



St. Matthew

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time / 11th Sunday after Pentecost
August 24, 2025



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:
8:00 am - 12:00 pm
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

701 Church St.
Flint, MI 48502
(810)232-0880
StMatthewFlint.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday
8:00 am (OF no music),
10:00 am (OF), 12:00 pm (EF)

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

First Saturday
9:00 am (EF)

OF: Ordinary Form EF: Extraordinary Form

CONFESSION

Sunday: 8:45 am - 9:30 am
1:30 pm
Monday: 5:00 - 6:30 pm
Saturday: 10:30 - 11:30 am

ADORATION

Monday: 12:40 - 7:00 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday: 6:30 pm

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR:

Fr. Anthony Strouse-franthonystrouse@flintcatholic.org

DEACON:

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OFFICE MANAGER:

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ACCOUNTANT:

Allison Gonser

CUSTODIAN:

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HALL RENTAL

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

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Submit items by Monday for publication in the following week's bulletin to: Amandawilliams@flintcatholic.org

SACRAMENTS

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.

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.

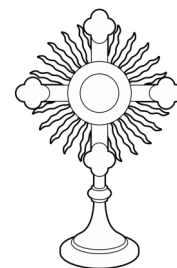
BECOMING CATHOLIC - If you are interested in becoming Catholic or just learning more, we look forward to helping you! Contact the parish office to setup a meeting.

ADORATION MONDAYS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament occurs every Monday after the 12:10 pm daily Mass. Benediction is at 6:50 pm.

Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to spend time with the Blessed Sacrament whenever is possible during our time of Adoration. It is an opportune time to pray, read, and reflect on our life.

If you are interested in signing up to become a regular adoror, the signup is located on our parish website. We are in special need of adorers from 3:00 to 5:00 pm.



WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Anticipated Weekly Income: \$6,700

SCAN FOR QUICK
DONATION, THANK YOU!



Week of:	July 27, 2025	August 3, 2025	August 10, 2025
Actual Income	\$ 6,245.63	\$ 6,327.23	\$ 5,673.38
Over (Under)	\$ (454.37)	\$ (372.77)	\$ (1,026.62)

LITURGICAL LIFE AT ST. MATTHEW

SUNDAY'S READINGS

Ordinary Form

21st Sunday in
Ordinary Time (8 am)

Isaiah 66: 18-21
Ps. 117: 1-2
Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13
Luke 13: 22-30

Ordinary Form

2nd Scrutiny (10 am)

1 Samuel 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13
Ps. 23: 1-6
Ephesians 5: 8-14
John 9: 1-41

Extraordinary Form

11th Sunday
after Pentecost

1 Corinthians 15: 1-10
Ps. 27: 7, 1
Mark 7: 31-37

LECTOR SCHEDULE

August 31 8 am: J P McAvoy
 10 am: J Henry

September 7 8 am: A Wilberding
 10 am: M Wilson

MUSIC MINISTRY

Gustav Holst, 1874-1934, was one of the great composers of the 20 th century. Mainly, he wrote orchestral and choral music. Holst also composed several hymns, with his most famous being THAXTED, to which we sing the text, "O God Beyond All Praising." The tune originally appeared in his most famous orchestral work, "The Planets." Later, he adapted the melody into a hymn and named it after his village, Thaxted, in rural England. A generation ago, this hymn tune was barely known. Today, it is one of the most well-known and beloved hymns we sing. Interestingly, Holst visited Ann Arbor at least twice during the early 1930s.

Joseph Dobos, Director of Sacred Music
josephdobos@flintcatholic.org

WEDDING BANNES

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

I Christian Mondarez & Cecilia Orth

MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS

† (Deceased)

∞ (Abstinence / Penance)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (New) / 11th Sunday after Pentecost (Trad.)

8:00a † Robert Byers by Sharleen Corrigan
8:45a Confessions
10:00a The People of St. Matthew Parish
12:00p † Joseph G. Purrenhage by Sara Anderson and the Purrenhage Family
1:30p Confessions
3:00p Pietras / McPeck Wedding

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

St. Louis IX of France / St. Joseph Calasactius (New)

12:00p Angelus
12:10p † Gary Blondin
12:30p Adoration
5:00p Confessions
6:30p Evening Prayer
6:50p Benediction

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

St. Zephyrinus (Trad.)

12:00p Angelus
12:10p † Betty & Robert Hodack by Pignatelli Family
6:30p Launch Meeting / Campus Ministry

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

St. Monica (New) / St. Joseph Calasactius (Trad.)

12:00p Angelus
12:10p † Fr. James Sheridan by Pat Dailey

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

St. Augustine / St. Hermes (Trad.)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29 ∞

The Passion of St. John the Baptist / St. Sabina (Trad.)

12:00p Angelus
12:10p † Gary Blondin

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

St. Rose of Lima (Trad.) / Sts. Felix & Adauctus (Trad.)

10:30a Confessions
11:30a Rosary Walk

PARISH ROSES

**This week's roses are offered
By John & Katharine Racine in memory of
Stephen Racine**

The offering is \$20 each or \$60 for all three altars of St. Therese, St. Mary and St. Joseph.



DON ANTONIO'S DISPATCH

Wednesday and Thursday of this week are two feast days near and dear to the majority of the history of this parish, because the Church celebrates St. Monica on Wednesday and St. Augustine on Thursday. With our long, proud Augustinian history here, I wanted to make note of these feast days. And Sts. Monica and Augustine are both powerful intercessors for children who are away from the Church. Though it might take some time (maybe longer than we want), don't give up on praying through the intercession of these great saints for family members who

are lapsed in the practice of their faith!

Friday is also the memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist. This feast day reminds us to do the right thing, even if it means public embarrassment. If King Herod would have done what was right, he would not have martyred St. John the Baptist, even though he promised Salome in front of his guests. Doing the right thing may be hard at times, but it's always the right thing.

EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Louis IX of France was a king known not only for his political leadership but also for his deep personal holiness. Crowned at a young age, he ruled with justice, humility, and a concern for the poor, often feeding beggars at his own table and establishing hospitals, including one for those suffering from leprosy.



He was a devout son of the Church, he prayed the Divine Office daily, promoted peace among Christian rulers, and sought to govern as a true servant of Christ. Though he participated in the Crusades, which marked his reign, what stands out most is his integrity and virtue, earning him the reputation of a saintly ruler who united faith and kingship. Canonized in 1297, St. Louis remains a model of Christian leadership, charity, and fidelity to God.

St. Louis IX, pray for us!

GREATER FLINT AREA MEN'S GROUP

The group will be on hiatus until further notice.

LADIES STUDY GROUP

Our evening group meets on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00pm. Our morning group meets on Wednesdays from 10:00-11:30am. Both groups meet at the home of Rae Ann Houbeck.

Want to join? Please call me at 810-919-8696.

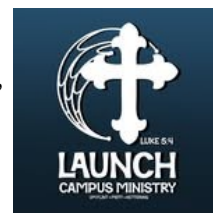
NEW STUDY STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Whether you're just beginning to explore your Catholic Faith or are seeking a deeper understanding, Foundations of Faith provides a thoughtful yet approachable way to explore the breadth of Catholicism. Strengthen your connection to the truth, beauty, goodness, and fullness of the Catholic Faith!

Wednesdays starting 17 September @ 6:30 pm. The cost is \$40. Register on the parish website.

LAUNCH CAMPUS MINISTRY

Do you attend the University of Michigan-Flint, Kettering University, Mott College, or are a college students living in and near the Flint area? Contact St. Matthew offices so you can be added to the Launch communications!



YOUTH GROUP

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, September 8th from 7:00 pm—9:00 pm. All Teens Welcome.** We will meet in the field-house. Any teens interested in joining St. Matthew's youth group can sign up on the parish website.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: Registration for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is now open, and we will begin to meet on September 22nd. Classes have moved to Monday evenings from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. We have both Level 1 (Ages 3-5) and Level 2 (Ages 6-8). If you have any questions or are interested in touring the atrium contact Amanda Williams at the parish office.

Confirmation: If you have a child who would like to start preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the spring of 2026, please fill out the form on the parish website using the QR code or call the parish office.



OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

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

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.



IN & AROUND OUR PARISH

COFFEE & DONUTS

Join us in **Augustinian Hall** for coffee, donuts and fellowship after the **10 am Mass on Sunday, September 21st!** Sign up to bring donuts is located on the parish website.

PEOPLE NEEDED—EVANGELIZATION

St. Paul Street Evangelization: We would like to establish a parish team for St. Paul Street Evangelization, a ministry of simple witness in public places. Team members go out in pairs or small groups to pray with people, offer encouragement, and share the hope we have in Christ.

What is St. Paul Street Evangelization exactly? St. Paul Street Evangelization is a non-profit Catholic organization dedicated to responding to Jesus' call to share the Gospel (Mark 16:15). The goal is not to argue or pressure anyone, but to meet people where they are, share the joy of Christ, and invite them into a deeper relationship with Him and His Church.

If you would like to learn more or consider being part of the team, please contact: Amanda Williams (810) 232-0880

HOT DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

Everyone is welcome to join us for hot dogs and chips after **Mass on September 7th**. It's a great opportunity to gather as a parish community!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - SEVEN SISTERS

"Gracious and loving God, we thank You for the gift of our priests. Through them we experience Your presence in the sacraments. As attacks on the priesthood intensify you have a vital role to play in supporting vocations."

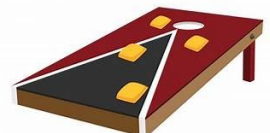
With a little more than half of one per cent of the minutes graced to you each week you can make a difference. Contact Donna Bussiere at (313)407-9465 to find out more.

SALAD LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER

September 12, 2025 at 11:30 - 2:00
St. John the Evangelist Parish Hall—450 N. Dayton St. Davison, Michigan 48423
Tickets are \$10.00 or a table of 8 for \$70.00 and benefit the Daughters of Isabella, Regina Coeli Circle 1095
Chances to win: Gift Baskets, Quilts, Share the Wealth Raffle
Call Jacquie Richardson 810-250-1145 for tickets

1ST ANNUAL CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT

Saturday, September 6th, 2025.
Holy Rosary—5191 Richfield Rd. Flint
Registration opens up at 11 am. Bags begin flying at 12 pm. 6 games guaranteed.
2 Tiers—Social (Amateur) \$40 and Competitive \$60
Food Trucks, Beer and Wine available for purchase on the day of the event!
All proceeds go to the Guardian Angel Fund!



A Heartfelt Thanks!

*St. Francis Prayer Center
is in need of your support! A Prayer Center
representative will be coming to your parish in
August to share news of the Center and to sell
Annual Fundraiser tickets (\$100
each) held Sept. 5, 2025. Up to
\$7,000 in prizes. Thanks to your
Parish Priest for allowing us to
come. Blessing to all of you!*

