESS portable. All parish children, 2nd grade and older, who are baptized but have not received First Confession or Communion are encouraged to attend. Patti and Jim Broulette are teaching the classes and hosting an information table at Sunday coffee hours in September. Call the parish office with questions.

**FILIPINO BREAKFAST** is being hosted by St. Matthew Knights of Columbus Council on Sunday, October 7 after all Masses. Tickets are on sale for \$10 at coffee hour.

**PRAY THE ROSARY** All are invited to join in praying the rosary each Sunday at 7:30 am before Mass.

**LAST CALL FOR HONDURAS CHILDREN'S MISSION COLLECTION** Our greatest needs are: new socks (navy or white); boys & girls underwear, ages 2 - 18 (older boys prefer boxers); toothpaste, deodorant, Tylenol (tablets & liquid), children's vitamins, band aids, Crayola markers, dry erase markers, black permanent markers, coloring books, construction paper, 1 and 3 subject spiral notebooks, stickers & glue. Place items in the box in the vestibule marked for Honduras until September 23. Cash donations gladly accepted (place in offertory and mark for Honduras). Thank you for your support. Questions? contact Colleen and Kevin Flanigan 206-362-6499

**EPHESIANS: DISCOVER YOUR INHERITANCE BEGINS THIS WEDNESDAY, September 26** through November 14 at 9:30 am or 7 pm. Please join us on this journey to discover your unique gifts as a member of Christ's Church; and help us to grow closer to Christ in fellowship as a parish. For information visit the parish website at <https://www.stmatthewseattle.org/> or contact Sara Lane at 206-334-5350 - [sslane5@comcast.net](mailto:sslane5@comcast.net); or Maureen Sloane 206-419-7695 [msloane@comcast.net](mailto:msloane@comcast.net)

**IS YOUR CHILD INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER?** Girls and boys currently in the 3rd grade or higher who have received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Communion in the Catholic Church are welcome. Training of new altar servers will be on Sunday, October 7, from 3 -5 pm, and, Monday, October 8 from 2:15 - 4:15 pm. Please have your child attend at least one of these days; or both days if your child would benefit from more practice. Meet at the main entrance of St. Matthew Church. If interested, please contact Butch de Castro (school parent and parishioner) at [butchdecastro@yahoo.com](mailto:butchdecastro@yahoo.com) in advance to request the link to the online registration form.

**ST. MATTHEW CRAFT BAZAAR** will be Saturday, November 17. Applications are accepted for craft/artisans for crafts, bake sale & more. Email: [stmatcraftfair@gmail.com](mailto:stmatcraftfair@gmail.com) for an application.

**DINNER DANCE IS TURNING 25!** We are looking for someone to chair a great group of volunteers for this 25th anniversary Dinner Dance. Call Linda at the parish office at 206-363-6767, ext. 205.

**THE SACRED STORY PRAYER FORMATION CYCLE** will be offered again starting in October. Books are available for purchase in the Parish Office (\$8) before the cycle begins this Fall. For more information or to be added to the e-mail list contact [marycross@aol.com](mailto:marycross@aol.com).

**St. Matthew School News**

**Karen Herlihy, Principal,** 206-362-2785 ext. 102, [kherlihy@stmattschool.org](mailto:kherlihy@stmattschool.org)  
**Andy Hews, Administrative Assistant,** 206-362-2785, ext. 101, [ahews@stmattschool.org](mailto:ahews@stmattschool.org)  
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**Blessing of Animals** Please join students and staff on Thursday, October 4, for a Blessing of Animals in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Father Khanh will bless the animals at 2:30 pm in the front of the school.

**Limited Pre-K Space** Our Pre-K is almost full! If you have a 4 or 5 year-old ready for Pre-K, St. Matthew School has limited openings, so apply now. Our program has morning only, or morning and afternoon options. Contact Stacy Pretti at [spretti@stmattschool.org](mailto:spretti@stmattschool.org) or 206-362-2785, ext. 103.

**NORTH SEATTLE CATHOLIC YOUTH NEWS**

North Seattle Catholic Youth (NSCY) kicks off with two back-to-back awesome events!

- **Fun Jump Celebration** Students in grade 6-12 are invited to jump around in the Kid Zone of the Bite of Broadview Festival for *free*; and enjoy ice cream to celebrate the start of the school year. Saturday, Sept. 29, from 8 to 10 pm at Christ the King, B.O.B. Festival
- **Family Worship Night** Grades 6 - 12 and their families are invited to kick off NSCY and to learn more about the ministries, enjoy fellowship and a meal. Sunday, October 7, from 5 to 7 pm, at St. Catherine Parish, 814 NE 85th St.

**POPCORN FOR SALE** It's that time of year. Help support St. Matthew's Cub Scout Pack 301. There is a variety of popcorn to choose from. Cub Scouts will be selling after Masses and during coffee hours through October 14.

<b>SEPTEMBER 2018 COLLECTION</b>			
<b>9/16/18</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budgeted</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<b>Basket</b>	\$ 7,234	\$ 6,709	\$ 524
<b>Online</b>	\$ 2,259	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,259
<b>Total</b>	\$ 9,493	\$ 7,709	\$ 1,783
<b>Year-to-date</b>	\$114,324	\$111,555	\$ 2,769



Today's second reading warns that a heart consumed with avarice and envy leads to jealousy, strife, conflicts, and disputes. A giving heart, in contrast, can sing instead with the psalmist, "Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness."

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