

This Week at St. Matthias

Sunday, October 4

Church Office Closed
Altar Guild Team One
One Sunday Service
Parish-Wide Meeting
No Youth or Adult Sunday School Classes This Sunday
10:00 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary
10:00 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook
11:00 AM Parish-Wide Meeting – Sanctuary
12:00 PM Coffee & Conversations – Parish Hall
12:00 PM Yard Sale Drop-Off – Library

Nursery Care Available

9:45 am to 12:00 pm in the Sunday School Building

Monday, October 5

9:00 AM Count Team One – Church Office
9:00 AM Yard Sale Drop-Off – Library (9am-12pm)
11:00 AM Finance Committee Meeting – Church Office
1:00 PM Building & Grounds Meeting – Church Office
6:00 PM Al-Anon Book Club – Sunday School Building
7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Sunday School Building

Tuesday, October 6

9:00 AM Everyone’s Counseling Center – Counseling Office
11:00 AM Staff Meeting – Church Office
(church office closed during staff meeting)
4:15 PM Curious Minds Science – Sunday School Building
5:00 PM Tutoring with Linda – Counseling Office (5pm-7pm)

Wednesday, October 7

9:00 AM Yard Sale Drop-Off – Library (9am-10:30am)
10:30 AM Bible Study with Wanda – Parish Hall
5:00 PM Yard Sale Committee Meeting – Parish Hall

Thursday, October 8

9:00 AM Yard Sale Drop-Off – Library (9am-12pm)
10:00 AM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Room
7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Sunday School Building

Friday, October 9

Church Office Closed
No Events Scheduled Today

Saturday, October 10

Church Office Closed
9:00 AM Scrapbooking/Crafting with Linda – Parish Hall

Sunday, October 11

Church Office Closed
Altar Guild Team Two
Sunday School Classes
9:00 AM Yard Sale Drop-Off – Library (9am-12pm)
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
10:30 AM Sunday School Classes – Sunday School Building
11:15 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary
11:15 AM Adult Sunday School – Music Room

Nursery Care is Available Every Sunday

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

Those on Our Prayer List

Immediate & Urgent Prayers

Bob Adkins	Hugh Dial	Lidio Nembrotti
Josef Boeni	Miranda Foster	
Linda Denslow	Diane Gustafson	

Parish Family Continued Prayers

Linda Adkins	Deidre Huffman	Tracy Morelli
Doreen Asregadoo	Larry Lock	Sheila Seale
Sandra Bradshaw	Anne Luposello	Joe Sturges
Reta Bramwell	Diana Mahoney	Mary Sturges
Esther Catino	Kathy Mahoney	Kayla Taylor
Mother Jane Clark	Nadia Mashi	Linda Thorp
Michael Clark	Imantee Mallay	Connie Tracey
Aston Evans	Stanley Mallay	Rigoberto Valle
Cheryl Ferrell	Lorna Manny	Stuart Wilson
Michael Giallella	Don Manny	Vera Wilson
Wanda Klaas	Olive McPherson	Dolores Wilson-Malone

Family & Friends Continued Prayers

Nathan Allabaugh	John Floyd	Ezra Perez
Eric Barefoot	Bob Gourley	Perez Family
Anakin Boeni	Sharon Hess	Gene Ruryk
Isabel Boeni	Samantha Latham	Suzanne Ruryk
Cooper Coole	Billy Nelson	Darren Trevino
Chol Faust	Danny Nemeth	Dorothy Williams

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
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

10.4 Susan Moser
10.4 Ruth Graff
10.6 Gloria Taylor
10.8 Edna Marcus
10.8 Constance Tracey
10.9 Tracy Morelli
10.10 Robert Radovich

SERVICE ATTENDANCE

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
9.27.26	10:00 am Service	139
9.27.26	Sunday School	19
Total		158
<i>Online Views</i>		<i>455</i>

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

and in Loving Memory & Celebration of
Duane Curtis on his Birthday
Given with Love by Cindi Curtis

**The Sanctuary Candle is given to the
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Given with Love by Cindi Curtis

REMINDER FOR THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026: We will hold one service this **Sunday, October 4, 2026, at 10:00 am**. The Rev. Canon Dr. E. Daniel Smith will be celebrating with us and afterwards will address the church family with regards to the upcoming search process. We will worship together at 10:00 am, remain in the Sanctuary for a “town hall” type meeting with Canon Dan, and then move to the Parish Hall for coffee and conversations. This is a perfect opportunity to learn about the search process and ask any questions you may have regarding the process. No Youth or Adult Sunday School Classes this Sunday. Nursery care is available from 9:45 am to 12:00 pm.

A THANK YOU FROM FR. JIM & JANETTE: Dear Friends, thank you for all the love you have bestowed upon Janette and me over the past 13 years, and especially for the wonderful retirement celebration. We were so blessed to receive such kind, thoughtful, and loving words both written in so many cards and spoken. We thank you for the multitude of small gifts, the tremendously generous retirement gift, the many smaller, meaningful gifts, the gift of your hugs, and the lasting memories of our time together. We are blessed to have ministered with you, bringing the light and love of Jesus Christ to those who need a glimmer of hope, peace, and light. We are grateful for your love and friendship, and the multitude of prayers for healing, support, and thanksgiving. You will always be remembered and cherished in our hearts and minds. The next Church Year will be starting soon, and we pray you will be blessed with much joy and happiness as you love each other and those you meet, and many years filled with many small and large blessings of love and peace because you love others and yourself as Christ loves you. Grace, Peace, and Joy, Fr. Jim and Janette

YARD SALE DROP OFF THIS WEEK: Sunday (10.4) from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm, Monday (10.5) from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Wednesday (10.7) from 9:00 am to 10:30 am, and Thursday (10.8) from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Library. Please keep all large donations for Sunday drop-off to be sure we have someone able to help lift the larger items.

ITALIAN NIGHT THANK YOU: A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered to help create an amazing Italian night! From the planning stages, donations of food, wine, set-up, cooking, serving, cleaning, and everything in-between, we are truly thankful for all your hard work. A big thank you to Glen Martin and Fred Jones for keeping us on schedule, and to Karen Gordon for the wine basket raffle (it was a huge hit)! A very, very special thank you to Chef CZ Mathews and Lidio Nembrotti for donating and preparing the delicious Italian foods. Thank you to Carabbas Italian Grille in Clermont for the donation of salad and bread and thank you to everyone who purchased tickets and came out to support the event. We raised \$2,775.00 dollars which will be put towards our A/C loan. It was a very successful evening with lots of food, fellowship, and fun, and we are looking forward to the next one! Thank you – love to all, Hope

A NOTE FROM HOPE BLUME: Thank you to everyone who helped make Fr. Jim and Janette’s last service extra special! Our church family came together and provided a loving, caring, tearful, delicious, beautiful day that I am sure they will remember for many, many years to come. Thank you to everyone who gave their time, energy, love, and care to make Fr. Jim and Janette feel so loved and special on this very momentous day! Love to you all, Hope

A/C LOAN UPDATE: We are in the homestretch and have almost completely paid the \$43,546.23 air conditioning loan we secured from the Diocese on October 1, 2023. In the last three years, we have paid over \$40,000.00! This is due to all of YOU! Your extra donations, your support with various fundraisers, and sharing extra funds when you were able to, are why we are where we are today. At this time, we owe less than \$2,500.00 and hope to have the loan completely paid off by the end of this October. Thank you to EVERYONE for making this possible!!! We cannot wait for the Sunday when Glen Martin announces, “we have completed paying off the A/C loan!”

WEBBER CHARCOAL BBQ FUNDRAISER: We will be selling tickets to raise funds to help alleviate some of our operating budget shortfalls. We have been given a very generous gift by church family member, Robert McClanahan! Robert has donated a brand-new Webber Charcoal Grill, complete with lighter, chimney starter, grilling utensils, and two 20-pound bags of charcoal. This is an extremely generous gift and we are very grateful. We will be selling tickets on Sundays for the month of October and will draw a winner on Sunday, October 25, 2026. Tickets are \$10.00 each or 3 for \$20.00. If you like to grill and enjoy time with your family outdoors, this fundraiser is for you! If you don’t enjoy grilling, but know someone who does, what an awesome gift this would be for a family member or friend. Please contact Hope Blume (hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) or Glen Martin (glenmartin286@gmail.com) if you have any questions or would like to purchase some tickets.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: The Committee will meet this **Monday, October 5, 2026, at 11:00 am** in the Church Office. Please contact Michael Giallella (michaelgiallella@stmatthiasfl1.com or 352.394.3855) or Glen Martin (352.391.0430 or glenmartin286@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING: The Committee will meet this **Monday, October 5, 2026, at 1:00 pm** 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 Glen Martin (352.391.0430 or glenmartin286@gmail.com), 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 will meet this **Tuesday, October 6, 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.

BIBLE STUDY WITH WANDA KLAAS: Please join Wanda this **Wednesday, October 7, 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 Committee will meet this **Wednesday, October 7, 2026, at 5:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Eddie Rodriguez (407.271.7817 or edrodz2391@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

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. 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.

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).

DO YOU HAVE FAVORITE RECIPES? Did you know that St. Matthias produced a family cookbook? Well, you might not have known that because it was over 20 years ago. Is it time to produce a new one? Maybe so? You can certainly get recipes from just about anywhere other than cookbooks these days, but are they tried and true like they would be from a parish family cookbook? I think not. The irony that I am suggesting this is not lost on me since my dream house is without a kitchen and strategically located among many fine restaurants. However, I do love a good recipe. So, give me a little feedback as to whether or not you'd be interested in contributing a couple of your favorite recipes. I would like to include the kiddos in this project with some quotes and/or pictures they can draw to add some "color" and humor to the project. Hugs and blessings, Karen (703.862.2894 or freibergs4@aol.com)

HIGHSCHOOL FIT (FAMILIES IN TRANSITION) PROGRAM NEEDS: If you can help with any of these needed items, please place them in the red rolling bin in the Parish Hall. Breakfast bars, canned meats, canned Chef Boyardee, individually wrapped items, ramen noodles, shelf stable milk and food, deodorant, feminine products, soap, toothpaste, and wet wipes. Thank you very much for your continued support!

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!