



## WEEKLY SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER SUNDAYS

10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST  
10:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

### LETTER FROM FR. MATHEW

Dear People of God,

I bring greetings to all of you in the blessed name of Jesus Christ! It has been almost two months since the new school year has started. Children, I believe, are adapting to the requirements of their respective academic curriculums and school requirements. I believe that churches are also adapting to the new normalcy in our society. During a recent clergy meeting; we were discussing about the churches evolving in a post pandemic world. We certainly have to envision new ways of becoming the church. One of my clergy friends remarked, "We are not post pandemic yet, we are still in the twilight zone." Let me share with you an analogy from my own personal life.

My son Francis was selected to join his school football team. But we encountered a possible problem: I have never played football before. Being a person of Indian origin, the "football" I am familiar with and used to play in my youth is known as "soccer" here in the United States. I have experience in many other sports in addition to soccer including volleyball, badminton, swimming etc. I tried to convince my son to consider a sport that I am familiar with. But he refused to change his decision. The story has a happy twist to it. Now, I try to learn the game of football for the sake of my son. I watch every football game in the season that my son plays and I encourage him. Now, I am thankful for the opportunity to learn and experience something new.



As church folks we are called to diverse and new experiences. We are called to learn new ways of living the good news of the gospel in our lives. I believe sometimes we are called to explore and familiarize with the unfamiliar to us. We might need to navigate through the unknown. Still in the "twilight zone," let us be assured that the good news of Jesus Christ never changes.

In Christ's love,

Varghese+  
The Rev. Dr. Varghese Mathew

### OUTREACH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6: MY SISTERS' PLACE

My Sisters' Place strives to end domestic violence and human trafficking through comprehensive services, advocacy, and community education. In Westchester County nearly 13,000 domestic incident reports are filed annually with police departments, and an estimated two-thirds of incidences of abusive and violent behavior are never reported to the police.



For families and individuals with an urgent need for safety and security, MSP provides access to their confidentially located emergency shelter. The shelter is open to victims/survivors of all genders. While in shelter, residents are provided with advocacy, information, referrals, case management, accompaniments, and counseling to begin to heal from the trauma of the abuse. Residents are also able to access other MSP services including legal assistance, support groups, and children's programs. MSP works with residents to feel fully supported while they are in shelter, and to assist residents with a plan to transition back into a safe community. When they are ready to leave, they do so with the best possibilities for a life of stability and independence.

Please think of the many wounded lives you can help in considering your November Outreach donation.

### HELP A FAMILY CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING JOIN FAMILY TO FAMILY'S ANNUAL TURKEY DRIVE!

Since 2003 FAMILY TO FAMILY has provided turkeys plus a side dish for approximately 24,000 moms, dads and kids in Westchester County. If you would like to help make Thanksgiving happen for all the families in their "extended family," consider making a \$30 donation to purchase a turkey plus one side dish (e.g. potatoes or stuffing) for one recipient family. Or, buy a "flock of turkeys" (you choose how many) to feed more than one family. To make a donation go to [www.family-to-family.org](http://www.family-to-family.org) (www.family-to-family.org) It's important to make your donation before November 7 or no later than November 14, so Family to Family can calculate how many families they can help. Thanks for caring!

### MIDNIGHT RUN NOVEMBER 18

We are grateful to all the regulars who participate in the runs and would welcome any newcomers. We sort clothes on Wednesday, November 16 at 10 AM. If you can't help on the day of the run, please come and help in the preparation. Just ask Nancy Gotthelf what you can do to lend your support.



### NOVEMBER 6: THE BISHOP IS COMING!

The Rt. Rev. Andrew L.M. Dietsche will visit St. Barnabas on Sunday November 6 as our celebrant that day. Bishop Dietsche is retiring this year, so this will be his final visit to us. There will be a gala reception in the undercroft following the service.

**INTERFAITH CARING COMMUNITY  
ANNUAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE  
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20, 4-5 PM**

The Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving service is always a joyful prelude to the Thanksgiving holiday. Please reserve this date until we have further details which will be sent to you by email.

**STEWARDSHIP**

November is the month when we focus on giving thanks for all our blessings. In the Episcopal Church it is also the month when we consider stewardship, the act of giving to God Both acts (thanks + giving) are exquisitely combined in the single word Thanksgiving. We need to be mindful of both of these actions through the month of November.

As we emerge from the pandemic period of disruption and isolation in our congregations, we have felt the pain and frustration of distance, of diminished resources, and of our ability to connect in the ways to which we are accustomed. However, as we take inventory of our spiritual resources, the strength of our community, and our capacity for generosity, we realize that there is now, and always has been, More Than Enough, the theme of this year's stewardship month.

**KAREN WIDMAN, REST IN PEACE**

Our dear parishioner, Karen Widman, died on Friday, October 21st. Karen was one of the women who came from Saint Marks Church in Yonkers to make their church home with us and she became part of our St. Barnabas family. She pitched in to help at the last Attic Sale we had before Covid struck, and she generously donated the beautiful white frontal for our altar which will be displayed when Bishop Dietsche visits. May she rest in peace.



**A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF MARY MURPHY**

After several postponements due to COVID, Mary's family was finally able to schedule a service in celebration of her life on October 15. Mary told her family she wanted to have a party at her memorial and that is exactly what we did! Many of her family members had to travel long distances to Ardsley and we are happy so many were able to be present.



**DOBBS FERRY FOOD PANTRY**

Just a reminder that on Wednesday each week Dennis Di Vincenzo takes our donation to South Presbyterian church for the food pantry. The following is a list of the most requested items.

- Cold cereal (unsweetened)
- Dry beans (black desirable)
- Spaghetti or Linguine
- Pasta sauce  
(in plastic jars if possible, to avoid breakage)
- Flour (5lb. bags)
- Rice
- Canned beef stew
- Canned tuna or chicken
- Vegetable oil or canola oil (28-ounce bottle)
- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Hearty soups
- Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup
- ALSO
- Diapers
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Tissues
- Feminine hygiene products
- Soap
- Laundry products

