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**March  
13  
2022**

**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 prepara-  
tion sessions and a date for the wedding.

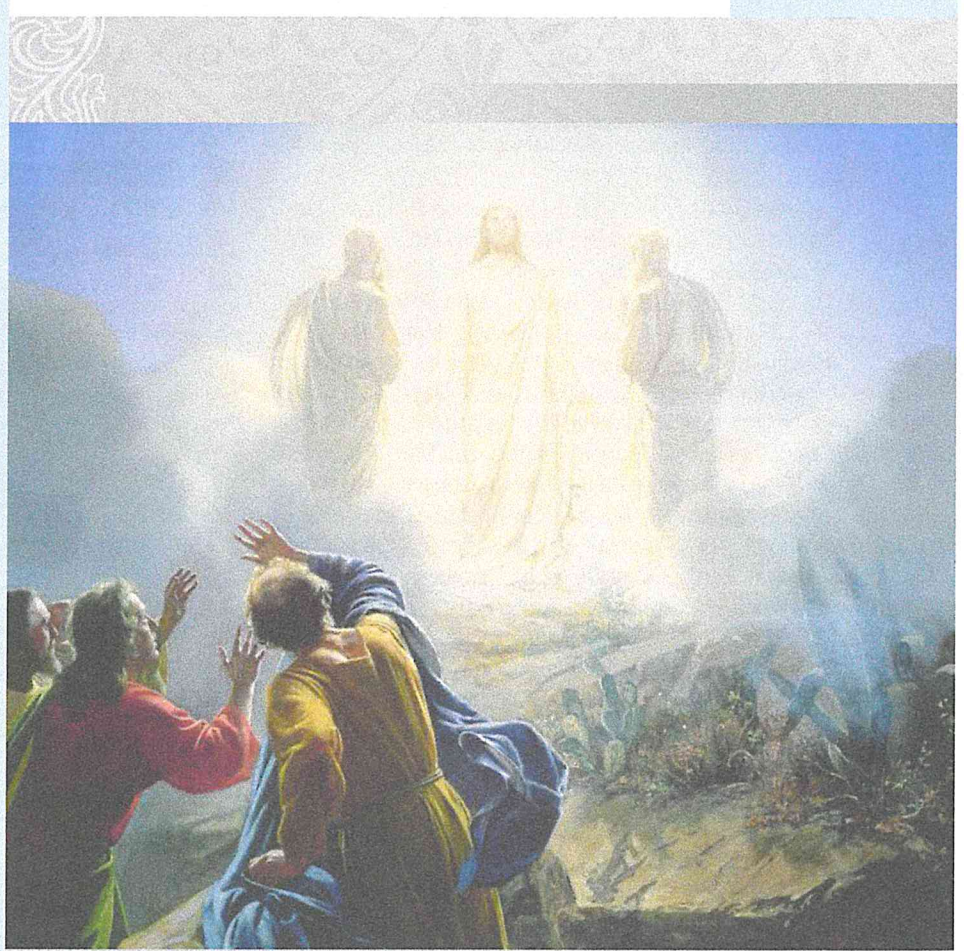
**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
Grades PreK through 8th meet on Sundays at  
9 am, October 3, 2021- May 22, 2022.

**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 add-  
ed to the e-newsletter mailing list, please con-  
tact 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.



**2nd Sunday  
OF LENT**

While he was praying his face changed in appearance  
and his clothing became dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

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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, Makala Mitchler, 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, 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 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**

March 6, 2022 Offertory	\$8,024.49
Online Giving	\$3,477.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,501.49</b>

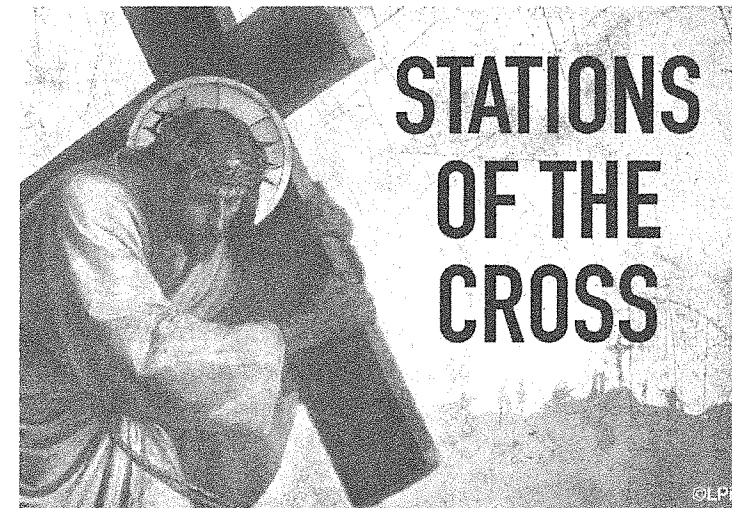
**Abuse Hotline Number:** To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number, 888-357-5330, or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. To read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to [www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection](http://www.diosav.org/childyouthpro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

**This Week at St. Matthew**

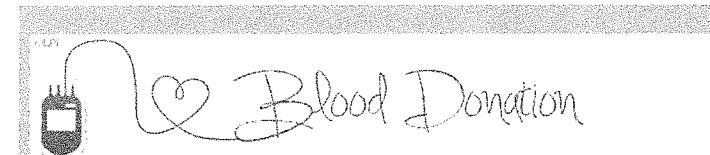
Date:	Activities:	Mass Intention:
Mar. 6 Sun.	8 am Mass 10:30 am Mass (Livestream) 5 pm Mass	+Calvin Shuman +Emma Roguly
Mar. 7 Mon.	12:10 pm Mass	+Henry Woods
Mar. 8 Tues.	12:10 pm Mass	
Mar. 9 Wed.	4:30 pm Rosary in Chapel 5 pm Confessions 5:30 pm Mass 6:00 pm Lenten Book Series 8 pm Eucharistic Adoration	+Debbie Sharp Jiones
Mar. 10 Thurs.	8 am Men's Prayer Group 10:30 am Bible Study 12:10 pm Mass	+William Hamlet
Mar. 11 Fri.	11:30 am Stations of the Cross 12:10 pm Mass 6 pm Stations of the Cross	
Mar. 12 Sat.	5 pm Spanish Mass (Sunday Vigil)	

**Readings for the week of March 13, 2022**

Sun: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36  
 Mon: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38  
 Tues: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12  
 Wed: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28  
 Thurs: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31  
 Fri: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
 Sat: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a  
 Next Sun: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9



**Fridays of Lent at 11:30 am, 6 pm, and 7 pm (in Spanish).**



St. Matthew Parish will host a blood drive on **Thursday, March 17 from noon until 5 pm**. Please visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) to schedule a donation time.

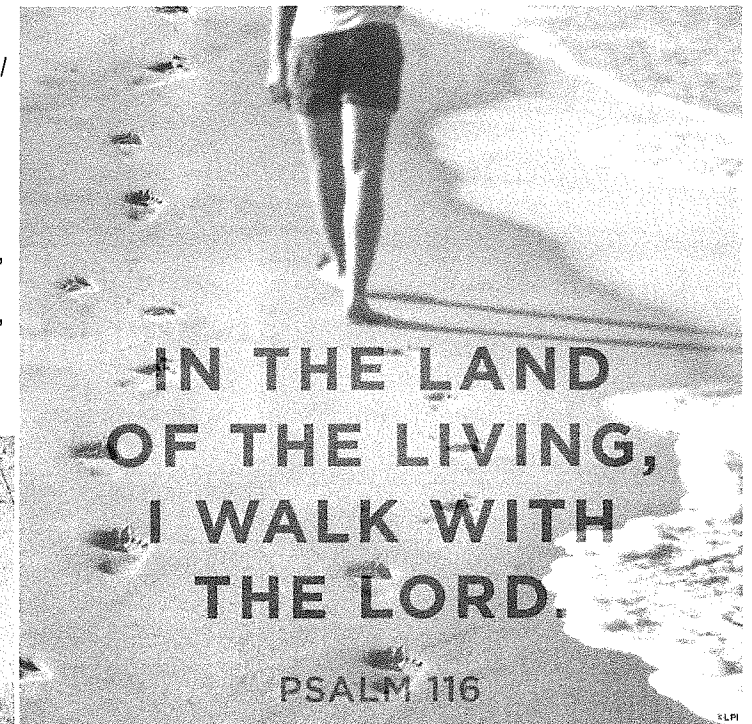
**Tea Party**

Come enjoy Christian fellowship, a devotional, tea, and goodies. Hosted by the ladies of the Parish Council of Catholic Women from 3-5 pm on Sunday, March 20. Tea cups and saucers are encouraged but are not necessary.

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." - Matthew 18:20

**An Hour of Prayer for Healing**

The Consolation Ministry members will be praying for comfort, healing, and hope on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm in the chapel at St. Matthew Catholic Church. Parishioners are invited to join the Ministry members to pray together.



**IN THE LAND OF THE LIVING, I WALK WITH THE LORD.**  
 PSALM 116

While we have to be cognizant of our societal and personal responsibilities in this world, we can never lose sight of where our true citizenship lies — heaven. When we become too immersed in earthly things and too preoccupied with our temporal responsibilities, we can actually become numb to our faith. Becoming ambivalent about our faith, our belief in Jesus Christ and the promises of heaven become more a source of agitation rather than a source of promise and hope. It is easy to become an enemy of Christ without even knowing it is happening. God has given us a very clear destiny. We are definitely not meant to conform ourselves to this world but to the transfiguration and glorification of our bodies to come. It is here where we can see clearly not only who God is but who we are. The way many conduct the daily business of their lives suggests that such a promise or hope is of little importance. What does the way you live your daily life say about you? ©LPI



**Thursday, March 31 at 6 pm**  
**PRAY. FAST. GIVE.**