

St. Matthew Catholic Church

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Second Saturday: 9 am-12 pm

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 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*



**Mass Intentions for
January 13– January 21**

**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 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20,
Jn 1:35-42)**
8:00 am + Guadalupe Dominguez
+ Enrique Mata III

10:00 am + Henry & Margaret Gallegos
+ Sebastian Cardoz

12:00 pm + Javier Olmedo

**Monday, January 15 -
Weekday**
(1Sm 15:16-23, Mk 2:18-22)
9:00 am + Lilly Caldwell

**Tuesday, January 16-
Weekday**
(1SM 16:1-13, Mk 2:23-28)
9:00 am + Lupita Carduno

**Wednesday, January 17-
St Anthony**
(1SM 17:32-33, 37, 40-51, Mk 3:1-6)
9:00 am + Sonny, Jane & Will Emmet

**Thursday, January 18-
Weekday**
(1Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7, Mk 3:7-12)
9:00 am + Donovan Baily

**Friday, January 19-
Weekday**
(1Sm 24:3-21, Mk 3:13-19)
9:00 am + Tommy Gallegos
+ Guillermo Chavez
St Mary Sanchez

**Saturday, January 20-
Weekday**
**(2SM 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27,
Mk 3:20-21)**
4:30 pm + Santiago Gonzalez
+ Haydee Ramirez
+ Maria Oaxaca

**Sunday, January 21-
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**(Jon 3:1-5, 10, 1Cor 7:29-31,
Mk 1:14-20)**
8:00 am + Fred Encinas
+ Rick Marro
+ Dora Herrera

10:00 + Francisca & Delta
Pinney
+ John Pinney
+ Lilly Caldwell

12:00 pm Mass For The People

**CALENDAR AND EVENTS
JANUARY 14 - JANUARY 20**

Sunday, January 14
11:30 am-1pm RCIA/ RCIC Conf Rm/ Bldg G

Monday, January 15
10 am-12 pm Legion of Mary Cottage

Tuesday, January 16

Wednesday, January 17
9:30-11:30 Mas Deus Sacred Heart Rm
6-8 pm Yarn for Love Parish Hall
6-7 pm Youth Group Bldg J
7-9 pm TMIY Bldg J

Thursday, January 18
6-7 pm ACTS Core Office
6-9 pm Deaconate meeting Bldg J

Friday, January 19
10 am-5 pm Adoration Church

Saturday, January 20
10 am-12 pm Baptisms Church
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

**January 14, 2024
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’” - John 1:38

When we recognize who we are, it’s easier to find what we are looking for. Once we see ourselves, and others, as children of God, we spend less time looking for the material comforts of the world. Instead, our hearts long for something deeper that can only be filled by God. Ask God daily how He wants you to live the life He intended for you.

**14 de enero de 2024
2º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

“Jesús se volvió, y al ver que lo seguían les preguntó: – ¿Qué están buscando?” -Juan 1:38

Quando reconocemos quienes somos, es más fácil encontrar lo que estamos buscando. Una vez que nos vemos a nosotros mismos, y a los demás, como hijos de Dios, pasaremos menos tiempo buscando las comodidades materiales del mundo. En cambio, nuestros corazones anhelaran algo más profundo que solamente puede ser satisfecho por Dios. Pregúntele a Dios diariamente como quiere que viva su vida, la vida que él tiene dispuesta para usted.

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 14: St Vincent De Paul
January 21: Capital Campaign

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 14, 2024

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

1Samuel 3:3b-10,19
1Corinthians 6:13c-15a,17-20
John 1:35-42

A Haunting Question

"What are you looking for?" asks Jesus of the two disciples who come to see who he is and what he is about. They are Jesus' first words in John's Gospel, and that's what the entire Gospel of John is about, an answer to that piercing question.

I spent the week living with that question, never really finding an answer that seemed to fit, or perhaps I got too many answers, all of them somehow falling short. Why do I spend an hour early each morning sitting in the silence? I read some Scripture, but then mostly I sit with the silence. Many are the times when my mind drifts to other times and places and daydreams. Sometimes the silence is scattered with boredom; at other times it tumbles with prayerful words; and sometimes in the silence I look for answers to the plaguing whys of life. Mostly, though, I sit in the silence. I'd like to call it prayer, but then I wonder if I'm simply floundering in wishful thinking. So I return to that haunting question- "What are you looking for?"

I think perhaps the answer is similar to what I look for when I gather with friends. Sometimes the get-together is engaging, but not always. Sometimes it is memorable, but not always. Sometimes we just hang out, and that can be enough. Ultimately relationships keep me grounded. That also is why I spend time in the silence. It's what I'm looking for when I pray- to be in relationship with God, to be grounded lest I drift away and grow lost.

-Fr Joseph Juknialis



**[Eli] said to Samuel,
"Go to sleep, and if you are
called, reply,
'Speak, LORD, for your servant
is listening.'"
1Samuel 3:9**

14 de enero de 2024

Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario (B)

1Samuel 3:3b-10,19
1Corintios 6:13c-15a,17-20
Juan 1:35-42

"¿Qué buscáis?" pregunta Jesús a los dos discípulos que vienen a ver quién es y de qué va. Son las primeras palabras de Jesús en el Evangelio de Juan, y de eso trata todo el Evangelio de Juan, de una respuesta a esa pregunta desgarradora.

Me pasé la semana viviendo con esa pregunta, sin encontrar nunca una respuesta que pareciera encajar, o quizá obtuve demasiadas respuestas, todas ellas de algún modo quedándose cortas. ¿Por qué paso una hora cada mañana temprano sentada en silencio? Leo algunas Escrituras, pero sobre todo me siento con el silencio. Muchas son las veces en las que mi mente deriva a otros tiempos y lugares y sueña despierta. A veces el silencio se dispersa con el aburrimiento; otras veces tropieza con palabras de oración; y a veces en el silencio busco respuestas a los porqués de la vida. Pero, sobre todo, me siento en el silencio. Me gustaría llamarlo oración, pero entonces me pregunto si simplemente estoy divagando en ilusiones. Así que vuelvo a esa pregunta inquietante: "¿Qué buscas?"

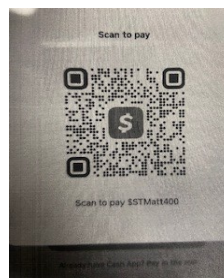
Creo que quizá la respuesta sea similar a lo que busco cuando me reúno con amigos. A veces la reunión es atractiva, pero no siempre. A veces es memorable, pero no siempre. A veces simplemente pasamos el rato, y eso puede ser suficiente. En última instancia, las relaciones me mantienen con los pies en la tierra. Por eso también paso tiempo en silencio. Es lo que busco cuando rezo: estar en relación con Dios, tener los pies en la tierra para no alejarme y perderme.

-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.**

New Bible Class– All Are Welcome

A new study, entitled, "The Holy Spirit in the Bible" will begin on **Wednesday, January 17 at 6:30 pm** and also **Thursday, January 18 at 10 am.**

Class will be held in the conference room.

Join us as we travel through the Bible from Creation to the writings of St Paul to learn about the role and actions of the Holy Spirit and how the Spirit is alive in our present daily lives.

Join class at any time– no registration is required.

Cost of the book is \$15.



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, Jose Castillo, Edmundo Silva, Susie Salinas, Carlos Spector, Willie Toscano, Bertha Garcia, Cruz and Carmen Ito, Margarita Payan, Ricardo Ramos, Lilly Grato, Miriam Skelton, Erica Torres, Josephine Perez, Ryan Salisbury, Lonnie Villarreal, Ernesto Ontiveros III, Avery Balsiger Coats.

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 we take time, every day, talking to God - praising Him, thanking Him and asking for His guidance.

Que nos tomemos el tiempo, cada día, para hablar con Dios - alabándolo, dándole gracias y solicitando Su guía.

A Word From *Pope Francis*:

May the Virgin Mary help us make our lives a hymn of praise to God in response to his call and in the humble and joyful fulfillment of his will. But let us remember this: there was a moment in each of our lives in which God made himself present more strongly, with a call.



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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 January 7, 2024:

\$9,924.00

Capital Campaign for December:

\$8,702.00

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

When you pray, what are you looking for?

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.

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!

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



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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 22

February 5, February 19

March 4, March 18

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



*Prayer for
 Peacemakers*

Spirit of Peace, we ask for your guidance and wisdom as we strive for peace.
 Inspire and enliven our efforts to make peace a reality in our war-torn world.

Grant us peace of mind and heart.
 Help us to make peace with the unsettled parts of our lives and show us what it means to practice love of self.

Encircle our homes with peace.
 Remind us daily of the value of words and actions that foster kindness and consideration.

Enrich our neighborhoods, parishes, and communities with peace.
 Teach us how to listen to each other with respect, and to widen our circles of compassion and caring.

Make peace a reality across the globe.
 Broaden our understanding and acceptance of those who belong to other nations, religions, and races.

Spirit of Peace, we thank you for your guidance and wisdom as we strive for peace.
 May our efforts to be peacemakers ripple out into the world and draw us together as a global family.

Amen.



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 Boeing Drive El Paso, TX, 79925
 APPLY at: Joe & Erika Castro, 915-249-5508

