

St. Matthew Catholic Church

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Second Saturday: 9 am-12 pm

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The Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2024

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SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
12:00 p.m. (Spanish)

WEEKDAY LITURGY:
Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION:
Saturday 2:00-3:00 p.m.
or by appointment

*"I will be with you always,
even to the end of
the world." Mt 28:20*



*Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.*

Matthew 2:2

**Mass Intentions for
January 6– January 14**

**Saturday, January 6-
Christmas Weekday**
(1Jn 5:5-13, Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or
3:23,31-34,36,38)

10:00 First Saturday Mass
4:30 pm + Richard L Vollmer
+ Frank & Luna Campa
+ Rene Okubo

**Sunday, January 7-
The Epiphany of the Lord**
(Is 60:1-6, Eph 3:2-3a,5-6, Mt 2:1-12)

8:00 am Mass For The People
10:00 am SI Wade Daw
12:00 pm SI Javier Olmedo

**Monday, January 8 -
Baptism of the Lord**
(Is 55:1-11, 1Jn 5:1-9, Mk 1:7-11)
9:00 am + Jorge & Matilda Moreno

**Tuesday, January 9-
Weekday**
(1Sm 1:9-20, Mk 1:21-28)

9:00 am + Jesus M Solis
+ Juan R Solis
+ Simon Mormolejo

**Wednesday, January 10-
Weekday**
(1Sm 3:1-10, 19-20, Mk 1:29-39)

9:00 am + Kearin Ragsdale
+ John Baily Sr
+ Rebeca Aguilar Salazar

**Thursday, January 11-
Weekday**
(1Sm 4:1-11, Mk 1:40-45)

9:00 am + Ramon Carreon Jr

**Friday, January 12-
Weekday**
(1Sm 8:4-7,10-22a, Mk 2:1-12)

9:00 am + Luis Baeza

**Saturday, January 13-
Weekday**
(1Sm 9:1-4,17-19,10:1a,
Mk 2:13-17)

4:30 pm Mass For The People

**Sunday, January 14-
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
(1Sm 3:3b-10,19, 1Cor 6:13c-15a,
17-20, Jn 1:35-42)

8:00 am + Guadalupe Dominguez
+ Enrique Mata III

10:00 + Henry & Margaret
Gallegos
+ Sebastian Cardoz

12:00 pm

**CALENDAR AND EVENTS
JANUARY 7-JANUARY 13**

Sunday, January 7
11:30 am-1pm RCIA/ RCIC Conf Rm/ Bldg G
11:30 am-1 pm Confirmation School/ Bldg J

Monday, January 8
8 am-12 pm SVDP Food Pantry Riverbend/ Bldg J
10 am-12 pm Legion of Mary Cottage
4-6:45 pm Faith Formation Bldg G/Ctyd

Tuesday, January 9
4-6:45 pm Faith Formation Bldg G/ Ctyd/Cottage
5:30-6:30 pm Pietra Fitness (Cancelled) Bldg J
6:30-7:30 pm Ladies Rosary Parish Hall

Wednesday, January 10
9:30-11:30 Mas Deus Sacred Heart Rm
5:30-6:45 pm Faith Formation Bldg G
6-8 pm Yarn for Love Parish Hall
6-7 pm Youth Group Bldg J
7-9 pm TMIY Bldg J

Thursday, January 11
7:45-8:45 am Pietra Fitness (Cancelled) Bldg J
6-8 pm Baptism Class Conf Rm

Friday, January 12
10 am-5 pm Adoration Church

Saturday, January 13
8:30-10 am Pietra Fitness (Cancelled) Bldg J
2-3 pm Confession Church

**Please inform the
office of any changes
to the calendar by
Monday of each
week. Room requests
are required for all
activities. Available
online or in the office.
Thank you.**

Stewardship
2024

**January 7, 2024
Epiphany of the Lord**

"They fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." - Matthew 2:11

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

**7 de enero de 2024
Epifanía del Señor**

"Y postrándose lo adoraron; y abriendo sus tesoros le presentaron obsequios de oro, incienso y mirra". - Mateo 2:11

Observe el orden de los eventos en la visita de los Reyes Magos. Primero, se arrodillaron ante Jesús y lo adoraron. Luego le presentaron sus obsequios. Nosotros también debemos tomar tiempo para orar antes de presentarle nuestros obsequios al Señor. ¡No sabemos lo que Dios nos puede pedir para compartamos!

Other Information:

Daily Mass: Monday – Friday at 9 am
Daily Rosary : Monday-Friday at 8:15 am in the Daily Chapel

Upcoming Envelope Schedule

January 7: Solemnity of Mary
January 14: St Vincent De Paul

Adoration

10 am to 5 pm every Friday.
On the first Friday of the month, Adoration will be 24 hours.
10 am Friday to 9 am Saturday

Help Line for St Vincent De Paul

915-603-5962

First Saturday Devotion

Rosary at 9:30 am

Mass at 10 am

Divine Mercy

Third Monday at 3:00 pm

Baptism Information

Baptism Classes are the second Thursday of every month

6 pm– English, 7 pm– Spanish

Baptisms are the third Saturday of every month

10 am– English, 11 am– Spanish

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 7, 2024

The Epiphany of the Lord (B)

Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6
Matthew 2:1-12

The Seekers

I live at a parish in downtown Milwaukee. From my window I watch the world pass by, everyone in search of one thing or another. Students from the local university seek an education, business folk look for a sale, street people often look for a place to spend the night, teenagers hope to find love. Yet beneath all of these longings, in each one there is a deeper hunger that wonders what life is all about and the hope that they might find it. Hidden amidst it all, the real hunger is for God, a longing sewn into our being, sometimes recognized but too often not.

The story of the *Magi* is a story of seekers making their way from afar in hopes of finding the promised one, a newborn king. Perhaps they knew of this child's divine nature, more likely not, yet it was ultimately that same hunger that exists in all of us that drove them, a deep desire to know God.

Every serious religion seeks to experience God in life and tells the stories of those who have done so. There are Christian mystics like St. John of the Cross and St. Teresa of Avila, Jewish mystics of the Kabbalah tradition, the Sufis of Islam, Native Americans who go on vision quests, the Hindus who practice yoga, as well as the Buddhists and Taoists and Confucians. Like the Magi, we all seek to find God.

- Fr Joseph Juknialis



This leadership program is based on Scripture and Catholic faith. Join us Wednesdays at 7 pm in Building J. First meeting is September 20. Contact Felipe Gonzalez at 575-496-7445 or the office with any questions.

7 de enero de 2024

La Epifanía del Señor (B)

Isaías 60:1-6
Efesios 3:2-3a,5-6
Mateo 2:1-12

Vivo en una parroquia del centro de Milwaukee. Desde mi ventana veo pasar el mundo, todos abajo en busca de una cosa u otra. Los estudiantes de la universidad local buscan una educación, la gente de negocios busca una venta, la gente de la calle suele buscar un lugar donde pasar la noche, los adolescentes esperan encontrar el amor. Sin embargo, por debajo de todos esos anhelos, en cada uno hay un hambre más profunda que se pregunta qué es la vida y la esperanza de que puedan encontrarla. Oculta en medio de todo ello, el hambre real es de Dios, un anhelo unido a nuestro ser, a veces reconocido pero con demasiada frecuencia no.

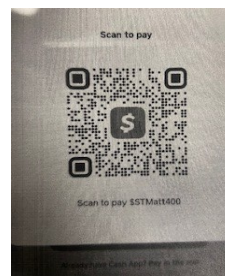
La historia de los *Magos* es la historia de unos buscadores que vienen de lejos con la esperanza de encontrar al prometido, un rey recién nacido. Quizá conocían la naturaleza divina de este niño, lo más probable es que no, pero en última instancia fue esa misma hambre que existe en todos nosotros la que les impulsó, un profundo deseo de conocer a Dios. Toda religión sería busca experimentar a Dios en la vida y cuenta las historias de quienes lo han hecho. Hay místicos cristianos como San Juan de la Cruz y Santa Teresa de Ávila, místicos judíos de la tradición de la Cábala, los sufíes del Islam, los nativos americanos que realizan búsquedas visionarias, los hindúes que practican yoga, así como los budistas y taoístas y los confucianos. Como los Reyes Magos, todos buscamos encontrar a Dios.

-Padre Joseph Juknialis

All Contributions can be made in several ways:

Online at: www.osvhub.com/stmatthewep/funds

Or use the QR code below :



Cash App at \$StMatt400

You can always donate with your envelopes at mass or in the office as well.



Remember those who have asked for our prayers. May God grant them healing:

Marsha Gannon, C. Alice Ihde, Naya Gurrola, Lorenzo Ortega, David Gutierrez, Salvador Hernandez, Henry Ragsdale, Mary Villareal, Doris Montes, Martha Alarcon, John Rudloff, Ralph Montes, Stefanie Rudloff, Joya Wright, Perch Valdez, Bobby Nunez, Gloria Telles Hernandez, Michael Vela, Christina Ramos, James Gillis, Emilio Lopez, Mary Lou Rede, Nicholas Rede, Sandra Martinez, Edward Wells, Bianca Falvey, Jackie Fritz, Gary Rapp, Karleigh Fuhrman, Sofie Marie Crowe, James Lee Jamison, Mike Bogdan, Beatriz Gonzalez, Angel Baker, Carmen Moreno, Marisol Moreno, Arturo Huerta, Guadalupe Delgado, Lilly Grado, Lilly Caldwell, Jose Castillo, Edmundo Silva, Susie Salinas, Carlos Spector, Willie Toscano, Bertha Garcia, Cruz and Carmen Ito, Margarita Payan, Ricardo Ramos, Michael Tracy, Lilly Grato, Miriam Skelton, Erica Torres, Josephine Perez, Ryan Salisbury, Lonnie Villarreal, Ernesto Ontiveros III.

Please call the office at the first of each month if you would like to continue to keep these names on the list.

Prayers of the Faithful

That, like the Magi, we generously share our gifts with the Lord, trusting He will provide all that we need.

Que, como los Reyes Magos, compartamos generosamente nuestros dones con el Señor, confiando que Él proveerá todo lo que necesitamos.

A Word From Pope Francis:

Like a rising star (see Numbers 24:17), Jesus comes to enlighten all peoples and to brighten the nights of humanity. Today, with the Magi, let us lift our eyes to heaven and ask: "Where is the child who has been born?" (Matthew 2:2). Where can we find and encounter our Lord?



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Faithful Fitness

Pietra Fitness— classes for women
Ages 14 and up

Tuesday:

5:30-6:30 pm: Gentle (women's class)

Thursday: 7:45-8:45 am

Intermediate/ Advanced (women's class)

Saturday: 8:30-9:30 am

Gentle/ Intermediate (women's class)

To register, please contact

Christy Balsiger at (915) 525-5384

Or at hcbalsiger1@aol.com

Tithes and Offerings

Offerings collected for December 24,25,31, 2023:

12/24: \$8,052.00 12/25: \$9,154.00 12/31: \$8,589.00

Capital Campaign posted once a month.

If you or a loved one are facing a difficult challenge in your life due to a serious illness or circumstance, the **Yarn for Love** Ministry would love to offer you a Prayer Shawl or lap Afghan, to remind you that you are not alone. Please contact the office at 915-584-3461 for further information.

Isaiah 41:10 Do not fear: I am with you; do not be afraid: I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

Legion of Mary Monday 10am-12 pm

You are invited to come and join us, and put your best effort in developing your own spiritual life, by furthering the cause of Christ and His Blessed Mother. A very worthwhile Investment.

If you are an Auxiliary member of the Legion of Mary and have not been recently contacted, please leave your contact information with the office so we can update the roster. Thank you.

We will be praying the rosary at 8:15 am, Monday– Friday in the Daily Chapel. Please join us.

Men's Breakfast Saturday morning

7:30-8:30 am– Yvonne's Cantina

All are welcome. Join us for Fellowship, Prayer and Faith Formation.

Call or text Karl Kimball at 915-539-0006 for details.

For Reflection

Does it make sense to you to say that your deepest hunger is for God?

First Tuesday Women's Rosary Group

The Women's Rosary Group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. All women who want to join us are welcome.

worldwide marriage encounter

We can **HEARTLY** wait for you to fall in love

Come join us for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience,
February 16-18 at Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham
6789 Boeving Drive El Paso, TX, 79925

For questions please contact:
Joe & Erika Castro
915-249-5508

APPLY at:
www.elpasoworldwidemarriage.com

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Knights are Back!!
 On the 3rd weekend each month
 the Knights of Columbus
 will be selling
 empanadas .
 Menudo sales will begin in November!
 Meetings: 2nd Monday at 7 pm- 3rd degree
 3rd Monday at 7 pm- 4th degree

Saint Luke's Young Adults Group invites all young adults ages 18-40 to join them for a holy hour on February 2 from 5-6 pm at Saint Matthew Parish, followed by dinner and a discussion of the Real Presence at AKI Sushi. Contact Angela Bohovic at (763-843-3445) for more information and to receive a free copy of Bishop Robert Barron's book *This Is My Body* as an optional read ahead.

**St Matthew Parish Ministries
 And Ministry Heads**

Adoration	Bob and Joyce Kautz	584-8782
Altar Servers		office
Baptism Class		office
Bereavement	Luis and Wilma Santos	office
Bible Study-		
Tues am English	Christy Balsiger	office
Thur am Spanish	Margarita Aguilar	office
Wed pm English	John Cooney	479-4700
Thur am English	John Cooney	479-4700
Choir Leaders-		
Michelle Kessler	Saturday at 4:30 pm	
Adrian Zamora	Sunday at 8:00 am	
Wade Daw	Sunday at 10:00am	
Marisela Quesada	Sunday at noon	
Divine Mercy	Olivia Roeckl	office
Evangelizacion		office
Extraordinary Ministers	Silvia Ortega	office
Homebound		office
Knights of Columbus	Jesus Perez	office
Lectors	Laura Cruz-Acosta	office
Legion of Mary	Rosario Rubio	office
MASDeus	Jazmin Rodriguez	office
Hospitality	Bob Kautz	584-8782
Yarn for Love	Marie Nicholas	office
Prayer Chain	C.C. Ayoub	373-1289
Arts and Environment	Alice Valles, Terry Acosta -Ponce, Ana Cooper	office
Safety and Security		office
Social Justice	Becky Escobar	252-2701
St Vincent De Paul	Dorothy Schatzman, Letty Carrasco	581-3482/ office
SVDP at St Matthew Food Pantry	Dorothy Schatzman, Terri Cullen Cordova	204-5120/ office
That Man Is You	Felipe Gonzalez	575-496-7445
Wedding Preparation		office
Women at the Well		office
	womenatthewellconference@gmail.com	
	Office number: 584-3461	
	Corporate Board: President: Fr Frank Lopez	
	Parish Pastoral Council: Dorothy Schatzman	



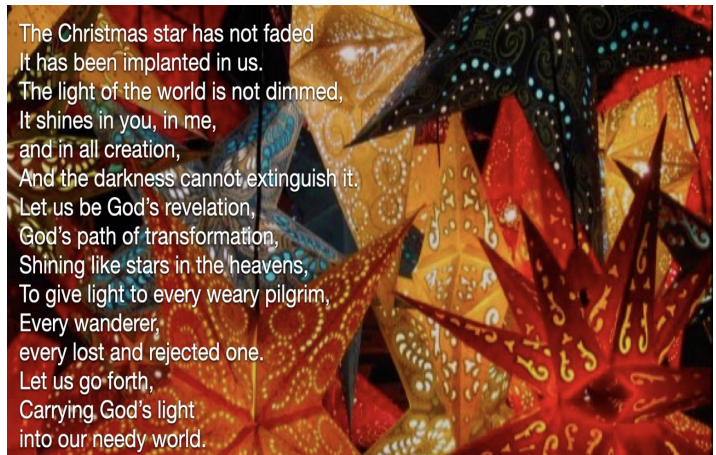
**St. Vincent de Paul at
 St. Matthew Food Pantry**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Matthew Conference (SVDP) is partnering with the El Pasoans Fighting Hunger Food Bank to provide the **St. Vincent de Paul at St. Matthew Food Pantry.**

Food distribution will be from 9-11 am on the following days:

- First Quarter of 2024:
- January 8, January 22
- February 5, February 19
- March 4, March 18

For more information call Terri Cullen, (915) 204-5120, or the Parish Office.



Quinceanera Preparation Classes

If you are interested in having a quinceanera here at St. Matthew, please contact the office at least 6 months in advance. We have a committee to prepare you and your family—we cannot wait to meet you!

