

# This Week at St. Matthias

## Sunday, January 14

*Church Offices Closed*

- 7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word – Sanctuary
- 9:20 AM Sunday School Classes – Little House
- 9:30 AM Rite II with Music & Choir – Sanctuary
- Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook
- Nursery Care – Little House
- 10:30 AM Coffee & Conversation – Parish Hall
- 11:15 AM Rite II with Music – Sanctuary
- Nursery Care – Little House
- Adult Sunday School – Choir Room

## Monday, January 15

*Church Offices Closed – Martin Luther King Jr. Day*

- 10:30 AM Literacy Class – Little House
- 6:15 PM Claudia's Al-Anon Book Club Meeting – Parish Hall
- 7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Parish Hall

## Tuesday, January 16

*Church Offices Closed – Appointments Only*

- 4:00 PM Vestry Meeting – Office
- 6:00 PM Bible Study with Janette – Parish Hall

## Wednesday, January 17

*Church Offices Closed – Appointments Only*

- 10:30 AM Women's Bible Study – Parish Hall
- 2:00 PM Come Let Us Sing to the Lord Class – Library
- 2:00 PM Food Providers of South Lake Meeting – Parish Hall
- 4:00 PM Singing Saints Rehearsal – Choir Room/Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Pre-Convention Meeting – All Saints Episcopal Church

## Thursday, January 18

*Church Offices Closed – Appointments Only*

- 12:00 PM Literacy Class – Little House
- 7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Parish Hall

## Friday, January 19

*Church Offices Closed*

- 5:00 PM Altar Guild Team Three Set-Up – Sanctuary

## Saturday, January 20

*Church Offices Closed*

No Events Scheduled for Today

## Sunday, January 21

*Church Offices Closed*

- 7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word – Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Rite II with Music & Choir – Sanctuary
- Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook
- Nursery Care – Little House
- 10:30 AM Coffee & Conversation – Parish Hall
- 11:15 AM Rite II with Music – Sanctuary
- Nursery Care – Little House
- Adult Sunday School – Choir Room
- 12:15 PM Annual Parish Meeting & Potluck Lunch – Parish Hall

## Vestry Members

2024	Cindi Curtis, <i>Treasurer</i>	ninicurtis55@msn.com
	Buddy Forehand	a4hand@aol.com
2025	Gloria Robinson	gloria.73ogr@gmail.com
2026	Maxine Hylton, <i>Jr. Warden</i>	maxhyl1@gmail.com
	Kim Hunt, <i>Stewardship Chair</i>	kimhunt34711@gmail.com
	Lorna Manny, <i>Sr. Warden</i>	manny4215@yahoo.com
	Elizabeth Nemeth, <i>Clerk</i>	edreis55@gmail.com
	Glen Martin, <i>Assistant Treasurer</i>	glenmartin286@gmail.com

## ATTENDANCE

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
1.7.24	7:45 AM Service	19
1.7.24	9:30 AM Service	68
1.7.24	11:15 AM Service	38
	<b>Total</b>	<b>125</b>
	Online Views	57

# Those on Our Prayer List

## Parish Family

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

Joan Allabaugh	Karlene Gordon	Nembrotti Family
Harold Andrews	Alice Grimes	Elizabeth Nemeth
Geny Arrunategui	James Helm	Megan Ogle
Ray Arthurs	Jeannine Helm	Austin Parkinson
Linda Armstrong	Noel Kirton	Maria Rosado
Kay Barnes	Theresa Knight	Gene Ruryk
Drew Bergeron	Darrel Kugler	Suzanne Ruryk
Anakin Boeni	Larry Lock	Sheila Seale
Jane Boyack	Longwater Family	Gina Storr
Sandra Bradshaw	Frank Macripo	Jim Storr
Gavin Bramwell	Diana Mahoney	Joe Sturges
Reta Bramwell	Imantee Mallay	Mary Sturges
Mother Jane Clark	Sabrina Mallay	Connie Tracey
Clifford Family	Stanley Mallay	Liane Traniello
Steve Coole	Don Manny	Obiajulu Udokwu
Donna Dyson	Glen Martin	Rick Unger
Anita Erickson	Henrietta Martin	Sandy Unger
Ann Forehand	Mathews Family	Keith Whitacre
Buddy Forehand	Catherine Meginley	Vera Wilson
John Foster	Mike Meeker	
Miranda Foster	Lidio Nembrotti	

## Family & Friends

Patricia Ainlay	Sharon Hess	Andrew Nickolaou
Gary Braner	Nicole Hess	Ophelia Nickolaou
Marcia Brown	Meraid Hess	Karter Nickolaou
Rose Brown	Nkenge Hewitt/Castro	Ethyn Nickolaou
Suzie Brownlee	Jordan Hofstetter	Ty Nu
Reverend Bill Boyer	Mary Italia	Ruth Rees
Robert Bucci	Mark Jenkins	Timothy Reid
Nathaniel Carter	Debbie Jordan	Jannette Scanlan
Mary Ellen Cook	Fran Jue	Inge Sebach
Shedrick Cotton	Henrirtte Karnik	Nary Singh
Reverend Cass Daly	Frances LaCroix	Mary Sowers
Betty Davis	Normand LaCroix	Terry Vander Meer
James Dorn, Jr.	Bob Link	Vannoy Family
Mary Dorn	Peggy Link	Denise Thibault Vespa
Mark Ellison	Terry Macripo	Doris Wilson
Cheryl Ferrell	Sean Marcus	Tom Wilson
Telesia Francis	Eleanor Meade	Richard Wolf
Emily Griffin	Sherrill Mizioch	
Jennifer Henderson	Danny Nemeth	

## Military & First Responders

Jeff Blumenauer, U.S. Army Reserve  
 Nicole Blumenauer, U.S. Army Reserve  
 Nicholas Buonocore, U.S. Navy  
 Delani Carter, U.S. Military Academy at West Point  
 Spencer Coole, U.S. Air Force, Charleston Air Force Base, South Carolina  
 Greta Gaasch, U.S. Army Reserve  
 Lucas Freiberg, Federal Corrections Officer, Coleman Federal Prison  
 Jeremy Linney, U.S. Army, Osan Air Base, Korea  
 Tyler Mathews, U.S. Army, Iraq  
 Ryan Moore, Clermont Fire Department Station #3  
 Christopher Morelli, Orange County Sheriff's Office, Deputy  
 Stephen Nettles, U.S. Navy, Officer Training  
 Tyler Reece, U.S. Army, Deploying to Afghanistan  
 Logan T. Wells, U.S. Marine Reserves

## Those Celebrating Birthdays

<b>1.14</b>	Sandy McGowen	<b>1.17</b>	Callie Longwater
<b>1.15</b>	Jackson Mathews	<b>1.19</b>	Denny Kapuchuck
<b>1.15</b>	Carmen Gewirtz		

## Those Who Have Died

June Berglund, *Brian & Cindy Taylor's son's great-grandmother-in-law*

The Altar Flowers & Greens are given to the  
 Glory of God & St. Matthias Church

and in Loving Memory of  
 Robert & Helen Allabaugh Sr.  
 Given with Love by Bob & Joan Allabaugh

and in Celebration of  
 Hope Blume's Birthday  
 Given with Love by Diane Gustafson

The Sanctuary Light is given to the Glory of God

## Annual Parish Meeting & Potluck Lunch

Sunday, January 21, 2024

12:15 pm

Parish Hall

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED:** The Church Office will be closed this Monday, January 15, 2024 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. All emails and voicemail messages will be answered on Tuesday, January 16, 2024. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. Jim at [rector@stmatthiasfl.com](mailto:rector@stmatthiasfl.com).

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED:** The Church Office will also be closed this Tuesday through Thursday (January 16–18) for all walk-ins as we will be completing year-end and preparing for the Annual Parish Meeting. If you need assistance, please call ahead to schedule an appointment. Thank you very much for all your understanding and support!

**NAME TAGS:** If you would like to place an order for a St. Matthias Name Tag, please email Hope Blume at [hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com](mailto:hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) with your first and last name. We will be placing an order on Monday, January 22, 2024, so please have the information to Hope **no later than Sunday, January 21, 2024**. The cost is \$12.00 each. Thank you!

**VESTRY MEMBERS:** If you would like to run for the Vestry, please contact Fr. Jim, our Sr. Warden Lorna Manny, or any current Vestry member. They will be happy to meet with you and answer any questions or concerns you may have. Vestry member contact details are listed on the front side of these announcements.

**2024 FLOWER & CANDLE CHARTS:** The Altar Flowers and Sanctuary Candle charts for 2024 are posted on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. The cost for flowers is \$40.00 and Sanctuary Candle is \$5.00. Please be sure to print clearly and include all the information needed for the bulletin, in memory of, celebration or thanksgiving for, name or names of who they are being given for, and who they are being given by. Please contact Hope Blume (352.394.3855) if you have any questions.

**2024 GIVING ENVELOPES & NUMBERS:** Are available for pick-up in the Parish Hall. If you are new to St. Matthias and would like a giving number and/or envelopes, please contact Hope Blume (352.394.3855 or [hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com](mailto:hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com)). If you have not done so already, please be sure to complete a membership form and if you would like to make a pledge for 2024, pledge cards and information are available at the Welcome Table. Questions regarding the 2024 stewardship campaign can be directed to Kim Hunt (404.216.1402 or [kimhunt34711@gmail.com](mailto:kimhunt34711@gmail.com)).

**COFFEE HELP THANK YOU:** A big thank you to Mindy Giallella for volunteering to assist Peggy Hope during Sunday coffee hour and to Anne Hollywood and Denise Montgomery for volunteering to assist and fill-in when needed. Thank you to Peggy Hope for continuing to keep this tradition of fellowship up and running!

**FLOWER GUILD HELP NEEDED:** We need **two additional volunteers** to join the Flower Guild and assist with deliveries of Altar flowers to our homebound and local hospitals, rehabilitation centers, assisted living, and hospice homes. Please contact Lorna Manny (352.250.6202) if you have any questions and/or would like to be a part of this dedicated and caring team.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sunday School starts back up this **Sunday, January 14, 2024, at 9:20 am** in the Little House. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Thank you so much to the parents for bringing our "littles" to the family Christmas Eve service, they were amazing as usual!

On Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024, we will be processing in at the beginning of the service with palms which they will place at the altar. We will meet in the breezeway (please try to meet prior to the start of the 9:30 am service). We'll then go to the Sunday School Building where we will all gather and learn about and take part in a Seder. If there are young people who attend church but not Sunday School, please feel free to join us if you would like to learn more about how Jesus celebrated this season. All materials and food items will be provided.

The last day of Sunday School will be May 12, 2024, as I will need to focus the remaining time on VBS preparation.

Further information and reminders will appear in future announcements. Any questions, please reach out to me at 352.432.3164 or [freibergs4@aol.com](mailto:freibergs4@aol.com).

Hugs and blessings, Karen

**COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS:** Please join us on **Sundays in the Parish Hall from 10:30 am to 11:00 am** for fellowship, coffee, and conversation. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet others and sometimes enjoy a few home baked treats. All are welcome! Please contact Peggy Hope (352.988.7525) if you have any questions and/or would like to help.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Adult Sunday school will meet this **Sunday, January 14, 2024**, at 11:15 am in the Choir room. Let us come together for thought-provoking, meaningful discussion, where we will exchange views and relay life experiences relevant to the scripture of the day. Everyone is welcome to join us! Please contact Dolores Wilson-Malone (856.625.1515) or Matt Mobley (407.267.2312) if you have any questions.

**LITERACY CLASSES:** St. Matthias is offering classes for anyone in the community who may need help with literacy, including English conversation practice, English language, and grammar classes. The classes meet on Mondays at 10:30 am and Thursdays at 11:00 am in the Little House. Please contact Wanda Klaas (klaas46@yahoo.com) or Kathy Ridenour (kathyt08069@yahoo.com) for additional information. Classes will meet this **Monday, January 15, 2024, at 10:30 am, and Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 11:00 am.**

**VESTRY MEETING:** **Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 4:00 pm** in the Office. Please contact Lorna Manny (352.250.6202) or Fr. Jim (352.460.9580) if you have any questions.

**BIBLE STUDY WITH JANETTE DORN:** Classes will meet this **Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. This session we will be studying Revelation Part Two, Unveiling the Book of Revelation. The focus is the end of time - discover exactly what God says will take place. Please contact Janette Dorn (jsmdorn@gmail.com or 352.235.5168) if you have any questions.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** The Women's Bible Study will meet this **Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 10:30 am** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Wanda Klaas (352.272.4653 or klaas46@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

**RETIRED MEN'S LUNCH BUNCH:** Let's get together on **Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 12 noon** at Gator's Dockside (1200 Oakley Seaver Dr, Clermont). Please be sure to **RSVP Hugh Dial (863.557.8803 or dizzyfingers103@msn.com)** if you plan to attend to be sure everyone can sit together.

**COME LET US SING TO THE LORD AND STUDY HANDEL'S MESSIAH:** The group will meet this **Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 2:00 pm** in the Library. We will be following a Kerygma curriculum for a 10-week study of the Bible as it relates to Handel's oratorio. Please contact Hugh if you have any questions (863.557.8803 or dizzyfingers103@msn.com).

**FOOD PROVIDERS OF SOUTH LAKE MEETING:** Will meet this **Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 2:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Keith Whitacre (952.239.5870) if you have any questions.

**SINGING SAINTS:** Will rehearse this **Wednesday, January 17, 2023, at 4:00 pm** in the Choir Room. Please contact Hugh Dial (863.557.8803 or dizzyfingers103@msn.com) if you have any questions.

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING & POTLUCK LUNCH:** Will take place on, **Sunday, January 21, 2024, at 12:15 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share. Please contact Lorna Manny (352.250.6202) if you have any questions.

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING:** Will take place on **Monday, January 29, 2024, at 12:00 pm** in the Office. If you would like to join the committee or have been considering it, this is a great opportunity to see where help is needed. Please contact Fred Jones (fjones59@cfl.rr.com or 407.325.2256) if you have any questions.

**HEALING SERVICE:** The Healing Service is taking a break and will resume on **Wednesday, February 21, 2024.** Please contact Fr. Jim or Hope Blume if you have any questions.

**FAMILIES IN TRANSITION:** The FIT program is running low on **paper products, laundry, and cleaning supplies.** If you can donate any of these items, please place them in the red rolling bin located in the Parish Hall. Thank you very much for your continued support of our Lake County FIT Highschool Students. Please contact Hope Blume (352.394.3855) or Janette Dorn (352.235.5168) if you have any questions.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS):** The new year has landed and so too has the VBS can containing the program information. Meetings will start very soon, please come to the meetings even if you're still thinking about volunteering, however, ***I do need volunteers for the classrooms, games, crafts, skits, music, science experiments and lunch service.*** Classes will be broken into rising K-first graders, second-third graders and fourth-sixth graders. The program information I have reviewed thus far guides you beautifully in whatever capacity you are able to assist, **everything** is provided. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall or tell me in person if you would like to help. Last year was an amazing experience for all of us and this year should prove to be the same. You really don't want to miss this experience, bringing a child to Christ is one of the most rewarding feelings and we were able to do that last year.

We will begin building a coral reef in the very near future and will need help with that too. Creative juices are wonderful but not required. If you can use a pair of scissors, coil pipe cleaners around a pencil, glue, or use a can of spray paint you are needed. More info to follow shortly.

How else can you help? ***Since we will now begin making our themed decorations, we really need as many pool noodles, pipe cleaners, and plastic table coverings as possible.*** Please continue to bring us your empty egg cartons and 1 and 2-liter bottles. We would also like your old bubble wrap, styrofoam peanuts and the like. Empty cardboard boxes of varying shapes and sizes are also needed. As we dive deeper into the program, we will let you know when we need you to save other items for us.

If you would like to donate funds, please mark your check or envelope for the Youth Education Programs.

Thank you, my friends, you are so very much appreciated!

Hugs and blessings,  
Karen