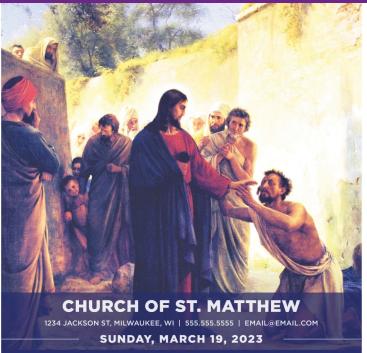
St. Matthew Catholic Church

March 19, 2023



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35



Welcome New Parishioners!

Please see the Welcome Table in the Narthex (lobby) for registration info or contact the parish office at: office@saintmatthewsparish.com. Visit our website: www.saintmatthewsparish.com for parish news and events. Instagram: @stmatthewstatesboro. Facebook: St. Matthew Catholic Church and Newman Center. God asks a rhetorical and slightly sarcastic question to Samuel, the prophet: "How long will you grieve for Saul, whom I have rejected as king of Israel?" Like us, Samuel is depressed that the old king failed. It's painful to admit that the old regime is done. But God won't let us wallow our pity-party forever. "I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem," announces the Lord, "for I have chosen my king from among his sons." Samuel finally goes and anoints the young David as the new king. And his kingdom is glorious; it's the golden age of Israel's earthly history.

How discouraging to see that my own selfish ego is no longer in charge! How long will I grieve that money, power, pleasure, and reputation have been rejected as the ruler of my life? How wonderful that God has a new future in store for you and me. He is sending us to Bethlehem to anoint the new David as our king. His kingdom won't fail us. He'll slay our goliaths, unite our dispersed energies, and build a Temple where God himself will dwell.

So how long will you grieve? How long?

— Father John Muir ©LPI



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday: 5 pm (Spanish) Sunday: 8 am, 10:30 am*, and 5 pm
*Livestreamed to Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.
DAILY MASS: M, T, Th, 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 Beasly, Bill Bolen, Drew Brandon, Margaret Brewer, Glenda, Brussard, Claire Burton, Orlena Bussie, Maria Curtin, Rob Dannacher, Marguerite DeFoe, Judy Cowning, Fred Denson, Dorothy Downs, Nadia Durrence, Karen Dwyer, Chris Eaton, Candace Floyd, Dolores Gantt, Joe &

Cassie Gay, David Greene, Bob Grovenstein, Toni Haffev, Kate Hall, Nola Hammond, Bob & Mary Jo Hand, Bob Haranda, Jordan Hathaway, Emory Holloway, Kelly Howard, Mary Harrington, Tricia Harris, Jon Hart, Jim Howenstine, Pat Jackson, Mattie James, Miranda Johnson, Peggy Kearns, Greyson Kennedy, Cecilia Krause, Paul LeFebvre, Marq Lett, Virginia Lindsey, Mellie London, Helen Lowe, Selah March, Sarah Mathis, Hugh and Linda McClendon, Makala Mitchler, Ginger Morris, Janet O'Brien, Cathy Orr, Brooks Padgett, Sandie Perrin, Rick and Kathy Poole, Dave Reichard, Margie Rouse, Audrey Senecal Sidway, April Shuman, Dot Sink, Shirley Smith, Michael Smoak, Carol Sowell, Steve Steinman, Carolyn Strozzo, Joe Subarton, Joe Sutter, Sullivan family, Patsy Tempio, Connie Tousley, Shirley Wilson, 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 the parish office at 912-681-6726.

For those in the Military

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.

<u>Volunteer Parish Nurse</u>

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 who grieve, to support Masses for the deceased through the ministry's designated contributions, to pray for and with those who suffer loss, and to pray for comfort and healing for the sick. Our Mandate: "Bear each other's burdens and so fulfill the Law of Christ." (Gal. 6:2) Contact: Joyce Bergin at 912-489-5714 or at bergjoy@yahoo.com

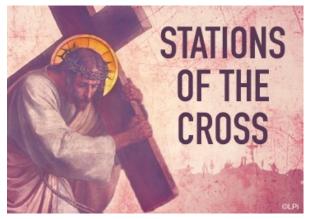
Weekly Collection

Total:	\$10,897.20
Online Giving	\$4,670.34
Weekly Offertory: March 12, 2023	\$6,226.86

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

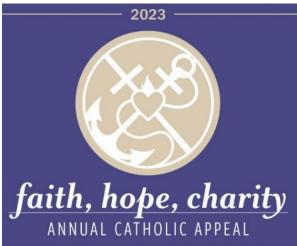
Date:	Activities:	Mass Intention
March 19 Sun.	8 am Mass 9 am Religious Ed. 10:30 am Mass (Livestream) 5 pm Mass	+ Nona Novak + Tyler Strozzo
March 20 Mon.	12:10 PM Mass	
March 21 Tues.	12:10 pm Mass	
March 22 Wed.	4:30 pm Rosary in Chapel 5 pm Confessions 5:30 pm Mass	
March 23 Thurs.	8 am Men's Prayer Group 10:30 am Bible Study 12:10 pm Mass	
March 24 Fri.	11:30 am Stations of the Cross 12:10 pm Mass 6 pm Stations of the Cross	
March 25 Sat.	4 pm Confessions 5 pm Spanish Mass 6 pm Estaciones de la Cruz	



Fridays of Lent 11:30 am and 6 pm in English



Tuesday March 21 at 6 pm



Please prayerfully consider your pledge to support our Diocese and the ministries that include the education of our future priest and deacons, support for rural parishes, youth ministry, and campus ministry programs that change lives for the better. We are blessed with much; let us be a blessing to others. **Our parish goal for 2023 is \$41,900.** Pledge envelopes are available in the pews. Visit diosav.org/baa to give electronically.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Council Meeting will be held on Monday, March 20, with the Rosary at 6:45 p.m. follo

on Monday, March 20, with the Rosary at 6:45 p.m. followed by the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

For more information about the Knights of Columbus, please contact Grand Knight Robert Babot at <u>robert.babot@gmail.com</u>, phone 912-346-6664.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION

On Saturday, March 25th at 10am, Mass will be celebrated for the Solemnity of the Annunciation. On this feast we remember when God sent the angel Gabriel to ask Mary to be the Mother of Jesus and she said "yes!" Because of this, the Incarnation happened — Jesus was conceived in Mary's womb by the power of the Holy Spirit.



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