## This Week at St. Matthias

Third Sunday of Lent and Sunday School Classes

Church Offices Closed

Scottish Liturgy Spoken Word Service – Sanctuary 7:45 AM

Sunday School Classes – Little House 9:20 AM

Scottish Liturgy Service with Music - Sanctuary 9:30 AM

Nursery Care – Little House 9:30 AM

9:30 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook 10:30 AM Coffee & Conversations - Parish Hall

Scottish Liturgy Service with Music – Sanctuary 11:15 AM

11:15 AM

Nursery Care – Little House Adult Sunday School – Choir Room 11:15 AM

### Monday, March 24

Count Team Four - Church Office 9:30 AM

6:00 PM Community Outreach Meeting - Parish Hall 6:00 PM Claudia's Al-Anon Book Club - Library

7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting - Library

#### Tuesday, March 25

9:00 AM Everyone's Counseling Center – Counseling Office

4:00 PM Tutoring with Linda - Little House

6:00 PM Bible Study with Janette Dorn - Parish Hall

#### Wednesday, March 26

Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Office 10:00 AM

10:30 AM Wednesday Bible Study with Wanda Klaas - Parish Hall

Singing Saints' Fellowship – Library Singing Saints' Rehearsal – Choir Room 4:00 PM

4:30 PM

#### Thursday, March 27

South Lake Children's Choir - Parish Hall 4:00 PM

7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting - Library

### Friday, March 28

Church Offices Closed

All Day Your Journey to the Cross Set-Up – Church Campus

9:00 AM Organ Tuning - Sanctuary

I Am A Safe Place Meeting – Office 9:00 AM

Tutoring with Linda - Little House 4:00 PM

Altar Guild Team Two Set-Up - Sanctuary 5:00 PM

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross – Sanctuary

### Saturday, March 29

Church Offices Closed

2:00 PM Your Journey to the Cross – Church Campus

## Sunday, March 30

Four Sunday of Lent

Church Offices Closed

Scottish Liturgy Spoken Word Service – Sanctuary 7:45 AM

Scottish Liturgy Service with Music – Sanctuary 9:30 AM

Nursery Care – Little House 9:30 AM

9:30 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook

10:30 AM Coffee & Conversations - Parish Hall

Scottish Liturgy Service with Music - Sanctuary 11:15 AM

11:15 AM Nursery Care - Little House

Adult Sunday School - Choir Room 11:15 AM

## **Vestry Members**

#### 2026

Sandra Bradshaw, Vestry Consultant

Maxine Hylton, Jr. Warden

Elizabeth Nemeth, Vestry Clerk

## 2027

Anthony Aloi, Technology

Coleen Cox, Sr. Warden, Pastoral Care

Rod Denslow, Welcoming

## 2028

 $Fred\ Jones, {\it Assistant\ Jr.\ Warden}$ 

Glen Martin, Assistant Treasurer, Stewardship

Eddie Rodriguez

Cindi Curtis, Treasurer

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## Those on Our Prayer List

**Immediate & Urgent Prayers** 

Nathan Allabaugh Luanne Hawkins Sonia Robles Renee Babcock Jeannine Helm Sandi Rzepka Isabel Boeni Mary Anne Lock Jim Storr Reginald Crooms Lorna Manny Linda Thorp Lidio Nembrotti Keith Whitacre Janette Dorn John Gilbert Audrey Nethersole

#### **Parish Family Continued Prayers**

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

## **Family & Friends Continued Prayers**

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

## Military & First Responders

Jeff Blumenauer, U.S. Army Reserve

Nicole Blumenauer, U.S. Army Reserve

Vick Boothe, U.S. Army, Undisclosed Location

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**

3.24 Jason Turner

3.25 Frank Verbeke

3.28 Stuart Wilson

3.29 Robert Williams

### Those Who Have Died

Julie Kessler, fellow parishioner, dear friend, Lois Beeney's daughter-in-law Tecelisa Palmer Francis, Glen & Hope Martin's niece Mary Sowers, Mary Anne Lock's mother

> The Lenten Arrangement is given to the Glory of God & St. Matthias Church

The Sanctuary Light is given to the Glory of God & St. Matthias Church **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Please join us this **Sunday**, **March 23**, **2025**, **at 9:20 am** in the Little House. We are moving along swimmingly... so little time and so much to learn. At present all classes will be focusing on Easter and Christ's resurrection in a variety of ways. Ask the kiddos when you see them what they've learned in Sunday School, and I'd like to know what they tell you too. Look for us all processing in waving our palms on Palm Sunday. Hugs and Blessings, Karen

**COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS:** Please join us **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, March 23, 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.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETING (Volunteers Needed):** Will meet this **Monday, March 24, 2025, at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Hope Blume if you have any questions. Everyone is welcome to attend!

**BIBLE STUDY WITH JANETTE DORN:** Classes will meet this **Tuesday, March 25, 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**, **March 26**, **2025**, **at 10:30 am** in the Office. Please contact Wanda Klaas (352.272.4653 or klaas46@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

**SINGING SAINTS REHEARSAL:** The Singing Saints will meet this **Wednesday, March 26, 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**, **March 28**, **2025**, **at 9:00 am in the Office**. 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.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday during Lent. Please join us this **Friday, March 28, 2025, at 6:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. Please contact Glen or Hope Martin (Glen: 352.391.0430 or glenmartin286@gmail.com / Hope: 352.391.0428 or hopem687@gmail.com) if you would like to serve, read, and/or have any questions.

YOUR JOURNEY TO THE CROSS: Please join us this Saturday, March 29, 2025, at 2:00 pm, as Janette Dorn presents Journey to the Cross by Faith Bosland for our St. Matthias family and friends. Meditating on the events of Jesus' final days and his resurrection can be profound. The challenge for most of us is shutting out the noise and distractions of everyday life long enough to quiet our souls and listen to the Spirit of God. Your journey will be an inspiring, interactive meditation on Jesus' journey to the cross. This event will take place throughout the entire campus, both inside and outside. If you would like to attend, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall and please contact Janette Dorn (jsmdorn@gmail.com or 352.235.5168) if you have any questions.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL WORKSHOPS ARE UNDERWAY! (Volunteers Needed): The next Workshop will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2025, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Do you have to be there the whole time? NO!! Can you come for one hour? YES!! Whatever you can give is welcome and very much appreciated. Thank you for your excellent trash saving skills and your generous donations of other items. We have already put some items to use and will continue to do so for the next few months. There are a few additional items we would like you to also start saving for us: newspapers, clean soda cans and bottles of all sizes, and clear tops from takeout containers. Some new items have also been added to our Amazon wish list which you can find using this link: <a href="https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/1J7JMHL4ZV4K4">https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/1J7JMHL4ZV4K4</a>. Be sure to peek behind the curtain from time to time to see how workshops are progressing. Test your imagination as to what it is you might be looking at. Questions, please contact Karen Freiberg (703.862.2894 or freibergs4@aol.com).

**PREPARING THE PALMS & PALM CROSS MAKING (Volunteers Needed):** Everyone is welcome to join us on **Friday, April 11, 2025, at 10:30 am** in the Parish Hall to help prepare the palms and make palm crosses for our Palm Sunday services. If you have never done this before, that is totally okay as there will be others to help show you how it is done. Please bring a pair of scissors with you. If you would like to stay for additional fellowship after the palms are completed, please feel free to bring a bagged lunch and/or snacks. Please contact Wanda Klaas (352.272.4653) or Margaret Jahreis (352.636.0061) if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

MAUNDY THURSDAY FOOT WASHING SERVICE (Volunteers Needed): We need twelve volunteers to represent the twelve disciples for our Maundy Thursday Foot Washing service. During the service, Fr. Jim will wash the feet of our twelve volunteers. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall if you are willing to volunteer. The Maundy Thursday service will be held on **Thursday**, **April 17**, **2025**, **at 7:00 pm**. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

MAUNDY THURSDAY WATCH: Please join us at the end of the Maundy Thursday service on Thursday, April 17, 2025, we will corporately observe a silent Watch or Prayer Vigil until 10:00 pm. Please stay awake and pray in-person in the Sanctuary or from home with Jesus until the time of his betrayal.

**CHURCH PICNIC (Volunteers Needed):** The Annual Church Picnic will take place this year on **Sunday**, **April 27**, **2025**! We will have **one service that Sunday at 10:00 am** with the picnic following immediately after. We hope everyone will come to worship and fellowship together! If you would like to assist with set-up, clean-up, and grilling, please add your name to the sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall. If you would like to oversee some indoor and/or outdoor games, please add your name to the sign-up sheets. The church will be providing hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, condiments, and drinks and we ask that you bring a dish and/or dessert to share. There will be indoor and outdoor seating, with lots of yummy food and fellowship. This is a great opportunity to spend time with all your church family members that attend different services. Please contact the Church office if you have any questions.

**PURSE AUCTION & DESSERT PARTY SAVE-THE-DATE:** We are bringing back the Purse Auction and look forward to enjoying an afternoon of fun and fellowship on **Saturday, September 27, 2025, at 2:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please start saving new and nearly new purses to donate to the auction. Additional information will be shared within the next couple of months. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Sturges (631.219.9579 or jsturges 3@cfl.rr.com) or Diane Gustafson (407.929.6475 or gdgust@aol.com).

**PALM SUNDAY PASSION READING (Volunteers Needed):** If you would like to partake in the reading of the Passion for the Palm Sunday 9:30 am service, please add your name to the sign-up sheet located in the Parish Hall, **no later than Sunday, March 30, 2025**. Please place your name next to the part you would like to read, **one reader per part**. Please contact the Church office (352.394.3855) if you have any questions.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** If you would like to donate to the Easter Flowers, please use an Easter Flower donation envelope located at the back of the church. If donating via check, please be sure to indicate Flowers in the memo line. You may also donate via online by choosing the Flower giving fund. If you would like a loved one to be remembered in the bulletin, **all names need to be submitted no later than Sunday, March 30, 2025. Please be sure to clearly print the names.** Please contact the Church office (352.394.3855) if you have any questions.

**PAST PALMS:** If you have past palms that you would like to have the Church bury or burn, please drop them in the basket at the back of the Church.

**WELCOME COMMITTEE (Volunteers Needed):** Rod and Linda Denslow are resurrecting the Welcome Committee and are looking for volunteers to help plan ways to improve communication with visitors/newcomers to the church. If you are interested, please contact us at 407.923.6423 or lindadenslow@gmail.com. We will determine meeting times after we hear from those interested. Thank you for your support.

VERONICA EVAN'S BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS: In 2021 in honor of our very dear friend and fellow parishioner Ronnie Evans, we changed the name of the Boys & Girls Club Summer Scholarship Fund to the Veronica Evans Boys & Girls Club Scholarship Fund. Ronnie brought awareness of the program to the St. Matthias Community Outreach Committee and played a major role in the development and the church's partnership with the local Boys & Girls Club program. Ronnie was a huge advocate for children and children's programs and the Boys & Girls Club was a program that was very near and dear to her. We are so pleased to honor our dear friend by continuing to provide safe and fun summer experiences for these well-deserving children. Please help us continue to raise funds in Ronnie's memory for this very vital community program.

The Lenten Season is known as a season of sacrifice; of giving up something that is dear. Once again, the annual Lenten sacrifice for our St. Matthias family will be to provide scholarships for community children to attend the Summer Program at the Boys and Girls Club. The mission of the Club remains the same: to provide a safe place to learn and grow through caring, positive relationships with adults.

What a wonderful way to participate in the Season, a period of self-denial and action.

There are four ways you may participate:

- (1) Blue colored envelopes located in this week's bulletins and in a basket at the back of the Church for regular or one-time offerings.
- (2) A container labeled "Boys and Girls Club" is available at the back of the Church and in the Parish Hall for regular or one-time offerings.
- (3) You may donate on-line via the St. Matthias website at <a href="https://onrealm.org/StMatthiasEpisc37600/-/">https://onrealm.org/StMatthiasEpisc37600/-//onrealm.org/StMat
- (4) By mailing or dropping a check to the Church office (528 West Montrose Street, Clermont, Florida 34711) and, again, indicating "Veronica Evans Boys and Girls Club Scholarships" on the memo line on your check.

A donation in any amount is greatly appreciated and will help go towards the summer camp scholarships. Please contact Ann Forehand (352.242.6073) or Diane Gustafson (352.394.6514) if you have questions.

The cost to send a child to camp for the full summer is \$350.00 for one child (this includes the registration fee) and \$270.00 for additional children (for the full summer). If you are not attending the full summer session, they are offering two summer sessions, the first 4 weeks is \$160.00 plus \$30.00 registration, the second 4 weeks is \$160.00 with no registration fee if you attended the first 4 weeks. Additional children are \$120.00 per 4-week session.

# **2025 PLEDGE GOAL**Thank you very much for sending in your pledges!

GOAL	\$ 308,255.00
(41 pledges received) TOTAL PLEDGED	\$111,008.00
REMAINING GOAL	\$197,247.00

## A/C REPLACEMENT DONATIONS AS OF 3.16.25

Thank you very much for your donations!

GOAL	\$ 40,000.00
TOTAL DONATED	\$15,954.12
VALENTINE TEA PROCEEDS	\$2,438.61
SHROVE TUESDAY PROCEEDS	\$1,541.08
REMAINING GOAL	\$20,066.19

### **ATTENDANCE**

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
3.16.25	7:45 AM Service	19
3.16.25	9:30 AM Service	74
3.16.25	11:15 AM Service	31
	Total:	124
	Online Views	313

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

## LENT, HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

SERVICE/EVENT	DATE	TIME
Stations of the Cross	Every Friday in Lent	6:00 pm
Your Journey to the Cross	Saturday, March 29, 2025	2:00 pm
Palm Cross Making	Friday, April 11, 2025	10:30 am
Palm Sunday Services	Sunday, April 13, 2025	7:45 am · 9:30 am · 11:15 am
Holy Week Healing Service	Wednesday, April 16, 2025	6:00 pm
Maundy Thursday Service	Thursday, April 17, 2025	7:00 pm
The Watch	Thursday, April 17, 2025	8:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Good Friday Service	Friday, April 18, 2025	12:00 Noon
Tenebrae Service	Friday, April 18, 2025	7:00 pm
Easter Vigil Service	Saturday, April 19, 2025	8:00 pm
Easter Services	Sunday, April 20, 2025	8:00 am · 10:00 am
One Service & Church Picnic	Sunday, April 27, 2025	10:00 am Service
		11:00 am Picnic

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNGLE / SAFARI WORKSHOPS

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Friday, April 4, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, April 11, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, April 25, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday, April 26, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, May 2, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Thursday, May 8, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, May 9, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, May 16, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday, May 17, 2025	Parish Hall	4:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Friday, May 23, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday, May 24, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, May 30, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday, May 31, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, June 6, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, June 13, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday, June 21, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday, June 27, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday, June 28, 2025	Parish Hall	11:00 AM to 4:00 PM

## Let's Talk SMAC

St. Matthias Ads and Classifieds Supporting & Connecting Our St. Matthias Family!

Please contact Karen Freiberg if you would like to place an advertisement or classified.

### FREE ITEM

FREE HP printer e8028 with 2 packages of replacement ink cartridges in color and black. Contact Jeannine Helm at JHelm33865@gmail.com

## **FREE ITEMS**

Kathy and Diana Mahoney have two wheelchairs, two commodes/shower chairs, and one walker available for anyone who may need these items. Please contact Kathy Mahoney at 321.200.7032, text is best, if you call, please leave a message and Kathy will call you back as soon as possible.

### **FOR SALE**

Very sturdy, comfortable "Early American" style rocking chair. Suitable for living room or nursery. Perfect for rocking babies or grand babies! Cost: Generous donation to the FIT Program! Contact Cindy Linney at 901.233.8050.

#### FOR SALE

Twin bed frame, mattress, box spring, dust ruffle, comforter and sham. All items like new and barely used. \$100.00 and you pick it up. Contact Karen or Dave Freiberg at freibergs4@aol.com or 352.432.3164.

### **FOR SALE**



2013 Ford F-150 Lariat Super Crew pickup truck. Excellent condition, 108K mi. All the bells and whistles plus brand-new tires. I wish I could keep but with kid number three inbound next month, I had to shift the dad mobile to a three-row SUV. \$22,000.00, but will consider reasonable offers. If interested email me at jeff@blumenauerlaw.com or call my cell 813.304.5277.

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