

Dear Friends,

In writing this article I do not want to steal any thunder from Joe DiMino , director of Catholic Charities of Livingston County, regarding the success of the Eat for Heat dinner that we had last week. I will let him share with you the joyous news of what we have accomplished.

What I do want to say is a huge thank you to Joe and to all those who have made this dinner such a success. And I don't just mean the people in the kitchen but the servers, the washers, those who helped clean up and those who brought desserts. All your efforts were recognized and greatly appreciated.

And lest I forget, thank you to all who came for dinner! I heard repeatedly how delicious everything was and how grateful you all were to have a night out from cooking.

On a different subject I would like to invite all who celebrate Mass at St. Mary's to a Town Meeting /coffee hour after the 8:30 Mass on February the 14th. Some renovations to the sanctuary are being proposed and I would like your feed back. I think you would agree that the things are a little tight for everyone in the sanctuary and the renovations are there simply to make room for everyone. I am hoping to get coverage for the 10:30 Mass at St. Matthew's so I can be there to field questions. I look forward to seeing you.

God bless,
Fr. John



Dear Alice,
I went to my office on Sunday morning after Eat for Heat, to deposit the donations from the dinner. It's 55 degrees inside, the temperature we turn the thermostat down to on weekends. After 45 minutes, my hands and feet are very cold; I recall a phone call 2 or 3 years earlier from a Mt Morris woman. "It's 37 degrees in our trailer, we are all bundled up, and soon our pipes will freeze and burst. Please help us, no one else will." We did, with money from our Livingston Emergency Assistance Fund (LEAF). I'm grateful for the cold this day, helping me recollect one of over 400 families we have been able to provide utility assistance to since that 1st Eat for Heat dinner in 2006.

The 5th Annual dinner was a smashing success. 255 meals were served by a wonderful group of volunteers. Ed Weslowski, a 1st time volunteer, took command of the kitchen and did a great job. Along with Jonna Anne & Stephen Canary, chefs from SUNY Geneseo, we had lots of culinary expertise to provide a hot & delicious meal. The service was fast and the desserts amazing as ever. Mark Deprez, Joe Dady & their friends provided two sets of fine music. When the night was over, the clean up crew quickly washed the dishes, pots & pans and transformed the hall back to normal. As the evening drew to a close, a tradition concluded this special day; I watched our Pastor mopping the hall floor. What a parish community we have. We raised \$5,370 for LEAF, a great start toward Catholic Charities goal of \$25,000 in 2010.

Eat for Heat says a lot about St Matthew Parish, Alice. We come together as a community, to help our neighbors in need. I am happy to have worked with you and the Social Ministry Committee on this dinner for the last 5 years, and realize it is the hands of great team, led by you, to continue this tradition of caring in the future. Thank you, Alice, for all you do. And please thank everyone who bought a ticket, volunteered or donated to the dinner. All this support means so much to the families Catholic Charities serves, and to me.


Sincerely,
Joseph DiMino
Executive Director, Catholic Charities of Livingston County

| <u>Sunday Offering - Thank you for your gifts to God!</u> | |
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| <u>1/31/2010</u> | |
| <u>St. Mary's</u> | |
| Envelopes | \$ 1,514.00 |
| Loose | 188.00 |
| Total | \$ 1,702.00 |
| <u>St. Matthew</u> | |
| Envelopes (180) | \$ 4,610.00 |
| Loose | 385.00 |
| Auto Deduct (41) | 1,053.12 |
| Total | \$ 6,048.12 |
| <u>40 Week Club</u> | |
| \$20-Tom Rutherford; \$20-Paul Nation | |

Natural Family Planning: Learn how to plan your family the natural way with the Sympto-Thermal Method. New series of three classes on 3/15, 4/12, and 5/10 in Churchville. For more information call Allan and Cheryl Hitchings at 293-7180 or e-mail cheryl.hitchings@gmail.com. You can also register at www.ccli.org.

**St. Matthew Dinners
for families with new babies...**

we would like to update our files. If you have made dinners for families with new babies and are willing to continue, or would be willing to make a dinner for a family who welcomes a new child into their home, please email Lori Allen at allens.1@hotmail.com. When a new child is brought home, the parish tries to help welcome that child and family by supporting them with some home cooked dinners. We are also able to offer the family a baby blanket knit by the Hearts and Hands Ministry of St. Matthew Church. Thanks for all you do!

 Spaghetti Dinner at the United Methodist Church of Livonia, 21 Summers Street, Livonia , the second Wednesday of every month – next one is February 10th. Meat sauce, salad, garlic bread and finger-food desserts. Adults \$6; children 10 years and under \$3. Serving 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. We hope you can join us for dinner! Proceeds from this dinner will go to "Faith in Action".

Readings, Gospel and Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 6—St. Paul Miki & His Companions

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
 4 p.m. (St. Matthew) Anthony Muscato (Sally Muscato & Family)

Sunday, February 7—5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
 8:30 a.m. (St. Mary's) Ronnie Powell (Family)
 10:30 a.m. (St. Matthew) Mary Tramontana (Alex & David Cichelli)

Monday, February 8—St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56
 9 a.m. (St. Mary's) Irene Hergenroder (Husband & Family)

Tuesday, February 9

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13
 9 a.m. (St. Matthew) Joan Schuster (Peggy Graf)

Wednesday, February 10—St. Scholastica

1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23
 9 a.m. (St. Mary's) Bill Guminski (Judy)

Thursday, February 11—Our Lady of Lourdes

1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30
 9 am (St. Matthew) Roger Dussault (Bob & Margie Enright)

Friday, February 12

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37
 9 am (St. Matthew) Elizabeth Fusco (Bob & Margie Enright)

Saturday, February 13

Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26
 4 p.m. (St. Matthew) In Celebration of Jim & Judy Hynes 50th Anniversary

Sunday, February 14—6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26
 8:30 a.m. (St. Mary's) Christopher & Kimberly Glatz (Harry & Diane Hawes)
 10:30 a.m. (St. Matthew) Martha Pfuntner (Margaret Schuster & Family)

If a funeral is scheduled for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday, there will be NO daily Mass. As long as Fr. Schifferli is willing and able, there will be daily Mass on Thursdays whether a funeral is scheduled that day or not.



A Stewardship Reflection for February

One claim of stewardship is that God has placed in our midst all the gifts, charisms, and resources needed to meet our particular responsibilities to be Christ's presence in our community. Accepting this claim requires trust and hope. Stewardship provides a way to support each other in recognizing that what we offer through stewardship is enough: that when what we offer is joined with what everyone else offers, great things will happen.



If you know of anyone from our Faith Community who is homebound or unable to get to church and would like to receive Communion, please contact Alice Miller Nation (346-3815) or Deacon Roger Loomis (229-5007).



Prayer for Servicemen & Women

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

In acknowledgement of and with thanks to the military service people from our families

Sgt. 1st Class Jacob Allison, Gunnery Sgt. Robert Beauchamp, Capts. Brian & Maria Beecher, Gunnery Sgt. Roy Beecher, T Sgt. Daniel Beecher, SPC Joshua Beecher, S. Sgt. Ryan Beikirch, PFC Steven Bland, HN Adam Bock, George Boyd, Nicholas Buker, SSGs Ramiro & Melanie Carrasco, Major Alanna (Parrinello) Cook, Lt. Colonel Steven Cook, PFC Jaimeson Coons; Sgt. Scott Cunningham, LCDR Jeff Czerewko, AGs Patrick & Diane Gagle, Capt. Levi Gangi, Sgt. Peter F. Gilbert, Jr., Brig. Gen. Walter M. Golden Jr., SPC Peter Gommel, CDR Jack F. Greco, Nathan Gutridge, Emily Hill, Fred Hill, Jeffrey Holvevinski, SSG. Edward Hynes, SSG Jason Junot, AR Samantha Knapp, PFC Stephen Knapp, Sgt. Mario Kovach, CMDR Matt McGlynn, Lt. Col. Stephen P. Melroy, Sgt. Richard Miller, Ryan Mothorpe, Major Jeffrey B. Murphy, Sgt. Dustin Newman, Frankie Parra E6 Sgt., Lt. Raymond Paul, Jon Quint, Staff Sergeant 1st Class Phil Ranck, Cpt. Michael S. Redman, IT3 Christopher Redman, Lt. Col. Gregory Reese, 2nd LT John Rossiter, Gerald Ruf, Airman 1st Class Kenneth A. Shelton, Lt. John T. Slagle, LCPL Brian Smith, Sr. Airman Josh Smith, 1st Lt 101st Airborne Ryan Stewart, Christopher Taber, Casey Tice, William Tice, Capt. Robert S. Tompkins, Private Brandon Tuttle, Sr. Chief Petty Officer Dean Vanderbush, Sgt. Natasha Woodburn, Sgt. Aaron Woodburn, PFC Justin Woodburn, Doug Young

Please keep them in your prayers!



Catholic Ministries Appeal

As of February 1, 2010, parishioners from St. Mary's have pledged \$11,363 which is 78.32% of the goal of \$15,467. Pledges to St. Matthew equal \$23,461 which is 70.88% of the goal of \$36,829.

We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and yours and then think how the Church has brought good into your lives. Join our appeal and give back what you can.



Isaiah felt insignificant and unworthy to do God's work, yet God reached out to him with love and mercy. When God asked, "Whom shall I send?" Isaiah was able to respond, "send me!", and became one of the greatest prophets of the Old Testament. After a night of fishing with nothing to show for it, in our New Testament reading, Simon doubted his ability as a fisherman. But, he obeyed Jesus' command to "Put out into the deep water and lower your nets for a catch." When the nets were filled to capacity, Simon expressed his sorrow for having doubted. Jesus responded with love and mercy and invited Simon and his partners to follow him. We, too, may not feel worthy to do God's work, but God knows our gifts and abilities and invites us anyway. Have the courage and the trust to respond to that invitation. Office of Vocation Awareness/ 585-461-2890 /email:vocations@dor.org website: www.dor.org/vocations



Dale Adams, Florence Ahl, Raymond & Kathy Ashley, Florence Bach, Judy Bardo, June & Al Bartlet, Michelle Battaglia, Christine Beard, Helen Belmont, Ken Bennett, Jean Benson, Bill Bold, Marcella Bold, Carolyn Brandow, Nathan Brandow, Shirley Brennan, The Brickell Family, Jamie Brizzzee, Dick Brown, Jan Burroughs, Patricia Bush, Francis Busam, Eddy Callens, Donnie Canesdale, Sandy Carlotta, Marie Cavigliano, Beverly Cayea, Freda Chichester, William Chichester, Ellen Chomyn, Sam Cicero, Patricia Colby, Marissa Conciardo, Kelly Cook, Cameron Copeland, Gloria Cote, Edna Cotillian, Lee Countryman, Sr., Jennifer Covert, John Cushman, Carol DeRycke, Steven DeVelder, Dan Dragone, Dale DuRoss, Valerie Duxbury, Doris Ebersold, Elise Fagan, Beulah Faltus, Debbie Farley, Audrey Farr, Joseph Farron, Liz Fillmore, John Finster, John Fisher, Pat Fleig, Daniel & Haley Fonda, Harley Foster, Lois Foster, Francis Fox, Frank Ghyzel, Gordon C. Gladden, Marianne Gorman, Diane Gosnell, Donald Green, Robert Griswold, Fr. Larry Gross, Dylan Gruschow, Kaylee Hadfield, Tara Harnish, Elaine Harvey, Katie Jane Headley, Cheryl Hennard, John Helinski, Jim Herko, Tom Hess, Dorothy Higgins, Donald Hoffend, SPC John Hoxie, Jennifer Marshall Hubble, Monica Huff, Christopher Hynes, Greg Johnston, Marcia Jones, Mary Jones, Shirley King, Marjorie Korndoerfer, Bill Kraft, Lillian Kurtz, Linda Kurtz, Mohsem Lachaal, Ann Lafferty, Frances LaGreca, Salvatore LaGreca, Geri Lake, Juliana Lamonica, Kathryn Lapp, Dennis Lengyel, Kelly Lengyel, Joe Long, Sarah Lorenz, Jim Lyons, Frank Mahoney, Rita Maillie, Jean Maloney, John Marino, Shannon Hensler Marsh, Olivia Marsh, Florence Martinez, Helen Mastin, Irv Mastin, Barbara Matthews, Margaret McGory, James McKeown, Victoria McNulty, Jean Melroy, Dorothy Middleton, Clarice Miller, Diane Miller, Doug Miller, Sandy Miller, Ellie Milligan, Joan Moodie, Larry Morey, Paula Morey, Thomas Morey, Eleanor Morris, Connie Mothorpe, Michele Mulley, Bill Mulvaney, Annie & Joe Napolie, Rita Newton, Tyler Jacob Nichols, Matthew O'Dell, Tim Paine, Annette Panipinto, Kim Panipinto, Chet Parker, Sam Parker, James Parsons, Josh Perham, Paul Pfuntner, Scott Philipson, Donald Phillips, Nicholas Phillips, Joseph Pierce, Mickey Platten, Robin Poppen, June Preston, Craig Prior, Dorothy Pym, Kevin Quinlan, Amy Rankin, Joe Rausch, Callisto Raymond, Ron Reddy, James Reed, Sally Kurtz Roberts, Lorena Rogers, Karen Romanowski, Kathy Romanshyn, Clair Ryan, Jim Ryan, Justin Sallaway, Andrea Samere, Richard Scanlan, Virginia Schreiner, Rita Schuster, Barbara Seifert, Donald & Claire Sementino, Leah Shearer, Jacob Shearing, Lillian Shurman, Delores Siler, Melody Simmons, Madeline Slattery, Brian Smith, Donald Smith, Walt Snyder, Susan Sproule, Buck Stanton, Kimberley Stanwix, Jim & Anita Stefano, Joshua Steiner, Nancy Stephany, Gene Struble, Heidi Stulpin, Nancy Swanson, Caleb Sweet, Theresa Swift, Danny Szczesniak, Lucy Tannler, Joseph & Jenny Tarimino, Ethel Thomas, Aldo J. Tieppo, Richard Towner, Patricia Troglauer, Therese Vallone, Patrick Vandermaillie, Vinny Vandetta, Helen VanDurme, Margaret VanHorn, Sean Vogel, Tom Walker, George Ward, Mary Waters, Thomas, James, and George Watts, Cierra Wells, James Wells, Lorraine Wells, Gregory Wendholt, Jim Wheatcraft, Marty Wheeler, Jim White, Dan Wilbik, Margaret Mary Wilkins, Brady Williams, Dennis Witte, Wynne Woodruff, Marie Zea



Beat the winter blues by spending some quality time with friends. This week read Acts of the Apostles 13:44-14:28 and ask yourself: How do my reflections on this reading affect how I will live as a disciple?

Week of February 7, 2010 (5th Sunday of Ordinary Time)

Read: Acts 13: 44 – 14: 28

Reflect: Paul and Barnabas encounter some problems in Lystra when the people misunderstand the healing of a crippled man as meaning that Paul and Barnabas are the Greek gods Hermes and Zeus. The cultural expectations of the community made it difficult for them to understand Paul and Barnabas' message, even after they tried to make it clear that they are human beings, not gods. Try as they might the influence of the people's culture created a barrier to their preaching, although some did hear and believe. Are there aspects of my culture that make sharing the Good News more difficult? How does that change my call to discipleship and my ability to preach the Good News? Did anything else stand out for me in this section of Acts?

Act it Out! How do my reflections today inform how I will live out my discipleship in the world this week?

Could I...

...be sure to connect my actions with my faith when I offer help or volunteer in my community?

...use new forms of media to try and share the Good News in new ways?

...be a good example of sportsmanship on my school team and connect my attitude with my understanding of Jesus?

How else could I act it out?

Liturgical Schedule for 2/13 & 2/14:

4 p.m. at St. Matthew: *Sacristans:* John & Diane Bodine; *Lectors:* Jane Windsor, Diane Winter; *Altar Servers:* Heather Braun, Molly DiVincenzo, Jillian Foley; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Barb Domuracki, Pat Gillen, Barb Bland, Mary Iten, Sandy Eleczko, Chuck & Cathy Schwalenstocker; *Greeters:* Ken & Betty Colvin; *Ushers:* Don Windsor, Sam West, Don Marozas, Dan Jones, Dan & Mike Vallone

8:30 a.m. at St. Mary's: *Sacristan:* Joan Madigan; *Lector:* Harry Hawes, Colleen Bober; *Altar Servers:* Andrew Taylor, Trevor Wolinski; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Joan Madigan, Deacon Roger, Harry Hawes, Carl & Christine Barth, Lisa Thomas, Donna Tricamo, Peggy Kelly; *Greeters/Ushers:* Jim & Donna Morris, Robert & Laurie Gleason, Peggy Taylor; *Parking Attendant:* Fran Tricamo, Kurt Taylor

10:30 a.m. at St. Matthew: *Sacristans:* Andy Huber, Keely Rosica; *Lectors:* Joe & Colleen Shaw; *Altar Servers:* Shannon Dougherty, Erica & Sara Lazarony; *Eucharistic Ministers:* Maureen Huber, Barb Schreiner, Randy Smith, Jamie Kahn, Brian Gregory, Sharon Purtell, Deirdre Antalek; *Greeters:* Michelle Rudnicki, Sandy Bean; *Ushers:* George Hynes, Roy Scardilla, Joe Eberwein, Steve Bacon, Jerry & Rae Brol, Andy Cherre, Tim Ehmann, Steve Schwarz

St. Matthew Eucharistic Ministers for Conesus Lake Nursing Home: Cathy Stein & Mariellen Finster

What's Happening This Week!?!**Saturday, 2/6:**

St. Matthew: Reconciliation, 3 pm; 4 pm Mass; Souper Bowl Day of Caring Collection; Rotary Pancake Supper, 5-7 pm, Community Room

Sunday, 2/7:

St. Mary's: 8:30 am Mass; CLoW during Mass; Souper Bowl Day of Caring (donations for Food Pantry); Coffee hour following Mass; YFF, 9:30 am

St. Matthew: Choir Practice, 9:30 am; 10:30 am Mass; Nursery, SS & CLoW during Mass; Rite of Welcome during Mass; Souper Bowl Day of Caring Collection; Coffee hour following Mass; Jr. High Youth Ministry, 11:30 am; Altar Server Training, 11:45 am—12:30 pm, Church; Eucharistic Minister Training 11:45 am, Church; Sr. High Youth Ministry, 7 pm, Hagerty Hall

Monday, 2/8:

St. Mary's: 9 am Mass; Bible Study, 9:30 am

St. Matthew: Women's Group, 9:15 am, HH; Eucharistic Adoration, 10 am—6:30 pm; Rosary, 6:30 pm

Tuesday, 2/9:

St. Mary's: Joint Parish Council Mtg., 7 pm

St. Matthew: 9 am Mass; Faith Formation, 6:30 pm, Hagerty Hall; Jr. High Youth Ministry, 6:30 pm, Church; Book of Luke Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Schifferli Room; Baptism Class, 6:45 pm

Wednesday, 2/10:

St. Mary's: 9 am Mass; Small Faith Group, 9:30 am

St. Matthew: RCIA, 7-8 pm, HH

Thursday, 2/11:

St. Mary's: Choir Practice, 7 pm

St. Matthew: 9 am Mass; Hearts & Hands, 1 pm

Friday, 2/12:

St. Matthew: 9 am Mass

Saturday, 2/13:

St. Matthew: Reconciliation, 3 pm; 4 pm Mass

Sunday, 2/14:

St. Mary's: Choir Practice, 7:45 am; 8:30 am Mass; NO Children's Programs; Town Meeting to discuss Altar Renovation following Mass

St. Matthew: Choir Practice, 9:30 am; 10:30 am Mass; NO Children's Programs, Jr. or Sr. High Youth Ministry



Astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." — Lk 5:9-10

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Sacrament of Baptism: Call the office for arrangements. Baptism classes are offered the 2nd Tuesday each month at St. Matthew Church. Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays during the 8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's or the 10:30 am Mass at St. Matthew Church and also at St. Matthew Church on the 4th Sunday of the month at 12 noon.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at St. Matthew Church: 11/1—3/31 at 3 p.m. 4/1—10/31 at 4 p.m. Call the office (St. Mary's—229-5007; St. Matthew—346-3815) for an appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Notify the office 6 months in advance and attend Marriage Preparation.

Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the office if anyone is sick at home or in the hospital.