

**SAINT MARY'S CHURCH
42 GOSHEN AVENUE
WASHINGTONVILLE, NEW YORK 10992
THE TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A
SEPTEMBER 20, 2020**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
SEPTEMBER 20th, 2020

SATURDAY – September 19

- 8:30 People of the Parish
4:00 Reynaldo Jomarron, Daniel Jesus Rodriguez,
Margaret Schnell
5:30 Mickey & Patricia Clyne and Marion Meehan

SUNDAY

- 7:30 Anne Egan, Ralph Paukovits, Marion Hornicek
9:00 Segundo Aranda, Michael Frisbee
10:30 Will Rosario, Pat Shanahan, Michele Phillips,
Alex and Vincent D’Souza and Edith Noronha
12:00 Gregory Hoover, Chris Ippolito

MONDAY

- 8:30 For all marriages and families

TUESDAY

- 8:30 Frank Dobbs

WEDNESDAY

- 8:30 Alveria Partridge

THURSDAY

- 8:30 Julia, Fran and Fred Wilkos

FRIDAY

- 8:30 Kathleen Holden

SATURDAY

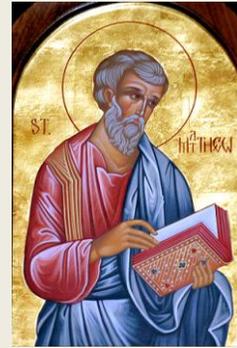
- 8:30 People of the Parish
4:00 Rosemary, Bob & Rose Kane, Theresa Sheedy,
Christopher Farrelly (4 years)
5:30 Ralph Wanderling

SUNDAY – September 27

- 7:30 Edward Sforza,
Mary Soehnlein and Elda Testa,
9:00 Silvana & Lisa Spisany,
Angelina & Thomas Spisany,
Catherine & Richard Bisignano,
Margaret Valzania, Kathleen Bachman
10:30 Michele Phillips, Ronald Bouchard,
Manuela Calderon
12:00 Consuelo Feliciano

September 21 –

Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist



Little is known about St. Matthew, except that he was the son of Alpheus, and he was likely born in Galilee. He worked as a tax collector, which was a hated profession during the time of Christ. According to the Gospel, Matthew was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ. From Matthew we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through Him. The Gospel account of Matthew tells the same story as that found in the other three Gospels, so scholars are certain of its authenticity. His book is the first of the four Gospels in the New Testament. Many years following the death of Christ, around 41 and 50 AD, Matthew wrote his gospel account. He wrote the book in Aramaic in the hope that his account would convince his fellow people that Jesus was the Messiah and that His kingdom had been fulfilled in a spiritual way. It was an important message at a time when almost everyone was expecting the return of a militant messiah brandishing a sword. It is thought he departed for other lands to escape persecution sometime after 42 AD. According to various legends he fled to Parthia and Persia, or Ethiopia. Nothing is recorded of Matthew's passing. We do not know how he died, if his death was natural or if he was martyred. Saint Matthew is often depicted with one of the four living creatures of Revelation 4:7, which reads, "The first living creature was like a lion, the second like a bull, the third living creature had a human face, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle." Matthew was a tax collector and is therefore the patron saint of bankers.

Text stmarywash to 84576
for text updates from us!

Many of you have received this letter in the mail. For those who have not, we have posted it here as well as on the parish website and Facebook page. Please join us in prayer for healing.

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Dear Parishioners of Saint Mary,

As you all are probably aware by now, I have been away from the parish these past few weeks on a time of much needed reflection. However, while that is true, you should know I have been spending this time in a residential treatment program to confront the problem I have with alcohol. This has been a difficult, but important, step for me to take.

This period of reflection and treatment has also forced me to confront the fact that, when drinking, I made an improper advance towards another adult. I am sorry for and ashamed of my action, especially for the hurt this caused the other adult.

Given the issues that I am currently addressing, I will be continuing in residential care, as I seek to overcome my problem with alcohol, and re-integrate my commitment to celibacy, so that I might live healthier, happier, and holier, and be more effective in my ministry as priest and pastor.

A situation like this is always painful in a family, especially a parish family. Please know that I love you and that I am sorry to have disappointed or hurt you. But because I love you, I need to do this - for me and for you.

I am grateful to Father John Bonnici, who will serve as temporary administrator in my absence, and to Father McDonald, Father Paul, the deacons, sisters, and staff, all of whom will be there for you during this time.

With gratitude and prayers, I am,

Sincerely in Christ,



Reverend Jeffrey Maurer
Pastor



A Eucharistic Holy Hour and Procession for the Healing of our Parish

Next Sunday

September 27 from 7-8pm
(outside)

Bishop Gerald Colacicco, Episcopal Vicar of the Northern Counties, will preside over the holy hour.

Priests will be available for confessions.

Jason Siruchek will provide praise & worship music.

You are invited to join us in your car or with your own chair.



The missionary image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be present for prayer at all Masses next weekend- Sept. 26th -27th.

Just a friendly reminder: If you attend any of the Masses indoors, please wear your mask.

Wearing masks protects you, protects others, and protects our parish from disease.

As Christians, we are called to be mindful of not only our own individual good but also how our actions affect the wellbeing of others. Sometimes, that may require a personal sacrifice that is commendable.

If you have medical conditions that prevent you from wearing a mask, you are more than welcome to come to indoor Mass but please let Fr. MacDonald know.

Here is our New Fall Mass Schedule:

Saturday

8:30AM Daily Mass in Church

4:00PM Vigil Mass – Outside

4:45-5:30PM – Confessions in the Classrooms

5:30PM Vigil Mass – Inside Church

Sunday

7:30AM Mass – Inside Church

9:00AM Mass – Outside

10:30AM Mass – Outside

12:00PM Mass – Outside

Eucharistic Adoration will be held every Wednesday morning 6:30-8:30am in the Church.

Catholicism 101/ RCIA

Starting this Monday,
Sept. 21 from 7pm-8:15pm

We will cover the history of our faith and how it applies to daily life, as well as, the Mass and Liturgy. Each season of our faith will be discussed as well, all in a multimedia based, conversational class environment that will make you feel at home.

Deacon Barney & Rory Kahn invite you to join them in the triple classroom or, if needed, via zoom weekly.

To sign up, please call Deacon Barney at 845-774-6999.

Refreshments will be served.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

CAMP VERITAS 2021 DATES:

- June 28, 2021-July 3, 2021 (Ireland)
- July 18, 2021-July 24, 2021 (MSMC- Newburgh, NY)
- July 25, 2021-July 31, 2021 (Maryland)
- August 1, 2021-August 6, 2021 (Florida)
- August 15, 2021- August 21, 2021 (Lakota- NY)

For more info please visit:
www.campveritas.org

Saint Mary's Washingtonville

Fr. Jeffrey Maurer, Pastor

Fr. John Bonnici, Temporary Administrator

Fr. Matthew MacDonald & Fr. Paul Dmoch, Parochial Vicars

Deacon Tim Curran & Deacon Barney Kahn

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Brian Mangard - Facilities

Sr Kathleen Treanor, Jeanne Versweyveld & Jen Edwards CCD

Val Wojnicki- Little Lambs

Our parish office hours are back to regular hours:

**Monday-Thursday
9:00am-4:00pm**

**Fridays
9:00am-12:00pm**

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A prayer for our parish during this time – Saint Padre Pio's Prayer after Communion

Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You. You know how easily I abandon You. Stay with me, Lord, because I am weak and I need Your strength, that I may not fall so often. Stay with me, Lord, for You are my life and without You I am without fervor. Stay with me, Lord, for You are my light and without You I am in darkness. Stay with me, Lord, to show me Your will. Stay with me, Lord, so that I hear Your voice and follow You. Stay with me, Lord, for I desire to love You very much and always be in Your company. Stay with me, Lord, if You wish me to be faithful to You. Stay with me, Lord, as poor as my soul is I want it to be a place of consolation for You, a nest of Love. Stay with me, Jesus, for it is getting late and the day is coming to a close and life passes, death, judgment and eternity approaches. It is necessary to renew my strength so that I will not stop along the way and for that, I need You. It is getting late and death approaches, I fear the darkness; the temptations, the dryness, the cross, the sorrows. O how I need You, my Jesus, in this night of exile! Stay with me tonight, Jesus, in life with all its dangers, I need You. Let me recognize You as Your disciples did at the breaking of the bread so that the Eucharistic Communion be the Light which disperses the darkness, the force which sustains me, the unique joy of my heart. Stay with me, Lord, because at the hour of my death, I want to remain united to You, if not by Communion, at least by grace and love. Stay with me, Lord, for it is You alone I look for, Your Love, Your Grace, Your Will, Your Heart, Your Spirit, because I love You and ask no other reward but to love You more and more. With a firm love, I will love You with all my heart while on earth and continue to love You perfectly during all eternity.

Amen.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our parish in so many ways in recent months.

Without the Lord's grace and your help, Saint Mary's in Washingtonville would not be where it is today.

May God continue to bless you and your families.