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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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration Chapel available 24/7— Sunday at 7 pm through Saturday at 3:30 pm —in the Cry

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

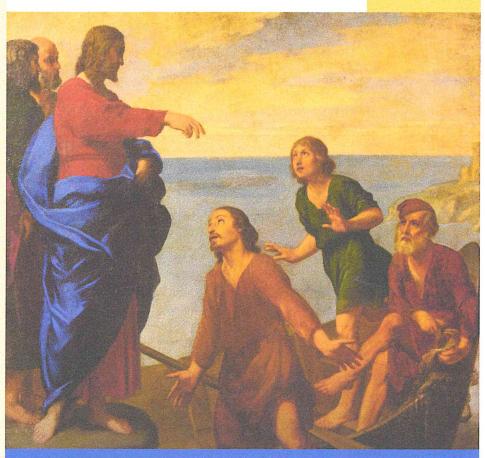
Welcome to the St. Matthew parish family! To register at St. Matthew parish, please fill out a registration form on the St. Matthew web site: www.saintmatthewsparish.com/about. Forms are also available at the front entrances of the church. Persons interested in being added to the e-newsletter mailing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

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday at noon.

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.

Feb.



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. - Lk 5:10-11

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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 Beasly, 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, Denton and Margie Rouse, Audrey Senecal Sidway, April Shuman, Dot Sink, Shirley Smith, Carol Sowell, Steve Steinman, Katherine Strickland, Carolyn Strozzo, 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

Total	\$5,012.60
Online Giving	\$2,319.00
January 30, 2022 Offertory	\$2,693.60

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. 6 Sun.	8 am Mass 10:30 am Mass (Livestream) 5 pm Mass	
Feb. 7 Mon.	12:10 pm Mass	
Feb. 8 Tues,	12:10 pm Mass	
Feb. 9 Wed.	4:30 pm Rosary in Chapel 5 pm Confessions 5:30 pm Mass	
Feb. 10 Thurs.	8 am Men's Prayer Group 10:30 am Bible Study 12:10 pm Mass	
Feb. 11 Fri.	12:10 pm Mass	
Feb. 12 Sat.	5 pm Spanish Mass (Sunday Vigil)	

Readings for the week of Feb. 6, 2022

Sun: is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Mon: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56
Tues: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13
Wed: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23
Thurs: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30
Fri: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37
Sat: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sun: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

Nursery and Cry Room

Parents, we are working to put together a nursery staff rotation after a nearly two year hiatus. Once workers have been trained, successfully completed background checks, and have signed codes of

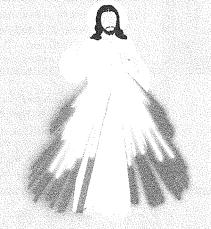
conduct, we will re-open the nursery. Childcare for children ages 3 and under will be offered during the 8 am and 10:30 am Masses. In the mean-time, the Cry Room is available for those who need to quiet a fussy baby or toddler. Thank you for teaching your children to seek Jesus and for your example of keeping the Sabbath holy!



Outreach Ministry Sunday

How do we reach out to those in need within our parish and community? Learn more about the Outreach Ministries at Hospitality Sunday on Feb. 13, 2022.

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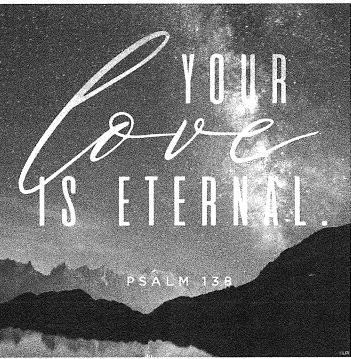


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POTLUCK DINNER AT 6 PM
TALK BEGINS AFTER THE MEAL.
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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY FOR THOSE OVER AGE 4.

Cookies for Caregivers!

Donations of cookies are needed. Drop off items by Sunday, February 13 to be included in Valentine's Day care packages for local hospital staff members.





When we encounter, or even ponder, God's magnificence, power, and awesomeness, we easily begin to feel our own smallness and perceived insignificance. After all, who can compete with eternal greatness, seraphim, or the ability to perform miracles? We unfortunately think that God's presence somehow overrides us, reduces our importance, and only seeks to judge our inadequacies and doubts. Things begin to change a bit when we realize that what we may have seen as overwhelming and frightening is really only unconditional, unmerited love. Love has tremendous majesty and power. When we listen to this power and stop seeing it as threatening or dooming, our fear dissipates and Divine friendship takes root. Remaining close to what we once preferred at a distance, we can journey to places we never thought possible and do things we never thought we could do. Sin and fear are no longer of concern to the one who remains close to God in a bond of trust. Strengthened by Divine friendship and encouraged by its life-giving power, we can say "Here I am, send me!" when God asks, "Whom shall I send?"

LIFETEEN Fundraisers!



The LIFETEEN group will be holding a bake sale at Hospitality Sunday, on February 13, 2022 to raise funds for the Diocesan Youth Conference trip in April. Purchase a treat to take home or to

donate for our Cookies for Caregivers outreach. Each bag of cookies will be priced at \$1. The teens will also be selling St. Matthew car stickers for \$5 each! Let everyone in town know you're a member of the best parish ever by sticking our logo on your back window.

