

This Week at St. Matthias

Sunday, May 26: Red Bag Sunday

Church Offices Closed

- 7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word – Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Rite II with Music & Choir – Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook
- 9:30 AM Nursery Care – Little House
- 10:30 AM Coffee & Conversation – 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, May 27: Memorial Day

Church Offices Closed in Observance of Memorial Day

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

Tuesday, May 28

- 9:30 AM Count Team Four – Office
- 1:00 PM Refresh Group Meeting – Little House

Wednesday, May 29

- 10:30 AM Wednesday Bible Study – Parish Hall
- 12:30 PM Gospel Study with Hugh – Parish Hall
- 2:00 PM Gospel Study with Hugh – Office
- 6:00 PM VBS Meeting & Workshop – Parish Hall

Thursday, May 30

- 11:00 AM English Class – Little House
- 6:00 PM Confirmation/Inquirer's Class – Office
- 7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Little House

Friday, May 31

Church Offices Closed

- 11:00 AM VBS Crafts Workshop – Parish Hall
- 1:00 PM Altar Guild Team One Set-Up – Sanctuary

Saturday, June 1

Church Offices Closed

- 11:00 AM VBS Crafts Workshop – Parish Hall

Sunday, June 2

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- 7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word – Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Rite II with Music & Choir – Sanctuary
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- 11:15 AM Nursery Care – Little House
- 11:15 AM Adult Sunday School – Choir Room

Vestry Members

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| 2025 | Cindi Curtis, <i>Treasurer</i> | ninicurtis55@msn.com |
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Attendance

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
5.19.24	7:45 AM Service	19
5.19.24	9:30 AM Service	63
5.19.24	11:15 AM Service	27
	Total:	109
	<i>Online Views</i>	<i>91</i>

Those on Our Prayer List

Parish Family

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

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|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Harold Andrews | Miranda Foster | Lidio Nembrotti |
| Geny Arrunategui | Connie Gamb | Elizabeth Nemeth |
| Ray Arthurs | Diane Gordon | Megan Ogle |
| Linda Armstrong | Karlene Gordon | Austin Parkinson |
| Drew Bergeron | Alice Grimes | Maria Rosado |
| Anakin Boeni | James Helm | Gene Ruryk |
| Josef Boeni | Jeannine Helm | Suzanne Ruryk |
| Jane Boyack | Noel Kirton | Sheila Seale |
| Sandra Bradshaw | Theresa Knight | Gina Storr |
| Gavin Bramwell | Larry Lock | Jim Storr |
| Mother Jane Clark | John Luposello | Joe Sturges |
| Steve Coole | Eleonore Macripo | Mary Sturges |
| Donna Dyson | Diana Mahoney | Connie Tracey |
| Anita Erickson | Imantee Mallay | Obiajulu Udokwu |
| Ann Forehand | Sabrina Mallay | Rick Unger |
| Buddy Forehand | Stanley Mallay | Sandy Unger |
| Arthur Forrest | Don Manny | Keith Whitacre |
| Phyllis Forrest | Edna Marcus | Stuart Wilson |
| John Foster | Henrietta Martin | Vera Wilson |

Family & Friends

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| Sean | Diana Kuharske | Ruth Rees |
| Kendra | Frances LaCroix | Timothy Reid |
| Judith Bergeron | Normand LaCroix | Linda Rosenberg |
| Bollech Family | Francine LaCroix Thibault | Jeannette Scanlan |
| Reta Bramwell | Lantigua Family | Schoff Family |
| Rose Brown | Anne Lee | Inge Sebach |
| Reverend Bill Boyer | Bob Link | Nathan Smith |
| Cooper Coole | Peggy Link | Terry Vander Meer |
| Reverend Cass Daly | Terry Macripo | Denise Thibault Vespa |
| Betty Davis | Maksimowicz Family | Kathleen Whitacre |
| James Dorn, Jr. | Eleanor Meade | Doris Wilson |
| Mary Dorn | David Moore | Joyce Wilson |
| Mark Jenkins | Danny Nemeth | Tom Wilson |
| Gordon Knight | Megha Patel | Richard Wolf |

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
 Jonathan Norris U.S. Navy, USS Stout, Norfolk
 Tyler Reece, U.S. Army, Afghanistan
 Ian Todd, NJ National Guard Bravo Company 1-114, Syria
 Logan T. Wells, U.S. Marine Reserves

Those Celebrating Birthdays

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| 5.27 | John Mihalaki | 5.31 | Arlene Kirton |
| 5.27 | Dom Palmisano | 5.31 | Roylando Smith |
| 5.27 | Jo Gamelli | 6.1 | Theresa Knight |

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

and in Loving Memory of Phil Sinns
Given with Love by Sylvia Sinns

and in Loving Memory of John Paul Jones
a bright light and generous soul to all
Given with Love by his sons Garret and Kyle Tyson

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

and in Celebration of Donna Houk's Birthday
Given with Love by Buddy & Ann Forehand

A/C REPLACEMENT DONATIONS AS OF 5.20.2024

GOAL	\$ 40,000.00
TOTAL DONATED	\$10,959.12
REMAINING GOAL	\$29,040.88

RED BAG SUNDAY: Please consider taking a red bag this Sunday (or an envelope for a monetary donation) and filling it with a few of the items needed at the Neighborhood Center of South Lake. Red bags, monetary donation envelopes, and lists of needed items can be found at our Neighborhood Center Kiosk in the Parish Hall. These items help support the work of the Neighborhood Center of South Lake as they care for those in need within our community. Your participation is very much appreciated.

Please contact Keith Whitacre (952.239.5870 or keith.whitacre@gmail.com) or Peggy Hope (352.429.9778 or rush1937@embarqmail.com) if you have any questions.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: The Church Office will be **closed on Monday, May 27, 2024**. All emails and voicemail messages will be answered when we return on Tuesday, May 28, 2024. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. Jim Dorn at jmdorn3@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School has come to an end for this school year, to be picked up again the fourth Sunday of August, Sunday, August 25, 2024. We have had such fun with the kiddos and are blessed to be a small part of their lives. They have blessed us in so many ways. Have a glorious summer and we look forward to seeing you and your kiddos in August. Hugs and Blessings, Karen

SINGING SAINTS: The Singing Saints are taking a summer break and will reconvene in August with Auditions, start practicing and come out and audition for the Choir! Please contact Hugh Dial (863.557.8803 or dizzyfingers103@msn.com) if you have any questions.

SCHOOL BREAK FEEDING PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN: The Community Outreach Committee met this past week and during our meeting, Keith Whitacre shared information regarding the School Break Feeding Program. The statistics were alarming, and as a committee we unanimously decided this was a program we and our church family should get behind and support. Children in Lake County receive free breakfast and lunch during the school year; however, during the summer months, families in need struggle to feed their children. We as a committee and as a church whole believe no child should go to bed hungry and are asking for your help to prevent that within our community. All proceeds collected will be given to the Neighborhood Center of South Lake and will be used to purchase food for children in the South Lake area who rely on school-issued meals. **Beginning this Sunday, May 26th, please join us in the Breezeway where you can choose an envelope from our fundraising wall and help provide food for the School Break Feeding Program.** Some of the envelopes have a surprise in them for you too! Also needed are canned pasta, cereal, mac & cheese, shelf stable milk, snack bars, oatmeal packets, and peanut butter.

Some statistics shared with us regarding the School Break Feeding Program: before Covid, the program could feed a child for \$10.00 for the summer and today it now costs \$50.00 for that same child. The Snap Summer EBT program is a government matching program with the state that our state did not match, and the Stamp Out Hunger program, which is also counted on for food is about 70% less than last year. We are currently targeting about 600 kids for the summer feeding which costs about \$30,000. In the past we fed over 1,000 children so with more funding and food we can feed more children. Additionally, there are families on a program called Alice, they usually cycle out; however, with the rising food costs, families need to stay in the program longer which puts a strain on all the food needs within the community.

Please contact Keith Whitacre (952.239.5870 or keith.whitacre@gmail.com) if you have any questions. We thank you in advance for supporting this vital summer feeding program!

2024 GRADUATES: Please contact Hope Blume (352.394.3855 or hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) no later than **Monday, May 27, 2024** if you have a child or grandchild graduating from Highschool, College, Technical or Trade School this Spring as we would like to celebrate these huge milestones!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - GAMES CREW LEADER NEEDED: I NEED YOUR HELP!! AGAIN!!! Our Games Crew Leader has work conflicts and will not be able to work VBS into her schedule. Can you help? Will you help? We have several Crew Helpers, but we need a Crew Leader. Please give this prayerful consideration and let me know if God is tugging at your heart and I will fix you right up. Please, please, please consider it as we really need YOU! Hugs and Blessings, Karen

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – PRINTED MATERIALS REMINDER: If you are volunteering during VBS and need materials copied and/or decorations printed, please provide to Hope no later than Friday, May 31, 2024.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - CONSTRUCTION HAS BEGUN: One of our reefs is on display at the front of the Sanctuary Altar. Do you recognize your donations? There will be at least six reefs in varying sizes throughout the church campus so if you don't see your donations on this reef today, you can be sure they will be on one of the others. Our volunteers have done amazing things with your recycled items as well as your purchased items. Thank you for all your donations my friends, and an enormous thank you to our volunteer crew, an awesome and fun group of creative ladies. And, really, don't you just LOVE the awesome coconut fish?!? Hugs and Blessings, Karen

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEEDS: You all have been so generous with your donations, and I only need two of the items left on the Parish Hall board, Rope for our docks and Grass Picks. I do still desperately want some more coconuts, so please keep a look out for those if you are travelling to southern Florida. We did find full coconuts at Key Food if anyone would like to purchase and donate one (or more). 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, May 26, 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.

ENGLISH 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 (kathyto8069@yahoo.com) for additional information. Classes will meet this **Monday, May 27, 2024, at 10:30 am, and Thursday, May 30, 2024, at 11:00 am.** The English classes will take a short summer break and not meet during the month of June; however, will resume in July.

REFRESH GROUP MEETING: The Refresh Group will meet this **Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 1:00 pm** in the Little House. If you have a spouse or family member with Dementia or Alzheimer's disease and would like a safe place to share and find support and comfort, please reach out to Claudia Seitz-Ricklick (352.552.2469 or seitzric@earthlink.net). Please join these beautiful women as they provide support, comfort, and care for those caring for a loved one suffering from Dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Everything shared in the group is confidential and supported by Fr. Jim Dorn and the Care Ministry Team.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: The Wednesday Bible Study will meet this **Wednesday, May 29, 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. All are welcome! Bible Study will take a short summer break and not meet during the month of June; however, will resume meeting in July.

GOSPEL STUDY WITH HUGH: Come join Hugh Dial this **Wednesday May 29, 2024, at 12:30 pm** in the Parish Hall or at **2:00 pm** in the Church Office as he presents Gospel. Gospel, a new four-hour docuseries, brings gospel and secular artists together for an incredibly inspiring celebration. It explores the rich history of Black spirituality through sermons and songs. From Professor Henry Louis Gates, Jr., executive producer, host, and writer. Please feel free to bring some friends, snacks, and drinks while watching and delving into this incredible new docuseries, a sequel to our past study, The Black Church. Please contact Hugh Dial (863.557.8803 or dizzyfingers103@msn.com) if you have any questions.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING: Please join us this **Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. We will be discussing the upcoming VBS program and working on some of the items needed. If you are volunteering during the program and/or are interested in helping beforehand or behind the scenes, please come join us. Please contact Karen Freiberg (freibergs4@aol.com or 703.862.2894) if you have any questions.

CONFIRMATION/INQUIRER'S CLASS: Classes will meet this **Thursday May 30, 2024, at 6:00 pm** in the Office and will meet every Thursday evening during the month of May. This class is open to all adults and youth. Please contact Fr. Jim (352.394.3855 or rector@stmatthiasfl.com) if you have any questions.

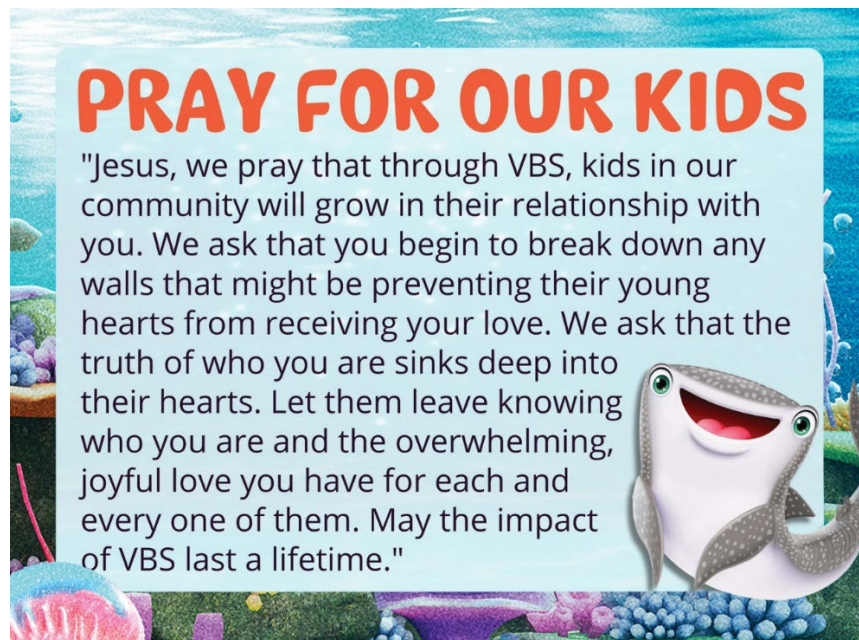
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CORAL REEF WORKSHOP – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Come join us this **Friday, May 31 and Saturday, June 1, 2024, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm** in the Parish Hall to help create our underwater masterpieces. No crafting skills are needed - come for a bit or spend all day - lots of help is needed! Please feel free to bring lunch and/or snacks with you! There is lots to do and something for everyone – come join us and be a part of this amazing underwater adventure! Please contact Karen Freiberg (freibergs4@aol.com or 703.862.2894) if you have any questions.

THE LONGEST DAY FUNDRAISER: Please join Stacy Huntzinger on **Thursday, June 20, 2024, between 10:00 am to 4:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. There are over 5,000 people living with Alzheimer's in Lake County, and in honor of those who have Alzheimer's, their families, and their caregivers, come out and join us for card making, companionship, and raising funds and awareness for the cause. This is a drop-in event, and each participant is asked to donate \$10.00 or more. All funds from this event will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association. Participants will be able to make and keep three greeting cards, all supplies will be provided, and each participant may also stay after they complete their three cards to make additional cards for St. Matthias. Please contact Stacy Huntzinger (407.810.8971) if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

TOOL ROOM ORGANIZATION DAY – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We will be loading all our tools and buildings and grounds supplies into our new Tool Room on **Saturday, June 29, 2024, beginning at 9:00 am** at the Church Office. We could use a bunch of volunteers to help, if you would like to volunteer with this project, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall and/or contact Fred Jones (407.325.2256) if you have any questions.

FLOWER GUILD NEEDS: The Flower Guild needs vases; any sizes and types will work. The vases will be used for bringing the Altar Flowers to our homebound and local assisted living facilities and hospitals. They do not need to be new, any extras you have at home that you no longer need would be awesome too! If you can donate, please bring them to the Parish Hall and place them in the box marked "Vases". Please contact Lorna Manny (lornamanny23@gmail.com or 352.250.6202) if you have any questions. Thank you!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CORAL CREATIONS: Have you seen all the coral creations behind the folding door in the Parish Hall? Volunteers have been busy at home and at workshops making, making, making, and what about those coconuts turned into fish?!? Now you see why I was so excited to get coconut donations! If you haven't had an opportunity to peek, here are a few pictures to give you an idea. Please join us in the Parish Hall the next few Fridays and Saturdays between 11:00 am to 4:00 pm as we continue creating coral, seaweed and other creatures and begin constructing the underwater reefs. It's a labor of love and we love it when you help! Thanks so much! Hugs and Blessings, Karen



FREE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

June 10th - June 14th
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Rising Kindergartners
to Sixth Graders

FREE LUNCH PROVIDED!

Register Today
through Eventbrite



QUESTIONS?
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REASONS TO VOLUNTEER

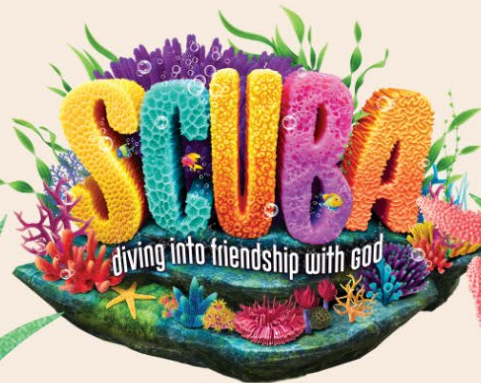
Shine Jesus' Light

Care for Kids

Uplift Spirits

Build Relationships

Awesome Fellowship



Summer Feeding Fundraiser



**Proceeds to the Neighborhood
Center of South Lake's School
Break Feeding Program**



The
**Neighborhood
Center** *of South Lake*

How Can I Help?

Some envelopes include a fun surprise!

Join us in the breezeway where you can choose an envelope from our fundraising wall and help children in the South Lake area who rely on school-issued meals and need food during the summer break.

Monetary Donations

1. Choose an envelope with the amount you would like to give.
2. Enclose a check or cash in the envelope for the amount listed on the front or use our online* option.
3. Place the envelope in the offering box, drop off at the church office, or in the locked mailbox outside the church office.

Food Donations

Canned pasta
Cereal
Snack bars
Peanut butter
Mac-&-Cheese
Oatmeal packets
Shelf-stable milk

*Go to:
<https://onrealm.org/StMattHiasEpisc37600/Give>
and choose "Neighborhood Center" as the giving fund.

It used to only take \$10 to feed one child during the summer, but with the rise of costs, that number has risen to **\$50 per child**. The program's goal is to help 600 children, which equals about **\$30,000 total**.

Questions?

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keith.whitacre@gmail.com

Thank You for Your Support!