

# St. Matthew Catholic Church

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Second Saturday: 9 am-12 pm

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Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

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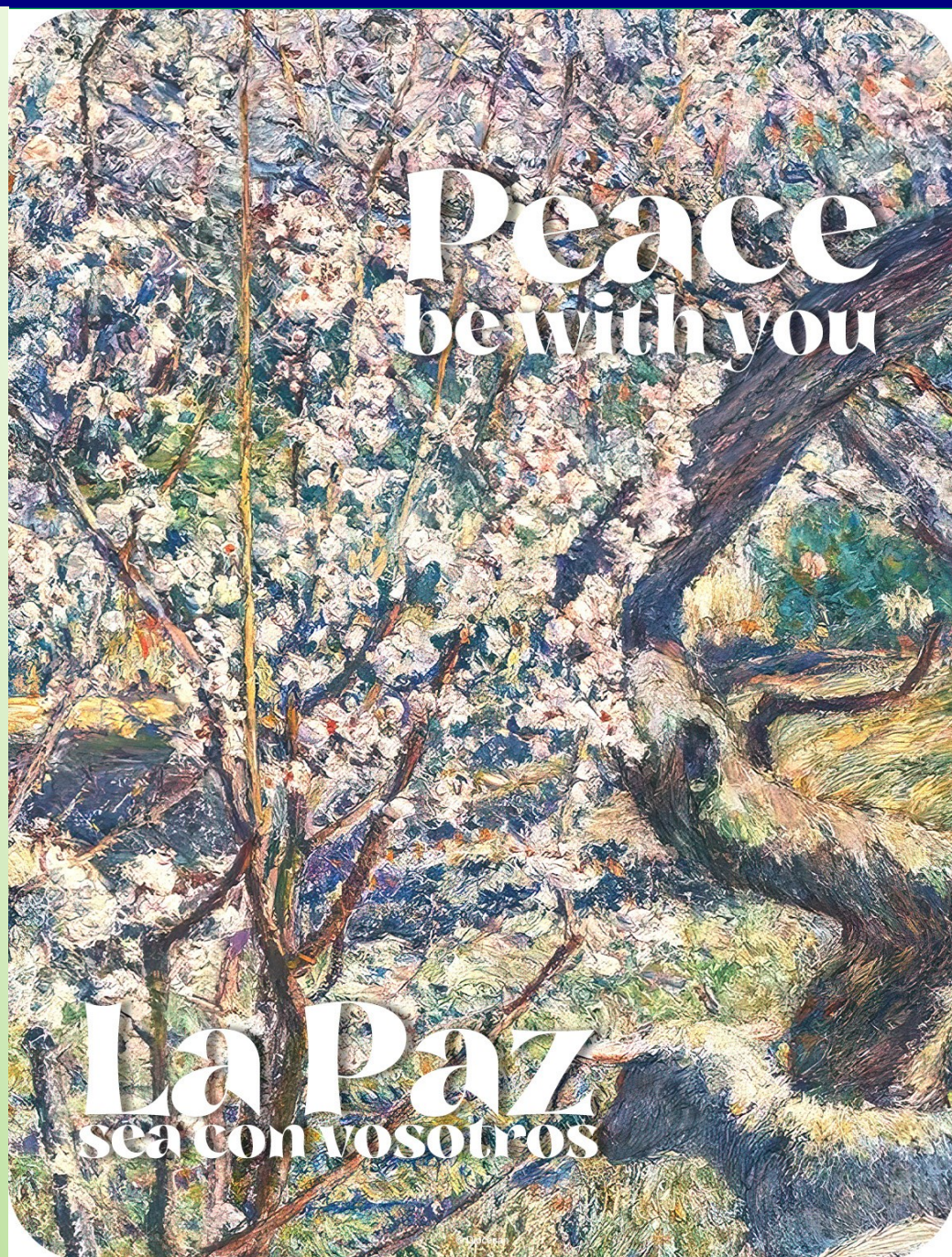
## SUNDAY LITURGY

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  
April 13- April 21, 2024**

**Saturday, April 13-  
Easter Weekday  
(Acts 6:1-7, Jn 6:16-21)**  
4:30 pm + Dora Herrera  
+ John Bock  
+ Finley Ponthie

**Sunday, April 14-  
Third Sunday of Easter  
(Acts 3:13-15, 17-19, 1 Jn 2:1-5a, Lk 24:35-48)**  
8:00 am + Sonny, Jane & Will Emmett  
+ Carlos R Escobar  
+ Kiki Cortez

10:00 am Mass For The People

12:00 pm + Victor Manuel Medina  
+ Aurora Ganem  
SI Elias & Alice Morales

**Monday, April 15-  
Easter Weekday  
(Acts 6:8-15, Jn 6:22-29)**  
9:00 am + Fr Hartford & Fr Justin  
+ Jose Miledi  
SI Rueben Montelongo

**Tuesday, April 16-  
Easter Weekday  
(Acts 7:51-8:1a, Jn 6:30-35)**  
9:00 am + Larry Blucker  
SI Fr Frank Lopez  
SI Souls in Purgatory

**Wednesday, April 17-  
Easter Weekday  
(Acts 8:1b-8, Jn 6:35-40)**  
9:00 am + Roger Maldonado Sr  
+ Helen Boehler  
+ Larry Blucker

**Thursday, April 18-  
Easter Weekday  
(Acts 8:26-40, Jn 6:44-51)**  
9:00 am + Victor Manuel Medina  
SI Mary Blocker  
SI Raul Dominguez

**Friday, April 19-  
Easter Weekday  
(Acts 9:1-20, Jn 6:52-59)**  
9:00 am + Victor Manuel Medina  
SI Tom Michael  
SI Alicia Rubio

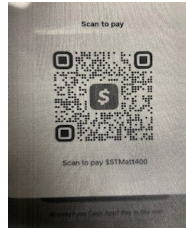
**Saturday, April 20-  
Easter Weekday  
(Acts 9:31-42, Jn 6:60-69)**  
4:30 pm + Annette Avila Chavez  
+ Henry & Blanca Diaz  
+ Bob Nunez

**Sunday, April 21-  
Fourth Sunday of Easter  
(Acts 4:8-12, 1 Jn 3:1-2, Jn 10:11-18)**  
8:00 am + Dora Herrera  
+ Martha V Limas  
+ Michael A Ramos

10:00 am + Javier Carpintero Jr  
+ Lilly Caldwell  
+ Neal Luther

12:00 pm Mass For The People

Contributions can be made to the Church in the following ways:



Use the QR code (Cash App At \$St Matt400)

Online at: [www.osvhub.com/stmatthewep/funds](http://www.osvhub.com/stmatthewep/funds)

You can also always donate at mass or here in the office.

**Door Policy**  
Due to heightened security, ALL doors will be locked 10 minutes after the start of Mass.  
There will be a minister of Hospitality at the front door only to let latecomers in.

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.

**VIRTUS**  
New VIRTUS class available on April 15 at 6 pm Register at [virtus.org](http://virtus.org) before the class NOT a renewal class.

**CALENDAR AND EVENTS  
APRIL 14-APRIL 20**

11:30-1 pm RCIA/RCIC Bldg G/Conf Rm  
11:30-1 pm Confirmation Bldg J/School

10 am-12 pm Legion of Mary Cottage  
4-6:45 pm Faith Formation Ctyd/Bldg G  
6-8 pm VIRTUS Conf Rm

8 am-3 pm 8th Grade Retreat Bldg J  
5:30-6:30 pm Pietra Fitness Bldg J  
4-6:45 pm Faith Formation Cottage/Ctyd/Bldg G  
6-8 pm Pastoral Council Conf Rm

9:30-11:30 am Mas Deus Sacred Heart Rm  
10-11:30 am Window Presentation Church  
5:30-6:45 pm Faith Formation Bldg G  
6-8 pm Yarn for Love Parish Hall  
6-7 pm Youth Group Bldg J  
6:30-7:30 pm Spanish Rosary Sacred Heart Rm  
6:30-8:30 pm Bible Study Conf Rm  
7-9 pm TMIY Bldg J

7:45-8:45 am Pietra Fitness Bldg J  
10 am-12 pm Bible Study Conf Rm  
6-7:30 pm ACTS core Sacred Heart Rm  
6-7 pm VIA LUCIS Church

10 am- 5 pm Adoration Church  
5:30- 8pm K of C Fish Fry Church

8:30-9:30 am Pietra Fitness Bldg J  
8:30-11 am ACTS women Parish Hall  
10 am-12 pm Baptisms Church  
12-1 pm Proclaimer Training Church  
2-3 pm Confession Church

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.

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

**Knights of Columbus Fish Fry**  
Please join us on April 5, 12 and 19 From 5:30-8 pm For an after Lent event!  
We will be continuing the Fish Fry on 3 Fridays in April. \$9 per plate Dine in or take out



Dear Parishioners-  
Please join us this weekend to hear Rev Christopher Steinle speak at all of the services about the ministry providing direct relief throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Fr Steinle will share personal witness about Food For The Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.  
Fr Steinle was ordained in 1998 to the Augustinians. He has served in the missions of Peru and Bolivia for more than ten years.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 3:13-15,17-19

1John 2:1-5a

John 24:35-48

### Peace, the Marker of Faith

Spiritual writers tell us that a sure sign of life lived with faith in God is peace, the inner kind of peace that enables you to rest in it with no worry or anxiety. When the risen Lord appears in the midst of the disciples just back from Emmaus and says to them first off, "Peace be with you," that's the sort of peace he's talking about and wishing for them.

Such peace doesn't seem to be something easy to come by, something that simply pops into the lap of your soul. More than anything it seems to be the fruit of prayerfulness—sometimes praying the rosary or other traditional prayers and sometimes just simply sitting in the quiet, in the midst of love without having to say any words.

There is something about surrendering to God's love over the course of many lived days that eventually brings us to the sort of trusting peace.

The thing about such peace is that only you know if it's genuine. When you feel peace when life turns topsy-turvy, that's God peace. When life is progressing smoothly, it's not easy to know if that's God's peace or just life without turbulence. But if you're at peace when everything around you is not, that's when you know it's the presence of God that has you all wrapped up in worry-free wonder.

-Fr Joseph Juknialis

14 de abril de 2024

Tercer Domingo de Pascua (B)

Hechos 3:131-15,17-19

1Juan 2:1-5a

Juan 24:35-48

Los escritores espirituales nos dicen que un signo seguro de la vida vivida con fe en Dios es la paz, el tipo de paz interior que te permite descansar en ella sin preocupaciones ni ansiedades. Cuando el Señor resucitado aparece en medio de los discípulos que acaban de volver de Emaús y les dice en primer lugar: "La paz esté con vosotros", ése es el tipo de paz del que habla y que desea para ellos.

Esa paz no parece ser algo fácil de conseguir, algo que simplemente te caiga en el regazo del alma. Más que nada, parece ser el fruto de la oración, no tanto del rezo de oraciones como padrenuestros, avemarías y letanías, sino más bien del tipo de oración que acaba siendo simplemente sentarse en silencio, en medio del amor, sin tener que decir ninguna palabra, aunque los padrenuestros y las avemarías también pueden llevar a una persona al amor silencioso.

Hay algo en entregarse al amor de Dios a lo largo de muchos días vividos que acaba por llevarnos a esa especie de paz confiada.

Lo que ocurre con esa paz es que sólo tú sabes si es auténtica. Cuando sientes paz cuando la vida se pone patas arriba, ésa es la paz de Dios. Cuando la vida avanza sin sobresaltos, no es fácil saber si ésa es la paz de Dios o simplemente una vida sin turbulencias. Pero si estás en paz cuando todo lo demás a tu alrededor no lo está, entonces sabrás que es la presencia de Dios la que te envuelve en una maravilla sin preocupaciones.

-Padre Joseph Juknialis

## Stewardship

April 14, 2024

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

*"Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' But they were startled and frightened..." - Luke 24:36-37*

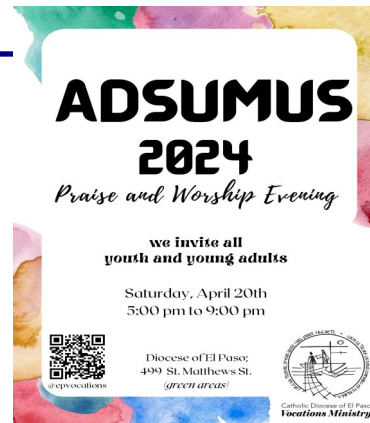
Throughout the day we have many opportunities to "see the face of Jesus" in others and to "be the face of Jesus" to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide "peace" to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a "God-centered" life and not a "self-centered" life.

14 de abril del 2024

3<sup>er</sup> Domingo de Pascua

*"Jesús se presentó en medio de ellos y les dijo: "la Paz sea con ustedes", pero estaban atónitos y asustados..." - Lucas 24:36-37*

Durante el día tenemos muchas oportunidades para "ver el rostro de Jesús" en otras personas y de "ser el rostro de Jesús" para otros. ¿Nos tomamos la oportunidad de proveer "paz" a los que nos encontramos, o estamos temerosos de lo que otros piensan de nosotros y hacemos nada? Rece para tener la fortaleza y el coraje de vivir una vida "centrada en Dios" y no una vida "centrada en sí mismo".



### 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.

### New Bible Study

Your opportunity to begin Bible Study. A new ten (10) week study of the **Gospel of Mark** will begin in April.

Two classes are offered:

Wednesday, April 3 from 6:30-8:30 pm

Thursday, April 4 from 10 am– 12 pm.

We will meet in the conference room.

All are welcome from the first class to anytime after!

Join the study and bring a friend.

Cost is \$ 20



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, 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, 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, Ryan Salisbury, Lonnie Villarreal, Ernesto Ontiveros III, Kellan Coats, Terry Pallanes, Kathleen Pitcavage, Hortencia Lozano Lazo, Jeannette Emerich, Alfonso Ochoa Jr, Trevor Lyon, John Paul Gauci, Ronald David Sober, Javier Ontiveros, Terry Pallanes, Jesus Javier Gonzalez, Erica Sumaran.

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

### For Reflection

Have you ever felt at peace even when there is conflict or fear?

### A Word From Pope Francis:

Eating, when we do so together, among family or friends, also becomes an expression of love, an expression of communion, of celebration. How often the Gospels present us with Jesus experiencing this convivial dimension! Even as the Risen One, with his disciples. To the point that the Eucharistic Banquet has become the emblematic sign of the Christian community.



REGINA CAELI  
ROME  
APRIL 18, 2021

### 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 March 31, 2024:

\$16,738.00

St Vincent De Paul donations or April :

\$2,571.29

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.

Please join us for the

### VIA LUCIS

Stations of the Risen Lord

Every Thursday during the Easter Season  
Stations will begin at 6 pm on April 4, 11, 18  
Stations will be at noon on April 24  
Returning to 6 pm for May 2, 9 and 16.

### 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!



- UPCOMING 2024 EVENTS – PLEASE JOIN US
- |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Saturday, May 4                       | ACTS Community gathering-8 a.m. potluck breakfast |
| Thursday, June 20-<br>Sunday, June 23 | <b>Women's English ACTS retreat</b>               |
| Thursday, Aug. 1-<br>Sunday, Aug. 4   | <b>Men's English ACTS Retreat</b>                 |
| Saturday, Aug. 17                     | ACTS Community gathering-8 a.m. potluck breakfast |
| Saturday, Nov. 16                     | ACTS Community gathering-8 a.m. potluck breakfast |



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Other Information:

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

### Upcoming Envelope Schedule

April 14: Capital Campaign  
April 21: 3rd Sunday

### Adoration

10 am to 5 pm every Friday.  
During Lent, 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



Together, we can make a difference, fruitfully continuing Jesus' mission. Support the Good Works of our Ministries Building His Kingdom by supporting the Progress Annual Ministry Appeal.  
#BuildingHisKingdom #CatholicFaith #CatholicValuesinAction #WorksOfLove #PrayServeGive #CatholicFoundationElPaso  
2024progress-ama.org



### 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 Half of 2024:

April 15,29

May 13,27

June 10,24

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

## 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
Evangelization		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	

## Reflections

That we have the courage to do the work God has sent us to do, knowing that this is the true path to peace and joy.

Que tengamos el coraje de hacer el trabajo que Dios nos envía a hacer, sabiendo que ese es el verdadero camino a la paz y la alegría.



Jesus asked them,  
"Have you anything  
here to eat?"  
They gave him a piece  
of baked fish; he took  
it and ate it in front of  
them.  
Luke 24:41-43

