



23 November 2020

Fr. Patrick J. Welsh  
St. Matthew  
Philadelphia, PA  
*Via email to st-matthews@comcast.net*

Dear Fr. Welsh,

On behalf of our Parish Excellence Summit team, our committees who voted on the Parish Excellence Awards, and our award sponsor, Unbound, I'm writing to congratulate you and your entire parish on the **Parish Excellence Award** in the category of **Social Media Innovations/ Excellence During Covid**.

**As a Parish Excellence Award winner, a small commemorative plaque was mailed out to you on 11/23/2020.**

The Parish Excellence Awards honor parishes for their mission-driven innovation during the pandemic and shares those strong parish practices across 16 categories with every parish in America. We hope that the sharing of what you and other parishes have done throughout 2020 will serve as inspiration to other parishes to imitate what is working well in parishes like St. Matthew.

A complete list of award winners, honorable mentions and the video presentations of the awards at the Parish Excellence Summit are all available at [ParishExcellence.com/awards](https://ParishExcellence.com/awards). We invite you to share those videos on your parish and diocesan social media. We have attached a digital graphic to the email also for your use in social media, your bulletin, website and parish email/Flocknote.

You were nominated by Rev. Thomas Dailey, O.S.F.S., Suzanne Cantwell, Kaitlin Iavecchia, Georgeanne, Maribeth Friel-Krenzel, Raymond Jones, Sharon Boyle, Elizabeth Heath, Lukasz Olechno, Terry McKeever, and Camille Sullivan.

Thank you, Fr. Welsh, and everyone at St. Matthew parish, for your inspirational leadership and efforts during the pandemic.

Gratefully in Christ,

Scot Landry & The Parish Excellence Team



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