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St. Matthew Catholic Church

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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.

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.
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.

**March
20
2022**



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" - Lk 13:2-3

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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, Candace Floyd, Dolores Gantt, Joe & Cassie Gay, David Greene, Toni Haffev, Kate Hall, Nola Hammond, Bob Haranda, Jordan Hathaway, Lue Healy, Emory Holloway, 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, Bobby Mee, 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 Strozso, Joe Subarton, Joe Sutter, Sullivan family, Patsy Tempio, 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@saintmatthewsparish.com.

Weekly Collection

March 13, 2022 Offertory	\$5,832.25
Online Giving	\$1,937.00
Total	\$7,769.25

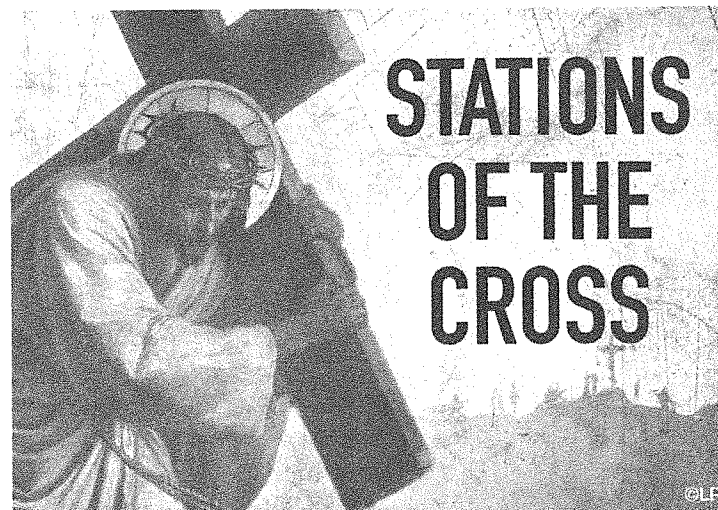
Abuse Hotline Number: To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number, 888-357-5330, or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. To read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection.

This Week at St. Matthew

Date:	Activities:	Mass Intention:
Mar. 20 Sun.	8 am Mass 10:30 am Mass (Livestream) 5 pm Mass	+Eugene and +Beverly Waugh Pasko Roguly
Mar. 21 Mon.	12:10 pm Mass	
Mar. 22 Tues.	12:10 pm Mass	
Mar. 23 Wed.	4:30 pm Rosary in Chapel 5 pm Confessions 5:30 pm Mass 6:00 pm Lenten Book Series 8 pm Eucharistic Adoration	
Mar. 24 Thurs.	8 am Men's Prayer Group 10:30 am Bible Study 12:10 pm Mass	
Mar. 25 Fri.	11:30 am Stations of the Cross 12:10 pm Mass 6 pm Stations of the Cross	
Mar. 26 Sat.	5 pm Spanish Mass (Sunday Vigil)	

Readings for the week of March 20, 2022

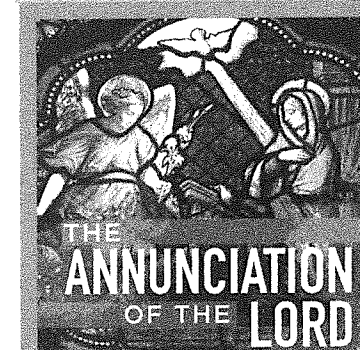
Sun: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9
 Mon: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
 Tues: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35
 Wed: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
 Thurs: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
 Fri: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
 Sat: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14
 Next Sun: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



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

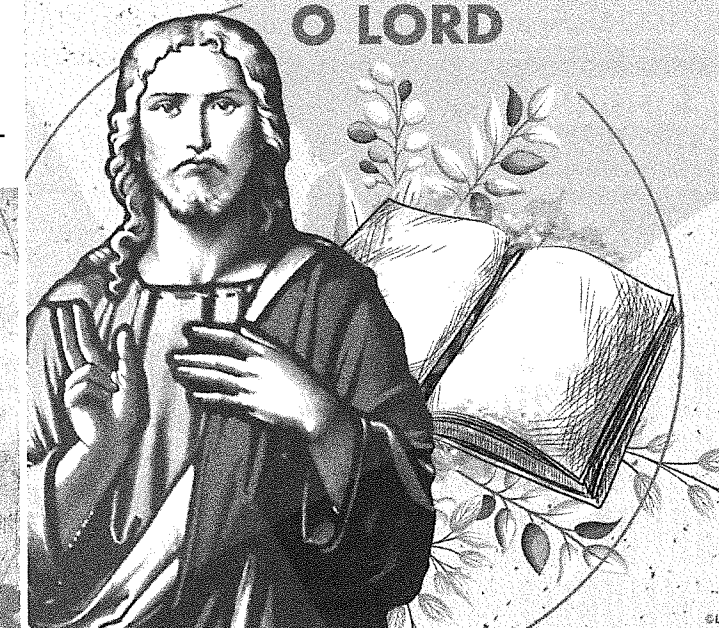
Tea Party

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



Nine months before Christmas the Church observes the Solemnity of the Annunciation, remembering with awe and gratitude the moment in time when the "Word was made Flesh" in the womb of the Virgin Mary. The Angel Gabriel had been sent by God to announce the good news to Mary, and with her "Fiat" she accepted her role as Mother of the Redeemer. We thank her for making the Incarnation a reality by her cooperation and so becoming a spiritual mother to us all. A solemn Mass of the feast will be celebrated this Friday, March 25 at 12:10 pm, shortly after the Stations of the Cross.

MAKE YOUR WAYS KNOWN, O LORD



God clearly reveals His identity as "I am who am." God, who is really beyond all names, is the One who simply "is" as the foundation of all being. This ever-existing, uncreated, and all-encompassing presence of unconditional God, who is Love, is very patient as He waits for us to grow and change. God is so near to us that it is easy to miss his presence. As true love requires, God seeks a devoted, intimate, free, and exclusive relationship with each of us. As we walk through the parched, desert experiences of our lives it is easily in our thirst for water and a respite from the heat that we reach for and construct idols that will bring us immediate relief and satisfaction. These false gods, made out of our comforts and earthly desires can quickly take the place of the One who really has first dibs on our hearts. Humans have often wandered far away from God as St. Paul reminds us. In helping each other cultivate and fertilize the ground upon which we walk, God gives us yet another chance to bear fruit and return. ©LPI



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