

St. Matthias Parish

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Welcome New Parishioners!

We invite you to share in our life as a Eucharistic Community. Please complete a registration card online at www.stmattpar.org/parish-registration or register at the parish office. We look forward to welcoming you to our parish community.

Faith Formation

Faith formation is a lifelong process: an ongoing interaction with God's creative goodness. We allow the Gospel to transform us and then bring transformation to the world. For more information, contact Parish Office admin@stmattpar.org.

Community Prayer Line

Our prayer group, comprised of parishioners and coordinated by Louise Baduski, offers prayers for you, your loved ones and/or friends. Requests may be made by email to Louise at: teddybear903@verizon.net. Prayer needs may also be placed in the "Prayer Request" box at the rear of the church or call the office directly. All requests are kept confidential within the group.

Sacraments

If you are interested in baptism, a wedding, anointing or Rite Of Christian Initiation, please contact the parish office 508-460-9255 or email admin@stmattpar.org or contact Fr. Steve via email fmadden@stmattpar.org.

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Intentions of the Eucharist

Saturday, November 22—4:00 PM

Antonio Masciarelli and Helen, Joseph and Jordan DeMeo—Memorial

Sunday, November 23—9:00 AM

Nes, Teresita, Al and Tony Barcinas—Memorial

Wednesday, November 26—6:00PM

Coletti and Hill Families-Memorial

Friday, November 28-9:00 AM

Edward Goetz-Memorial

Saturday, November 29- 4:00 PM

Diane Robertson—Memorial

Sunday, November 30—10:00 AM

Czechor Family-Memorial

Celebrations of the Eucharist

Weekend Masses in the Church

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM

Weekdays in the Conference Room Chapel

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays 9:00 AM

Confessions: Saturdays 3:15 PM— 3:45PM



Parish Leadership

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MATTHIAS

Saturday, November 22

Celebration of the Eucharist

4:00 p.m. Church

2nd Collection: Retired Religious Sisters
Advent Giving Tree and Basket Raffle Sign-up

Sunday, November 23

Celebration of the Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Church

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FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Monday, November 24

Celebration of the Eucharist

Downstairs Chapel 9:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, November 25

Celebration of the Eucharist

Downstairs Chapel 9:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, November 26

Celebration of the Eucharist

Thanksgiving Mass

6:00 p.m. Church

Friday, November 28

Celebration of the Eucharist

Downstairs Chapel 9:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, November 29

Celebration of the Eucharist

4:00 p.m. Church

Sunday, November 30

Celebration of the Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Church

FACE BOOK LIVE-STREAMED/RECORDED MASS

Unable to attend Mass in person? Please view the pre-recorded Mass video posted on Facebook after Sunday Mass by **12:00 pm**. Just search **@stmattpar** OR visit **www.stmattpar.org**

ST MATTHIAS HOLIDAY

BASKET RAFFLE AND BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025

10:00-2:00PM

ALL ARE WELCOME - FREE ADMISSION

BAKE SALE and BASKET DONATION SIGN UP

After Mass the weekends of November 22nd and
November 29th

BASKET and BAKE SALE DROP OFF

Friday, December 5
3:00-6:00 - Parish Hall.

*Please have gift baskets *wrapped* and contents
labeled.



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Thank you to our generous parishioners for
donating nearly 700 pounds of food and paper
products! Your kindness and commitment to
serving our neighbors truly makes a difference. A
special thank you to David Lavalley for delivering
the donations. We are deeply grateful.

THANKSGIVING MASS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 AT 6:00 PM

Please join the parish community on Wednesday,
November 26 at 6:00 PM for a Thanksgiving Mass.

As we prepare our table for friends and family, let's
take a moment to pray and give Thanksgiving to our God
for our many blessings.



FAITH FORMATION

November 23 schedule is:

Grades 1-5 8:30-9:30am Parish Hall

Grades 6-7 10:00 - 11:45 a.m.

Participation in 10:00 a.m. Mass followed by
meeting in the Conference Room

COFFEE SOCIAL

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Join us for coffee, donuts and conversation in
the Parish Hall following Mass

2025 ADVENT GIVING TREE IS HERE!

You can create a magical Christmas under the
tree for this area's most vulnerable neighbors and
their children.

St. Matthias Parish will be holding its Annual
Advent Giving Tree Drive in continued partnership
with the United Way of Tri-County's Hope for the
Holiday program *beginning the weekend of
November 22-23*. The agency tells us the need is
even greater than years past, so we ask
parishioners to prayerfully consider being as
generous as possible. Please select a tag from
the tree in the back of the church and choose any
item listed on tag or feel free to substitute a gift of
your choosing. Please know that if multiple items
are listed, you are not required to purchase all.
Return the **unwrapped gift with the selected tag
at Mass or at the parish office by December
7th**. You may also donate gift wrap that the
agency will distribute to families in need.

Don't have time to shop? Gift cards
of \$10 denominations are always
welcome from Amazon, Walmart and
Target as well as cash/check
donations. Please write Giving Tree in
the memo line



Thank you for your generous heart as we seek to
bring the abundant love of the Christ Child to even
more children this Christmas season!

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

A Note from our Music Director

Peter Brockmann

Jacqueline Abraham	Dean Horton	Danny Tesler
Donna Anastas	John Keeler	Walter Synder
Judi Arnott	Sean Mahoney	Jim Rudolph
Cheryl Bellan	Patrick Mauro	Col. Betty Reid-
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William C.	Debra Natoli	
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Karen Chiasson	Virginia Neff	
Ronald Chiasson	Paul Pelletier	
Stephen Chiasson	Keri Prindle	
Andrea Durant	Judy Richards	
Claire Fallon	Danielle Saitz	
Patricia Gazza	Linda Thacker	
Rachael Goulet	Linda Thomasino	
Rosalie Green	Gage Thompson	
Brian Hendrix	Alexandra Zahir	

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, the final Sunday of the liturgical year. Our Gathering Song, To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King, makes a bold proclamation: Christ is our true ruler, the One to whom all authority and loyalty ultimately belong.

The hymn was written in 1941 by Fr. Martin Hellriegel, a German-born American priest living through a time when nations were claiming total allegiance and political ideologies were demanding the devotion that we believe belongs to God alone. His lyric echoes the very purpose of this feast, established in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, who wanted Christians to remember that no earthly power—political, military, or cultural—can claim our hearts the way Christ can.

For those of us who grew up in constitutional monarchies, like Canada, the word “king” can feel ceremonial or symbolic. But in a constitutional republic such as the United States, the word can sound almost foreign—especially in a country founded on the rejection of kings and hereditary aristocracy and monarchy. Just five months ago, some even participated in a “No Kings” protest, which did serve as a reminder of our national origin.

And yet, calling Christ “King” is not about advocating a political system. It is a theological claim. Christ’s kingship does not resemble hereditary power or authoritarian rule. His throne is the Cross; His reign is one of mercy, justice, and self-giving love. His authority invites, but never coerces. When we sing this hymn, we remind ourselves that our highest allegiance is not to any earthly leader or party, but to the One whose kingdom is truth, peace, and life.

May Christ our Sovereign King guide our parish, our community, and our hearts.

Let us sing,

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Matthias meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in the parish hall. All are welcome to learn how important the Society is to our community. Please mark your calendar to see how you can contribute! Please email Jackie Tolan at tolansvdp@aol.com or call (508)633-3852 if you have any questions.

READINGS FOR MASS

November 22 and November 23

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3
Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20
Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

November 29 and November 30

First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5
Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14
Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

MUSIC FOR THE WEEK

Gathering Song: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King
Hymnal #492
Preparation: Your Wonderful Love
Hymnal #649
Communion: I Received the Living God
Hymnal #809
Recessional: Crown Him With Many Crowns
Hymnal #489

PARISH FINANCES

**Weekly Offertory Goal
\$4,000.00**

**November 15 and November 16 Offertory
Collection**

Offertory Collection	\$ 2554.00
WeShare Offertory	\$ 1010.00
	\$ 3564.00

Weekly Goal Deficit: \$ 436.00



**JOIN WESHARE IN
JUST A FEW SIMPLE STEPS**

To set up one-time or recurring donations to the Regular Offertory, using our online giving platform, WeShare by Ministry Brands, please use the QR-code or visit: www.wesharegiving.org/app/giving/stmatt
WeShare is perfect for summer! While you're away on vacation, the Parish will still receive your donations which continually support the daily operations of the parish.



**PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday
9:00AM to 2:00PM**

During off-hours you may call the office and leave a voicemail at **508-460-9255**.

There are envelopes at the Church entrances for 2nd collection donations.

**If you are in need of assistance,
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