

This Week at St. Matthias

Sunday, January 19

Big Red Bus Blood Drive

Church Offices Closed

- 7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word – Sanctuary
9:30 AM Rite II with Music – Sanctuary
9:30 AM Nursery Care – Little House
9:30 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook
10:00 AM Big Red Bus Blood Drive – In Front of Office
10:30 AM Coffee & Conversations – Parish Hall
11:15 AM Rite II with Music – Sanctuary
11:15 AM Nursery Care – Little House
11:15 AM Adult Sunday School – Choir Room

Monday, January 20

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Church Offices Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

- 11:00 AM English Classes with Wanda – Little House
6:15 PM Claudia's Al-Anon Book Club – Library
7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Library

Tuesday, January 21

- 9:00 AM Everyone's Counseling Center – Counseling Room
9:30 AM Count Team Three – Church Office
12:30 PM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Room
2:00 PM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Room
4:00 PM Tutoring with Linda – Little House
4:30 PM Vestry Meeting – Office
6:00 PM Bible Study with Janette – Parish Hall

Wednesday, January 22

- 10:30 AM Bible Study with Wanda – Parish Hall
12:00 PM Retired Men's Lunch Bunch – Parish Hall
5:00 PM Singing Saints' Rehearsal – Choir Room

Thursday, January 23

- 11:00 AM English Classes with Wanda – Little House
4:00 PM South Lake Children's Choir – Parish Hall
7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Library

Friday, January 24

Church Offices Closed

- 9:00 AM I Am A Safe Place Meeting – Office
1:00 PM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Room
4:00 PM Tutoring with Linda – Little House
6:00 PM Altar Guild Team Four Set-Up – Sanctuary

Saturday, January 25

Church Offices Closed

No Events Scheduled for Today

Sunday, January 26

One Church Service, Annual Parish Meeting
Ministry Fair, & Potluck Luncheon & Fellowship

Church Offices Closed

- 10:00 AM Rite II with Music – Sanctuary
10:00 AM Sunday School Classes – Little House
10:00 AM Nursery Care – Little House
10:00 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook
11:00 AM Annual Parish Meeting – Sanctuary
11:30 AM Potluck Luncheon & Fellowship – Parish Hall
11:30 AM Ministry Fair – Parish Hall

Vestry Members

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

**The Sanctuary Light is given to the
Glory of God & St. Matthias Church**

Those on Our Prayer List

Parish Family

Immediate & Urgent Prayers

Bibbi Farashian
Mike Hollywood
Edna Marcus
Megan Ogle
Mary Sturges
Vera Wilson

Continued Prayers

Bob Allabaugh	Anita Erickson	Eleonore Macrippo
Harold Andrews	Ann Forehand	Diana Mahoney
Geny Arrunategui	Buddy Forehand	Imantee Mallay
Ray Arthurs	Arthur Forrest	Stanley Mallay
Lois Beeney	Phyllis Forrest	Don Manny
Drew Bergeron	John Foster	Henrietta Martin
Anakin Boeni	Miranda Foster	Lidio Nembrotti
Josef Boeni	Connie Gamb	Elizabeth Nemeth
Jane Boyack	Michael Giallella	Marlene Parkinson
Sandra Bradshaw	Diane Gordon	Maria Rosado
Gavin Bramwell	James Helm	Sheila Seale
Mother Jane Clark	Jeannine Helm	Joe Sturges
Michael Clark	Anne Hollywood	Connie Tracey
Steve Coole	Denny Kapuchuck	Liane Trainello
Adrian D'Arts	Julie Kessler	Rick Unger
Julia D'Arts	Theresa Knight	Sandy Unger
Geraldine Engel	John Luposello	Stuart Wilson

Family & Friends

Immediate & Urgent Prayers

Nathan Allabaugh
Bob Link
Sandi Rzepka
Jim Storr

Continued Prayers

Sean	Sarah Grimes	Linda Rosenberg
Kendra	Deidre Huffman	Gene Ruryk
Alex Assadi	Mark Jenkins	Suzanne Ruryk
Amber Assadi	Gordon Knight	Jeannette Scanlan
Gabby Assadi	Frances LaCroix	Schoff Family
Paula Assadi	Francine LaCroix Thibault	Inge Sebach
Judith Bergeron	Lantigua Family	Nathan Smith
Heather Blue	Anne Lee	Gina Storr
Jean Blume	Peggy Link	Jacquelyn Taylor
Reta Bramwell	Maksimowicz Family	Terry Vander Meer
Rose Brown	Eleanore Meade	Denise Thibault Vespa
Reverend Bill Boyer	Alicia Miller	Kathleen Whitacre
Jo Chen	Brian Miller	Phyllis White
Roy Chen	David Moore	Joyce Wilson
Cooper Coole	Danny Nemeth	Tom Wilson
Reverend Cass Daly	Ty Neu	Richard Wolf
James Dorn, Jr.	Harold Phillips	Kathy Wood
Mary Dorn	Timothy Reid	Richard Woodworth
Millie Figueroa	Brandon Rivenbark	
Tecelisa Palmer Francis	Julie Rivenbark	

Military & First Responders

Jeff Blumenauer, U.S. Army Reserve
Nicole Blumenauer, U.S. Army Reserve
Vick Boothe, U.S. Army, Undisclosed Location
Nicholas Buonocore, U.S. Navy, Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, WA
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, NAS Pensacola, Flight School
Luca Newby, U.S. Marine Reserves
Tyler Reece, U.S. Army, Afghanistan
Logan T. Wells, U.S. Marine Reserves

Those Celebrating Birthdays

- 1.19** Denny Kapuchuck
1.24 Jim Helm
1.25 Kay Barnes

Those Celebrating Anniversaries

- 1.21** Buddy & Ann Forehand
1.25 Jack & Virginia Zimmer

CHURCH LIBRARY: Please refrain from storing any items in the Church Library. The library space is being used for meetings several times each week and we want to keep the space clean and organized for all groups using it. Thank you for your help and understanding in keeping our spaces clean and organized. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Hope Blume at the Church Office. Thank you!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: The Church Office will be closed this **Monday, January 20, 2025**, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. All emails and voicemail messages will be returned on Tuesday, January 21, 2025. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. Jim Dorn directly.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We hope you enjoyed the littles and not so littles last Sunday as they shared the Epiphany Pageant with you. We could not be prouder of them, and seeing "baby Jesus's" legs kicking from the manger was just so sweet. It took a village to bring this to fruition and I would like to thank the village. First and foremost, our teachers Diane Gordon, Callie Longwater, Tom Nemeth, and Joy Albrecht were and are amazing. Others to thank include all the parents for lending us their precious kiddos; Hugh for the music; set crew of Dave Freiberg and Rick Blume; Riley and Barbie Giddens for the manger they made at the last minute and gifted to Sunday School; Tom Nemeth for the stable; Hannah Blume for the adorable pageant program and a host of others for their support of our Sunday School program. A huge hug and many, many thanks to everyone. Hugs and Blessings, Karen

ANGEL TREE – THANK YOU: Angel Tree is about so much more than ensuring kids have a gift at Christmas. It is a chance to aid the restoration of relationships, and an opportunity for kids to know they are loved and remembered by both their incarcerated parents and their Heavenly Father. This love and our love for our neighbors impact lives across generations.

Together, as a parish we have made a positive impact and contributed to the hope of so many this past holiday season. We provided gifts and support for 65 children from 26 families! In the Gospel of Matthew Jesus asks us to be generous givers for the support and the care of His people in need. Fellow parishioners you are generous givers, and through our outreach ministry we “offer our best to Christ”.

The Outreach Committee sincerely thanks you for your expression of God’s love and compassion for our Angel Tree children, their caregivers, and the incarcerated. Like you, we believe that Jesus has the power to redeem any story, no matter how broken, no matter how hopeless. I would ask you now to join us in praying God would continue to guide us in this ministry for His glory.

Wishing you God’s blessings, dear friends in Christ – Mary Anne Lock & Saint Matthias Outreach Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES: Sunday School classes will be held next **Sunday, January 26, 2025**. There is just one service at 10:00 am this Sunday, so the plan is to meet at 10:00 am in the Sunday School building until it is time for the potluck lunch.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: We will begin VBS workshops in the near future. Information will be announced and posted at a later date. **Please start saving bottle caps, especially water bottle caps. We will be needing all shades of green Dollar Tree plastic table coverings.** Additional needs will be added in the near future.

THANK YOU: Thank you for supporting our peanut and peanut brittle fundraiser and I hope you were also able to treat yourself to a yummy meal at Carrabba's this past Wednesday to support our programs. When I find out how well we did, I will let everyone know. Your love and support of our youth programs does not go unnoticed and means so very much!!! Hugs and Blessings, Karen

THE BIG RED BUS IS COMING TO ST. MATTHIAS: Please join us this **Sunday, January 19, 2025**, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, in front of the St. Matthias Church Office. Please help us reach our goal of saving lives! We are hoping for at least 12 donors for the blood drive. If we reach our goal, we could be a part of saving up to 36 or more lives! Please come out and donate, receive some cool donor gifts, and most importantly, help save many lives! Each donation helps save up to three lives! Appointments can be made using the following link: https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/1435610. Walk-ins are also always welcomed!

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 19, 2025, at 11:15 am** in the Choir Room. Please contact Dolores Wilson-Malone (856.625.1515) or Matt Mobley (407.267.2312) if you have any questions.

ENGLISH CLASSES WITH WANDA: 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 11:00 am and Thursdays at 11:00 am in the Little House. Classes will meet this **Monday, January 20, 2025, and Thursday, January 23, 2025, at 11:00 am** in the Little House. Please contact Wanda Klaas (klaas46@yahoo.com) for additional information.

VESTRY MEETING: Vestry will meet this **Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 4:30 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: Class will meet this **Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Janette Dorn (jsmdorn@gmail.com or 352.235.5168) if you have any questions. Everyone is welcome to attend!

BIBLE STUDY WITH WANDA KLAAS: Classes will meet this **Wednesday, January 22, 2025, 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 (RSVP Required): The Retired Men's Lunch Bunch will meet this **Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at 12:00 noon** in the Parish Hall. Pizza will be served and a planning meeting for the Shrove Tuesday Mardi Gras event will take place during lunch. Please RSVP to Hugh Dial (863.557.8803 or dizzyfinger103@msn.com) or add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall if you plan to attend. We hope to see you there!

SINGING SAINTS REHEARSAL (New Time): The Singing Saints will meet this **Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at 4:00 pm** in the Choir Room. Please contact Hugh Dial (dizzyfingers103@msn.com or 863.557.8803) if you have any questions.

I AM A SAFE PLACE MEETING: Will be holding meetings on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at St. Matthias. The next meeting will be held this **Friday, January 24, 2025, at 9:00 am in the Church Office and again on Friday, February 14, 2025, at 5:00 pm in the Church Office.** I Am A Safe Place is a faith-based charitable organization anchored in Truth, Hope, Love, and Community. Our mission is to provide a safe, empowering, and supportive community environment through a network of support services in a judgement-free zone. A safe place to talk, a safe place to heal, a safe place to grow, a safe place to connect. Please contact Julia D'Arts at 407.491.2999 or info@iamasafeplace.com if you have any questions.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, MINISTRY FAIR & POTLUCK: Please join us next **Sunday, January 26, 2025,** for our Annual Parish Meeting, Ministry Fair, and Potluck Luncheon. We will hold **one service this Sunday at 10:00 am,** followed by the Annual Parish Meeting in the Sanctuary, with a Potluck Luncheon and Ministry Fair afterwards in the Parish Hall. We are asking all ministries, groups, guilds, and committees to gather up information about your different ministries and come out and share with the St. Matthias family. We are hoping everyone will participate and join in on the fun. Our goal is to spread awareness of the different programs at St. Matthias and grow our volunteer community. Please contact Hope Blume (352.394.3855 or hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) if you have any questions.

MEETING FOR OFFICE VOLUNTEERS: If you have already contacted Hope Blume about volunteering in the office or would like to begin volunteering, please join her on **Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at 12:00 noon** in the Church Office for a meeting, fellowship, and light lunch. Please RSVP to Hope by Thursday, January 23, 2025, if planning to attend.

We would like to bring back volunteers who would like to help in the church office. Tasks would include answering the phone, stuffing bulletins with inserts, filing, shredding documents, making copies, helping prep for events and fundraisers, assist with other light duty office tasks and projects, and at times assist church family members that may stop in and need assistance. If you have computer skills that we can put to good use, we would be happy to have them; however, computer skills are not required. There are many tasks that we need assistance with. The days and hours are very flexible, it can be a regular set day and time and/or you can let Hope know when you can be scheduled to assist during the upcoming month. If you are interested in volunteering in the office, please contact Hope Blume at hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com or 352.394.3855. Thank you very much for considering these volunteer positions!

LADIES' LUNCHEON (RSVP Required): All women of the parish and their friends are welcome to join Norma Sweeney for a Dutch-Treat ladies' luncheon on **Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at 12:00 noon**, at Longhorn's Steakhouse in Clermont (1275 E. Hwy 50, Clermont 34711). Please RSVP to Norma Sweeney (516.906.3646 or nsween820@gmail.com) to reserve a seat at the table. We look forward to seeing you there!

PET BLESSING & VENDOR FAIR PLANNING MEETING: Please join us on **Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 6:00 pm** in the Office to begin the planning for this year's Pet Blessing & Vendor Fair Event. Lots of planning and help is needed to make this event a successful one. Keep a lookout for additional information and where you can volunteer, and help be a part of this fun outreach event to our neighbors and local community! Please contact Keith Whitacre (952.239.5870) if you have any questions.

VBS FUNDRAISER: Peanuts and Peanut Brittle are still available for sale in the Parish Hall; \$5.00 for one bag of peanut brittle and \$5.00 for two bags of salted peanuts. The proceeds raised from this fundraiser will be used for youth education and our 2025 VBS program. Hugs and Blessings, Karen

SAVE-THE-DATE – PET BLESSING & VENDOR FAIR: Mark your calendars, as our Annual Pet Blessing & Vendor Fair will take place this year on **Saturday, October 25, 2025!** More details to follow.

ST. MATTHIAS CLASSIFIEDS "S.M.A.C.": We want to provide our church family with an outlet to find, buy, sell, and/or reach out with services available and/or needed. If you have a business you would like to advertise or a service you would like to provide, the St. Matthias Classifieds can be your first stop. Some examples of services provided or needed might include babysitting, nannying, lawn work, pet care, house sitting, the possibilities/needs are limitless. Are you in search of a particular piece of furniture, rental property, babysitter, or transportation? If so, check out the St. Matthias Classifieds and/or place an ad. Please contact Karen Freiberg at freiberger4@aol.com if you would like to "advertise" in the classifieds. There is no charge for this service as we are just here to provide some help.

UPCOMING EVENTS

One Church Service

Sunday, January 26, 2025
10:00 am – Sanctuary

Annual Parish Meeting

Sunday, January 26, 2025
11:00 am – Sanctuary

Ministry Fair and Potluck Luncheon

Sunday, January 26, 2025
11:30 am – Parish Hall

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