



St. Matthew Catholic Church

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

As children we sang the lively song *This Little Light of Mine*. The words, of course, are based on today's Gospel, in which we are called as disciples to be salt and light for the world. Children are uninhibited about sharing their faith. It's only when we grow older that we prefer to hide our light under a bushel basket because our culture tends not to emphasize discipleship. The message in this week's readings is clear: in order to give glory to God through our discipleship, we must show the light of Christ in our words and deeds. Not an easy thing for inhibited adults. Often we may think of salt and light in terms of what we do for others, but it can be just as important not to do something, such as getting angry with the stranger on the road, or telling an offensive joke.

If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (Isaiah 58:7-10).

The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright (Psalm 112).

My message to you, says Paul, was not clever words of wisdom but the proclamation of Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).

You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God (Matthew 5:13-16).

Your light must shine

before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.

FEBRUARY 5, 2017

Matthew 5:16

Reverend Clem Hammerschmitt, Pastor
Deacon Andy Plucinski
Deacon George White
Deacon Robert Garamella

Mass Schedule

Saturday
4:00 P.M. & 5:30 P.M.

Sunday
7:45 A.M.- 9:00 A.M - 10:30 A.M.
& 12 Noon

Daily Mass

Monday through Saturday
8:00 A.M.

Confessions

Saturday 3:15 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

Loving Hands Ministry

Meets every Tuesday from
10:00 A.M. to 12 noon
in the parish center.

St. Matthew Men's Club

Meets monthly at 7:30 P.M. every
second Wednesday in the parish center.

Parish Office:

6090 Hypoluxo Road
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(561) 966-8878

Office hours: Monday-Friday

8:00 A.M. - Noon
1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Parish Secretaries

James Schultz
Dorothy Laudano

Religious Education

Debbie Whitlock
Debbie@saintmatthewchurch.org
(561) 966-1538

Youth Ministry

Suzanne McKay
(561) 966-8878

Council of Catholic Women

Join us the third Tuesday of each
month, September thru May for Mass
at 7:00 P.M., followed by a 7:30 P.M.
meeting and light refreshments.

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday after the
12:00 Noon Mass. Parents must be registered
and active members of the parish for at least
three months. No confirmed dates are given
before approval by the pastor. Contact the
parish office two months in advance.
Godparents must be confirmed, practicing,
Roman Catholics and must obtain a sponsor
certificate from their parish.

In order to avoid disappointments, do not
book travel plans with family, Godparents,
etc. until a confirmed date has been assigned
through the parish office (561) 966-8878.

Marriages

Notify the parish office at least four months
in advance.

Ministrations to the Sick

We appreciate knowing when a parishioner is
in the hospital or homebound. Please call the
parish office.

Are you registered in the parish? Please do not take for granted that you are registered in the parish just because you attend mass here. If we have no record of your parish membership it could be quite embarrassing to us, or to you or your family, when someone wishes to make wedding plans, have a baby baptized, or if you have been asked to act as a sponsor for baptism or confirmation. Please fill out a census form, which is located at the entrances of the Multi Celebrational Building (MCB), and mail it to the parish office.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday, February 4th
4:00 P.M. John Polakowski 21st Anniversary requested by his wife Rose
Mary Raab requested by Dorothy Rabbage
5:30 P.M. Vito Giannolo requested by his wife Joanne
Patrick Tierney requested by his brother Sean and wife Janey
- Sunday, February 5th
7:45 A.M. George La Costa
Joseph De Salvo requested by Robert & Camille Bucchere
9:00 A.M. Alfonso Frias Jr. & Richard Nardini requested by Precy & Jay Alguno & Family
Marilyn Carr requested by Nancy & Chiro Ruiz
10:30 A.M. Logan & Busch Families requested by Katherine Busch
Girolama & Salvatore Noto requested by Catherine Scalzo & Walter Needre
12:00 P.M. Frank Anthony Oddo Jr. requested by his parents and Family
The Richard and Lajoie Families requested by their children
- Monday, February 6th
8:00 A.M. Terrence O'Connor
Minnie Jerkovich in her 100th year requested by her Family
- Tuesday, February 7th
8:00 A.M. Joseph Carlisto requested by Sharon & Ralph Cioffi
Julie Marrone requested by her husband Frank, daughter Lisa and
granddaughter Carla
- Wednesday, February 8th
8:00 A.M. Olga Campero requested by her sister Gloria
In Thanksgiving requested by Gloria Salzarulo
- Thursday, February 9th
8:00 A.M. Mary Convertini requested by her Family
George La Costa requested by his Family
- Friday, February 10th
8:00 A.M. Richard Brown requested by his loving niece Dolores
Bea Brown requested by his loving cousin Dolores
- Saturday, February 11th
8:00 A.M. Antonio Cieri requested by his Family
For all the souls in purgatory requested by Vinod
4:00 P.M. Richard & Regina Heinick
Elizabeth Besciglia requested by her son Frank
5:30 P.M. Sally Brady requested by Dominick Villani
May Villani requested by Dominick Villani
- Sunday, February 12th
7:45 A.M. Edward McDonnell requested by Mary McDonnell
Marian Huerter requested by the Pacheco Family
9:00 A.M. Thomas Talty requested by his wife Barbara
Richard Burns requested by Joanne Springer
10:30 A.M. Michael La Meire 37th Anniversary & Theresa Modena 33rd Anniversary
requested by Domenick & Norma Modena
Donley Anderson requested by Tom & Irene Paunovich
12:00 P.M. Marge Lampasone requested by Michael & Alice Salvatore
Dot Caromile requested by Pete & Judy



300 Club

Congratulations to Janice Muhleisen, the 15th week's winner of the 300 Club!

St. Vincent de Paul Seminary

Vocations Evening

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

Prayer Discussion Tour Dinner

Men, 20 to 40 years of age, you are invited to experience the life and spirituality of our seminarians and enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun. Register by February 15, 2017.

For more information contact: Father Brian Lehnert, Director of Vocations

Email: vocations@diocesepb.org Phone: 561-775-9552



Thursday Nights

In the parish center
Doors open at 5:30 P.M,
Games begin at 6:30 P.M.

Progressive Jackpot



St. Matthew Men's Club is a ministry of St. Matthew Parish, open to all adult males of the parish, that provides an atmosphere for fostering Christian fellowship and a sense of community among the men of the parish aimed at strengthening family life in our parish. We serve as a support group and provide a structure to assist with various parish religious celebrations, social events and parish service projects. We meet in the parish center on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 :30 P.M.

Join us at our next meeting on Wednesday, February 8th.



Youth Ministry will be serving coffee and donuts after the Sunday morning masses. All middle and high school students are invited. Earn community service hours and make new friends! Contact Suzanne at 966-8878.

Thank you to parishioners Joe & Evelyn Silvia for sponsoring the February Pancake Breakfast.



Sponsor our monthly Pancake and Sausage Breakfast for \$300.

Sponsor our weekly Coffee and Donuts for \$100.

Contact the parish office to reserve your week/month.



Offertory Collection

January 28th & January 29th
amounted to \$ 11,722.71

Second Collection

January 28th & January 29th
amounted to \$ 4,087.66

Building Mortgage

Principal \$ 1,939,854.64
Payment \$ 4,087.66
Balance \$ 1,935,766.98

2016 donation letters are available to parishioners who contribute through the use of their offertory envelopes.

Please contact the parish office at (561) 966-8878 if you wish to receive a letter.

Second Collection

February 4th & February 5th
Mortgage Reduction

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

St. Ann's Place Ministry

Team 3 will be meeting on Monday, February 6th in the parish center after the 8:00 A.M. Mass.

Please note: The first row of chairs are reserved for those who are handicapped.

The celebrant of the mass should be the last to enter the church and the first to leave.

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Casino Night Fundraiser

Friday, February 24th 2017



7:00 P.M. to 10:30 P.M.

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**The Parish's Annual Casino Night fundraiser
is only three weeks away!**

**\$50 Donation per person includes \$2,000 "Play" money,
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Tickets are on sale today after all the Masses in the Parish Center. Dozens of raffle prizes including a *VISIO 65" 4K ULTRA HD SMART TV*. Cash, checks, or credit cards are accepted for your tickets. We are also looking for sponsors for Gaming Tables & Slot Machines, as well as gift donations for this fundraiser. Stop by the Parish Center today, or contact the Parish Office during business hours for tickets, sponsorships, or donations.



4 Casino Night Gaming Tables @\$500 each and 18 Slot Machines @\$100 each are in need of sponsors. Sponsors will receive special recognition on advertising before the event, and will also have their logos/names displayed on the table/slot machine on Casino Night. Please stop by the Parish Center today or contact the Parish Office at (561) 966-8878 if you would like to assist with these sponsorships.

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Diocese of Palm Beach

For additional information, visit the diocesan website at:
<http://www.diocesepb.org/>

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Do You Know Anyone Who is Separated or Divorced and Needs Support?

The diocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life will offer its peer-led ministry to men and women who have suffered from divorce: The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide. This is a 12-week program featuring weekly 30-minute DVD segments covering topics such as anger, guilt, forgiveness, money, co-parenting, the ex-spouse, annulment, sexuality, spirituality, finding peace, and more. The Catholic Church is not here to condemn but to console and to help you find peace, power, and renewed passion for life. To attend the next session, please contact Cathy Loh at (561) 775-9557.

Are you concerned about the addiction of a family member?

The Family Recovery Workshop empowers families to deal with addiction in their families and to engage in their own recovery process. This workshop is presented in two parts. The first part consists of one 90-minute presentation, and the second optional part consists of 3 additional 90-minute presentations. Contact Elena Garcia at the Office of Parish Social Ministry, (561) 360-3327.

Confidential, Professional and Affordable Counseling Available

Are you or a family member in need of counseling for depression, anxiety, grief inter-relationship or adjustment issues? Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach offers confidential, affordable services at seven locations in the five-county area with counselors that incorporate the philosophy of spirituality and psychology to heal the "whole" person. Call (844) 848-6777 and speak to our intake coordinator for more information or to schedule a session.

Safety Tips for Kids & Families

The Diocesan Office of Safe Environments provides safety tips for online, gaming and texting safety; cell phone safety, bullying/prevention; and Safe to Compete for students and coaches at:
www.diocesepb.org/resources

Watch the Catholic Mass on TV

Tune in each week on Sunday at 9:00 A.M. for the televised Catholic Mass on local station CW34 WTVX. Local station CW34 WTVX can be found on the following channels: Comcast Channels 4 & 435HD & On AT&T/U-Verse Channels 4 & 1004HD.

Protection of Children and Young People

The Catholic Diocese of Palm Beach is committed to the safety and protection of all children and vulnerable adults in its care. Victims of abuse are encouraged to contact the Diocesan Coordinator, Donna Eurich for information: 561-775-9593 to begin necessary emotional, psychological and spiritual healing.

For information on Diocesan policies and procedures for reporting abuse, please go to www.diocesepb.org and click on Offices/Safe Environments.

Pray for Our Priests and Deacons

The diocese maintains and updates a monthly calendar that you can use as a guide to pray daily for our priests and deacons. The daily guides can be found on the Events Calendar of the website. Go to www.diocesepb.org/newsevents and click on the "Pray Daily for Priests" or "Pray Daily for Deacons" wording in the left column. Or you can use the direct web page addresses for each: www.diocesepb.org/pray-daily-for-priests and www.diocesepb.org/pray-daily-for-deacons

2017 Dates for Keeping the Promise Alive

The Diocese of Palm Beach's Office of Safe Environments is announcing 2017 dates for its Keeping the Promise Alive-Promise to Protect/Pledge to Heal presentations. Although the Catholic Church and our diocese have come a long way in our fight against child abuse, much remains to be done. In the Keeping the Promise Alive® presentation, you will see many ways that parishes and schools from across the U.S. have successfully implemented the "Five Steps" of the "Protecting God's Children®" program and you will hear their success stories. The diocese's Keeping the Promise Alive® sessions will be held on various dates and at various parish locations throughout the months of January and February. These are open to all people over 17 years of age. Pre-registration is required on VIRTUS®. To view the list of locations and times, and to register, please visit www.virtusonline.org For further assistance, contact Donna Eurich, Administrator of Education & Training- Office of Safe Environments at deurich@diocesepb.org or 561-775-9593.



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