

This Week at St. Matthias

Sunday, August 4

Church Offices Closed

- 7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word – Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Rite II with Music – Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook
- 9:30 AM Nursery Care – Little House
- 10:00 AM Coffee & Conversation – Parish Hall
- 11:15 AM Rite II with Music – Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Nursery Care – Little House

Monday, August 5

Hope Blume on Vacation

- 9:30 AM Count Team One – Office
- 11:00 AM English Class w/Wanda – Little House
- 6:15 PM Claudia's Al-Anon Book Club Meeting – Parish Hall
- 7:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Parish Hall

Tuesday, August 6

Hope Blume on Vacation

No Events Scheduled for Today

Wednesday, August 7

Hope Blume on Vacation

- 10:30 AM Wednesday Bible Study w/Wanda – Parish Hall

Thursday, August 8

Hope Blume on Vacation

- 11:00 AM English Class w/Wanda – Little House
- 7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Parish Hall

Friday, August 9

Church Offices Closed

- 1:00 PM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Room
- 5:00 PM Altar Guild Team Two Set-Up – Sanctuary
- 6:00 PM Game Night – Parish Hall

Saturday, August 10

Church Offices Closed

- 9:00 AM Scrapbooking with Linda – Parish Hall
- 11:00 AM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Room

Sunday, August 11

Church Offices Closed

- 7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word – Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Rite II with Music – 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

Vestry Members

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| 2025 | Cindi Curtis, <i>Treasurer</i> | ninicurtis55@msn.com |
| | Lorna Manny, <i>Sr. Warden</i> | lornamanny23@gmail.com |
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Attendance

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
7.28.24	7:45 AM Service	15
7.28.24	9:30 AM Service	60
7.28.24	11:15 AM Service	41
	Total:	116
	<i>Online Views</i>	<i>103</i>

Those on Our Prayer List

Parish Family

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

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| Harold Andrews | John Foster | Elisa Marsh |
| Geny Arrunategui | Miranda Foster | Henrietta Martin |
| Ray Arthurs | Connie Gamb | Lidio Nembrotti |
| Linda Armstrong | Michael Giallella | Elizabeth Nemeth |
| Drew Bergeron | Diane Gordon | Megan Ogle |
| Anakin Boeni | Alice Grimes | Austin Parkinson |
| Josef Boeni | James Helm | Maria Rosado |
| Jane Boyack | Jeannine Helm | Gene Ruryk |
| Sandra Bradshaw | Fred Jones | Suzanne Ruryk |
| Gavin Bramwell | Julie Kessler | Sheila Seale |
| Mother Jane Clark | Theresa Knight | Joe Sturges |
| Steve Coole | John Luposello | Mary Sturges |
| Geraldine Engel | Eleonore Macripo | Connie Tracey |
| Anita Erickson | Diana Mahoney | Rick Unger |
| Ann Forehand | Imantee Mallay | Sandy Unger |
| Buddy Forehand | Stanley Mallay | Stuart Wilson |
| Arthur Forrest | Don Manny | Vera Wilson |
| Phyllis Forrest | Edna Marcus | |

Family & Friends

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| Sean | Diana Kuharske | Ruth Rees |
| Kendra | Frances LaCroix | Timothy Reid |
| Alex Assadi | Normand LaCroix | Linda Rosenberg |
| Amber Assadi | Francine LaCroix Thibault | Jeannette Scanlan |
| Gabby Assadi | Lantigua Family | Schoff Family |
| Paula Assadi | Anne Lee | Inge Sebach |
| Judith Bergeron | Bob Link | Nathan Smith |
| Bollech Family | Peggy Link | Gina Storr |
| Reta Bramwell | Terry Macripo | Jim Storr |
| Rose Brown | Maksimowitz Family | Terry Vander Meer |
| Reverend Bill Boyer | Eleanore Meade | Denise Thibault Vespa |
| Cooper Coole | Brian Miller | Kathleen Whitacre |
| Reverend Cass Daly | David Moore | Doris Wilson |
| James Dorn, Jr. | Danny Nemeth | Joyce Wilson |
| Mary Dorn | Ty Neu | Tom Wilson |
| Stephanie Engel | Megha Patel | Richard Wolf |
| Mark Jenkins | Harold Phillips | Kathy Wood |
| Gordon Knight | BJ Raftery | |

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, Paris Island
 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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| 8.5 | Bibbi Fararashian | 8.8 | John Taylor |
| 8.5 | Jessica Gustafson | 8.9 | Diane Gustafson |
| 8.5 | Michael Giallella | 8.10 | Bill Linney |
| 8.8 | Daveson Marsh | | |

Those Who Have Died

Betty Davis, *Jane Boyack's mother*

The Altar Flowers & Greens are given to the
 Glory of God & St. Matthias Church
 and in Celebration of Sarah Blume's 26th Birthday
 Given with Love by Rick & Hope Blume

The Sanctuary Light is given to the
 Glory of God & St. Matthias Church
 and in Celebration of Our Grandsons
 Nick, Joey & Tyler
 Given with Love by Jose and Nancy González

A/C REPLACEMENT DONATIONS AS OF 7.31.2024

GOAL	\$ 40,000.00
TOTAL DONATED	\$11,649.12
REMAINING GOAL	\$28,350.88

HOPE BLUME ON VACATION: Hope will be out of the office beginning Monday, August 5, 2024, returning on Monday, August 12, 2024. All emails will be returned on Monday, August 12, 2024. If you need immediate assistance, please contact Hannah Blume (352.394.3855 or hannahblume@stmatthiasfl1.com).

BACKPACKS: There are many prepped backpacks being stored in the Library for the B.L.A.K.C. Back-to-School Backpack Event on Sunday, August 4, 2024, at the Clermont City Center. The backpacks will be picked up on Sunday afternoon from the organization, and we ask that everyone not use that space until after Sunday. Thank you for your understanding and patience. Please contact Hope Blume if you have any questions or concerns.

PRAYER SHAWLS: If you have any completed Prayer Shawls, please bring them to Sunday services and drop them off at the Church office or hand them to Lorna Manny or Janette Dorn. Once they are collected, Fr. Jim will have a blessing of the shawls at the altar. Please contact Lorna Manny (352.241.4700) or Janette Dorn (352.235.5168) if you have any questions.

REFRESH GROUP: The Refresh Group is currently taking break with in-person meetings; however, Claudia Seitz-Ricklick is available for anyone who needs support, comfort, and care for those caring for a loved one suffering from Dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Please reach out to Claudia (seitzric@earthlink.net 352.552.2469) if you need assistance, and/or have any questions.

FLOWER GUILD HELP NEEDED: We still need **one more volunteer** 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.

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER OF SOUTH LAKE: The Neighborhood Center of South Lake would love to receive any **Kroger Blue Bags** that you may get with your Kroger food deliveries. These bags are very sturdy and work well with the center's food distribution. Please place the bags in the labeled bucket in the Parish Hall. Please contact Peggy Hope (352.429.9778 or rush1937@embarqmail.com) if you have any questions.

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.

BACKPACK EVENT: B.L.A.K.C. Events & Outreach will be hosting their annual back-to-school backpack distribution on **Sunday, August 4, 2024**. They would love for our church family to spread the word about the available school supplies and if available, help with the distribution of the backpacks on **Sunday, August 4, 2024**, at the Clermont City Center (620 W Montrose Street Clermont, Fl 34711). The event takes place from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm, volunteers are needed from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. If you would like to volunteer, please go the following link to sign-up: <https://forms.gle/YWEob91osAZP2ixi6>. B.L.A.K.C. wants to ensure that families in need can easily access these school supplies. Please visit the following link to help spread the word to family and friends: <https://form.jotform.com/231796557399174>. We are excited to partner with these incredible women who are caring for our community and believe "when communities collaborate, communities thrive!" If you have any questions, please contact Arielle Richardson at arichardson@black.org.

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 10:30 am and Thursdays at 11:00 am in the Little House. Please contact Wanda Klaas (klaas46@yahoo.com) for additional information. Classes will meet this **Monday, August 5, 2024, at 11:00 am** and **Thursday, August 8, 2024, at 11:00 am** in the Little House.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY WITH WANDA: The Wednesday Bible Study will meet this **Wednesday, August 7, 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!

GAME NIGHT: Join us for a fun-filled Game Night at St. Matthias on **Friday, August 9, 2024, beginning at 6:00 pm!** We'll have a blast playing board games, card games, and more. It's a great opportunity to connect, have fun, fellowship, and unwind. Feel free to bring food, snacks, drinks, games, and bring your family and friends along too! Contact Anne Hollywood (228.229.6817 or Annehollywood75@gmail.com) if you have any questions. Hope to See You There!

SCRAPBOOKING WITH LINDA: **Saturday, August 10, 2024, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet new friends, have fun and create cards, scrapbooking pages, and craft projects. Please contact Linda Bullen (352.516.3845 or mamabulle@aol.com) if you have any questions. Everyone is welcome to join in on the fun!

ONLINE DIRECTORY TRAINING (Sign-up Required): Hannah Blume will be holding additional instructional classes on how to download and navigate the online directory and online giving. **Please add your name to one of the dates and times listed on the sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall** and/or contact Hannah if you have any questions (hannahblume@stmatthiasfl1.com or 352.394.3855). Classes will be limited to ten participants per time slot to ensure Hannah has the time to answer everyone's questions and provide individual assistance if needed. Please be sure to bring all the devices you want to be able to access the directory on (laptop, mobile phone, iPad, tablet).

Monday, August 12th at 6:00 pm

Tuesday, August 13th at 10:00 am & 2:00 pm

Wednesday, August 14th at 10:00 am & 1:00 pm

BIBLE STUDY WITH JANETTE DORN (Sign-up Required): Classes will begin on **Tuesday, August 13, 2024, at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Hall and will run for ten weeks. This session will focus on Revelation Part Three, what is the sign of his coming and of the end of age, chapters 4-22. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall if you plan to attend. Contact Janette Dorn (jsmdorn@gmail.com or 352.235.5168) if you have any questions. Everyone is welcome to attend!

CONFIRMATION CLASS: If you are planning to be confirmed or received by Bishop Holcomb on Sunday, August 25, 2024, please join us on **Wednesday, August 14, 2024, at 6:00 pm** in the Church Office. Please contact Fr. Jim (352.394.3855 or jmdorn3@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

RETIRED MEN'S LUNCH BUNCH (RSVP Required): The Retired Men's Lunch Bunch will meet on **Wednesday, August 21, 2024, at 12 noon** at Beef 'O' Bradys (1642 E. Hwy 50, Clermont, 34711). 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 so that there will be a seat at the table for you. We hope to see you there!

BISHOP'S VISIT & CONFIRMATION: Bishop Justin Holcomb will be celebrating with us on **Sunday, August 25, 2024!** We will have **one service at 10:00 am with a potluck reception** to follow immediately after the service in the Parish Hall. Please contact Hope Blume (hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com or 352.394.3855) if you have any questions regarding the Bishop's visit or confirmation and contact Peggy Hope (352.988.7525) or Margaret Jahreis (352.636.0061) if you would like to assist with the reception and/or have any questions. We are asking everyone to please bring a favorite dish or dessert to share during the reception.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE...UPDATE...UPDATE...UPDATE (Registration Required): Things have changed a little bit for the Bishop's visit on **Sunday, August 25, 2024.** All children, including nursery kiddos will meet at 9:55 am in the breezeway by the main entrance to the church. When Father Jim has finished with his announcements, he will have us all go to the front of the church for a blessing as we begin our new Sunday School year. We will then head to the Sunday School building for our classes. Each child must be registered for Sunday School, a separate form for each child, including nursery kiddos. Please contact Karen Freiberg (freibergs4@aol.com or 703.862.2894) if you have any questions. You can find all the necessary registration forms by going to the church's website at www.stmatthiasfl.com or directly to the online fillable form link at:

https://stmatthiasfl.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Sunday-School-Registration-Form_8.25.2024.pdf.

Hard copies of the forms will also be available at the back of the church. Please be sure to complete both the registration form and the photo release form for each child.

COME LET US SING UNTO THE LORD! Beginning on **Wednesday, August 28, 2024**, we will have a singing school at St. Matthias! This is for anyone who likes to sing, good or bad, in tune or not. It is an opportunity to learn some music to sing well in church, new service music, and some old favorites. We will meet at 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm, choose the time most convenient for you. Plan to spend an hour to an hour and 15 minutes each week for about 5 weeks. Come have some fun with church music while enjoying some fellowship. Coffee and tea will be available one-half hour prior to singing. I hope to see many of you there! - Hugh

SINGING SAINTS: The Singing Saints are taking a summer break and **will reconvene in September**. Additional information will be shared in the coming weeks. Please contact Hugh Dial (863.557.8803 or dizzyfingers103@msn.com) if you have any questions.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER BREAK: Adult Sunday school will be **taking a summer break**. Classes **will resume on Sunday, September 8, 2024**, 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.

CALLING ALL STEPHEN MINISTERS: It has been a long while since we have had an official SM meeting, and we are ready to get back into the groove! If you are a Stephen Minister, please join us on **Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 6:00 pm** in the Church Office for a kick-off meeting. Please contact Fr. Jim (352.394.3855 or jmdorn3@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

RESIN ART CLASS (RSVP Required): Are you interested in making a cutting board, lazy susan, charcuterie board, or other assorted options? Resin and color mediums are used to decorate wooden items. Please let Karen Freiberg know if you are interested (freibergs4@aol.com or 703.862.2894) and/or add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall and if there is enough interest, she will notify the artist to set up a class right in our very own Parish Hall. All the materials are supplied, and costs will be shared prior to sign-up. Karen recently participated in a class and loved the results.

SAVE-THE-DATE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SUNDAY: Please join us on **Sunday, October 6, 2024**, in the Parish Hall after each service for a Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast. We are looking forward to celebrating and showing our appreciation for all the hard work and dedication our church family shares with us and our community. We love and appreciate you ALL!

SAVE-THE-DATE PET BLESSING & VENDOR FAIR (Volunteers Needed): Please join us on **Saturday, October 19, 2024**, for our Second Annual Pet Blessing & Vendor Fair. Please contact Keith Whitacre (keith.whitacre@gmail.com or 952.239.5870) if you would like to help with the planning, volunteer during the event, and/or be a vendor. Additional information will be shared in the coming weeks.

SAVE-THE-DATE MINISTRY FAIR: Please join us on **Wednesday, January 29, 2025**, in the Parish Hall for a St. Matthias Ministry Fair! 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. Additional information will be shared in the coming months. Please contact Hope Blume (352.394.3855 or hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) if you have any questions.