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WELCOME TO SAINT MATTHEW

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SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



They set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" - Lk 24:33-34

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

3rd Sunday of Easter

I always feel a little sad when someone begins to speak to me with the words, "Father, I know you're so busy, but ...". It happens a lot. And I get it. He or she is trying to be respectful of my time. But it saddens me because a priest makes Jesus present to people in a special way, and Jesus *always* has time for us. Don't we all feel at times that God just doesn't have time for us?

Nonsense. Just look at the stunning "Road to Emmaus" story we hear this week. It's the day Jesus rose from the dead. And the Risen One appears in disguise to two disciples. He walks with them, chats with them, and eventually eats with them. It could have been hours he spends with them — two unnamed persons — in the middle of nowhere. On the day he rose from the dead!

My friends, please take this to heart: The Risen Jesus is not too busy to spend time with you! He doesn't have "better things to do." You and I are members of this crucified and risen Body. He therefore has all the time in the world to be with us. So, I challenge you this week to approach him confidently in prayer and conversation. After all, being with you and me is the reason he rose from the dead. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

Welcome Guests & New Parishioners

Please see the Welcome Table in the Narthex (lobby) for registration information. If you have any questions please call us at 912-681-6726.



Confirmation

April 25th at 6 pm

Bishop Parks will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation please join us. Please pray for those preparing for the sacrament.

UNIVERSITY MASS ANNOUNCEMENT

Join us Sunday, April 30th for the last University Mass before summer break. We will resume the University Mass Sunday, August 13th.





Mass Intention



Sunday 4/23 + Kate Stambuk

Communion Ministry to the Sick/Homebound

If someone needs to be added to the list for Communion Ministry to the Sick/Homebound, please contact us at 912-681-6726.

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.

"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

Weekly Offertory: April 9, 2023	\$8,519.89
Online Giving	\$3,155.00
Total:	\$11,674.89



Volunteer Retired 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. Reach her at 912-682-1147.

DIOCESAN 24-HOUR CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

HOTLINE 888-357-5330

Parish Information

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am,
5:00 pm (only while college in session)
Sunday 10:30 am livestream on YouTube, and Facebook
Saturday: 5:00 pm (Spanish)
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: 12:10pm

Holy Hour

Tuesday 7:00pm- 8:00pm (while college is in session)

Confessions

Wednesday: 5:00-5:25 pm & Saturday: 4:00 -4:45 pm

Adoration Chapel

Visit office for more information

Staff Directory

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2023



faith, hope, charity

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

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 Council 14275 Raffle

Please join the Knights of Columbus to support St. Matthews Church and a local Girl Scout with her Silver Award funding. All funds raised will go to the improvement of the St. Matthews Fire Pit Area.

Prize 1 - Briggs and Stratton 500 cc Engine
Value \$800

Prize 2 - Blanket and Glass Set
Value \$100

Prize 3 - 5 - Georgia Southern Hat
Value \$25

Ticket Cost
1 for \$20
3 for \$40



Questions:
Contact Brandon Byrnes
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Raffle Benefits

- Helping a Girl Scout reach her Silver Award
- Improvement for St. Matthews Community
- Help a Girl Scout with Leadership Skills
- Funding the cost of supplies to complete project

Raffle Drawing:
5/15/23

Payment Methods:
Venmo: casey1025, Cash App: casey2508,
Paypal: jimi_dirks@hotmail.com,
Cash, or Check: K of C Council 14275



Mexico's Children's Day



The Hispanic Community will celebrate Mexico's Children's Day on Sunday, April 30, after the 10:30 am Mass.

There will be traditional games for all children, food, and events.



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PCCW Monday Meeting

April 24, 2023

The PCCW will be hosting Carol Svestka who will be speaking about the relic of Veronica's Veil. The relic has been authenticated and will be on display. We invite everyone to attend his interesting meeting. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm. We hope to see you there.

Upcoming Events

- 4/21-4/23 Youth Group (DYC)
- 4/23 Student dinner after 5pm University Mass
- 4/24 Council of Catholic Women (PCCW) 7pm
- 4/25 Confirmation Mass at 6pm
- 4/30 Mexico's Children's Day after 10:30am Mass
- 4/30 Last 5pm Sunday University Mass (until August 13)
- 5/13 First Communion Mass at 10am

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