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A PARISH OF MANY CULTURES BUT ONE FAITH

We believe in Jesus Christ and welcome all who seek God's grace. Our compassionate community embraces many cultures. Through prayer, liturgy, our ministries and service to others, we cultivate a lifelong journey of faith.

ST. MATTHEW PARISH

1240 NE 127th St.
Seattle, WA 98125

**Weekend Masses: 4PM Seniors & 5:30pm Saturday
8am & 10am Sunday
(10am Mass is also live streamed)**

Website: stmatthewseattle.org Phone: 206-363-6767 E-mail: parishoffice@stmatthewseattle.org

Weekday Masses: 8:45 am - Mon., Wed., Thurs., Friday & Sat.
Confession: By appointment only - contact Fr Khanh Nguyen 206 363-6767 X 206
Infant Baptism: Contact Parish Office
Marriage: Contact Parish Office

ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL

Phone: 206-362-2785

<http://www.stmattschool.org>

RIGHTEOUSNESS

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“When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did.”

MATTHEW 21:32

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LPI

September 27, 2020

PASTORS CORNER



My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Gospel, the parable of the Two Sons illustrates what real obedience means. When one makes a promise or vow or covenant, one must fulfill one's word by showing it in action. The righteousness and uprightness of the person is seen in the consistency between the person's words and actions. Ezekiel demands of the house of Israel compliance with the covenant with God; it is not enough to feign piety while they worship idols. In Matthew's time, Jesus castigates the scribes and Pharisees with stern statements, "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, you hypocrites" (Mt 23:13). "For they preach but they do not practice" (Mt 23:3). But to sinners Jesus gives second chances, as long as they repent of the sins and follow the law of love of God and neighbor.

Your Servant in Christ,

Fr Khanh D. Nguyen
Pastor

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

8:30am to 12:30pm Monday - Friday. Masks are required, as is distancing of 6 feet if you come to the office.

Please be sure to register on-line for Mass, and only sign up for one Mass each weekend. We are starting to reach our maximum capacity, with proper social distancing, for Mass under Phase 2, and we want to ensure we can accommodate all our parishioners who wish to attend.

DONATE fresh flowers for our altar! **Flowers can be placed in the vase by the school door by 9:30am each Saturday.**

Thank you to those who have brought flowers from their gardens or bouquets, Sao, Prisca, Gus, Carmen and others. All flowers will be used! If you wish to make a monetary donation, \$30 a week will cover usual expenses. Email the parish office to place your dedication name(s) in the bulletin. Funds for flowers should be labeled Altar Society.

PLEASE CHECK for important inserts from the Public Square Rosary Crusade & the Catholic Campaign for Human Development!

News , notes & Prayers

PRAYERS:

For comfort & healing, especially: **Jim Darcy**

For those who died, especially: **Edwardo Meru Jr.**

ST. MATTHEW PARISH in North Seattle, is looking for a dynamic, faith filled person to be our part time youth minister. We want to grow our youth ministry for middle school and high school as we animate our youth to understand their connection to and involvement with their faith. This is a 10 to 15 hour a week position, which will grow into a full time position within the next three years. For more information, or to apply, contact Linda at paa@stmatthewseattle.org.

IT'S GETTING CLOSER... Saturday October 10th, The 2020 Public Rosary Rally will be held in front of the Mary Grotto. Masks and social distancing of 6 feet will apply. Let's honor Mary during the month of the Rosary and commemorate the Miracle of the Sun in Fatima in 1917.

SOCK IT TO HOMELESSNESS Comfort tired feet. Lift weary spirits. Give someone hope. Nightwatch has a goal of collecting 20,000 pairs of socks in the next six months. Will you help? Let's start collecting socks to "Sock It to Homelessness!" **Sock Drive-Up Drop-Off** Sunday, November 15, 2020 from 12:30 to 2:00 pm at our Shelter Dispatch Center **302 14th Ave S. Seattle**
Safe Drop-Off options:

- Drive up and flag down one of our team members to unload your vehicle or
- Walk up and drop off at the door (please remember your mask!) For more information, call 206-323-4359, email us at info@seattlenightwatch.org

CATHOLIC SEAFARERS' MINISTRY is hoping to pack and distribute ditty bags filled with toothpaste, shampoo, and soap. **Would you be willing to knit a stocking cap for seafarers and /or provide more ditty bags?** They would like to pack and distribute new ditty bags (with the stocking cap you knit during the Christmas season. They low stock of the bags and caps. They are searching for individuals or Church groups who can help. Please help to share God's love with those who work at sea. Knit caps, etc. can be sent to the Archdiocese of Seattle Attn: Joe Cotton 710 9th Ave Seattle, WA 98104 Thank you!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - Recognize God in your ordinary moments. Is It the Thought That Counts? I can remember times when I received a gift that I would not have chosen for myself. At those times I certainly thought to myself that "it was the thought

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that counts.” I was happy that the gift-giver thought of me at all. Then there have been times when my children have not given me a gift and then chose to tell me all about what they were going to give me. They would then follow it up by saying, “it was the thought that really counts.” Really!?! I don’t think so. I could think of sending my wife on a cruise, but that is not in any way the same as going on the cruise. I think there are times when all of us think we are more generous than we are, simply because we were thinking about being generous.

This way of thinking can be dangerous. Jesus teaches us to say what we mean and mean what we say. The intentionality of our actions is important, but intentionality without action is meaningless. How we act and what we give serves as evidence of our intentions and indicates where our heart truly lies. If we fool ourselves into thinking we are someone we are not, it can become difficult to see the truth. We need to look for the fruit in our lives. We need to make sure our desires and thoughts are moving us to act. You know that other saying about intentions, don’t you? Don’t pave the road to a place no one wants to end up with your intentions. Instead, let your intentions and actions lead others to another place where Jesus can be found. – Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPI

NO ONE CAN VISIT OREGON MONASTERY

Excerpts from Northwest Catholic April 24, 2020
Written by Ed Langlois, Catholic News Service

“We monks have been living a very strict cloistered life, like it must have been for monasteries in previous centuries,” Abbot Jeremy said in one message. “The challenge of the coronavirus invites us to purify our monastic practice - to learn that our life really is hidden in Christ, in God.”

“Please join the monks of Mount Angel in seeking out the blessings hidden within an anxious and challenging time,” Abbot Jeremy said in an introduction to the videos. “During this communal crisis, may you find new depths in your faith and trust in the love of Christ.”

What powerful messages in such unusual times!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

September 13, 2020 Sunday Mass Giving

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Basket \$	3,487	\$ 6,550	\$ (3,063)
On line \$	<u>2,926</u>	<u>\$ 2,913</u>	<u>\$ 13</u>
Total \$	6,413	\$ 9,463	\$ (3,050)
YTD \$	93,747	\$ 91,640	\$ 2,107

(Fiscal year 2021 from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021)



St. Matthew School News

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School Fund Drive

Excellence – Diversity – Community”

Visit the School website for updates and information
<http://www.stmattschool.org>

St. Matthew School Fund Drive

We have started our St. Matthew School Fund Drive. YOU are an important part of keeping Jesus at the heart of our school and giving HOPE to our students. Your gifts go directly to helping our students and teachers this year. Our need is greater than ever with families impacted by COVID and our teachers meeting the needs of our students in person and remotely. If you are able, please donate today. Donate online at www.stmattschool.org. Thank you!

St. Matthew School is looking for Thunder Camp Counselors for this upcoming school year. Please refer to the Archdiocese of Seattle Catholic Schools - Frontline recruitment for a job description:

www.applitrack.com > [seattlearch](http://seattlearch.org) > onlineapp.



SCRIP CARDS Did you know, while the school and parish are closed to assist in the effort to control the corona virus, **YOU** can still support St. Matthew by buying SCRIP online?! Go to and shop with scrip.com and register your family.

When you register you will need to Join a SCRIP Program. That program is St. Matthew School in Seattle. Contact your SCRIP Coordinator at Scrip@stmattschool.org for your ENROLLMENT CODE.

Once you register, you will need to link your SCRIP to your bank account through the secure PrestoPay. Go to www.shopwithscrip.com to learn more about SCRIP NOW and RELOADABLE SCRIP.