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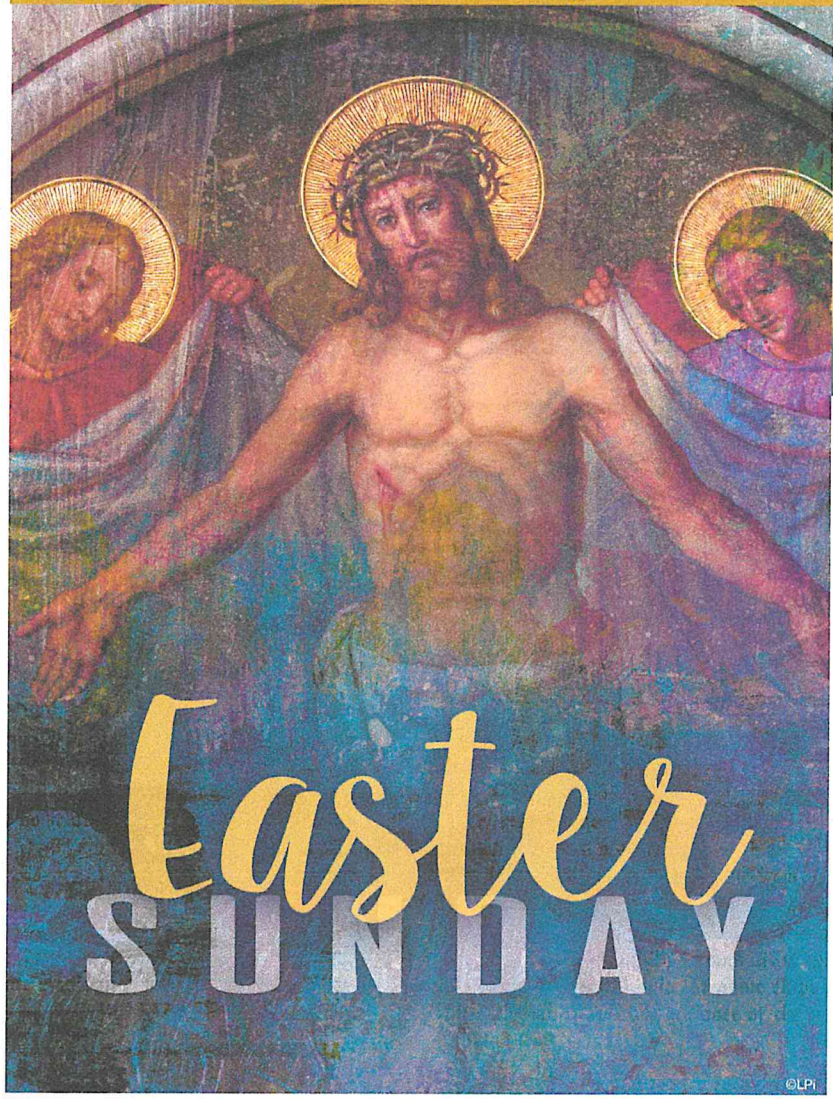
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Welcome Back to Mass

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St. Matthew Catholic Church

April 10, 2022



Alleluia!

HE IS RISEN!

The hosts of heaven exult and sing aloud in mighty triumph!
Let the earth be glad as glory alights and night reigns no more.
Let the Church rejoice at the victory of her Lord and Master,
Who paid the debt of Adam,
Who frees those doomed to die,
Who heals the broken-hearted and bind up their wounds,
Who forgives the sinner and raises up the lowly,
Who destroys death forever,
Whose Kingdom shall have no end.
God our Father, eternal is Your love for us!
Christ the Son, in victory You reign!
Holy Spirit, set the Easter fire ablaze in our hearts.
Together you live and reign and ransom your people,
one God forever and ever. Amen. © LPI

Easter SUNDAY



Please see the Welcome Table in the Narthex (lobby) for registration info or contact Melinda Cannady at: mcannady@saintmatthewsparish.com. Visit our website: www.saintmatthewsparish.com for parish news and events. Instagram: @stmatthewstatesboro. Facebook: St. Matthew Catholic Church and Newman Center.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday: 5 pm (Spanish) | 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 appointment.

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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, Dolores Collins, Karl Collins, Rob Dannacher, Marguerite DeFoe, Judy Cowning, Margaret Dannacher, Fred Denson, Dorothy Downs, Karen Dwyer, Chris Eaton, 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, Bonnie Knight, 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 Stozzo, Joe Subarton, Joe Sutter, Sullivan family, Patsy Tempio, Jo Ellen Tolliver, Connie Tousley, 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 912-681-6726.

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.

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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

Due to an early bulletin deadline, the totals for April 10 and 17 will be included in the April 24 bulletin.

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.

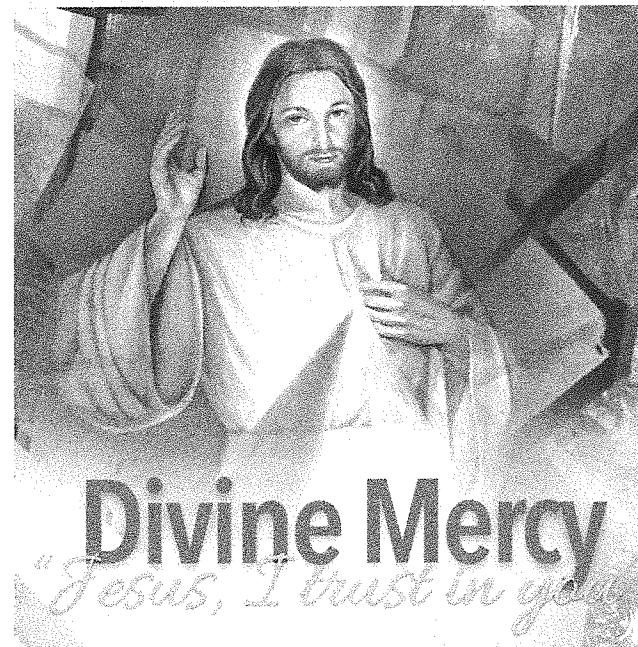
This Week at St. Matthew

Date:	Activities:	
April 17 Sun.	8 am Mass 10:30 am Mass (Livestream) 5 pm Mass	+Jerome Nicklay +Hilda Davis +Vinko Kovacevic
April 18 Mon.	12:10 pm Mass	+Neil and Carolyn Swickard
April 19 Tues.	12:10 pm Mass	+Ewa Wojcicka
April 20 Wed.	4:30 pm Rosary in Chapel 5 pm Confessions 5:30 pm Mass 8 pm Eucharistic Adoration	+Sharon Tracy
April 21 Thurs.	8 am Men's Prayer Group 10:30 am Bible Study 12:10 pm Mass	
April 22 Fri.	12:10 pm Mass	
April 23 Sat.	5 pm Spanish Mass	

Childcare News!



A nursery is available at the 8 am and 10:30 am Sunday Masses for infants and toddlers through 3 years of age. The nursery room is located in the classroom/social building next to the church. A Training Room is available to the left of the altar. Please use this space to calm a fussy toddler or wiggly child. Thank you for teaching your children to love God by making Mass attendance a priority for your family!



Divine Mercy

"Jesus, I trust in you"

You are invited to join us we pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 24 at 3 pm in the Church.



Please see the Catholic Eagles flyer in the Narthex (main entrance lobby) for information on upcoming events, including opportunities for worship, bible studies, and fellowship. Contact Fellowship of Catholic University Students Team Director David Wentworth: david.wentworth@focus.org for more information.



There are many stones in our paths that keep us from truly living and being free. Some of these boulders have been there for a very long time. They have been there so long that they have even settled into the soil of our lives with other weeds, vines, and compacted soil keeping them firmly in place. We find them hard to move and trying to do so can be exhausting. What are these suffocating albatrosses that keep us so tethered and immobile? They are many things.

They are past childhood wounds and hurts that stem from disappointment, rejection, or abuse. People may have told us we were unwanted, that the world is frightening, that there are only some acceptable feelings you can have and others you cannot. We may have tried to love someone, or struggled to figure out how to love someone, and were met with rejection. Maybe we trusted someone completely and were betrayed. We go through life collecting barnacles that begin to attach to other barnacles and before you know it, we have a mass of solid matter blocking our vision and keeping us from moving. We live in fear; We are afraid of losing what we have, afraid that the future will be empty, afraid that we won't succeed and even more afraid that we will not be loved. There is so much fear. Didn't Jesus tell us not to worry and to not be afraid? Either we believe in the message of Easter, or we don't!

Go confidently into the night. Walking with God, you will find the light and strength you need. Often without you even knowing, God will move those boulders and stumbling blocks that bind us and, with putting one foot in front of the other and looking forward, we will move. The resurrection of Christ is really all about receiving the gifts of trust and faith and doing new things. The rocks that bind us keep us spinning the same wheels and doing the same things. When was the last time you threw caution to the wind and actually did something totally out of character and different? This is where we find God, in the spontaneous, the adventurous, the fun, and the creative choices we make! God is not boring and stuck. God is exciting and engaging. **Jesus Christ is risen from the dead!** Find a way to trust that this is true and live. —LPI Publications