

This Week at St. Matthias

Sunday, September 6

Church Office Closed

Altar Guild Team One

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)

11:15 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, September 7

Church Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day

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

7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Library

Tuesday, September 8

9:00 AM Count Team One – Church Office

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

11:00 AM Finance Team Meeting – Church Office

5:00 PM Tutoring with Linda – Counseling Office (5pm-7pm)

Wednesday, September 9

10:30 AM Bible Study with Wanda – Parish Hall

5:00 PM Yard Sale Committee Meeting – Church Office

Thursday, September 10

Fr. Jim – Vacation Day

4:00 PM Choir Social Time – Music Room

4:15 PM Choir Rehearsal – Music Room & Sanctuary

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

7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Library

Friday, September 11

Church Office Closed

Altar Guild Team Two

All Day Parish Hall Closed for Reception Set-Up

10:30 AM Beth Knight Book Study – Counseling Office

11:00 AM Marywynne Shattuck’s Private Family Internment

Saturday, September 12

Church Office Closed

All Day Parish Hall Closed for Reception Set-Up

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

Sunday, September 13

Church Office Closed

Back-to-School Blessing

Sunday School Classes Resume

Aleksei Valle-Bolanos’ Quinceañera Service & Reception

9:00 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary

9:00 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook

No Coffee Hour Between Services This Sunday

11:15 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary

11:15 AM Adult Sunday School – Music Room

12:15 AM Aleksei Valle-Bolanos’ Reception – Parish Hall

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

and in Loving Memory of James Dorn, Jr.
Given with Love by Fr. Jim & Janette Dorn

**The Sanctuary Candle is given to the
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Those on Our Prayer List

Immediate & Urgent Prayers

Josef Boeni

Ezra Perez

Darren Trevino

Mother Jane Clark

Perez Family

Dorothy Williams

Linda Denslow

Mary Sturges

Parish Family Continued Prayers

Doreen Asregadoo

Diane Gustafson

Olive McPherson

Renee Babcock

Jeannine Helm

Tracy Morelli

Tristen Babcock

Deidre Huffman

Sheila Seale

Sandra Bradshaw

Larry Lock

Joe Sturges

Esther Catino

Anne Luposello

Kayla Taylor

Michael Clark

Diana Mahoney

Linda Thorp

Hugh Dial

Kathy Mahoney

Connie Tracey

Gerri Engel

Nadia Mashi

Sandy Unger

Robert Eyer

Imantee Mallay

Dee Wilson

Sarah Floyd

Stanley Mallay

Stuart Wilson

Miranda Foster

Lorna Manny

Vera Wilson

Michael Giallella

Don Manny

Dolores Wilson-Malone

Family & Friends Continued Prayers

Nathan Allabaugh

Jenna Froehlich

Billy Nelson

Maria Aureliani

Eva Glorioso

Danny Nemeth

Eric Barefoot

Marc Glorioso

Autumn Rose

Anakin Boeni

Wendy Glorioso

Gene Ruryk

Isabel Boeni

Bob Gourley

Suzanne Ruryk

Cooper Coole

Sharon Hess

Denise Thibault Vespa

Morgan DiSilva

Frances LaCroix

Family of Nolan Wells

Cheryl Ferrell

Jennifer 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

9.6 Ann Watts

9.9 Miranda Foster

9.7 Wendy Verbeke

9.9 Luke Carter

9.7 Mike Boyack

9.9 Zeke Carter

9.7 Willa Blumenauer

9.9 Emily McNulty

9.8 Tom Montgomery

9.10 Miriam Onugha

9.9 Courtenay Ryan

9.12 Patricia Bell

Those Celebrating Anniversaries

9.7 Arnold & Carmen Gewirtz

9.7 Edward & Imantee Mallay

9.9 Richard & Barbara Elek

Those Who Have Died

Liane Trainello, *very dear friend and fellow parishioner*

SERVICE ATTENDANCE

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
8.31.26	9:00 AM Service	80
8.31.26	11:15 AM Service	49
Total		129



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday, September 13, 2026
Come Join the Fun!

It's important for children of all ages to be in the pews during church service and hearing that they are in attendance is a blessing. Sing out my littles...we all need to know you are worshiping with us. The book described below is in the Sunday School library and available to borrow if anyone would like to read it.

Robbie Castleman, author of *Parenting in the Pew: Guiding your Children into the Joy of Worship*, believes that Sunday morning isn't a success if she has only managed to keep the kids quiet. And she knows there's more to church for kids than trying out their new coloring books. Children are at church for the same reason as their parents: for the privilege of worshiping God.

Worship, Castleman writes, is "the most important thing you can ever train your child to do." So, with infectious passion, nitty-gritty advice and a touch of humor, she shows you how to help your children (from toddlers to teenagers) enter into worship. More than ever, *Parenting in the Pew: Guiding your Children into the Joy of Worship* is essential reading for parents and worship leaders who want to help children make joyful noises unto the Lord.

Parenting in the Pew: Guiding your Children into the Joy of Worship is about the priority of worship in the life of the church and the need to train children and young people in how to engage in this greatest of all human activities. Think you've heard it all when it comes to worship? Tired of reading another book on parenting? This book will surprise you. Castleman's easy-to-read style, entertaining stories, and practical insights will give you fresh eyes on the value of "church" no matter how old you are or your parental status. If you're an older adult, the book likely will leave you wishing you could do it all again. But don't worry, it's not too late to benefit from this thought-provoking book! Dr. Castleman has a real heart for real parents training real children in real churches.

"It takes the church to make disciples. Intentional intergenerational development within a church is hard in our culture because it is countercultural. It's hard because it is biblical. It's hard because it's costly—everyone in the congregation has to die to themselves to be servants to one another under the headship of Christ Jesus...

Intergenerational communities making disciples of all ages are simply worth it. Old people need the fresh laughter and perplexing humor of teenagers. Teenagers need to hear stories of faith and perseverance that number more years than they have lived. Single parents need to be included in unfractured families, and blended families need the inclusion of "aunts" and "uncles" in a fiduciary family that is less complicated than their own." (Pages 132-133.)

The task of "parenting in the pew" is, to put it simply, something every church member should adopt as a sacred responsibility. All of our lives will be enriched, but more importantly, new generations of faithful disciples will be raised to advance the Kingdom of our great King.

REGISTER for NURSERY and SUNDAY SCHOOL

Below is the link to the St. Matthias Sunday School registration form on the website.

Please register your kiddos soon as Sunday School starts September 13, 2026.

[STM-Sunday-School-Registration-Form 2026.pdf](#)

Hugs & Blessings,

Karen

(703.862.2894 or freiberqs4@aol.com)

LIFT YOUR VOICE THIS CHRISTMAS! Do you love the Christmas season? Make our Advent and Christmas services even more enjoyable by singing in our Seasonal Choir! This Choir is designed to include all ages and stages of life. We offer a flexible rehearsal schedule to fit your busy holiday calendar and provide several different opportunities to sing throughout the season. No formal auditions are required – just a heart ready to celebrate! Reach out today and help us make this season truly meaningful! Please contact Gina Mobley (407.782.3065 or ginamobley@aol.com).

COME CELEBRATE ALEKSEI'S QUINCEAÑERA: Please join us on **Sunday, September 13, 2026, at the 11:15 am service** as we joyfully celebrate Aleksei Valle-Bolanos and her special Quinceañera! Following the service, we'll gather in the Parish Hall for a festive celebration filled with fellowship, delicious food, and lots of fun as we honor this beautiful milestone in Aleksei's life. We invite our church family to help make the celebration extra special by bringing a favorite dish to share in honor of Aleksei. Your presence, prayers, and participation will make this a truly memorable day for Aleksei and her family. Please note that coffee hour between the services will not be held this Sunday, as the Parish Hall will be beautifully decorated and prepared for our celebration following the 11:15 am service. Come celebrate and rejoice with us as we honor Aleksei and this wonderful tradition. We look forward to gathering together as a church family and making this special day one to remember!

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: The Church Office is closed this **Monday September 7, 2026**, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. All emails and voicemails will be returned when the office reopens on Tuesday, September 8, 2026. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. Jim Dorn. If he is unable to answer your call, please leave a message, and he will call you back as soon as possible.

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!

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: The Finance Committee will meet this **Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 11:00 am** in the Church Office. Please contact Glen Martin (352.391.0430 or glenmartin286@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

BIBLE STUDY WITH WANDA KLAAS: Please join Wanda this **Wednesday, September 9, 2026, at 10:30 am** in the Parish Hall. Contact Wanda Klaas (352.272.4653 or klaas46@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

YARD SALE COMMITTEE MEETING: The Yard Sale Committee will meet this **Wednesday, September 9, 2026, at 5:00 pm** in the Church Office. Please contact Eddie Rodriguez (407.271.7817 or edrodz2391@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

CHOIR REHEARSAL: Choir meets this **Thursday, September 10, 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. Please contact Gina Mobley (407.782.3065) if you have any questions.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Resumes next **Sunday, September 13, 2026, at 11:15 am** in the Music Room. Please contact Matt Mobley (407.267.2312) if you have any questions.

ITALIAN NIGHT: 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. Please contact Glen Martin (352.391.0430 or glenmartin286@gmail.com) or Fred Jones (407.325.2256 or 90proofhj@gmail.com) if you have any questions and/or would like to help with the event!

FRIENDS OF THE MINNEOLA LIBRARY BOOK, BAKE AND CRAFT SALE: Mark your calendars for **Saturday, October 4, 2026**. Several of our church family members and church friends will be participating as vendors. There are over seventy tables of handcrafted items, authors, carvers, painters, sewers, crocheters, jam makers, and so much more. You'll also be able to get lunch and browse the bake sale, as well as sooooo many used books at rock bottom prices. Our artisan parishioners are Thei Fons, Tony Morelli, Stacy Huntzinger, and Karen Freiberg. Many of the vendors have supported St. Matthias in a variety of ways as well.

Church Yard Sale: Mark your calendars for our Church Yard 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 yard 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.

VOLUNTEER PAPERWORK REQUIRED: Please contact Hope Blume (hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) if you would like to start volunteering and have not yet completed the required background check and safeguarding training. **This is a Diocesan Requirement – no background check & training – no volunteering – no exceptions. The Diocese of Central Florida and St. Matthias want to ensure that St. Matthias remains a safe environment for all who worship and visit.** If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Hope Blume, Coleen Cox, or Glen Martin. Thank you to everyone who has already completed these requirements, we very much appreciate your support and understanding in keeping St. Matthias a safe place!

NAME TAGS: If you are new to St. Matthias or have not yet received a name tag, please contact Hope Blume (hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) and she will order one for you. Be sure to include in the email the spelling of your first and last name. Thank you!

MEMBERSHIP PAPERWORK: Please contact Hope Blume (hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) if you have not yet completed your Parish Member paperwork, and she will email or mail the forms to you. Thank you!

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.



YOU'RE CORDIALLY INVITED

Aleksei's Quinceañera & RECEPTION

Sunday,
September 13, 2026

11:15 am Service

Reception to immediately follow

ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
574 W. Montrose St., Clermont, FL 34711

Following the service, the celebration continues
with food, fellowship, and lots of joy.
We invite everyone to bring a favorite dish to share
and help make this celebration extra special.

Let's come together as a church family to celebrate Aleksei,
give thanks to God, and share in this beautiful milestone.

*Congratulations,
Aleksei!*