

This Week at St. Matthias

Sunday, October 12

Church Offices Closed

- 7:45 AM Rite I Spoken Word Service – Sanctuary
- 9:20 AM Sunday School Classes – Little House
- 9:30 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM Live-Stream Virtual Worship via Facebook
- 9:30 AM Nursery Care – Little House
- 10:30 AM Coffee & Conversations – Parish Hall
- 11:15 AM Rite II Service with Music – Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Nursery Care – Little House
- 11:15 AM Adult Sunday School – Choir Room

Monday, October 13

- 9:00 AM Count Team Two – Church Office
- 11:00 AM Finance Team Meeting – Church Office
- 1:30 PM Care Ministry Meeting – Church Office
- 6:00 PM Claudia's Al-Anon Book Club – Library
- 7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Library

Tuesday, October 14

- 9:00 AM Everyone's Counseling Center – Counseling Office
- 5:30 PM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Office
- 6:00 PM Bible Study with Janette Dorn – Parish Hall

Wednesday, October 15

- 10:30 AM Bible Study with Wanda Klaas – Parish Hall
- 11:30 AM Beth Knight Counseling – Counseling Office
- 2:00 PM Food Provider's of S.L. Meeting – Parish Hall
- 5:00 PM Tutoring with Linda – Little House (5pm-7pm)

Thursday, October 16

- 7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting – Library

Friday, October 17

Church Offices Closed

- 4:00 PM Singing Saints Fellowship – Library
- 4:30 PM Singing Saints Rehearsal – Choir Room
- 5:00 PM Altar Guild Team Three Set-Up – Sanctuary
- 6:30 PM Game Night – Parish Hall

Saturday, October 18

Church Offices Closed

- 9:00 AM Stacy's Stamping Camp – Parish Hall

Sunday, October 19

Sunday School Classes

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

and in Loving Memory of
My Mom Pilar Gurdian on her Birthday
Given with Love by Linette Bolanos

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

and in Loving Memory of
My Grandma Pilar Gurdian on her Birthday
Given with Love by Aleksei Valle-Bolanos

Those on Our Prayer List

Immediate & Urgent Prayers

Tristen Babcock	Nadia Mashii	Mary Sturges
Josef Boeni	Larry Mobley	Sandy Unger
Mother Jane Clark	Autumn Rose	Stuart Wilson
Olive McPherson	Joe Sturges	

Parish Family Continued Prayers

Harold Andrews	Anne Hollywood	Lorna Manny
Renee Babcock	Anne Luposello	Edna Marcus
Rose Brown	John Luposello	Audrey Nethersole
Esther Catino	Diana Mahoney	Mark Nethersole
Michael Clark	Imantee Mallay	Marlene Parkinson
Hugh Dial	Stanley Mallay	Sheila Seale
Anita Erickson	CZ Mathews	Linda Thorp
Miranda Foster	Elijah Mathews	Connie Tracey
Michael Giallella	Isabella Mathews	Liane Trainello
Beverly Green	Jackson Mathews	Keith Whitacre
Jeannine Helm	Don Manny	Vera Wilson

Family & Friends Continued Prayers

Mindy	Maria Figueroa	Judith Onjango
Nathan Allabaugh	Tony Flores	Richard Payne
Anakin Boeni	John Gilbert	Blanche Pfindler
Isabel Boeni	Deidre Huffman	Sandi Rzepka
Reginald Crooms	Brenda Kelley	Gene Ruryk
Ivan Davila	Frances LaCroix	Suzanne Ruryk
James Dorn, Jr.	Francine Lacroix	Les Smith
Mary Dorn	Una McLachlan	Kishma Thomas
Eyer Family	Eleanore Meade	
Cheryl Ferrell	Danny Nemeth	

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
Jeremy Linney, U.S. Army, SOCOM, MacDill Air Force Base, FL
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
Tyler Reece, U.S. Army, Afghanistan
Logan T. Wells, U.S. Marine Reserves

Those Celebrating Birthdays

- 10.13** Buddy Forehand
- 10.15** Joseph Sturges IV
- 10.16** Harris Outlaw
- 10.17** Camille Gustafson

Those Celebrating Anniversaries

- 10.13** Keith & Karen Whitacre

Those Who Have Died

Ardinald Williams, *Donals Williams' Brother*
Clifford Spencer, *Mother Jane Clark's Cousin*

HARVEST FESTIVAL/PET BLESSING EVENT (Volunteers Needed–PLEASE HELP): Our Annual Pet Blessing Event is taking place this month on **Saturday, October 25, 2025**, and we need your help. **We need volunteers to assist in many areas** (some areas require strength and walking, and some require sitting and greeting, so there is a place for everyone to help and volunteer). Sign-up sheets for volunteering are on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall and each sheet includes the volunteer chair for that section. We also could use donations of *pet treats, cases of bottled water, and monetary donations*. Most importantly we need volunteers to assist with the event planning, leading up to the event, set-up, during the event, and clean-up. Please contact Keith Whitacre if you have any questions (keith.whitacre@gmail.com or 952.239.5870).

ENCHANTED FOREST OF TREES (Volunteers Needed): St. Matthias has signed up to participate in the Enchanted Forest of Trees this year at Victory Pointe in Downtown Clermont. We will be creating ornaments for the tree on **Sunday, November 2, 2025, after each service**, so be sure to join us in the Parish Hall and Library to help create the ornaments – fun for kids and adults of all ages! Mindy Giallella has generously accepted chairing this Christmas Season event and will need help decorating the tree on **Saturday, November 22, 2025, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall if you would like to join in on the fun! The Enchanted Forest of Trees opens on Saturday November 22, 2025, and runs through January 2, 2026, for viewing. There will be over seventy trees decorated by local organizations and businesses. You can walk on the trail to view, or park at the Clermont Boat House and walk over to Victory Pointe. Be sure to check out the trees in the day and nighttime to get the full effect! Questions, please contact Mindy Giallella (407.222.4540 or allellaigm@gmail.com).

THANKSGIVING BASKET PROJECT (Volunteers Needed): The Community Outreach Committee has already begun coordinating our Sixteenth Annual Thanksgiving Basket project. This year, if possible, we would like to increase the amount of help we provide from 125 to 150 families in need within our community. As a committee and as a church we know we ask often for help for those in need within our community, and the Thanksgiving Basket project is no exception. Financial support for the project is crucial, and we ask that you give what you can, any amount helps. This year we estimate the cost of each basket being around \$55.00 to \$60.00 which also includes the \$20.00 gift card for the purchase of a turkey, ham, or meat of choice. This year, as in the past couple of years, has brought on many additional challenges for families who were already in need, as well as challenges for families that may not have been in need in the past. We at St. Matthias have always been very blessed and willing to share with those less fortunate. We ask that everyone share what they can to help our neighbors and friends in Christ during this Thanksgiving season. Basket building and distribution will take place at St. Matthias on **Saturday, November 22, 2025. Basket building will take place from 9:00 am to 10:00 am and basket distribution will take place between 11:00 am to 12:00 pm**. We will have two teams for the day, feel free to sign up for the basket building team, the basket distribution team, or both. Volunteer sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Please add your name if you would like to volunteer or contact Hope Blume and she will be happy to add your name to the volunteer sign-up sheets (352.394.3855 or hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com).

HIGHSCHOOL FIT PROGRAM BACK TO SCHOOL NEEDS: The Families in Transition (FIT) program is currently in need of the items listed below. If you can help with any of the items listed below, please place them in the red rolling bin in the Parish Hall. Please contact Hope Blume (352.394.3855 or hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com) if you have any questions. Thank you very much for your continued support!

**band-aids · crackers · canned meat · feminine products · hygiene items (any type)
juice boxes · shelf stable milk · wet wipes · leggings (gently used welcomed - any sizes)**

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We are in need of a Sunday School teacher for our 4th-5th grade class. We are growing but our classes are still small with no more than five students when the whole class is in attendance. At present they are learning about the heroes of the Bible, and we have a great resource available to you. If you feel God tugging at you, don't ignore it, instead, let's talk. Reach out to me for more information. Hugs, Karen Freiberg (703.862.2894 or freibergs4@aol.com).

SUNDAY SCHOOL PUMPKIN CARVING: Sunday School pumpkin fun will be taking place on **Sunday, October 26, 2025**, during Sunday School. Each kiddo will be carving his/her own pumpkin to take home. I need 10 more (5 have been promised) pumpkins...not the biggest in size and not the smallest would be wonderful. Please let me know if you can help me out. Thank you in advance. Hugs and blessings to all, Karen Freiberg (703.862.2894 or freibergs4@aol.com).



**SUNDAY SCHOOL IS THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025, at 9:20 AM!
WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL!!!**

NURSERY CARE: Nursery Care is available every Sunday during the 9:30 am and 11:15 am services for all infants and children ages one month to three years old. Abby Giallella and Nicholas Crumbo are our amazing caregivers who create a fun, safe, and loving environment for our youngest church family members and visitors. Please contact Karen Freiberg (703.862.2894 or freibergs4@aol.com) if you have any questions.

COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS: Please join us **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, October 12, 2025, 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.

FINANCE TEAM MEETING: The Finance Team will meet this **Monday, October 13, 2025, at 11:00 am** in the Church office. Please contact Michael Giallella (michaelgiallella@stmatthiasfl1.com or 352.394.3855) if you have any questions.

CARE MINISTRY MEETING: Care Ministry will meet this **Monday, October 13, 2025, at 1:30 pm** in the Church office. Please contact Kathy Mahoney (321.200.7032) if you have any questions.

BIBLE STUDY WITH JANETTE DORN: Meets this **Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Janette Dorn (352.235.5168 or jsmdorn@gmail.com) if you plan to attend or have any questions.

BIBLE STUDY WITH WANDA KLAAS: Class will meet this **Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 10:30 am** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Wanda Klaas (352.272.4653 or klaas46@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

FOOD PROVIDERS OF SOUTH LAKE: Will meet this **Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 2:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Keith Whitacre (952.239.5870) if you have any questions.

HELLO SINGERS - PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE: Please join Hugh Dial this **Friday, October 17, 2025, at 4:00 pm** in the Library for teatime and at 4:30 pm in the Choir Room and Sanctuary for singing.

GAME NIGHT: Join us for a fun-filled Game Night at St. Matthias this **Friday, October 17, 2025, beginning at 6:30 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 too! Please contact Edna Marcus (352.536.2708 or ednamarcus@hotmail.com) or Dolores Wilson-Malone (856.625.1515 or doloresmalone256@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

STACY'S STAMPING CAMP: Please contact Stacy Huntzinger at stampinstacy2010@hotmail.com if you would like to attend Stacy's Stamping Camp on **Saturday, October 18, 2025, at 9:00 am** in the Parish Hall. Come on out and join in on the fun – All are welcome!

SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE

DATE	SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
10.5.2025	7:45 AM Service	23
10.5.2025	9:30 AM Service	59
10.5.2025	11:15 AM Service	38
	Total	120
	<i>Online Views:</i>	<i>176</i>

Let's Talk SMAC

St. Matthias Ads and Classifieds

Supporting & Connecting Our St. Matthias Family!

If you have something to sell, or looking to buy, or a service to offer or one you're looking for, contact Karen Freiberg (freibergs4@aol.com) with all the pertinent information, and it will be included in our SMAC section.

IN NEED OF

We are in need of a new or gently used oven to replace the current one in the church kitchen. If you are getting ready to replace your oven, know of someone who is, and/or willing to donate an oven, please contact the church office at 352.394.3855 or hopeblume@stmatthiasfl1.com. Thank you!

FOR SALE

ST. MATTHIAS T-SHIRTS: We have a couple of t-shirts available for purchase in the following sizes and designs. These are the only quantities, sizes, and designs currently available for sale.

St. Matthias T-Shirt Design - Adult Sizes – \$10.00 each

1 Adult Large available and 2 Adult Extra Large available

Sunday School T-Shirt Design - Children's Sizes – \$12.00 each

4 Youth Medium available and 2 Youth Large available

These are on a first come first serve basis, please contact Linda Denslow (lindadenslow@gmail.com or 407.923.6423) if you would like to purchase one of the shirts listed above.

FOR SALE



Wednesday Bible Study is selling hot/cold drink cups with all proceeds going to the a/c replacement loan. If you would like to purchase, please contact Anne Hollywood (228.229.6817) or Hugh Dial (863.557.8803). Cost is \$30.00 each and as you can see from the photos, they are beautifully handmade!

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