

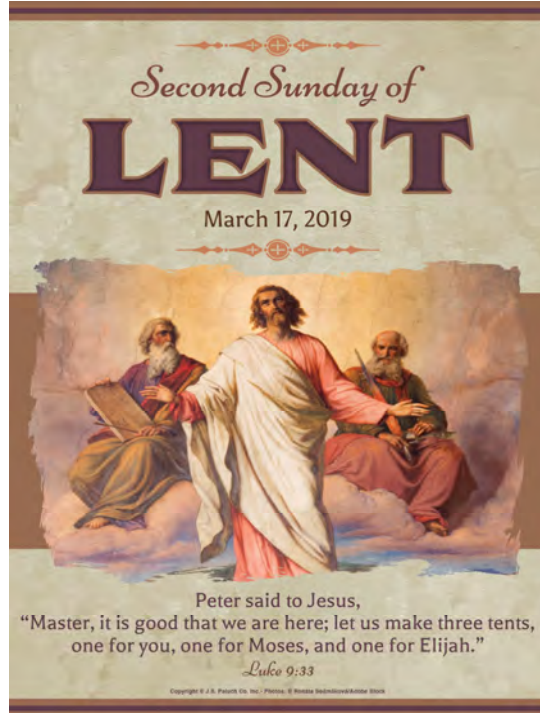


St. Matthew Catholic Church

6090 Hypoluxo Road
Lake Worth, FL 33463-7312

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STAND FIRM IN THE LORD

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ (3:20). He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body (3:21). Note that he says body rather than bodies. He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So stand firm in the Lord (4:1).

The LORD made a covenant with Abram
(Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18)

The Lord is my light and my salvation
(Psalm 27).

Our citizenship is in heaven
(Philippians 3:17 -- 4:1 [3:20 -- 4:1]).

Atop a mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John
(Luke 9:28b-36).

Reverend Clem Hammerschmitt, Pastor
Reverend Leonard Dim, Parochial Vicar
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, or place it in the collection basket.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 16th

4:00 P.M.

Gerald Pagano requested by his wife and sons

Roger Desrosiers requested by his wife Mel

5:30 P.M.

Vincent Benitez requested by his wife Sixta and Family

Kelly Camburn requested by her Momma

Sunday, March 17th

7:45 A.M.

Raymond & Bob Massey requested by their mother Marie

Michael Monti requested by Rosalie Smith

9:00 A.M.

Helen Hunter requested by Eileen & Ed Hughes

Joan Antonucci requested by Joanne Springer

10:30 A.M.

Jim Sullivan requested by his wife Vera

Happy St. Patrick's Day in Heaven

12:00 P.M.

Henrietta Salpietro requested by Maria Titto

Eugene Oaks requested by the Mangan Family

Monday, March 18th

8:00 A.M.

John Waddington requested by his wife Jean and Family

Celia Orozco requested by Lois Crooks

Tuesday, March 19th

8:00 A.M.

Wilfredo Acuña requested by the Velasquez Family

Happy Birthday in heaven Grandpa Catalano requested by Rosalie

7:00 P.M.

St. Matthew Council of Catholic Women living and deceased

Wednesday, March 20th

8:00 A.M.

Donald Emrich requested by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Emrich

Gertrudes Balingat 90th Birthday in heaven requested by Noel, Regina,

Nicholas, and Timothy

Thursday, March 21st

8:00 A.M.

Stephen R. Zabriskie "Butch" requested by his sister Elayne

MarieRose Martinelli requested from her daughter Louise

Friday, March 22nd

8:00 A.M.

Angelina Wiita requested by her daughter Louise Verace

Ele Spellman requested by Joan Benjamin

Saturday, March 23rd

8:00 A.M.

Kenneth Dempsy requested by Debbie & George Englert

For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Matthew Parish

4:00 P.M.

Maria Romañach requested by her niece Maria

Eugene Paris requested by Jean Swiekow and Family

5:30 P.M.

Maria Cespedes requested by Belkis & Jose Cespedes

Vincent Benitez requested by his wife Sixta and Family

Sunday, March 24th

7:45 A.M.

Neil Mahoney requested by Lucille Mahoney

Bob we always love and miss you requested by Barb & Jo

9:00 A.M.

Health of Father James De Vita requested by his Family

Maureen Abborino requested by Joyce Bergeron

10:30 A.M.

Walter Swann requested by his mother Glenda

Maureen Healy Happy Birthday in heaven requested by Theresa French

12:00 P.M.

Felix Noronha Happy Birthday in heaven Dad requested by Alda Noronha-

Nimmo

Henrietta Salpietro requested by Theresa Dipalo

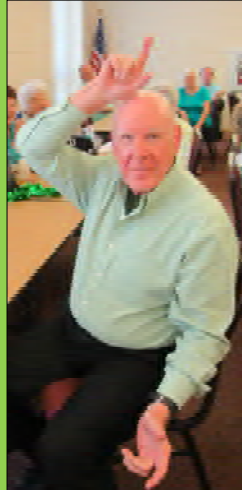


300 Club

Congratulations to May Flemming, the 8th week's winner of the 300 Club!

St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Music

The food was delicious, the music was merry, and a wonderful time was had by all who attended. Thank you to everybody who helped make this event a success!



Please consider praying as a family this Lenten Season for people to answer God's call to be Priests, Deacons, Brothers and Sisters. Take home the Chalice for one week to pray. Call Jean at 389-3692.

Offertory Collection

March 9th & 10th
\$11,806.60

Second Collection

March 9th & 10th
\$3,737.40

Building Mortgage

Principal \$1,751,000.01
Payment
Balance \$1,751,000.01

Please join us for Coffee & Donuts in the parish center after the Sunday morning Masses.

DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

We have received \$46,584.50 of our 2019 goal of \$138,000.

www.catholiccharities.com
www.diocesepb.org

Monthly Pancake Breakfast Sponsorships are available for \$300.
Weekly Coffee and Donuts are available for \$100

Second Collection

March 23rd & 24th
Diocesan Services Appeal
Thank you in advance for your generosity.

St. Ann's Place

Team 2 Monday, March 18th



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.

Our advertisers subsidize the cost of our weekly bulletin, please patronize them and tell them you saw their ad. Thank you in advance for your generosity, and for your continued support of Saint Matthew Catholic Church.

10th Annual Women of Faith, Women of Action Conference

with Guest Speaker - Valerie Panciera-Reith

Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

All women of faith and of all ages throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach are invited to attend this conference hosted by The Palm Beach Diocesan Council of Catholic Women for the Diocese.

- Mass with Celebrant The Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of Palm Beach
- Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration and the Rosary
- The opportunity to visit and pray before the relics of Saint Pope John Paul II and Saint Maria Faustina
- Ministry tables & vendors selling a variety of items
- Breakfast and Lunch included with admission
- Held at Our Lady Queen of the Apostles, Royal Palm Beach

The cost is \$35.00 (\$40.00 after March 18, 2019) with reduced price for teenage girls and religious (\$20.00). This cost includes registration, breakfast and lunch.

Registration forms at www.pbdccw.org

During Lent, we are asked to devote ourselves to seeking the Lord in prayer and reading Scripture, to service by giving alms, and to sacrifice self-control through fasting. If you are unclear about the fasting, here are the Church's guidelines: Catholics between the ages of 18 & 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years old & older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting as explained by the U.S. bishops means partaking of only one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted at breakfast and around midday or in the evening - depending on when a person chooses to eat the main or full meal. Abstinence forbids the use of meat, but not of eggs, milk products or condiments made of animal fat.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

"Defend the unborn against abortion even if they persecute you, ..." Pope Francis

A LENTEN SACRIFICE

PLEASE PRAY WITH US ONE HOUR, ONCE A WEEK. "40 Days for Life" campaign, Ash Wednesday, March 6th - April 13th, Mondays through Saturdays, 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. We pray peacefully on the public sidewalk on Route 441 just north of Forest Hill Blvd., in front of the Wellington Medical Centre where Planned Parenthood profits from the intrinsically evil act of abortion. For more information, call Valerie Mierzwa, (561) 966-2781. www.40DaysforLife.com

May the Lord continue to bless us for the sacrifices and good works we are accomplishing daily.

Altar Server & Choir Member
Appreciation

*Saturday, April 13th at 12 Noon
in the parish center*

Please sign up in the Sacristy

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be on Friday Evenings at 7:00 P.M. Beginning March 8th.



FISH FRY

**FRIDAY, MARCH 8th
5:00 P.M. TO 6:30 P.M.
FOR A DINNER OF BAKED
FISH, FRENCH FRIES, COLE
SLAW, AND DESSERT.
THE COST IS \$10 PER PERSON.
TAKE OUT IS AVAILABLE.**

The Florida Catholic is sponsoring the
14th Annual Lenten Long-Sleeve Shirt Relief Drive, March 6th (Ash Wednesday) through April 18th (Holy Thursday) 2019.

This is the 14th year the Long-Sleeve Shirt Relief Drive has helped the farmworkers organization provide for our brothers and sisters that toil in the fields to provide food for our tables. The year's drive will continue to consist of a collection of long-sleeve shirts for the protection against harmful pesticides and monetary donations for farmworker's needs. Please donate clean, new, or used men's and women's cotton long-sleeve shirts to be worn in the fields to protect against sun and pesticide exposure. Collection boxes will be in the Lobby of the MCB. Thank you.

ST. MATTHEW COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
PRESENTS AN EVENING OF:
Love, PAINTING & Peace

with **Picasso's**
Creative Workshop



Friday April 5th 7- 9:30pm



Your evening will include:

REFRESHMENTS: Wine, cheese & crackers, fruit, punch & door prizes!

INSTRUCTOR: LeAnn Pietrangolare - School Art Teacher assisted by
Picasso's Creative Workshop staff

- **DONATION:** \$15.00 p/person over 13yrs old , \$10.00 per child under 13.
- **ADMISSION INCLUDES:** All art supplies, Instructor, Refreshments
- There will be one painting that is instructor led, or go with one of a selection of paintings you can do at your own pace.
- No art experience required. Everyone is invited!
- **PENNY AUCTION** tickets will be available for purchase at event
- **LOCATION:** St Matthew Catholic Church - 6090 Hypoluxo Road, Lake Worth

Purchase tickets after Mass in the parish center
or at the parish office during business hours.

ALL WELCOME, INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

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CASH BALL BINGO!

Thursdays in the parish center.
Doors open at 5:30 P.M.
Play begins at 6:30 P.M.

2018 donation letters are available to parishioners who contribute through the use of their offertory envelopes. Contact the parish office if you wish to receive a letter.

**YOUTH
MINISTRY**

On Sunday, March 24, youth ministry is serving coffee and donuts in the parish center after the morning Masses. All middle and high school youth of the parish are invited to help in our "ministry of hospitality." Also, on Friday, March 29, youth ministry will meet at 6:00 P.M. in the church classrooms to fill the 1,400 eggs for the parish Easter egg hunt, and all teens of the parish are invited to come and help. This is a great way to make friends and serve your parish at the same time! Please call Suzanne at (561) 966-8878.

St. Matthew C.C.W. welcomes you to

St. Joseph's Table

Sunday, March 31st 3:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

Buffet Menu

St. Joseph's Day Bread

Chopped Antipasto Salad

Caesar Salad

Penne ala Vodka

Chicken Parmigiana

Baccala Mediterranean

Sausage and Peppers

Assorted Italian Desserts

Purchase tickets after Mass in the parish center and in the parish office during business hours.

Adult \$20

Child \$10

Families \$45



Men's Club Family Fun Day!



Florida Panther Hockey Game March 3, 2019

