



St. Matthew Catholic Church

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April 14, 2024

BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament--the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2).

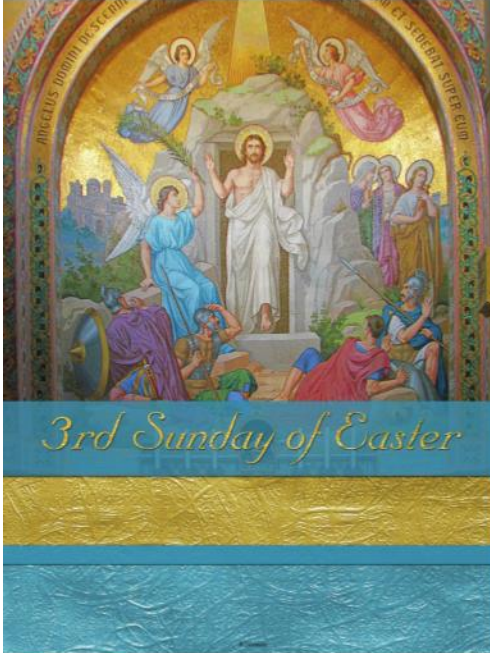
Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47).

*The God of our fathers has glorified his servant Jesus
(Acts 3:13-15, 17-19).*

Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).

*The way we may be sure that we know Jesus is to keep his commandments
(1 John 2:1-5a).*

*Jesus stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you"
(Luke 24:35-48).*



Clergy

Reverend Leonard Dim, Parochial Admin.
Reverend Raciél Treviño, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Andy Plucinski
Deacon George White
Deacon Robert Garamella
Deacon Frank Iovine
Deacon Serge Dube

Mass Schedule

Primer Viernes de cada mes

7:00 P.M. (Español)

Saturday

4:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

7:00 P.M. (Español)

Sunday

7:45 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

10:30 A.M. and 12 Noon

Daily Mass

Monday through Saturday

8:00 A.M.

Parish Office:

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Office hours: Monday-Friday

8:00 A.M. - Noon

1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

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Baptism

Parents must be registered and active members of the parish for at least three months. Godparents must be confirmed, practicing, Roman Catholics and must obtain a sponsor certificate from their parish. Contact the parish office two months in advance. Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday after the 12:00 Noon Mass. No confirmed dates are given before approval by the Pastor. To avoid disappointments, do not book travel plans with family, Godparents, etc. until a confirmed date has been assigned through the parish office.

Marriages

Notify the parish office at least six months in advance.

Ministrations to the Sick

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

Grupo de Oracion en Español

Un grupo de oración en español se reúne los Miércoles a las 7:00 p.m. en la iglesia.

Confession/Confesión Saturday

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

Men's Club meets 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 P.M. in the parish center.

Loving Hands Ministry
Meets every Tuesday at 10:00 A.M. until 12 Noon in the parish center.

Council of Catholic Women - CCW
Join us the 3rd Saturday of the month, Sept - May for a General Meeting at 9:00 A.M. in the parish center.

Are you registered in the parish? If not, 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.

Please park in designated parking spots only. The roadways must remain clear for emergency vehicles.
Thank you.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 13th

- 8:00 A.M. Special Intention for David Gillis
In Thanksgiving requested by the Vinod Family
- 4:00 P.M. Mike Perlini requested by Tina & David
Donald McLean requested by the Family
- 5:30 P.M. Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Ceriano requested by their children
Restoration of health for Schneider Ceme requested by his Mom
- 7:00 P.M. Por el eterno descanso de Ines Franco Arias solicitado por la Familia Duque Franco
Por el eterno descanso de Antonio Robles solicitado por su hermana Josephine

Sunday, April 14th

- 7:45 A.M. Mary Carrol requested by Sister Dorothy and James Mangan
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of Saint Matthew Parish
- 9:00 A.M. Hockles Paredes requested by his Family
In thanksgiving for Nails by Belles requested by Anabel Labbe
- 10:30 A.M. Happy Birthday in heaven Charles Butkus requested by Deacon Andy & Bonnie Plucinski
In Thanksgiving to Jesus for everything requested by Sheprieskae A & Victoria Estéfon
- 12 Noon Brian Emrich requested by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Emrich
Special Intention for Carol Civiletti & Bernie Ravera

Monday, April 15th

- 8:00 A.M. Conchita Santuyo requested by her daughter Arlene Kaplan
Remedios Alguno requested by Precy Nardini

Tuesday, April 16th

- 8:00 A.M. We Miss you Keith Mohsinger requested with love by Mom & Dad
Special Intention for Gabriel Caraballo requested by the Vargas Family

Wednesday, April 17th

- 8:00 A.M. Restoration of health for baby Theodore Kelly
Restoration of health for Barbara Menna

Thursday, April 18th

- 8:00 A.M. Special intention Natalie Galarza requested by the Vargas Family
For my sister Margarita to find her way home requested with love by Ana

Friday, April 19th

- 8:00 A.M. Frank Waresak requested by the Waresak Family
Happy Easter Vener Velasquez requested by Ana

Saturday, April 20th

- 8:00 A.M. In Thanksgiving requested by the Vinod Family
Restoration of health for Vener Velasquez requested by Ana
- 4:00 P.M. Lou Mango requested by Deacon Andy & Bonnie Plucinski
Alice Cataldo requested by Colleen Diamond
- 5:30 P.M. In Thanksgiving on my Birthday requested by Eleanor
Yvonne Solomon requested by James Solomon and Family
- 7:00 P.M. Por el eterno descanso de Benito Romañach solicitado por Maria
Por el eterno descanso de Alicia Pring de Daisy G. Light

Sunday, April 21st

- 7:45 A.M. Rose Vona requested by her husband Anthony Vona
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of Saint Matthew Parish
- 9:00 A.M. Vito Mecca & Peter Gozelski requested by Leonard & Melinda Mecca
Special Intention for James Fellows
- 10:30 A.M. Barbara Hatch & Domenick Modena requested by Norma Modena
Ed & Jean Booth requested by their daughter Glenda
- 12 Noon Gonzalo Duenas requested by Dorys & Carmen
Enrique Guzman requested by Dorys & Carmen



300 Club

Congratulations to John Williams, the 23rd week's winner of the 300 Club!

Online Offertory with Faith Direct

Streamline your offertory giving and simplify your support for St. Matthew Catholic Church! Now is a great time to stop using checks/envelopes and switch to eGiving – it's simple to sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Recurring gifts help give our parish a steady, consistent offertory that strengthens the programs, services, and ministries we lead for our church families and for those in need throughout the community. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/FL662 or call Faith Direct customer service at 1-866-507-8757. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

JOIN US every Second and Forth Friday of the month for EXPOSITION OF THE **BLESSED SACRAMENT** AT 6pm and **MASS FOR THE SICK** 7PM



Clearly, being an Extraordinary Minister of Communion is a way to love our neighbors. This is one outstanding example of a situation where we cannot give what we do not have. Sure, we can stand there and hand out Communion to the people in the context of the eucharist. If commissioned to do so, we can lead a Communion

Service in the absence of a priest. We can take Communion to those unable to attend Mass. But apart from a rich inner life, a living spirituality, we can do little more than go about our ministry in a mechanical fashion. To exercise the eucharist more fully we need to do so out of a heart filled with love for God, and this requires time each day for prayer.

For an EMOC it is appropriate to participate in eucharist as frequently as possible. Daily Mass for example. Or Eucharist devotions, Adoration of the Eucharist.

Blessings
Deacon Frank

Altar Servers & Choir Members
Appreciation Luncheon, Saturday, April 27
Hosted by the Men's Club

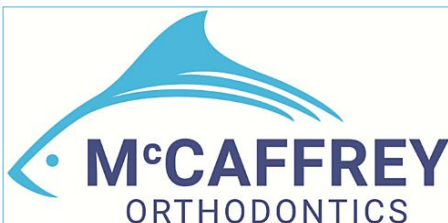
Please see the sign-up sheet posted in the Sacristy.

The Saint Matthew Mom's Group will be going to the Quantum House (987 45th St, WPB) on Saturday April 27th from 10 am until 12 pm to lead crafts with the residents. The Quantum House is a residential facility for children who are receiving long-term medical treatment at Saint Mary's Medical Center. This is a great activity for school-aged children and teens. Please RSVP for the event with



Stacey at :

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Offertory

Weekend of April 6,7, 2024

1st Collection \$ 9,813.00
2nd Collection \$ 3,797.00

Building Mortgage

Principal \$1,476,396.63
Payment \$ 3,797.00
Balance \$1,472,599.63

Lectors are needed at every Mass. Prayerfully consider the sharing of your time and talent. Please contact the parish office for additional information.



Second Collection

April 20th & 21st

Roof Replacement

Roof Collection

Total Contributions

\$115,835.15

Envelopes for Roof Replacement are located by all the exits of the MCB.

We are approaching the start date of our study of the GOSPEL OF JOHN beginning Monday, May 13, 2024. We will meet at 7pm in the Parish Center

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.

Dear Parishioners,

We are delighted to invite you to see and purchase handmade religious articles made by the Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent (Minsk).

The exposition arranged by our Sister Valeria will take place on April 20th and 21st.

Sisterhood of St. Elisabeth was founded in 1996. Our missionary began in National mental hospital located not far from the Convent. Sisters take care of mentally challenged children and adults. Life of the child with diagnoses such as Down syndrome, birth traumas or congenital physical defects may be quite short and it is painful to see them suffering. Also the adult patients need constant support owing to the fact that their illnesses make it impossible for them to adapt socially.

In the recent years a shelter and house of Labor for former drug and alcohol addicted people was organized 20 miles away from the Convent. A lot of homeless, struggling and lost people get a chance for new start in life to find the God.

In order to help these people some workshops were organized on the premises of the Convent where vulnerable people have a possibility to express themselves in art for God working together with nuns and sisters and making icons (including hand painted), crosses, crucifixes, wood carvings, embroidered and ceramic gifts, rosaries and vestments. All these goods made with love and prayer bring blessings to their owners.

We are happy and thanking God for the opportunity to introduce and offer them to you.

*With Love in Christ,
Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent*

We are delighted to welcome Sister Valeria to our Parish April 20 & 21!

Sister Valeria Cherkovskaya (born on 24 Sep 1996) is a fluent English-speaker and a lay sister of mercy in the Convent who has been supporting the ongoing communication/missionary needs of the Sisterhood for the last 3 years. She continuously attends the division for drug/alcohol addicts in the adjacent psychiatric clinic and helps them to get prepared for the Holy Communion as part of her social work.

SMMG - SAINT MATTHEW MOM'S GROUP

The Saint Matthew Mom's Group (SMMG) provides opportunities for Catholic Moms and their kids to build new friendships, support and pray for each other, and grow in faith.

We are planning our 2nd annual Christmas Festival and are looking for

Volunteers to join the Christmas Festival Committees.

We would love for you to join us!

Contact Stacey: SaintMatthewMomsGroup@gmail.com



DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS!

We will have a visiting sister from the Convent of St. Elisabeth from Belarus, (Eastern Europe) on

Saturday, April 20 & Sunday, April 21



Sisters brought with them beautiful religious handcrafts made in the workshops of the Convent.



Handcrafts are available after Masses in our church.

The goods at display:

- church vestments;
- icons;
- crosses;
- rosaries;
- religious items;
- souvenirs;
- Cds.



Sisters of St Elisabeth take care of children and adults with mental and physical disabilities and work hard to improve their living conditions.



They also help ex-prisoners, drug and alcohol addicts at rehabilitation center.



PLEASE TAKE THIS SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY to support beautiful work and mission of the sisters by purchasing the items of devotion.

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April 12, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Next weekend, April 20 and 21, the Diocese of Palm Beach will conduct the annual Peter's Pence Collection, which directs funds to charitable projects supported by Pope Francis, along with activities carried out by the Holy See, such as formation of clergy, communications, promotion of human development, education and justice.

Contributing to this collection is a way to collaborate with the Holy Father as he builds up works of evangelization (spiritual, educational, justice, communication, political charity, diplomatic activity, etc.) and meets the material needs of struggling dioceses, organizations and individuals experiencing all kinds of hardship. Your donations aid the worldwide mission of the Church and the Pope's role as the Successor of St. Peter.

By supporting Peter's Pence, the faithful share in the work of Pope Francis through the activities of the Holy See, humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects in favor of the world's most needy. Your attention to this collection would be much appreciated.

With gratitude for your continued generosity and every prayerful wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito
Bishop of Palm Beach

We have raised \$60,711.07 of our 2024 Diocesan Services Appeal goal of \$136,000.00.

www.diocesepb.org/resources

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities programs include promoting respect for life, counseling, elder affairs, immigration, pregnancy care, transitional housing, respect life, birthline/lifeline, etc. Call 561-775-9560.

Protection of Children and Young People

The Diocese of Palm Beach is committed to the safety and protection of all children and vulnerable adults. Victims of abuse are encouraged to contact the Diocesan Coordinator, Lisa Linnell at 561-775-9558. ocesepb.org and click on Offices/Safe Environments.

Elder Affairs

Guardianship Services including coordination of care to ensure medical, mental health, social and personal needs, budget planning, protection/management of assets. Case Management Services includes counseling for older persons and their families regarding lifestyle decisions. Information and assistance with nursing home and assisted living facility admissions. Contact (561) 345-2000.

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. Contact Elena Garcia at the Office of Parish Social Ministry, (561) 360-3327.

Confidential, Professional and Affordable Counseling Available

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach offers confidential, affordable services with counselors that incorporate the philosophy of spirituality and psychology to heal the "whole" person. Call (844) 848-6777 for more information or to schedule a session.

Watch the Catholic Mass on TV

The Catholic Mass airs at 10:30 A.M. on local station CW34 WTVX, Comcast Channels 4 & 435HD & On AT&T/U-Verse Channels 4 & 1004HD.



Act of Contrition

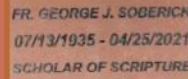
My God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you. I detest all my sins, because of your just punishment, but most of all because they offend you, my God, who are all-good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin. Amen.

Stop in the lobby of the MCB before or after Mass to visit the Parish Gift Shop. Choose from religious gifts, jewelry, keepsakes, toys and more! Thank you for your support.



Brick Pavers

At a cost of \$50 each, brick pavers can be placed in the prayer garden by the Blessed Virgin Grotto, or you may take the paver home to do with as you wish. Order forms are available at the exits to the MCB and in the parish office during business hours. Memorialize a loved one or commemorate a special occasion.



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