



St. Matthew

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

3rd Sunday of Easter | 2nd Sunday after Easter
May 4, 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

Saturday:
8:00 am - 12:00 pm

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday
11:00 am (OF), 1:00 pm (EF)

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

First Saturday
9:00 am (EF)

OF: Ordinary Form
EF: Extraordinary Form

CONFESSION

Sunday: 2:30 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:
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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.

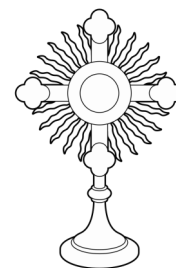
BECOMING CATHOLIC - If you are interested in becoming Catholic or just learning more, we look forward to helping you! Contact the parish office to setup a meeting.

ADORATION MONDAYS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament occurs every Monday after the 12:10 pm daily Mass. Benediction is at 7:00 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: \$6,100

SCAN FOR QUICK
DONATION, THANK YOU!



Week of:	April 6, 2025	April 13, 2025	April 20, 2025
Actual Income	\$ 7,549.28	\$ 6,159.60	\$ 8,460.95
Over (Under)	\$ 1,449.28	\$ 59.60	\$ 2,360.95

LITURGICAL LIFE AT ST. MATTHEW

SUNDAY'S READINGS

Ordinary Form
3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41
Ps. 30: 2, 4-6, 11-13
Revelation 5: 11-14
John 21: 1-19

Extraordinary Form
2nd Sunday after Easter

1 Peter 2: 21-25
Luke 24: 35
John 10: 11-16

LECTOR SCHEDULE

May 11 J P McAvoy

May 18 K Jayabalan

MUSIC MINISTRY

"...and sing the love amazing..."

The phrase, "We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song" is attributed to Saint Augustine. Throughout this Paschal season, our hymns are rich with this proclamation: "alleluia." Today's recessional hymn, "Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing," features one of the most powerful "alleluia" refrains in the hymn repertoire. The melody was created by Melchior Vulpus, a 16th-century German composer. Vulpus often incorporated lively rhythms from popular Italian street songs into his hymn tunes. The lyrics we sing originate from the 19th century and allude to passages from Deuteronomy, Psalms, Isaiah, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, and the Acts of the Apostle.

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

PARISH ROSES

**This week's roses are offered
in Thanksgiving**



Offering the roses is a wonderful way to honor the memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion. The offering is \$20 each or \$60 for all three altars of St. Therese, St. Mary and St. Joseph.

MASS INTENTIONS & EVENTS

† (Deceased)
∞ (Penance)

SUNDAY, MAY 4

3rd Sunday of Easter (New) / 2nd Sunday after Easter (Trad.)

11:00a Intentions of Bill DeMars by the Jurvelin Family
12:00p Pancake Brunch (Augustinian Hall)
1:00p Intentions of the People of St. Matthew Parish
2:30p Confessions

MONDAY, MAY 5

St. Pius V (Trad.)

12:00p Regina Caeli
12:10p Holy Souls in Purgatory by Karen Downs
12:30p Adoration
5:00p No Confessions
6:30p Evening Prayer
7:00p Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00p Youth Group

TUESDAY, MAY 6

12:00p Regina Caeli
12:10p † Robert Dailey by Pat Dailey
6:30p Launch Meeting / Campus Ministry (Undercroft)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

St. Stanislaus of Cracow (Trad.)

12:00p Regina Caeli
12:10p † Catherine and Joe Stimac
6:30p Greater Flint Area Men's Group (Undercroft)

THURSDAY, MAY 8

FRIDAY, MAY 9 ∞

St. Gregory Nazianzen (Trad.)

12:00p Regina Caeli
12:10p † Richard Kuehnle by Pat Dailey

SATURDAY, MAY 10

St. Damien of Molokai (New) / St. Antoninus (Trad.)

Sts. Gordian & Epimachus (Trad.)

10:30a Confessions
11:35a Rosary Walk
12:30p Rectory Open House
6:30p Trivia Night (Augustinian Hall)

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to our 6 young parishioners who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation today at the Cathedral in Lansing.

Congratulations—Annabel, Elizabeth, Jonah, Judith,
Sadie, and Sydney

DON ANTONIO'S DISPATCH

This afternoon at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Lansing (our diocesan cathedral), some of our parishioners will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Boyea. I will be in Lansing to concelebrate the Mass. Fr. Tony Smela from Powers Catholic High School will say the 1 p.m. Mass and hear confessions afterwards. Congratulations to our confirmandi, their families, and their catechists who helped to prepare them!

Monday through Wednesday I'll be at my annual Michigan State Police Chaplain Training Conference. It's usually only two days, but it was extended to three this year to include some special training on critical incidents. I'll be back Friday for Mass.

This Saturday, I'm opening up the rectory (which is

the property of the parish and which I am so happy to use!) so that you can see both the main floor with my living room, kitchen, dining room, and workout room, as well as the rooms we use in the basement for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (the upper floor where the bedrooms are located will not be included). Did you know that there's a confessional on the outside of the house that allows me to hear confessions from the inside? We have to make some repairs, but I hope to have it operational either this summer or next summer for some late-night confessions. Or, if I'm ever sick, I can still hear confessions without exposing anyone to my illness. For the open house, we'll have some light refreshments available for you as you walk through the parish house. Please enter through the Beach Street porch and exit through the parking lot door.

EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH

YOUTH GROUP

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, May 19 from 7:00 pm—8:30 pm**. We will meet in the fieldhouse. All teens that have received Confirmation are welcome to attend.

GREATER FLINT AREA MEN'S GROUP

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, May 7, 6:30-8:00pm in the church basement**. Come for fellowship and formation in the Catholic faith. No previous attendance or instruction is necessary. The group will pray Vespers and study the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which is available as a book and for free on the Vatican website.

LADIES STUDY GROUP

We are studying *Therese*, by Dorothy Day. "[This] account of the life of St. Therese of Lisieux sheds light on the depth of Day's Catholic spirituality and illustrates why Therese's simplicity and humility are so vital for today. Whether we are called to an active life like Day or a more hidden existence like Therese, readers will discover that these paths have much in common and can lead to a love that has the power to transform in ways that are unexpected and consequential."

Our evening group meets on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00pm – started the book on Tuesday, April 29. Our morning group meets on Wednesdays from 10:00-11:30am – started the book a few weeks ago.

Both groups meet at the home of Rae Ann Houbeck. Want to join? Please call me at 810-919-8696.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Jesus died and rose from the dead. Through his resurrection, we have come to know that life is stronger than death, and light is stronger than darkness. The resurrection of Jesus compels us to share the Good News of his life with all people. In the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd atrium, for the older child, there is a three-dimensional material, a model of the Empty Tomb, so that with the child, we may lift up the moment of the discovery of the Empty Tomb, that the child might ponder the true identity of the Risen Jesus. This material also fosters the child's participation in the Paschal Mystery and prepares the child for further biblical studies of the resurrection and the appearance of the Risen Jesus.

For those parents and grandparents who seek to share their faith with their young children; for the parishioners who want to pass on the faith to the next generation; for those who love Jesus and His Church; we invite you to take part in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd formation. Join us as we discover the development and spiritual needs of the young child. Contact Amanda Williams for more information.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Gregory Nazianzen was a 4th-century Church Father. He was a close friend of St. Basil the Great and a central figure in the defense of Nicene orthodoxy against Arianism—a doctrine that denied the full divinity of Christ. Gregory was exceptionally well-educated, studying in Caesarea, Alexandria, and finally Athens, where he developed a profound intellectual foundation in philosophy and rhetoric. His theological writings are deeply reflective, emphasizing the mystery of the Trinity and the full divinity and humanity of Christ. Despite being reluctant to hold public office, Gregory was briefly the Patriarch of Constantinople, where he played a role in restoring orthodoxy after decades of Arian dominance. However, he resigned due to political pressure and returned to a life of contemplation and writing.

St. Gregory, pray for us!

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.



HEARTBEAT OF GREATER FLINT

Volunteers are needed to answer phone calls, greet and service our clients, maintain their profiles, sort, and organize donations. Also, putting together layette sets for newborn babies. Heartbeat of Greater Flint needs volunteers on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays from 10:00 am to 2:45 pm. However, you can donate hours that will fit your schedule. You can give us a call (810) 232-3101 or email us at 320heartbeat@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support and God bless you!

*Take courage; get up,
Jesus is calling you*
MARK 10:49

IN & AROUND OUR PARISH

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

Please join us for a Daddy-Daughter Dance @ St. Matthew's in the Augustinian Hall on Saturday, May 17th from 5:00-7:00PM! It is sure to be a fun and memorable night with dancing, music, snacks and desserts!

Special DJ for the evening will be Fr. Strouse!

Corsages will be provided for each daughter. Dad and daughter (s)- \$20 (cash or check only please).

Be sure to RSVP by Thursday, May 8th! Call or text Emily Pignatelli @ 810-624-9436.

OPEN HOUSE-RECTORY & CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Come see the rectory and tour the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd rooms on May 10 from 12:30 to 2:30 pm.

SEVEN SISTERS / FASTING BROTHERS

"What shall I render to the Lord for all that He has rendered unto me?"

Please join with me in a unique way to support our faith filled pastor, Fr. Anthony. Done in quiet, in solitude, it is easy and flexible. Additional opportunities for Bishop Boyea, other priests and our seminarians exist and are waiting to be filled.

For additional information call or text Donna Bussiere at (313)407-9465.

ST. MATTHEW'S

TRIVIA NIGHT

MAY 10TH | **6:30 PM**
Augustinian Hall
701 Church St. Flint 48502

\$5/person Entry | \$5/person Dinner
All money raised will be donated to
Catholic Charities

Join us for an epic Trivia Night filled with
challenging questions, laughs, and
great friends.

COFFEE & DONUTS

Join us in **Augustinian Hall** for coffee, donuts and fellowship after the 11 am Mass on Sunday, May 18.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are looking for volunteers for this summer's VBS. Email amandawilliams@flintcatholic.org or call the parish office if you would like to help out!