

This Week at St. Matthias

Sunday, August 2

Big Red Bus Blood Drive

Popping For A Purpose Fundraiser

Church Office Closed

9:00 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary

9:00 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook

10:00 AM Popcorn Fundraising Help – Library

10:00 AM Blood Drive – In Front of Church Office

10:00 AM Jamaican Independence Celebration – Parish Hall

11:00 AM Adult Sunday School – Music Room

11:15 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary

Nursery Care is Available Every Sunday

8:45 am to 12:15 pm in the Sunday School Building

Monday, August 3

8:00 AM Popping For A Purpose Fundraiser Ends At 8 AM

9:00 AM Count Team One – Church Office

12:00 PM Building & Grounds Meeting – Church Office

6:00 PM Claudia's Al-Anon Book Club – Library

7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Library

Tuesday, August 4

11:00 AM Staff Meeting – Church Office

Church Office Closed During Staff Meeting

1:00 PM Finance Team Meeting – Church Office

Wednesday, August 5

10:30 AM Bible Study with Wanda – Parish Hall

Thursday, August 6

4:00 PM Choir Social Time – Music Room

4:15 PM Choir Rehearsal – Music Room & Sanctuary

6:00 PM Al-Anon Private Meeting with Claudia – Library

7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Library

Friday, August 7

Altar Guild Team One

Church Office Closed

1:30 PM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Office

Saturday, August 8

Church Office Closed

9:00 AM Scrapbooking/Crafting w/Linda – Church Office

10:30 AM Altar Guild Luncheon – Parish Hall

Sunday, August 9

Church Office Closed

9:00 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary

9:00 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook

10:00 AM Coffee & Conversations – Parish Hall (10am-11am)

11:00 AM Adult Sunday School – Music Room

11:15 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary

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

and in Celebration of Glen & Hope Martin's
52nd Wedding Anniversary

and in Celebration of Glen Martin's Birthday
Given with Love by Hope Martin

and in Celebration of Sarah Blume's 28th Birthday
Given with Love by Rick & Hope Blume

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

and in Celebration of Sarah Blume's 28th Birthday
Given with Love by Hannah Blume

Those on Our Prayer List

Immediate & Urgent Prayers

Mother Jane Clark

Larry Lock

Billy Nelson

Linda Denslow

Diana Mahoney

Marywynne Shattuck

Samantha Latham

Nadia Mashi

Family of Nolan Wells

Parish Family Continued Prayers

Doreen Asregadoo

Diane Gustafson

Mary Sturges

Renee Babcock

Jeannine Helm

Joe Sturges

Tristen Babcock

Deidre Huffman

Kayla Taylor

Josef Boeni

Anne Luposello

Linda Thorp

Sandra Bradshaw

Kathy Mahoney

Connie Tracey

Esther Catino

Imantee Mallay

Liane Trainello

Michael Clark

Stanley Mallay

Sandy Unger

Hugh Dial

Lorna Manny

Dee Wilson

Gerri Engel

Don Manny

Stuart Wilson

Sarah Floyd

Olive McPherson

Vera Wilson

Miranda Foster

Tracy Morelli

Dolores Wilson-Malone

Michael Giallella

Sheila Seale

Family & Friends Continued Prayers

Nathan Allabaugh

John Floyd

Jennifer Lacroix

Maria Aureliani

Jenna Froehlich

Danny Nemeth

Eric Barefoot

Eva Gloriogo

Felicidad Robinson

Anakin Boeni

Marc Gloriogo

Autumn Rose

Isabel Boeni

Wendy Gloriogo

Gene Ruryk

Cooper Coole

Bob Gourley

Suzanne Ruryk

Morgan DiSilva

Sharon Hess

Denise Thibault Vespa

Cheryl Ferrell

Frances LaCroix

Barbara Woodford

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, SC

Greta Gaasch, U.S. Army Reserve

Lucas Freiberg, Federal Corrections Officer, Coleman Federal Prison

Noah Froehlich, VP16 War Eagles

Jeremy Linney, U.S. Army, SOCOM, MacDill Air Force Base, FL

Kaitlyn Linney, U.S. Army, Ft. Campbell, KY

Tyler Mathews, U.S. Army, Iraq

Ryan Moore, Clermont Fire Department Station #3

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

8.2 Samuel Moser

8.5 Jessica Gustafson

8.3 Godfrey Onugha

8.5 Michael Giallella

8.5 Bibbi Farashian

8.8 John Taylor

Those Celebrating Anniversaries

8.3 David Longwater & Lidia Nembrotti

8.6 Bob & Linda Adkins

Those Who Have Died

David Lynes, *Bob Radovich's Brother*

THE BIG RED BUS IS COMING TO ST. MATTHIAS: Come help save lives this **Sunday, August 2, 2026, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**, in front of the St. Matthias Church Office. Appointments can be made using the following link: https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/1573698 and walk-ins are welcome! Every two seconds someone needs a blood transfusion, every two seconds!!! 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! Thank you for your support in this life-saving program!

POPPING FOR A PURPOSE – EXTENDED UNTIL 8:00 AM MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2026: The Popping for a Purpose fundraiser is live, and you can order your popcorn now. Remember you can order and have it sent to family, friends, shut-ins, grands, and don't forget yourselves. Please also share this link with all your friends and family on Facebook and social media so that others can order too. We will also be sharing the link and additional information on the St. Matthias Facebook page in hopes of getting some community involvement too. **Fundraiser Link:** <https://popup.doublegood.com/s/g4oit272>

If you need help ordering, come visit Karen and Hope in the Library this Sunday, August 2, 2026, during fellowship.

COFFEE MUGS NEEDED: Before the coffee starts brewing, we need your help! We're collecting gently used coffee mugs for our Sunday Coffee & Fellowship time. Instead of using disposable cups, we'd love to build a collection of donated mugs. It's a simple way to reduce costs, care for God's creation by cutting down on waste, and add a little fun to our fellowship each week.

Don't worry—you probably won't get your own mug back! But that's part of the charm. Imagine sipping your coffee from a different mug every Sunday, each with its own personality and story.

If you have a few extra mugs tucked away in your cupboards, please bring them to church over the next few weeks, and place in the bin marked "Coffee Mugs" in the Parish Hall. Thank you for helping us make Coffee & Fellowship both welcoming and environmentally conscious! If you have any questions, please contact Mindy Giallella (allellaigm@gmail.com) or Hope Blume (hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com).

TAKE HOME A ST. MATTHIAS CANVAS TOTE TODAY: Show your St. Matthias spirit with our official St. Matthias Canvas Tote Bag featuring the church logo and our "Love Lives Here" design! These sturdy, reusable totes are available for **just \$5.00 each** and make wonderful gifts for family and friends—or a special treat for yourself. **Purchase your tote this Sunday, August 2, 2026, at the Popcorn Fundraiser Help Desk in the Library.** Supplies are limited, so be sure to pick yours up while they last!

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Sunday School start date is fast approaching (September 13) and we are still in need of an additional teacher. Don't be shy. Please consider joining the teaching team...a small step for our kiddos and a giant step for God. I'm always around to chat.

Registration link for Sunday School and Nursery:

https://stmatthiasfl.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/STM-Sunday-School-Registration-Form_2026.pdf

Parents, I need this information to satisfy diocesan guidelines and to make sure the kiddos are in the correct class. Hugs and blessings, Karen (freibergs4@aol.com)

S.M.A.C. (St. Matthias Ads & Classifieds): Sunday School is **in search of a 4-5 drawer vertical filing cabinet**. If you are downsizing or otherwise needing to get rid of one, and are willing to donate it, we could take it off your hands, just let me know. Karen at freibergs4@aol.com. Thank you so much!

COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS: Please join us **Sundays in the Parish Hall from 10:00 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. Please Contact Peggy Hope (352.988.7525 or rush1937@embarqmail.com) if you have any questions. Everyone is welcome!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Will meet this **Sunday, August 2, 2026, at 11:00 am** in the Music Room. Please contact Matt Mobley (407.267.2312) if you have any questions.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING: The Building & Grounds Committee will meet this **Monday, August 3, 2026, at 12:00 noon** in the Church Office to discuss upcoming projects and workdays. Anyone who would like to help around the church campus is welcome to join in at the meeting! Please contact Fred Jones (407.325.2256 or fjones59@cfl.rr.com) or Maxine Hylton (305.775.3415 or maxhyl1@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

STAFF MEETING: Staff meeting this **Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at 11:00 am** in the Church Office. The Church Office will be closed during the hour-long meeting. Please contact Hope Blume (352.394.3855 or hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) if you have any questions.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: The Finance Committee will meet this **Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at 1:00 pm** in the Church Office. Please contact Michael Giallella (michaelgiallella@stmatthiasfl1.com or 352.394.3855) if you have any questions.

BIBLE STUDY WITH WANDA KLAAS: Please join Wanda this **Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 10:30 am** in the Parish Hall. Contact Wanda Klaas (352.272.4653 or klaas46@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

CHOIR REHEARSAL: Choir practice meets this **Thursday, August 6, 2026, at 4:15 pm** in the Music Room. If you would like to have social time prior to the start of practice, please join us at 4:00 pm in the Music Room, with practice promptly at 4:15 pm. See what it is like, meet new friends, and lift your voice with us. If you are interested or have questions, feel free to contact Gina Mobley (407.782.3065) or simply show up. We would love to have you!

ALTAR GUILD LUNCHEON: The Altar Guild Luncheon will take place on Saturday, August 8, 2026, at 10:30 am in the Parish Hall. Please contact Wanda Klaas (352.272.4653 or klaas46@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

HOPE & HANNAH HELP DESK: The Hope and Hannah Help Desk is available one Sunday each month during fellowship time. This is a great opportunity to receive assistance with Realm Giving, the Realm Directory, completing membership paperwork, background checks, volunteer paperwork, ministry information, directory pictures, and any additional questions you may have. Whether you are new to the church, updating your information, interested in volunteering, or simply need help navigating Realm, Hope and Hannah are happy to assist you. Stop by the help desk on **Sunday, August 30, 2026**, in the Library during fellowship time for friendly support and helpful resources.

SAVE-THE-DATE: Join us on **Friday, September 18, from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm** for an evening of delicious food, fun, and fellowship at our **Italian Night!** Enjoy a wonderful selection of authentic Italian dishes and sweet treats, thoughtfully curated by the Mathews and Nembrotti families and friends under the direction of Chef CZ and Chef Lidio. There will be something for everyone, including delicious Italian dinner and dessert, music and fellowship, and a fun craft activity for our younger family members in the library. The cost to attend is \$20.00 per adult and children 12 and under eat for free! Bring your family, invite your friends, and join us for a memorable evening of great food, laughter, and community. More details and ticket information coming soon—save the date today! Please contact Glen Martin (352.391.0430 or glenmartin286@gmail.com) or Fred Jones (407.325.2256 or fjones59@cfl.rr.com) if you have any questions and/or would like to help with the event!

SAVE-THE-DATE: Mark your calendars for our **Church Rummage Sale** on **Friday, October 23, and Saturday, October 24!** Now is the perfect time to start cleaning out your closets, drawers, garage, and office. If you have gently used items that are taking up space and are no longer needed, set them aside to donate to the rummage sale. More details about donation dates and times will be shared soon. Thank you for helping make this event a success—we appreciate your generosity and support! Please contact Eddie Rodriguez (407.271.7817 or edrodz2391@gmail.com) if you have any questions and/or would like to help with the event.

HIGHSCHOOL FIT PROGRAM NEEDS (FAMILIES IN TRANSITION): During the Summer visits to check in on Families in Transition, the counselors focus on non-perishable food items, and they always appreciate hotel-sized items. The Families in Transition (FIT) program are in need of the items listed below. If you can help with any of the items, please place them in the red rolling bin in the Parish Hall. Thank you very much for your continued support! **FOOD ITEMS:** *breakfast bars, canned meats, canned Chef Boyardee, individually wrapped items, ramen noodles, shelf stable milk and food* **HYGEINE ITEMS:** *deodorant, feminine products, soap, toothpaste, wet wipes.*



DONATE BLOOD

St. Matthias Episcopal Church

Sunday, August 2
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

All donors receive*:

- **\$25 eGift Card**
- **Big Red Bus T-shirt**
- **Wellness Checkup** including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening.

Fact: Only 3% of those who are eligible actually donate blood.



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