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# St. Matthew Catholic Church

Celebrate | Love | Share

**Nov. 21 2021**

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
9:30 am—4:30 pm. Phone: 912-681-6726.

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**  
**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 5 pm (Span.),  
Sunday: 8 am, 10:30 am, and 5 pm.

**Daily Mass:** M, T, Th, and F at 12:10 pm; W at 5:30 pm.

**CONFESSIONS**  
Wed: 5—5:25 pm, Sat: 4-5 pm, or by appt.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
Adoration Chapel available 24/7— Sunday at 7 pm through Saturday at 3:30 pm—in the Training Room.

**INFANT BAPTISMS**  
For information on scheduling baptisms and baptism instruction classes, please contact Helen Almeter at 912-681-6726 ext. 203 or via email at halmeter@saintmatthewsparish.com.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION**  
Newly engaged couples should contact Fr. Johnson at 912-681-6726 to schedule preparation sessions and a date for the wedding.

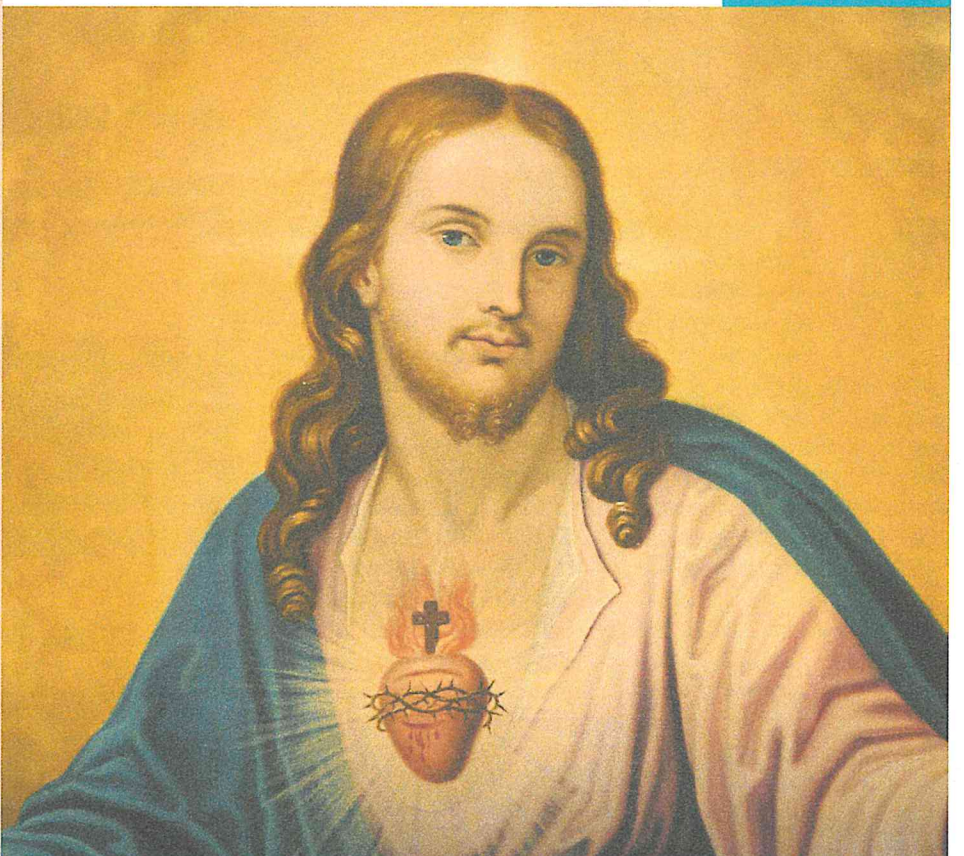
**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
Grades PreK through 8th meet on Sundays at 9 am, October 3, 2021- May 22, 2022.

**CATHOLIC EAGLES**  
GSU students: For information on bible studies, events, and retreats contact our FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) Team Director David Wentworth at: david.wentworth@focus.org.

**PARISH REGISTRATION**  
Welcome to the St. Matthew parish family! To register at St. Matthew parish, please fill out a registration form on the St. Matthew web site: [www.saintmatthewsparish.com/about](http://www.saintmatthewsparish.com/about). Forms are also available at the front entrances of the church. Persons interested in being added to the e-newsletter mailing list, please contact the parish office at 912-681-6726 or via email: mcannady@saintmatthewsparish.com.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Monday at noon.

**Mission Statement:**  
St. Matthew Church CELEBRATES the Catholic faith in Jesus Christ by inspiring all to LOVE God and one another and to SHARE the Good News of God's love with others.



## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." - Jn 18:37

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Please contact your parish representatives with questions, concerns, compliments, or ideas!

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**Pray for our Sick**



Names will be kept on the list for four weeks unless the office is notified otherwise. Please pray for: Jim Agnew, Terri Beasley, Bill Bolen, Drew Brandon, Sylvia Brannen, Margaret Brewer, Claire Burton, Orlena Bussie, Karl Collins, Marguerite DeFoe, Judy Cowning, Margaret Dannacher, Fred Denson, Dorothy Downs, Karen Dwyer, Chris Eaton, Les Fatica, Joe & Cassie Gay, David Greene, Madelyn Grovenstein, Kate Hall, Nola Hammond, Bob Haranda, Jordan Hathaway, Lue Healy, Kelly Howard, Mary Harrington, Jon Hart, Pat Jackson, Mattie James, Miranda Johnson, Peggy Kearns, Greyson Kennedy, Emily Kerstiens, John Kindig, Cecilia Krause, Maria LeFebvre, Marq Lett, Mellie London, Selah March, Sarah Mathis, Hugh and Linda McClendon, Ginger Morris, Cathy Orr, Bob Overlander, Brooks Padgett, Sandie Perrin, Rick and Kathy Poole, Dave Reichard, Denton and Margie Rouse, Audrey Senecal Sidway, April Shuman, Dot Sink, Shirley Smith, Carol Sowell, Steve Steinman, Katherine Strickland, Carolyn Strozzi, Joe Subarton, Joe Sutter, Sullivan family, Connie Tousley, Sharon Tracy, Shirley Wilson, Brian Wolnewitz, Morgan Wurst, Wurst Family, and their caregivers.

**Communion Ministry to the Sick/Homebound**

If someone needs to be added to the list for Communion Ministry to the Sick/Homebound, please contact Melinda Cannady at 681-6726.

**For those in the Military**

Trevor Alderman, Alax Baysinger, Audrey Brenden, Cole Carter, Christopher Doty, Ryan Erikson, David Liddell, Sean Limbach, Anthony Mullen, Lexi Murry, Brandon Luke Revenue, Lance Rewis, Matthew Robbins, Cody Stevens, Brian Sullivan, Sarah Sullivan, Sean Sullivan, Kevin Tyler, and James Ziegler.

**Volunteer Parish Nurse**

Mary Anderson is a retired registered nurse who shares her knowledge of the local medical community and resources with parishioners that seek or need a medical advocate for themselves or their loved ones. She also conducts blood pressure checks on Hospitality Sundays. She can be reached at 912-682-1147.

**STAFF DIRECTORY**

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**The St. Matthew Consolation Ministry**

**Our Mission:** To provide a listening ear and a compassionate presence to help others cope with loss.  
**Our Mandate:** "Bear each other's burdens and so fulfill the Law of Christ" (Gal. 6:2).  
**Contact:** Melinda Cannady at 912-681-6726 or mcannady@saintmatthewsparish.com.

**Weekly Collection**

November 14, 2021	\$7,004.33
Online Giving	\$2,807.91
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,812.24</b>

**Abuse Hotline Number:** To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number, 888-357-5330, or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. To read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to [www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection](http://www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection).

**This Week at St. Matthew**

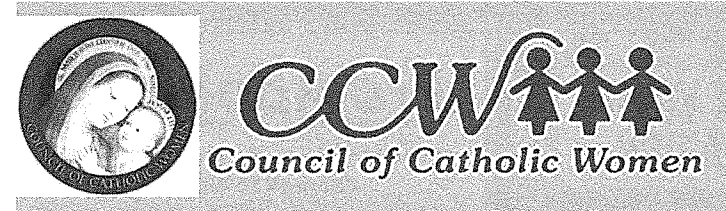
Date:	Activities:	Mass Intention:
Nov. 21 Sun.	8 am Mass 10:30 am Mass (Livestream) 5 pm Mass	+Leonard Cigich +Peg Brussard
Nov. 22 Mon.	12:10 pm Mass	+James Stephens
Nov. 23 Tues.	12:10 pm Mass	+David Rhoney
Nov. 24 Wed.	4:15 pm Rosary in Chapel 5 pm Confessions 5:30 pm Mass Office Closed	+Mary Hazeldine
Nov. 25 Thurs.	Happy Thanksgiving 10 am Mass Office Closed	+Bernie Brace
Nov. 26 Fri.	12:10 pm Mass Office Closed	
Nov. 27 Sat.	4 pm Confessions 5 pm Spanish Mass	

**Readings for the week of Nov. 21, 2021**

Sun: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37  
 Mon: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Lk 21:1-4  
 Tues: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-11  
 Wed: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 [59b]/Lk 21:12-19  
 Thurs: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/Lk 21:20-28  
 Fri: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33  
 Sat: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36  
 Next Sun: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



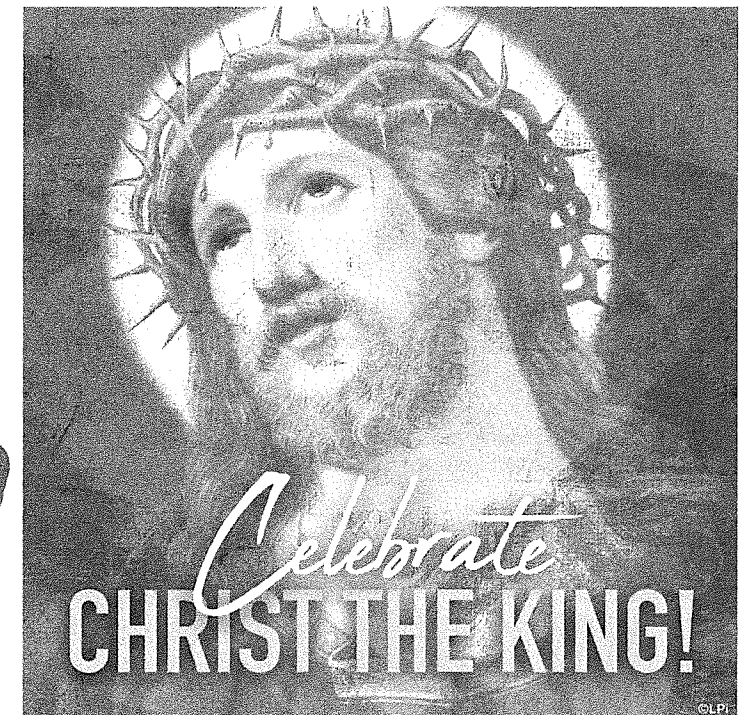
There are 102 tags on the Giving Tree. Please take a tag, write down the code on the sign up sheet, and return the wrapped gifts with the tag attached, by Sunday, December 5, 2021. This allows enough time for our team to sort the gifts, make reminder calls about missing presents, and arrange delivery. Thank you for making Christmas brighter for those in need in our community!



The Parish Council of Catholic Women will meet on **Monday, November 29 at 6:30 pm**. Rosa Meza will be speaking about her "Encounter with Our Lady of Guadalupe." All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.



Our sympathy is extended to John Stobb and family at the loss of his mother, **+Sally Hope Stobb**. Our condolences also go out to Charlotte Shuman and family at the loss of her husband, **+Calvin Shuman**. May they rest in the peace of heaven with Jesus forever.



God is wonderfully and surprisingly creative! He turns the tables on our understanding of what it means to be a king by sending us a king who embraces poverty, insults, suffering, ridicule, rejection, and even death. This is our king. Jesus is not the king of prestige or grandeur but the king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. God dances on, around, in, and through all of the silliness and ugliness of the world—bringing all of creation to the eternal dance of new life and hope. Whether we accept it now or hope that we one day do, Christ is king of the universe. Christ is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. Every human being, even those who scorned and rejected Him and failed to see Him in the least of our brothers and sisters will look upon Him. Only those who understand truth will understand that we are on this awesome universal journey to Christ. It is a journey of surprises, but also a journey of enlightenment when we will one day see and experience with the deepest joy our being in Christ. We will be restless until we are all one day together united in Christ our King. ©LPI



**Mass on Wednesday, Nov. 24, at 5:30 pm.**  
**Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 10 am.**

**The Parish Office will be closed November 24-26, 2021 for Thanksgiving.**