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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.

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 Cry 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.

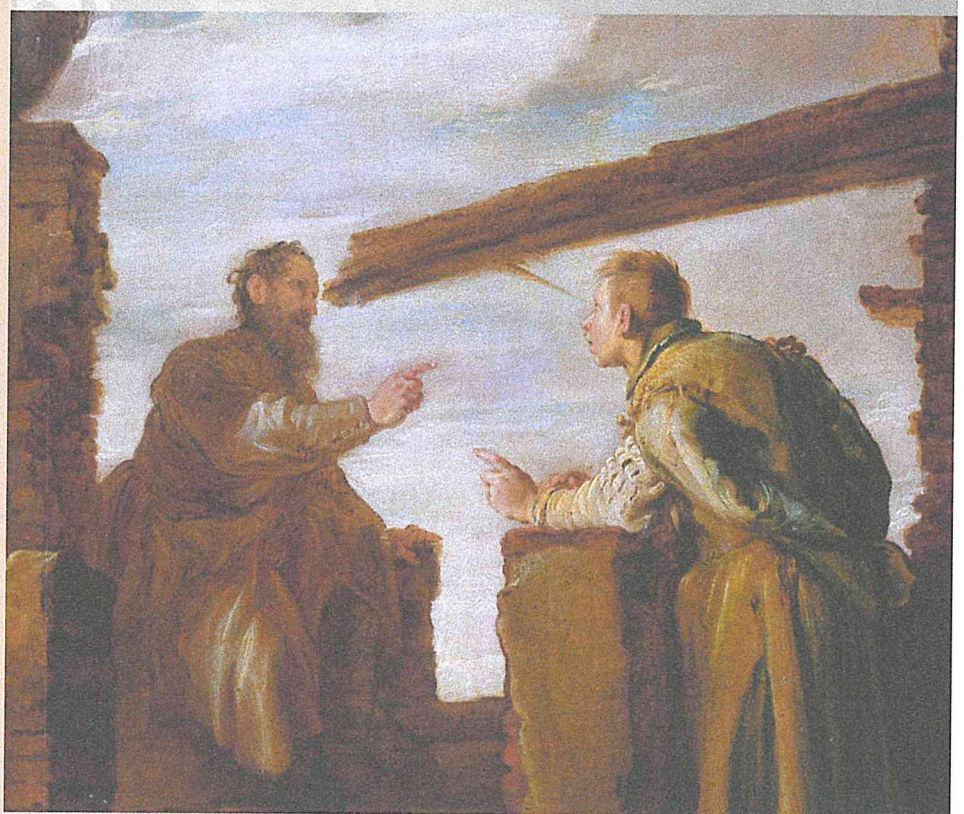
MARRIAGE PREPARATION
Newly engaged couples should contact Fr. Johnson at 912-681-6726 to schedule preparation sessions and a date for the wedding.

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. 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.



8th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye?" - Lk 6:42a

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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, Toni Haffev, 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, 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, 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, Jose Irizarry, 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.

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The St. Matthew Consolation Ministry

Our Purpose: To console those in grief, to support Masses for the deceased through the ministry's designated contributions, to pray for and with those who have suffered loss, and to pray the Rosary for comfort and healing.

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@saintmatthewparish.com.

Weekly Collection

February 20, 2022 Offertory	\$6,927.10
Online Giving	\$2,732.00
Total	\$9,659.10

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.

This Week at St. Matthew

Date:	Activities:	Mass Intention:
Feb. 27 Sun.	8 am Mass 10:30 am Mass (Livestream) 5 pm Mass	+Ann Bindas
Feb. 28 Mon.	12:10 pm Mass	+Ann Nellis
Mar. 1 Tues.	12:10 pm Mass	Healing and conversion of those who had abortions
Mar. 2 Wed.	7 am Mass 12:10 pm Mass 4:30 pm Rosary in Chapel 5 pm Confessions 5:30 pm Mass 6:30 pm Lenten Book Series	Healing and conversion for abortion advocates +Denton Rouse
Mar. 3 Thurs.	8 am Men's Prayer Group 10:30 am Bible Study 12:10 pm Mass	+Dolores Pineda
Mar. 4 Fri.	11:30 am Stations of the Cross 6 pm Stations of the Cross 12:10 pm Mass	+David Rhoney
Mar. 5 Sat.	5 pm Spanish Mass (Sunday Vigil)	

Readings for the week of Feb. 27, 2022

Sun: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45
 Mon: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c/Mk 10:17-27
 Tues: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Mk 10:28-31
 Wed: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thur: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25
 Fri: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
 Sat: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32
 Next Sun: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

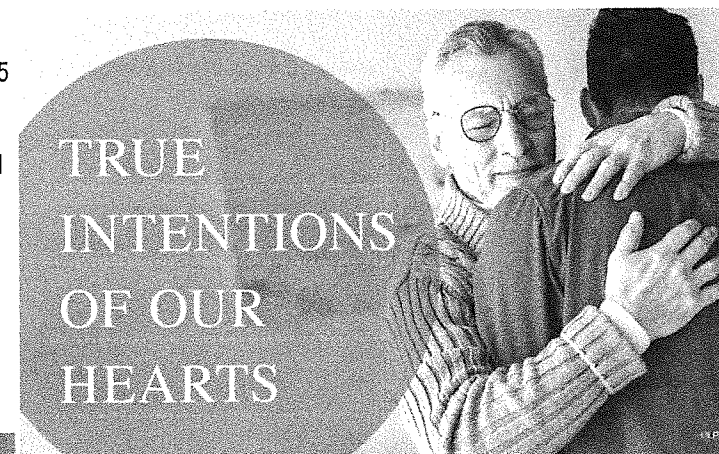
Annual Catholic Appeal



The purpose of the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) is to help raise funds and carry out the mission of our Diocese for ministries, programs, and offices. **Our parish goal is \$46,711.** The ACA provides funding for **Vocations. We have been blessed to get to know two of our current Diocese of Savannah seminarians very well! The first is Kevin Braski**, who spent several weeks with us last Summer and coordinated both our VBS games AND our very first Eucharistic Procession. He also helped out with altar server training and shared his vocation testimony with parishioners after Mass one Sunday. Tony Visintainer is a Catholic Eagle alumnus! While he was attending Georgia Southern, he cantored in the choir, was active in bible studies and served as an altar server at the Sunday evening Mass. Tony helped us refine our altar server training and handouts. He recently helped out at the SEEK 2022 week-end conference. Also, please prayerfully consider your support of our Annual Catholic Appeal, which supports tuition and programs for our seminarians among many other Diocesan ministries. Parishioner Justin Motes participated in the men's discernment group and applied to the Diocese of St. Augustine. He will be taking classes online while at home here in Bulloch County this semester! We're excited to have him back with us for a few months. Fr. Paul Porter is a Catholic Eagle alumnus who became a priest for the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Fr. Patrick May, who is currently the parochial vicar at St. James in Savannah, is also a Georgia Southern graduate. Please keep ALL of our seminarians in your prayers and continue to pray for vocations for our Diocese and the Catholic Church as well.

Condolences

Our sympathy is extended to **Margie Rouse and family** at the loss of her husband, parishioner **+Denton Rouse**. May he rest forever in the peace of heaven with Jesus.



"From the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." What we say reveals so much about who we are. It discloses what is really going on within us: our integrity, priorities, depth of conscience, level of compassion, and understanding of mercy. People whose speech is judgmental or overly critical usually reveal an interior life that is angry, unsettled, defensive, and shallow. Our speech communicates our sense of right and wrong, the strength of our relationship with God, and how we feel about our fellow human beings. We are also quick to point out the faults of others, concentrating on their shortcomings and wrongdoings before our own. Only God fully understands what is going on inside the human heart. Only God can see the depth of a human soul. Perhaps it would do us well to consider what may be happening inside our brothers and sisters and temper our critical speech of what we see occurring outside. Looking within will also help us identify our own sins and weakness so that we can be better positioned to offer the type of wisdom and compassionate guidance that can really be of help to our friends. ©LPI

PCCW Meeting and a Movie

The Parish Council of Catholic Women will meet on Monday, February 28, at **5:30 pm followed by a movie night.** The featured film will be "The Letters" a drama that explores the life of Mother Teresa through letters she wrote to her spiritual adviser. The movie will start promptly at 6 pm. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.



LIFETEEN crew painting a chalkboard wall for the LIFETEEN Room!

Thank you for supporting the LIFETEEN Bake Sale, which raised \$746, and the Catholic Eagles sale, which raised \$353.00