



Second Sunday of Easter  
April 19, 2020

### Mission

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH** is a welcoming Roman Catholic community of faith in the Archdiocese of Chicago with pastoral leadership provided by the Congregation of the Resurrection.

We bring joy and hope to *all* who strive to follow Jesus Christ by:

- « Celebrating the Paschal Mystery
- « Proclaiming Gospel Values
- « Believing and living as Jesus taught us:
  - Teaching
  - Healing
  - Reaching out to others to transform lives

We put our faith into action with:

- « Integrity
- « Service
- « Hospitality

### Vision

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH** is a community of faith dedicated to advancing the unity and renewal of its members by:

- **WELCOMING** all who seek fellowship as sisters and brothers in Christ
- **RESPECTING** each individual as a child of God and a temple of the Holy Spirit
- **VALUING** the diversity of our community and the unique gifts that each member brings to the whole
- **PROVIDING** a wide-range of ministries to meet the needs of our parish in faith and worship
- **PREPARING** all parishioners to live their baptismal commitment in the Church and in the world, especially children and young adults
- **REACHING OUT** with compassion to those in need
- **OFFERING** opportunities to all parishioners to use their time, talent and treasure in the service of the common good
- **PROMOTING** effective communication to ensure that all parishioners have a voice in our parish life
- **FOSTERING** the professional growth of all staff and volunteers who serve the parish
- **ENSURING** good stewardship of all parish resources

“Go therefore,  
and make disciples  
of all nations”

Matthew 28: 18-20



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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00PM  
Sunday: 7:45AM, 9:15AM, 10:45AM, 12:15PM  
Weekdays: 8:00AM Monday thru Friday

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30PM to 4:30PM - Church

#### NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Tuesday morning after the 8:00AM Mass in the Church

#### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday 8:45AM to 6:30PM - Church

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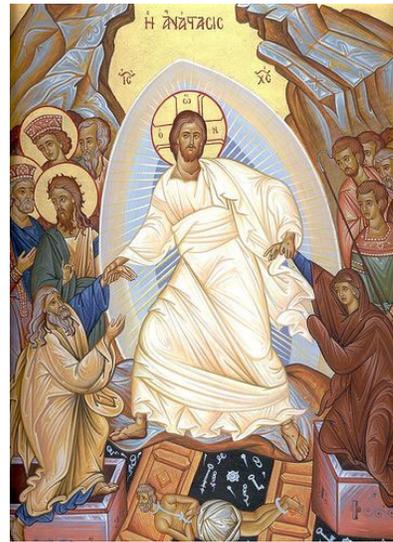


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## Message from the Pastor:

Holy Saturday is unlike any other Saturday. There's something different, yet something very special about it. We may ask what are we waiting for; why aren't we celebrating Easter already? In the secular world, it would normally just be business as usual. For people of faith, we may ask, if we don't get too absorbed in preparing for Easter Sunday festivities: Where is Jesus? The great drama of the suffering and death of Jesus are about the glory of the resurrection... What are we waiting for? Silence, patience and reflection are not part of our typical busy Saturdays.

So, where's Jesus? On this second day of the Triduum, the Sabbath, Jesus is at work again. He has descended into hell: the netherworld, the unknown and He brings healing to all who have waited for redemption and prepares them for salvation when He will rise on the third day. And yes, there is food, because when they rise with Him, they will all share in the heavenly banquet, eternal life, where every tear will be wiped away and they will live in peace and joy forever. The Easter basket of blessed foods reminds us of the first meal of Easter.



In the Western world and art we think of Jesus dead in the tomb, taking a nap or something and getting ready for His big day. In the Eastern world and art, namely iconography, God is on the move, as in the resurrection. God is forever close to His people. Notice how the resurrection is portrayed. In rising from the netherworld, He grasps Adam and Eve by the hand and they too share in His resurrection. This Jesus never makes Himself the object of glory. His glory is our glory. His resurrection is our resurrection. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life and He brings us along with Him.

These last few weeks have not been easy. Everyone has been touched by the pandemic in some way. We've seen family and friends experience suffering, pain and sorrow. Not being able to properly bury loved ones only adds more grief. Perhaps in some way, today's experiences of the pandemic help us better understand and appreciate the events of that first Holy Week. Where is Jesus? He's right here beside you walking with you every day... You see, it was never about HIM. It was always about US. That's what love is, sacrifice and service without counting the cost. We see it every day in ordinary people doing extraordinary things and going beyond the call of duty, giving of themselves to serve us all. Like that first Holy Week, this too will pass, but the love of God in each of us, through others, will live forever. Easter is a season of hope. Let's hope and pray for a better tomorrow, sooner than later, and do our small part as well: wash your hands, don't touch your face: mouth, nose and eyes, and stay at home except when really necessary, and be kinder than necessary. Blessed Easter!

Fr. Joe Glab, CR



## Litany of the Resurrection

Lord have mercy on us  
Christ have mercy on us  
Lord have mercy on us  
Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us.  
God the Father of heaven: Have mercy on us.  
God the Son, Redeemer of the world: Have mercy on us.  
God the Holy Spirit: Have mercy on us.  
Holy Trinity, one God: Have mercy on us.

***The response to the following invocations: Alleluia!***

Risen Lord, handed over to death for our sins, and raised up for our justification (Rom 14:9).  
Risen Lord, who died and came to life again that you might be Lord of both the living and the dead (Rom 14:9).  
Risen Lord, established as Son of God in power by the Resurrection from the dead (Rom 1:4).  
Risen Lord, fulfillment of prophecy and foundation of our faith (Acts 3:11f; 1 Cor 15).  
Risen Lord, stone rejected by the builders which has become the cornerstone (Acts 4:11).  
Risen Lord, in whom all things are made new and we become a new creation (Rev 21:5; 2Cor 5:17).  
Risen Lord, first fruits of the dead and promise of our resurrection (1Cor 15:21).  
Risen Lord, in whom it pleased God to make all fullness reside (Col 1:19).

***The response to the following invocations is: Grant us your peace!***

Risen Lord, who entered heaven to appear now before the Father on our behalf (Heb 9:24; Rom 8:34).  
Risen Lord, in whom God has reconciled us to himself, granting us repentance and the forgiveness of our sins (2 Cor 5:18f).  
Risen Lord, through whom we have access to the Father in one Spirit (Acts 2:33).  
Risen Lord, receiving from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:33).  
Risen Lord, who will come again in power to judge the living and the dead (Acts 10:42).  
Risen Lord, cause and exemplar of our resurrection (1 Cor 15).  
Risen Lord, with power to raise to eternal life all who believe in you (Jn 11:25).  
Risen Lord, the Way, the Truth and the Life for all who believe in you (Jn 14:6).

***The response to the following invocations is: Raise us to new life!***

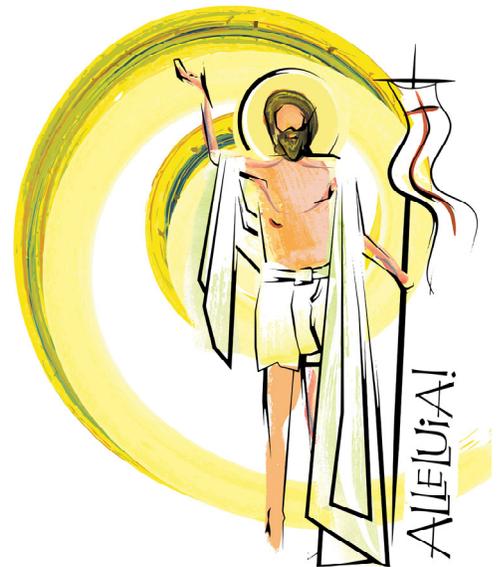
Risen Lord, who in your love for the penitent sinners appeared first to Mary Magdalene (Jn 20:11ff).  
Risen Lord, who in your love for all men and women sent the apostles to preach the Gospel to the whole world (Mt 28:18f).  
Risen Lord, in whom we become true children of God and heirs of heaven (Rom 8:14).  
Risen Lord, present and active among us in your body the Church (Eph 4).  
Risen Lord, calling us by your resurrection to rise from the death to sin (1Pt 1:3f; Rom 5:6f).  
Risen Lord, in whom we are established in liberty as children of God (Gal 5:13).  
Risen Lord, in whom we become a dwelling place for God in the Spirit (Eph 2:22).  
Risen Lord, in whom we experience genuine community with all who are members of one body (Rom 12:5).

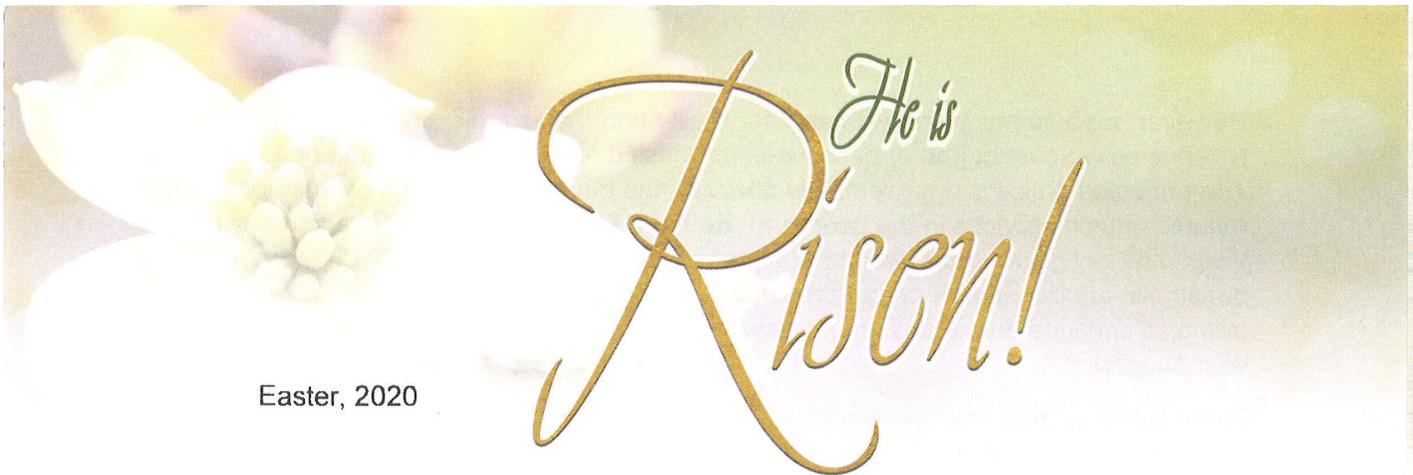
***The response to the following invocations is: Send us your Spirit!***

Risen Lord, opening our minds to understand all the words spoken about you in Scripture (Lk 24:25).  
Risen Lord, revealing yourself to your disciples in the breaking of the bread, and to us in Holy Eucharist (Lk 24:30f).  
Risen Lord, you invite us to relive your Paschal Mystery each time we celebrate the Eucharist (1 Cor 11).  
Risen Lord, in who we are transformed, to share the life and glory of heaven (2 Cor 3:18).  
Risen Lord, in and with you we experience victory over the death of fear and anxiety that is involved in each new growth experience of our lives. (2 Cor 2:14).  
Risen Lord, whose victory over death offers encouragement to all who suffer for justice's sake (1 Pt 3).  
Risen Lord, in whom we find the surest means for the resurrection of society (1 Cor 15:16f).  
Risen Lord, in who we are already raised up to live now no longer for ourselves but for God (Gal 2:20).

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world! Spare us, O Lord!  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world! Graciously hear us, O Lord!  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the word! Have mercy on us!

V. Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. R. You are the Savior of the world!





Easter, 2020

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Matthew

We are living in an unprecedented time. While humanity has come through other pandemics, for most of us, this is the first time one has touched each of our lives and communities. We are social beings, and stay-at-home, while necessary, feels foreign to all of us. It has never been more important to forge new ways to stay connected to all who mean so much to us: parishioners, families and friends alike. You are what makes St. Matthew Parish a very strong and generous community. Your health and well-being are in my thoughts and prayers, especially at my daily Mass, currently without a congregation during this pandemic.

During this Lent, unlike any other, we are being given the challenge to live Jesus' words to daily carry our cross, surrender our fears to the Lord and trust that he will lead us to the glory of a new day in a much deeper and more personal way. As darkness yields to dawn, so the passion and cross of Christ give way to the glory of the Resurrection. Faith, hope and love are not separated from everyday life. What we believe in and trust in shapes our values and defines who we are.

Dealing with the past few weeks we've seen uncertainty and fear surround us. Jesus, however, gives a unique vision of hope that reassures us that He goes before us, and accompanies us along the way, much as He did with his early disciples. Just imagine how comforting were the words President Roosevelt spoke to the American people during the Great Depression: "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." How much greater the reassurance from our Lord when He speaks to us: "Do not be afraid, fear is useless, what is needed is trust."

This year, circumstances will force us to considerably subdue our Easter celebration, even though it is the greatest mystery of our faith. We likewise face the reality of obligations and responsibilities that must be met. Our Easter and Christmas collections have generally helped to make up the difference in our offertory giving and fundraising needs. I was hoping that this year's Easter collection would bring the final twenty percent of Phase IV for the Parish Center (formerly the Chapel Building) to a conclusion. That amount equals \$79,000 and would include tables and chairs, sound and video systems, drainage pipes and resurfacing of the Center's parking lot, drainage pipes in the West driveway by the Parish Center and some minor landscaping.

However, we also must deal with another reality and that is projecting five weeks of no revenue as we cannot gather each week for Mass due to the spread of the pandemic. The projected deficit is approximately \$55,000 and could grow larger if we cannot resume church services in the near term. Both the Parish Center project and the five-week offertory giving projected shortfall, reflect a financial need of \$134,000. As a parish, we are dependent on our parishioners to help support our mission. Like you, our bills also continue during this time. Likewise, know that we are always very grateful for your support.

I hope and trust that your generosity will continue to keep us moving forward in faith, in hope and in love. We are all in this together and I will do whatever is necessary to maintain our sustainability and vitality as we work through these times.

Wishing you a Very Blessed Easter with an abundance of good health and peace!

  
Rev. Joseph Glab, CR  
Pastor

## Resurrection Prayer

O Risen, Lord,  
the Way, the Truth, and the Life!  
Make us faithful followers  
of the spirit of Your Resurrection.  
Grant that we may be inwardly renewed;  
dying to ourselves  
in order that You may live in us.  
May our lives serve as signs  
of the transforming power of Your love.  
Use us as Your instruments  
for the renewal of society,  
bringing Your life and love to all people,  
and leading them to Your Church.  
This we ask of You, Lord Jesus,  
living and reigning with the Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever.  
Amen



# A Faith Response to the Coronavirus

**T**he coronavirus outbreak is stirring up anxiety, confusion, and major inconveniences. It is a situation in which we can easily overreact or underreact. How can our faith tradition guide and comfort us through this troubling time?

A good starting point is to remember that the most repeated phrase in the Bible is “Do not be afraid!” or “Have no fear!” God probably sends us this message so frequently because fear is such a big part of human nature. Fear can alert us to dangers in our lives to keep us safe, but fear can also lead us astray, toward selfish responses.

## Enough for Everyone

Of course, we see these same dynamics play out in Scripture, where fear leads to hoarding. The most famous story is when the Israelites are in the desert without food (Exodus 16). God rains down manna from heaven but also cautions them to take only what they need for now. They disobey but find that the food they attempt to store away goes bad immediately.

The consistent message we hear in the Bible is that we need to trust in God, who will provide enough for everyone. The problems come when people begin to take more than they need.

Fear of the coronavirus has caused some to stockpile and hoard unreasonable amounts of hand sanitizer, face masks, and other supplies against the recommendations of leaders. The problem is that this wipes out supplies for those who truly need them the most—health care workers and those most vulnerable to the disease—without really making the buyers safer.

## Protect the Vulnerable

Scripture and the social teachings of the church remind us again and again that we—as individuals and a society—must protect and give priority to those who are most vulnerable and at risk. We see this from the laws in the Old Testament that looked out for the poor and the widows, to Jesus’ embrace of people on the margins of society, to the early church’s adamant support of those who had less. The Bible urges us to put those who are most at risk first.

In the midst of the coronavirus, the vulnerable take many forms. Most obvious are those who are elderly or

have other health conditions that make them most susceptible to illness. Those who are younger may not be concerned about our own health risks, but if we help pass on the virus, it can be a life-or-death situation for others.

Others are financially vulnerable and do not have the flexibility to take sick leave that many of us take for granted. That puts them in a difficult situation when they become ill and may have to choose between putting their job at risk and staying home to protect others. Likewise, many parents do not have the flexibility to stay home when school is canceled for their children.

The situation is impacting many others, such as small business owners who may already be on shaky financial ground.

## A Spirit of Sacrifice

This health crisis is challenging many of us to make sacrifices in our lives. Some are huge, such as those made by exhausted health care workers around the world, desperately trying to keep patients alive (while avoiding the illness themselves).

Other sacrifices fall more in the category of inconveniences. It is inconvenient when events are canceled, schools close, and travel is limited. It is inconvenient to wash our hands intentionally and regularly.

But this kind of sacrifice is at the very center of our faith. Every time we gather around the Lord’s Table, we celebrate the powerful way Christ showed us how to love others. He sacrificed *everything* in self-giving love for us, and he invited us to do the same. In turn, we die to ourselves—through inconveniences and more—in order to love those around us. Truly loving others will always cost us something.

Actions that may not entirely make sense to us can have huge effects. Scientists point to the 1918 flu when St. Louis proactively and aggressively closed its schools to prevent infections. Death rates in the city



were about one third those in Pittsburgh, which was much slower to close its schools. Thousands of lives were saved.

We may grumble about or resist changing our habits, especially if it's unclear what's in it for us. But we need to remember that many of these actions are more about protecting others. Perhaps the invitation amidst this crisis is to embrace the inconveniences fully, and then move *beyond* them to seek out the best ways to serve those who are most in need.

### Loving Our Neighbor

Community is essential to us as Christians. We are the Body of Christ, and we know that when two or more gather in Jesus' name, he is present with us. So it may be a bit harder for us to handle the "social distancing" happening in many communities.

Our call to community is not only in the context of our church but also in our neighborhood community. How do we literally love our neighbor? How can we be witnesses on our streets?

One way is to regularly check in on your neighbors who may be vulnerable and isolated. Offer to deliver groceries or other items for them or to run other errands so they won't have to risk infection by leaving their home.

Be a positive, calming influence in any online neighborhood communities. Don't spread rumors or hysteria, but find ways to support each other through the crisis.

### Living the Virtues

Ultimately, as with life in general, we are called to live out the four cardinal virtues:

- **Prudence** - Carefully discern the best course of action, not just for ourselves, but for the good of all. Ask: What action does God want me to take?
- **Justice** - Seek fairness for everyone, especially those who need it most. Ask: Who is not getting the help that they need?
- **Temperance** - Find a healthy balance between self care and care for others. Ask: Do I err toward selfishness or an unhealthy co-dependence?
- **Fortitude** - Persevere in times of trial and difficulty. Ask: Do I have the courage to do the right thing even when the going gets tough?

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## What You Can Do

- **Stop the spread.** Even if you are not particularly concerned about the risk to yourself or your own family, these tactics will protect *others* who may be more vulnerable. Many of us will carry the virus before having any symptoms (and may never develop any).
  - **Wash your hands well** for at least 20 seconds with soap and water. Sing the refrain to Michael Joncas' song "On Eagle's Wings" ("And he will raise you up...") while you wash.
  - **Avoid touching your face.**
  - **Cough or sneeze into your elbow** or a tissue.
  - **Follow the guidance of local officials.**
  - **Stay home if you become ill.**
- **Don't take what you don't need.** Hoarding worsens the situation, and can lead to more infections and more impacts for the most vulnerable.
  - **Leave the masks to others.** Masks only make sense for health care workers and those who are infected. They are not guaranteed to prevent transmission anyway.
  - **Do not overbuy supplies.** Retailers are being wiped out of disinfectants and other supplies, leaving some who most need them without. Be prepared, but be thoughtful and reasonable.
- **Advocate for the vulnerable and targeted.**
  - **Have compassion for those most at risk.** Stand up for those who need the most help and make sure they are being cared for, without judgment.
  - **Fight racism.** Discrimination against those with Asian background only hurts the situation.
- **Proactively love your neighbor!**
  - **Check in on isolated or vulnerable neighbors** and offer to help with specific tasks such as shopping, child or pet care, cleaning, etc.
  - **If you are in a position of power,** use that power for the good of all. Allow workers to work from home or take time off, limit large gatherings, follow government guidance, etc.
  - **Thank those on the front lines** who are protecting us, such as health care workers, police, firefighters. Be gentle and kind with them.
  - **Pray** for all those affected by the crisis.

# Mass Intentions for the Week

April 18th through April 26th, 2020

## SATURDAY:

5:00 PM +Chester & Mae Madrzak

## SUNDAY:

7:45 AM +Joseph Pudela

9:15 AM +Ray Sagan

10:45 AM For the People of St. Matthew Parish

12:15 PM All Medical & First Responder Personnel &  
All suffering from Covid - 19

## MONDAY:

8:00 AM +Msgr. Stanislaus Czapelski

## TUESDAY:

8:00 AM +In Remembrance of All Souls

## WEDNESDAY:

8:00 AM +Norman Marmitt, +Rev Stephen Bubach

## THURSDAY:

8:00 AM Special Intention for all the Sick

## FRIDAY:

8:00 AM +Cresenciana Oteyza

## SATURDAY:

5:00 PM +Sister Mary Thomas Kolba, O.S. F.  
+Fr. Charlie Ney,  
Special intention for Janeen Feldman

## SUNDAY:

7:45 AM +June Sanders, +William Rice Sr.

9:15 AM +Ray Sagan

10:45 AM +Martin Arens

12:15 PM For the People of St. Matthew Parish



Rosalinda Agee	Carmella Maisenbach
Maryann Potenzo-Andersen	Cassidy Ann Mariani
Gary Babiarz	Martha McDonough
Diega Buela	Dick Murphy
Chris Burns	Paul Nelson
Cely Cardenas	Scott M. Nelson
Frank Cardenas	Sharon Novellie
Stephanie Caspelich	Rada Popovic
Maxime dela Costa	Dorothy Poppers
Juliette dela Torre	Germelina Reyes
Demie Cruz	John Rossi
Agnes Enriquez	Tessa Salerno
Manuel Enriquez	Teresa Salerno
Phoebe Fajardo	Joseph Salerno
Georgene Fiorillo	Jean Sendeck
Catherine Gianakeas	Olivia Sergot
Monica Gioiosa	Wanda Slupik
Anthony Grazian	John E. Swieca
David Guimond	Julie Swieca
Rosalinda Jimenez	Ali Velazquez
Maryann Kovarik	Betty Wloczko
Jimmy Lee	

## For Your Information (FYI)

**All Mass intentions that are listed in the bulletin are celebrated daily in Church without a congregation until further notice.**

## Notice to Parishioners

In an effort to keep our prayer lists up to date, we ask that the rectory office be notified when a name needs to be added or removed. Also, please take a moment to check the names on the military list and let us know if someone should be added or removed.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8  
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15  
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21  
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36  
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15  
 Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20  
 Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Blasé Bigos	Michael Nizzi
Dean Carrion	Riley Santoyo
Anthony Chrobak	Bradley Vicchiolla
Jared Koch	Wayne Zefeldt

*All Powerful God,  
 Watch over all our dear ones who serve this day in the military.  
 Hold them safely in the palm of your hand.  
 Walk with them in your strength.  
 Bring comfort and hope when they are weary.  
 Remind them of our love.  
 Merciful Lord,  
 Bring a lasting peace into our midst.  
 Heal our hearts and help all nations find ways to live in harmony  
 So that blood is shed no more.  
 We ask this in the name of Christ Jesus,*

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4: 6 - 7

This passage reminds us that, in every situation, our prayers ground us in God's peace. We step forward with faith: God is with us as we seek protection and discernment.

Let's start each day with prayer and continue to pray throughout the duration of the COVID - 19 outbreak.

During the period of social distancing, please access our website for updates during this challenging time.

We would appreciate your effort "to Give" online, through the Parish website. Please consider this option as you prepare to give this weekend and of course our traditional mail in or drop off will always be available and appreciated.

*We give because we know that when we get Involved in what God is doing, He can get Involved in what we are doing.*



He is Risen  
as He said,  
Alleluia!

Easter Blessings to you and yours from Fr. Joe Glab, CR  
and the staff of St. Matthew Parish!



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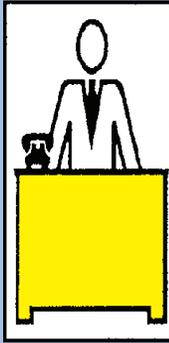
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