

### May 19 2024 Pentecost Sunday



RDES Catholic Parish

# EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MAS

SATURDAY <u>3:15pm</u> EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION <u>3</u>:30 PM – HOLY ROSARY <u>4:00 PM</u> – HOLY MASS

SUNDAY <u>8:00 AM</u> – EUCHARISTIC ADORATION <u>8:30am</u>- HOLY MASS <u>10:30 AM</u> – EUCHARISTIC ADORATION <u>11:00AM</u>- HOLY MASS

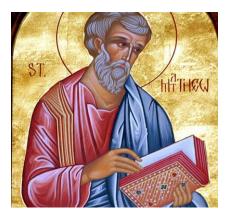
> REGULAR WEEKDAYS TUESDAY–FRIDAY <u>8:00 AM</u> – HOLY MASS

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

May month is dedicated to blessed Virgin Mary. To celebrate the Marian month, we have the recitation of the Holy Rosary; Monday through Friday @ 5:00pm at our Grotto. Please come and pray as a family for the members of our families, friends and for their well being.

Fr. Prabhu A will bring (5/23/2024) communion to homebound this Thursday between
9:00am till 2:30pm. If you're not going to be home please let Fr. Prabhu A. know about it.

## Saint Matthew



As we continue in the three year Eucharist Renewal of the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, let us reflect on the life of St. Matthew who was one of the apostles present at the Last Supper when Jesus instituted the Sacrament of the Eucharist. In the New Testament writings Matthew is known by the name "Levi". He may have been given the name Matthew (translated from Hebrew to mean "gift of Yahweh") when he became a follower of Jesus. He was a publican, that is a tax collector for the Romans, a position held in contempt by the Jews. The Jews detested them so much that they would not associate with publicans at religious worship.

St. Matthew was decidedly a social outcast. In the second year of Jesus's public ministry He came across the despised publican. It was here that Jesus called Matthew to follow him. Thus Matthew, a social outcast became a member of the Apostles who answered Jesus's call. St. Matthew, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, wrote his Gospel. An outstanding feature of Matthew's Gospel is the account of the five-long discourses of Jesus. St Matthew's Gospel is one of the most precious of all of the many gifts God has given us in Scripture. Matthew is often depicted accompanied by an angel standing next to him instructing him of what to write about the life of Christ in his Gospel. St. Matthew is the patron saint of accountants, bankers, bookkeepers, security guards and stockbrokers. We celebrate the feast day of St. Matthew on September 21.

### **Closing Prayer:**

Lord, open my mind and heart to the treasure of Your Truth as revealed in the Doctrine of the Real Presence. Grant that my eyes may see, through faith's vision, the wonders of Your Love in The Most Holy Eucharist. As I meditate on the mystery of Your Hidden Presence, I entreat You to increase my faith, enkindle my hope, and deepen my love for You, my Eucharistic King. Amen

> Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, Have mercy on us Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, pray for us St. Matthew, pray for us

### **Announcement Generations of Faith**

The Our Lady of Lourdes Parish share of gifts received between February 1, 2024 and April 30, 2024 is \$2,719.45. This amount will be deposited into your parish bank account ending in 3671 on Friday, May 17, 2024. GOF Gifts Received Overview for Our Lady of Lourdes Parish as of April 30, 2024: Quarter (total gifts received between 2/1/2024 - 4/30/2024): \$13.597.25. Total received through April 30, 2024: \$155,909.50

# % of Parish Goal Received: 45.86%

You're encouraged to fulfill your Generations of Faith pledge. At this point our parish should be above 60% in gifts received. May 2024 Quarterly Distribution to Parish:\$2,719.45

### **GOSPEL RFLECTION**

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, John 20:19-23, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. Yet the event in John's Gospel takes place on Easter Sunday. There is no need to tr to reconcile these two accounts. It is to we know that after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an Advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

In the context of the feast of Pentecost, John 20:19-23 reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "As the Father has sent me, so l send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and send them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins. Jesus' act of breathing the Holy Spirit upon the apostles mirrors God's act of breathing life into Adam. In fact, both the Greek and Hebrew words for "spirit" can also be translated as "breath." This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. The reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacra-

ment of Baptism, we are cleansed of sin and become a new creation in Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God through the forgiveness of sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit Amen.

Rev. Prabhu Arockiasamy

## Announcement

Income, Expense and Profit for the Lawn Party 2024 will be enlisted in the next weekend bulletin.

The Parish monthly profit and loss for the month of April will be placed in the next the weekend bulletin.

#### PRAYER LIST

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, Logan Bowers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Coo-ley, Anita Cowart, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Tony Go- lemon, Mary Ann Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kim- brough, Debora Klaus, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Elaine Moore, Kenny Nixon, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Rudy Visperas, Melanie Wacker, Al- bert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Little, Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A, Fred L. Lorge, Joan A. Lorge, Barbara Smith, Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cot- trell, Pete, Sam Barksdale, Joey Murphy, Damian Turk, John O'Conner, Fr. Francis J. Sofie Jr , Me- gan , Stephen Wiese, Matthew wiese, Raymond Floyes, George E. Merren, Jr, Flora Decker, Mary Ann Fletchery, Pat McKeough Mathew Wilson, Eddie Booth Jr, Helen Bender, Paige Ellis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Taylor Jowe, Nicholas Balch ,Jean Stanley , Col- leen O'Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young, Beth Kenny, Chad Gorlett, Ted Beasley, Mark Tranier, Barbara Tranier, Linda Da- vis, Pat Carlson, Laura Huff, Linda Nowosielski Will Parker, Mike Bell Jr., John, Jane wigley, Dar- lene O'Rourke, Dolores Duff & Arlette cooper.

## **MASS OPENING**

June 2 2024—Opening June 4 2024—Opening June 5 2024—Opening June 6 2024—Opening June 7 2024—Opening June 8 2024—Opening June 9 2024—Opening June 11 2024—Opening June 12 2024—Opening