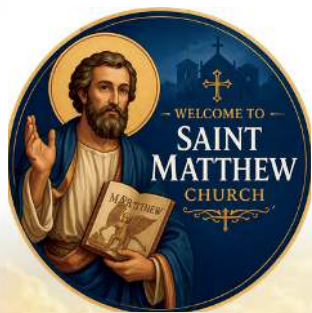




ST. MATTHEW

CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 23, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM (English)
& 6:00 PM (Spanish)**

**Sunday 7:45 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM
& 12:00 PM**

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

ADORATION / ADORACION

**1st Friday (In English) : Mass at 8 AM,
followed by Adoration**

1st Viernes (En Español):

**Adoracion 6:00 PM,
seguida por la Misa a las 7 PM**

ROSARY

Monday - Friday after 8:00 AM

Daily Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturday 3:00 PM - 3:50 PM or
by appointment**

OUR CLERGY

Rev. Leonard Dim, Pastor

Rev. Valentine Umoh

Parochial Vicar

Msgr. Thomas Skindeleski

Deacon Andy Plucinski

Deacon George White

Deacon Dony Antony

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Feeding the Hungry (English/Spanish): Biddy Labutka
Every Monday at 8:00 AM (Parish Center-Kitchen)

Grupo de Oración (Español): Feliciano
Cada Miércoles a las 7:00 PM (Iglesia)
Orando por Nuestros Hijos 7PM -Tercer Miercoles del mes.

Knights of Columbus (English): Paul Turner
2nd Monday of Every Month at 7:30 PM
(Parish Center)

Legion of Mary (French):
Every Tuesday at 6:00 PM - Marie Bernadette Samson
Johnson -
Legion de Maria todos los Jueves 7:PM -Dania Fernandez

Young Adult Group (English/Spanish):
Deacon Dony Antony
Every Tuesday at 7:00 PM (Parish Hall)

Entre Lazados Ministerio de Parejas -Ultimo martes de
mes. Ivan & Alejandra Munoz Martin

MINISTRIES

Adult Choir: Eric Keiper (English)
Every other Tuesday, 6:45-8:00 PM

Baptism Classes (English):
Deacon Dony & Jamie Ann Wooley
By appointment, call the office 561-966-8878

Baptism Classes (Español):
Iván & Alejandra Muñoz Martín
Llamar a la oficina para la registración.

Baptism Registration: Consuelo & Marisol
Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM - Noon,
1:00 PM- 4:00 PM

CCW (English): Sheila Zile Pecoraro
2nd Saturday of every month at 9:00 AM
(Parish Center)

Grief Share Group (English): Joanne Capasso
Every Wednesday, 10:00 AM - Noon
(Parish Center)

Liturgia de la Hora (Español): Dr. Félix Rodríguez
Cada martes a las 6:00 PM
Ministerio para caballeros solamente

Loving Hands, Crocheting & knitting: Joyce Costello
Every Tuesday at 10:00 AM -Parish Center Room #1

OCIA (English): Fr. Valentine, Deacon Dony Antony
& Jamie Wooley Dates coming soon

OCIA (Español): Natalia Brugal
Cada Jueves a las 7:00 PM (Iglesia)

Bible Study (English): Fr. Valentine
Wednesday at 7 PM (See Page 9 for dates.)

Ministerio de Musica: (Español): Alex & Nora Tacoa



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abundantly, so that in all times, at all
times, having all that you need, you
will abound in every good work
2 Corinthians 9:8



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Mass Intentions for the Week of August 24-30 - S/I Special Intentions
All intentions will include only the first and last name of the person for whom the Mass is being offered.

MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2026
8:00 A.M.

RIP/ EDMUND HUGHES
 S/I ALVARO SANCHEZ

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2026
8:00 A.M.

RIP / CHIRO RUIZ
 RIP/ ROSAURO VELASQUEZ 5TH ANNIVERSARY

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2026
8:00 A.M.

S/I SUSY KELSEY
 S/I MOTHER WENDY MCMENAMY

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2026
8:00 A.M.

RIP/ ESTELITA MONTALLANA
 RIP/ GISELA MELENDEZ
 RIP/ PEDRO PONS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2026
8:00 A.M.

RIP/ NORBERTO ROMANACH
 RIP/ FRANK HESPEN

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2026
8:00 A.M.

S/I LOGAN LEVENSON
 S/I ALYSSA BECK

4:00 P.M.
 RIP/ GARY SUKAOSKI
 RIP/ JEANNIE VIGILANTE

6:00 P.M.
 RIP/ MERCEDES SARMIENTO
 RIP/ BERNARDO DIAZ
 RIP/ EDUARDO Y JUAN FABIAN DIAZ

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026
7:45 A.M.

S/I HERNANDEZ GONZALES
 S/I LAVIRI HERNANDEZ AND CHILDREN

9:00 A.M.

RIP/ COUNT GENTILE
 RIP/ ROBERT NEMECK

10:30 A.M.

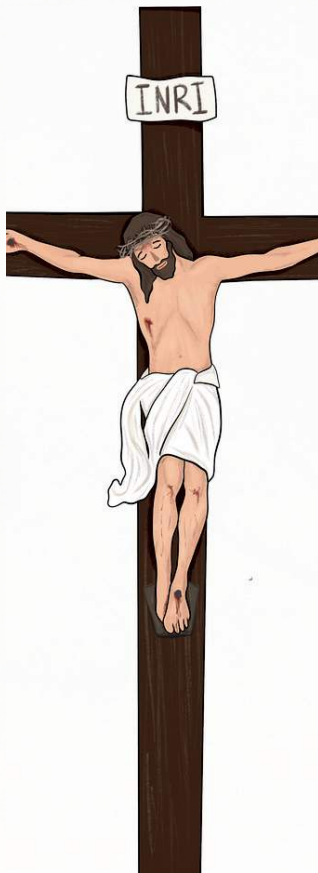
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12:00 NOON

RIP/ DION AMENDOLA
 RIP/ RONALD FRANCIS TOBER

For special intentions

**MAY GOD GRACIOUSLY RECEIVE THE INTENTIONS OFFERED AT THIS MASS
 FOR OUR LOVED ONES. MAY HE BLESS THEM WITH PEACE, HEALING,
 STRENGTH, AND ABUNDANT GRACE.**



*Merciful God,
 I entrust the souls of all of those mention in
 this page and all dearly departed to Your
 fatherly care. I pray they have received the
 promise of Heaven, and that they
 experience eternal joy in your presence. Give
 courage and faith to the bereaved and all of
 us still on our earthly pilgrimage, so we may
 one day be reunited in the warm embrace of
 your love. Amen.*

Catholic saints and observances from August 24–30, 2026

August 24: Saint Bartholomew the Apostle — Feast

August 25: Saint Louis IX of France; Saint Joseph Calasanz — Optional Memorials

August 27: Saint Monica — Memorial

**August 28: Saint Augustine of Hippo, Bishop and Doctor of the Church —
 Memorial**

August 29: The Passion (Martyrdom) of Saint John the Baptist — Memorial

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1

Isaiah 22:19-23

Thus says the LORD to Shebna, master of the palace:
"I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station. On that day I will summon my servant Eliakim, son of Hilkiah; I will clothe him with your robe, and gird him with your sash, and give over to him your authority. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah. I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut, when he shuts, no one shall open. I will fix him like a peg in a sure spot, to be a place of honor for his family."

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

R. (8bc) Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

Reading 2

Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways!
For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor?
Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?
For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.



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SEE YOU THEN!

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END OF THE
*Story***



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WHAT IN THE WORLD IS WYD?

You may have noticed two or three youngsters from our parish standing at our church doors these past few weekends, soliciting support for their hoped-for attendance in South Korea next August at World Youth Day (WYD). The theme of this year's gathering is: "Take courage! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). The most emphasized and well-known traditional theme is the unity and presence of numerous cultures. Banners, flags and other national decorations are displayed among the many young people who show their attendance at the events and proudly proclaim their own countries.

This is usually done through the singing of national songs and anthems, some of them often involving a Catholic theme. Over the course of the major events taking place, flags, shirts, pins, crosses, and some Catholic icons are carried among the pilgrims that are later traded as souvenirs to people from distant countries. This is a sign of acceptance among people, with so many cultures coming together to appreciate one another.

This international event involves a very long flight from Florida, and accommodations and meals in that country. It's a week-long spiritual/social gathering of Catholic young people (16-30+) initiated by Pope St. John Paul in 1985. The concept had been influenced by the Light-Life Movement that existed in Poland since the 1960s, where despite the Communist control of the Polish government, Catholics organized summer camps for young adults and celebrated a "day of community." WYD is generally held in the first week of August, although on a few occasions, it was held during other months. It first became a worldwide celebration with a large gathering in Rome, in 1986.

At that time, bishops worldwide were encouraged to schedule an annual youth event to be held every Palm Sunday in their dioceses (recently changed to Christ the King Sunday in October). The international observance is held in different countries on different continents every 2 to 4 years. The largest such gathering to date has been in the Philippines in 1995, where over 6 million people met for what the Guinness World Record Book said was the largest single religious event up to that time. Brazil, Poland and Italy (Rome) have each recorded over 2 million young people attending WYD events in their countries.

As a previous participant in these events on 4 earlier occasions, I'm looking forward, God willing, to participate again next August in South Korea. The excitement, fun, enthusiasm and inspiring messages at these gatherings are more than amazing. These well-planned observances are very beautiful and quite orderly, if a bit hectic. Daily Mass, praying before the Blessed Sacrament, Catechesis, concerts, visits to local shrines and important churches, Way of the Cross enactments, the Rosary, numerous availabilities for Confession, dynamic guest speakers, songfests, and some quiet time for reflection are among the various activities we enjoy. The final two events of the week include a visit by the Pope for the large rally on Saturday night, and his presiding at the closing Mass on Sunday.

When the young people return to their homes, many of them are filled with a zeal that enables them to get more involved in the life of their parishes, schools and institutions. Reports of numerous vocations to priesthood and religious life, resulting from WYD gatherings, often inspire peers, friends and others to consider these same possibilities.

So, we thank you in advance for any kind, donations and offerings you can make for the sake of the travel of our young people to South Korea, and may God bless you for your thoughtfulness and generosity!



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28th**

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AUGUST 1-10, 2027



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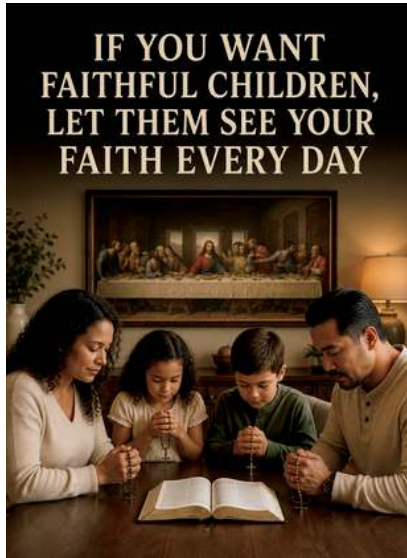
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AUGUST 26

SEPTEMBER 2

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SEPTEMBER 30

OCTOBER 14

OCTOBER 21

OCTOBER 28

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NOVEMBER 11

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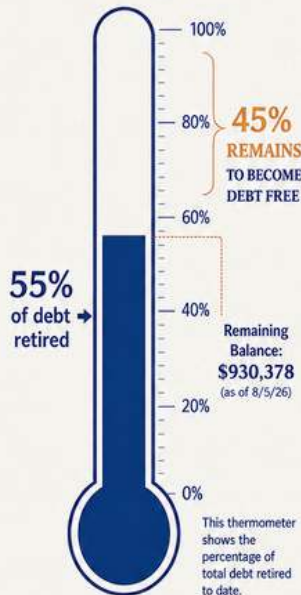
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With heartfelt gratitude and prayers,

Rev. Leonard Dim

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH WEEKEND COLLECTION REPORT

WEEKEND OF AUGUST 15-16, 2026

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♥ 2nd Collection **\$2,846.00**
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