

St. Matthias the Apostle Catholic Church

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Archdiocese of Galveston - Houston

December 18, 2016

Established 1978

Fourth Sunday of Advent



Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory. (Psalm 24)
Va a entrar el Señor: Él es el Rey de la Gloria. (Salmo 24)

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:00 am– 5:00 pm
Parish Offices will be closed December 23—26

Celebration of the Eucharist

Monday - Word & Sacrament Service,
8:00 am

Tuesday - Friday - Mass, 8:00 am

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm, English

Sunday Masses - English 8:00 & 10:30 am
Spanish 1:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon. - Thursday - 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Friday - 8:30—12:00 pm

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Tues.-Fri. 8:30 - 9:30 am
Saturday 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Baptisms: Contact the parish office

Matrimony: 6 months in advance

Anointing of the Sick: 8am Mass 1st Fri.
of each month or call the parish office

First Eucharist & Confirmation:

Call the Parish CCE office

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2016

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WORSHIP

SUMMONED BY GOD

As Christmas draws near, Advent's scriptures lure us into a world of dreams, signs, wonders, and the miracle of the virgin birth. Too often we allow the great stories of our faith, the ones that are most familiar, simply to wash over us. Today's Gospel account of the events leading up to the birth of the Lord reads like a present-day soap opera. Yet Joseph's courage, even in the midst of what must have been an incredibly confusing time, provides a model for us. Each week, we are summoned by God to embrace the way of goodness and truth through the proclamation of God's holy word. Like Joseph, we are called to do as the Lord commands us. As we stand at the threshold of Christmas, let us have the courage to be open to whatever it is that the Lord will require of us as we celebrate the miracle of Bethlehem.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
 Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38
 Wednesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
 Thursday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
 Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66
 Saturday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79
 Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 24

3:30 p.m. - Christmas Carols, Church
 4:00 p.m. - Children's Mass and Nativity Play, English, Church
 4:00 p.m. - Overflow Mass, English, Parish hall
 6:00 p.m. - Mass, Spanish, Church
 10:30 p.m. - Christmas Carols, Church
 11:00 p.m. - Mass, English, Church

Sunday, December 25

9:00 a.m. - Mass, English, Church
 11:00 a.m. - Mass, Bilingual, Church

** Incense will be used in all Masses held in the Church but not in the parish hall.



December 19—December 25

Monday	8:00 am	Word and Sacrament Service
Tuesday	8:00 am	David Galindo +
Wednesday	8:00 am	Dr. Donald & Mary Lintner +
Thursday	8:00 am	Janett Ray +
Friday	8:00 am	Henry Pavlicek +
Saturday	4:00 pm	Thomas Hayes + (Church)
	4:00 pm	Parishioners of St Matthias Parish (Parish Hall)
	6:00 pm	Leonel Jaimes + (Spanish)
	11:00 pm	Bobbie Kruelen + (English)
Sunday	9:00 am	Felipa J. Villanueva + (English)
	11:00 am	Domingo & Amparo Suarez + (Bilingual)

Deceased + Living (liv)

Please contact the parish office to request a Mass Intention. Also, if you would like to furnish flowers for the altar for a special occasion or in memory of someone, please contact the parish office.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held:

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Friday, 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

I am here, come visit Me



Bless us, Lord, this Christmas

With quietness of mind

Teach us to be patient

And always to be kind.

Show us that in quietness

We can feel Your presence near,

Filling us with joy and peace

Throughout the coming year.

Helen Steiner Rice

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH: Eddie Parrish, Roger DeHoyos, Patty Havlin, Neil MacDonald, Anne Bradford, Jesus Escobar, Bettyann Michell, Daniel Millet, Laura Thompson, Elaine Krueger, Maria Elena Medina, Miguel Lozoya, Dorothy & Luis Pavlock, Dave Dennington, Walter Roesner, Fred Cytacki, Lisa Hernandez, Gloria Albright, Harvey Degeyter, Luz Sutton, Jonathan Sutton, Maiu Alzate, Carmen Gonzales, Wilfred Kreitz, Sally Wolfe, Felicitas Guerrero, Joseph Yaw, Melanie Garcia, Dante Ruiz, Samuel Arredondo, Trina Perez, John Norwood, Manuel Hernandez, Jason Dodson, Peggy & Jim Brewer, Rob Brady, Mark Ward, James Fayard, Liam Roth, David Nordin, Jerry McClean, Richard Nava, Raymond Tatum, Buddy Harrison, McKenzie Covert, Tom McDermott, Edwina Kaminski, Andrea Corolla Phillips, Jim Jacobs, Kimberly Copeland, Norah Ortega, Marlene & Jim Gondek, Greg Stepanek, George & Vivian Nolan, Carolyn & Bob Foster

Names on the prayer list will be removed after 2 months.

If you want a name to continue longer, please contact the parish office.

If a family member, a neighbor or someone you know from our parish is homebound and is in need of Holy Communion and/or prayer, please notify the office so that arrangements can be made for home or hospital visits. You may also call for assistance in leading rosaries for your deceased loved ones' funeral.



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WEEKLY COLLECTION

December 11, 2016

Envelopes (194) - \$ 7,169.89
Loose Checks/Cash - \$ 5,643.73
Online Giving - \$ 861.92
Children's Collection - \$ 120.25
Capital Renewal - \$ 333.30
Retirement Fund for Religious - \$ 2,479.29
Immaculate Conception Holy Day - \$ 2,760.14

Second Collection next weekend - Christmas Collection

Our deep gratitude to parishioners and guests for their support to the ongoing work of Christ at St. Matthias.



OUR NEW CHURCH

"Together in Faith-Honoring our Past, Building Our Future"

As of December 13, 2016

Amount Pledged: \$ 2,931,363

Amount Paid: \$ 770,003 (correction)

Number of Donors: 501

Thanks For Taking a Church Bank Home!

Thank You to all the parishioners who took home one of the church banks to help support the campaign for our new church. 500 banks are now in homes gathering spare change. Just imagine how that will add up over time. One family already turned in a bag full of change and is working to fill the bank again. When turning in your change, place the change in the plastic bag that came with the bank, write your name, address, and envelope number on bag, seal it, and return it to the parish office or give it to an usher before or after Mass. More plastic bags are available from an usher or in the parish office.

Good Communicators Needed!

The Capital Campaign Cabinet is looking for people who are trained in the art of communications. The cabinet has a number of opportunities requiring good written communication skills to assist in developing materials to keep the parishioners informed on the status of the campaign for our new church. This includes letters, flyers, presentations, bulletin articles, and more. Much of the work could be done at home. If you are interested in helping or for more information, please contact either Tom Condon at 281-382-8097 or the parish office at 281-356-2000.

STEWARDSHIP

That we can put our complete trust in God and become a model of discipleship like Joseph.

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home." Matthew 1:24

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

WORD OF LIFE

"Help one another: This is what Jesus teaches us and this is what I am doing, and doing with all my heart."

— Pope Francis, Homily on Holy Thursday.

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Christmas Collection

Christmas falls on a Sunday this year. On December 24-25, there will be 2 collections. The first will be our regular Offertory Collection followed by the Christmas Collection. 10% of the Christmas Collection will be sent to the Archdiocese to support their Aid to Poor Parishes Fund. As always, your generous support for our parish and for the Archdiocesan services is greatly appreciated. God Bless!

Lay Ministers, You Are Needed

Mass Coordinators, Eucharistic Ministers, Acolytes, Lectors, Greeters and Ushers.

Ministers, Your help is needed for the Christmas Masses. If you plan to be at Mass here next weekend, please sign-up this week on the sheets in the Ministers Room



ENGLISH BAPTISM CLASSES

The next English Baptism Classes will be held on January 15 and 22, 2017. Parents must attend these classes and the godparents are encouraged to attend also.

If you have a child you would like to Baptize, please contact the parish office by December 28, 2016.

Ornaments to Remember Your Loved Ones

Parishioners are invited to hang a special ornament on one of the Christmas trees near the Altar before or after Mass next weekend to remember a loved one. The ornament will help us remember that they are closer to God and will be remembered as part of our Masses during Christmas.



Evening of Uplifting Praise and Worship

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, January 19, 2017, 7pm for a truly uplifting event conducted by the St. Matthias ACTS community in our parish hall. Our parish ACTS team will host this joyful event which will include live music, readings, and the Liturgy of the Hours evening prayer. It is open to all parishioners, their families, and friends so please plan to attend.

PS: You do not have to have attended an ACTS retreat to attend.



Today we hear that Jesus will be named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." The mystery of the birth of Jesus is supremely a mystery of love. May each Christmas find us more and more like Him: more humble, more holy, more happy, and more full of God.

Monthly needed items: boxed corn bread dressing, canned sweet potatoes, canned corn, canned green beans

Dec 2, "Kids Night Out" Refunds

If you paid in advance to participate in the December 2 "Kids Night Out" event which was cancelled, please stop by the parish CCE office to pick-up your refund by December 30.

Parish Christmas Wish List

If you are looking for a small way that you can give something back to our parish over Christmas, below is a list of items that are needed in our kitchen. Ideas include: large and medium cooking pots and pans, cooking and serving utensils, cutting boards and knives, knife sharpener, kitchen drawer organizers, can openers, a basic Mr. Coffee maker for the parish office, or other items you can think of that would be helpful to have around our parish kitchen. These are good things to be on the lookout for during the after Christmas sales. God Bless.

A Great Celebration!

Thank You to everyone who helped plan and attended our December 11 festival to celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe. What a great event and terrific turnout. There was a wide variety of delicious food, 3 bands played as many of those attended danced under the pavilion, and the kids had fun on the mechanical bull and in the fun house. About 2:30 p.m., over 60 horses arrived in parade led by the Matachines in dance honoring our Lady of Guadalupe. Fr. Chris blessed each horse and rider as they passed and then they went on to display the dancing and prancing skills of the horses on our parish grounds. There were also lasso displays and parishioners, including Fr. Chris, had the opportunity to ride some of the horses. The proceeds from this event went toward our new church.



Thrive Men's Conference

Prince of Peace is hosting Thrive—it's very first men's conference—on February 11, 2017 for all men in the northwest Houston area. Thrive is a day of reflection, fellowship, and worship focusing on what unites men in faith and brotherhood. There will be three keynote speakers during the day, and we'll end with Vigil Mass at Prince of Peace. For more info and registration visit www.pophouston.org/thrive



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MEETINGS, ETC.

Sun., Dec. 18	8:00 am 8:00 am 9:05 am 10:30 am 11:30 am 11:35 am 1:00 pm 2:30 pm 2:30 pm 7:00 pm	Mass, English RCIA, St Mary Rm. (13/14) Elementary CCE Mass, English Adult Confirmation Class, Spanish, St Mary Rm (13/14) Elementary CCE Mass, Spanish Basic Faith Formation, Spanish, St Philip Neri Rm (9/11) Confirmation Class, Parish Hall, St Mary Rm (13/14) Posadas—Guadalupanos, Parish Hall
Mon., Dec. 19	8:00 am 8:30 am 10:00 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Word & Sacrament Service Adoration ACTS Prayer Group, St Jerome Rm (17) Catholic Daughters Meeting, St Mary Rm (13/14) Boy Scouts, St Philip Neri Rm (9/11), St Francis Xavier Rm (5), St Catherine Laboure Rm (7) Knights of Columbus Meeting, Men's Building Posadas—Youth Group, Parish Hall
Tues. Dec. 20	8:00 am 8:30 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Mass, English Adoration and Confessions Legion of Mary, St Mary Rm (13/14) Spanish Choir Practice, Church Posadas, Parish Hall
Wed., Dec. 21	8:00 am 8:30 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Mass Adoration and Confessions Nativity Play Rehearsal, Church Posadas, Parish Hall
Thurs. Dec. 22	8:00 am 8:30 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Mass Adoration and Confessions AMSIF, Parish hall, classrooms English Choir Practice, Church Posadas, Parish Hall
Fri., Dec. 23	8:00 am 8:30 am 7:00 pm	Parish Offices Closed Mass Adoration and Confessions Posadas - Hispanic Prayer Group, Parish Hall
Sat., Dec. 24	3:30 pm 4:00 pm 4:00 pm 6:00 pm 10:30 pm 11:00 pm	Christmas Eve Christmas Carols, Church Children's Mass and Nativity Play, Church Mass, English, Parish Hall Mass, Spanish, Church Christmas Carols, Church Mass, English, Church
Sun., Dec. 25	9:00 am 11:00 am	Christmas Day Mass, English Mass, Bilingual

Parish Offices Will be Closed

Friday, December 23rd and Monday, December 26th

Cold and Flu Season

During this time when there is a higher risk of catching a bug, especially the flu, please remember to be considerate of others at Mass if you are not well such as folding your hands in prayer during the Our Father, not drinking from the cup at Communion, a friendly smile and wave during the Sign of Peace, and, as always, pray for your health and the health of others.

Find a Church While Away from Home...

If you plan to be away from home over the Christmas break and unable to attend St. Matthias for Mass, take a look at **MASSTIMES.ORG**. Allow this site to use your current location and it will display a map with Catholic churches in the area and the times of their Masses and other services.

FORMATION

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Marlene Grauvogl at 281-356-2000 x 14
E-mail: mgrauvogl@st-matthias.net

SAINTLY CORNER

If you have too much to do, with God's help, you will find time to do it all. —Peter Canisius



For a half-century, Jesuit Father Peter Canisius led the Catholic Reformation in Austria, Bavaria, and Bohemia. He preached and taught in parishes, reformed and founded universities, wrote many books including popular catechisms, restored lapsed Catholics, converted Protestants, preached retreats, and found time to care for the sick. In his last thirty years traveling more than twenty thousand miles on foot or horseback, St. Peter Canisius spearheaded the renewal of the Catholic faith in southern Germany.

Peter Canisius revitalized Catholic life and teaching at universities in Ingolstadt and Augsburg. He founded new ones at Prague and Fribourg. In all four cities his preaching and catechizing won the hearts of Catholics and attracted nominal Protestants to the church. In Vienna his personal care for plague victims made him a most popular figure. We celebrate his feast day on December 21st.

SACRAMENT INFORMATION

If you have not purchased your sacrament books, stop by the RE office to pick them up. They are \$20 a book, the children will need one for Reconciliation and one for Communion.

- Parents need to begin working with their child at home in the First Reconciliation book.
- A copy of the child's baptismal certificate is needed in the RE office.
- Practice prayers with your children.
- Session one for First Reconciliation is Thursday, January 26 from 7-8:30 p.m. **One parent and child MUST attend all four of these sessions.**



CALLING ALL CHILDREN

We are on the lookout for children to participate in the annual Nativity Play at the Christmas Eve children's Mass. If you would like your child to participate, please contact the RE office as soon as possible to sign up. Parts are assigned on a first come, first serve basis. The children's Mass is Christmas Eve at 4pm. Rehearsal for the Nativity Play will be on Wednesday, December 21 at 6pm. Parts will be decided and costumes handed out. Your child must come to the rehearsal to be in the Christmas play.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The last day of Sunday classes is December 18. Sunday classes will resume on January 8.

The last day of Wednesday classes is December 14. Wednesday classes will resume on January 11.

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY

Sylvia Perez at 281-356-2000 x 12
E-mail: sperez@st-matthias.net

CONFIRMATION CLASS YEAR ONE & YEAR TWO DECEMBER 18



Adoration will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the church followed by class.

In order for your child to be ready for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please be attentive to the following:

- ♦ We must have the covenant signed.
- ♦ Student must attend Wednesday T.E.E.N. night
- ♦ Students must attend special Confirmation Classes, one parent and their sponsor must attend also.

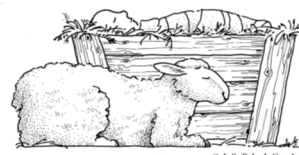
If you and your children did not attend the orientation session, please contact me as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

The remaining confirmation classes scheduled for 2017 are:

Sundays, 2:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Beginning with Adoration in the Church **(no mass)**

January 8, 2017
February 12, 2017

March 5, 2017
April 9, 2017



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Parenting Help?

The office of Family Life Ministry has trained eight professionals around the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston to provide services to parents who are willing and need help raising their children. The program is designed to offer advice, support and formation to parents with common developmental and behavioral problems in children. To obtain more information please contact us at 713-741-8739 or 713-741-8711.

UPCOMING VIRTUS WORKSHOPS

Virtus workshops will be held at the following neighboring parishes. You must register online at www.virtusonline.org in order to attend one of these workshops. These classes are in English only.

St. Mary Magdalene – Monday, January 9 at 6:00pm
St. Simon & Jude – Thursday, January 12 at 9:00am
St. Martha, Wednesday, January 18 at 6:30pm
Christ the Redeemer, Saturday, February 18 at 9:30am

COMUNIDAD HISPANA

Declaración de la Misión Parroquial

"Una comunidad acogedora, comprometida a fomentar un amor más profundo por Jesús, por medio de la Fe, la familia y el servicio a los demás."

LLAMADOS POR DIOS

Al acercarse la Navidad, las Escrituras del Adviento nos llevan a un mundo de sueños, señales, maravillas y el milagro del nacimiento de una virgen. Muchas veces dejamos que los grandes relatos de nuestra fe, los que son más conocidos, simplemente nos pasen sin sentirlos. El relato del Evangelio de hoy sobre los acontecimientos previos al nacimiento del Señor parece una telenovela actual. Sin embargo, la valentía de José, aun en medio de una época que debe haber sido increíblemente confusa, nos brinda un modelo a seguir. Cada semana, Dios nos llama a aceptar el camino de la bondad y la verdad por medio de la proclamación de la Palabra sagrada de Dios. Como José, somos llamados a hacer lo que el Señor nos ordena. Mientras estamos en el umbral de la Navidad, tengamos la valentía para estar abiertos a lo que sea, a lo que el Señor requiera de nosotros durante nuestra celebración del milagro de Belén.

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¡Una Gran Celebración!

Gracias a todos los que ayudaron a planear y asistieron a nuestro festival del 11 de diciembre para celebrar a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. ¡Qué gran evento y excelente participación! Había una variedad de deliciosa comida, 3 grupos tocaron como muchos de los que asistieron bailaron bajo el pabellón. Y los niños se divertieron en el toro mecánico y en el brincolín. Alrededor de las 2:30, más de 50 caballos llegaron al desfile dirigido por los Matachines en Honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. El Padre Chris les dio la bendición a cada caballo y jinete a medida que pasaban y luego los caballos mostraron las habilidades de baile y andar con cierta afectación. También hubo demostración de lazo y parroquianos, incluyendo el Padre Chris, tuvo la oportunidad de montar algunos de los caballos. Los ingresos de este evento fueron hacia nuestra nueva iglesia.



Diciembre 24 — Vispera de Navidad

- 3:30 pm: Cantos Navideños (Villancicos)
- 4:00 pm: Misa de Niños (en la Iglesia) en Inglés
- 4:00 pm: Misa regular (en el salón parroquial) en Inglés
- *6:00 pm: Misa en Español (en la Iglesia)**
- 10:30 pm: Cantos Navideños (Villancicos)
- *11:00 pm: Misa de Noche Buena en Inglés

Diciembre 25 — La Natividad del Señor

- 9:00 am: Misa de Navidad - Inglés
- *11:00 am: Misa de Navidad - Bilingüe**

Incienso será usado en todas las misas en la Iglesia, pero no en el salón parroquial

La oficina parroquial estará cerrada el 23 y 26 de diciembre 2016

Domingo, 1 de Enero 2017 - Santa María, Madre de Dios

Horario de Misas regular.



MINISTROS PARA EL DOMINGO 25 DE DICIEMBRE A LAS 11am

Lectores: 1ra. Lectura: Manuel Guevara

2da. Lectura: Elva Sánchez

Ministros: Diacono Rafael 1b, L. Chavez 1c, J. Aguirre 2b, J. Aguirre 2c, M. Guevara 3b, A. Guevara 3c, E. Osorio 4c, F. Moreno 5c, R. Moreno 6c

Monaguillos: A. García E. Pacheco, M. Padrón, D. Juárez, D. Benítez

Ujieres: O. Velásquez, V. Guevara, L. García B. Vásquez, A. Avalos, M. Torres, E. Rodríguez

Ofertorio: Manuel y Aurora Guevara

Visita de la Virgen Peregrina a la familia: Manuel y Aurora Guevara

Coordinador de la Misa: Francisco y Rosa Moreno y Elvia Osorio

Rosario: Gloria García

Intención de la Misa de Hoy: Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico

MINISTROS PARA EL SÁBADO 24 DE DICIEMBRE A LAS 6pm Misa en Español

Lectores: 1ra. Lectura: Maria Gloria García

2da. Lectura: Isabel Ramírez

Ministros: L. Chavez 1b, L. Chavez 1c, J. Sayón 2b, A. Sayón 2c, F. Moreno 3b, R. Moreno 3c, E. Osorio 4c, A. Ramírez 5b, I. Ramírez 6c

Monaguillos: Á. García, N. Juárez, J. Mateo, D. Benítez

Ujieres: R. Benítez, B. Vásquez, M. Torres, M. García, J. Adame, A. Campos

Coordinador de la Misa: Luciano y Leticia Chávez y Elvia Osorio

Ofertorio: Ángel e Isabel Ramírez



Reflexión del Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico

En esta navidad preparemos nuestro corazón para recibir el amor, la paz y la humildad que la sagrada familia nos entrega por medio del nacimiento de Jesús nuestro salvador para que reine en nuestro hogar.

¡Gracias por llevarse una alcancía!

¡Guau! Gracias a todos los feligreses que llevaron una alcancía en forma de una iglesia para ayudar a apoyar la campaña para nuestra nueva iglesia. 500 alcancías ahora están en hogares. Imagínense cómo aumentara con el tiempo. Una familia ya entregó una bolsa llena de cambio y ya están trabajando para llenar la alcancía de nuevo. Al entregar su cambio, coloque el cambio en la bolsa de plástico que vino con la alcancía, escriba su nombre, dirección y número de sobre en la bolsa, selle, y devuélvalo a la oficina parroquial o dáselo a un ujier antes o después de la misa. Más bolsas de plástico están disponibles con los ujier o en la oficina parroquial.



LAS POSADAS

Estaremos celebrando Las Posadas a las 7:00pm aquí en San Matías e invitamos a toda la comunidad a participar, todos son bienvenidos, rezaremos el rosario, pediremos posada, tendremos convivio y sobre todo compartiremos juntos como una sola familia.

A TODOS LOS MINISTERIOS DE SAN MATÍAS

Viernes	Dic. 16	Grupo de Oración
Sábado	Dic. 17	Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico
Domingo	Dic. 18	Grupo Guadalupano
Lunes	Dic. 19	Sylvia & Grupo de Jóvenes
Martes	Dic. 20	Tacos Wadley
Miércoles	Dic. 21	Benito & María Gloria García
Jueves	Dic. 22	Rafael Rojas
Viernes	Dic. 23	Caballeros de Colón e Hijas Católicas

Programa Navideño



¡Se Necesitan Buenos Comunicadores!

El Gabinete de Campaña Capital está buscando personas que están entrenados en el arte de las comunicaciones. El gabinete tiene una serie de oportunidades que requieren buenas habilidades de comunicación escrita para ayudar es el desarrollo de materiales para mantener informados a los feligreses sobre el estado de la campaña para nuestra nueva iglesia. Esto incluye cartas, folletos, presentaciones, artículos para el boletín y más. Gran parte del trabajo podría hacerse en casa. Si está interesado en ayudar o para obtener más información, comuníquese con Tom Condon al 281-382-8097 o con la oficina parroquial al 281-356-2000.

*Virgen Peregrina
de la familia*



Ya hay fechas disponibles para la Virgen Peregrina para el 2017. Si hay alguna persona o familia que desea apuntarse para llevarse la imagen de la Virgen a su hogar por una semana, favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial con Sandra al 281-356-2000 ext. 16.



PRÓXIMA CLASES DE BAUTIZO

Enero 23 & 24, 2017

(Se asiste a ambas fechas) (Pre Registro es requerido)

El Sacramento de Bautizo será celebrado el 11 de Febrero a las 10:30am

Si desea bautizar a su hijo(a) en San Matías, los padres tendrán que tomar las pláticas en SAN MATÍAS solamente y no en OTRA PARROQUIAL ¡favor de llamar a la oficina para registrarse!

PADRES: Si los papás no están casados por la Iglesia se les pide que llamen a la oficina para programar una cita con el Sacerdote antes de que puedan asistir a la clase de bautizo. La cita debe ser mínimo 2 semanas antes de la clase de bautizo y solo entre semana durante horario de oficina de Martes a Viernes antes de las 4:00pm.

PADRINOS: Deben ser católicos practicantes (poder comulgar). Si son casados deben ser casados por la Iglesia Católica o si son solteros deben estar bautizados y confirmados. NOTA: Parejas viviendo en común o casados solo por lo civil sin haber sido bendecidos por el Matrimonio Católico, NO pueden ser padrinos.

Oficina de Educación Religiosa
Marlene Grauvogl al 281-356-2000 ext. 14
Correo Electrónico: mgrauvogl@st-matthias.net

RINCÓN DE SANTOS

Si tienes mucha que hacer, con la ayuda de Dios encontrarás tiempo para hacerlo todo. -San Pedro Canisio

Durante medio siglo, el padre jesuita Pedro Canisio dirigió la Reforma Católica en Austria, Baviera y Bohemia. El predicó y enseñó en las parroquias, reformado y fundó universidades, escribió muchos libros incluyendo catecismos populares, restauró católicos, protestantes convertidos, predicó en retiros, y encontró tiempo para cuidar a los enfermos. En sus últimos treinta años viajando más de veinte mil millas a pie o a caballo, San Pedro Canisio encabezó la renovación de la fe católica en el sur de Alemania. Pedro Canisio revitalizó la vida católica y la enseñanza en las Universidades de Ingolstadt y Augsburgo. Él fundó otros nuevos en Praga y Friburgo. En las cuatro ciudades de su predicación y la catequesis ganó el corazón de los católicos y otros cristianos nominales atraídos a la iglesia. En Viena, su cuidado personal fue por las víctimas de la plaga hizo de él una figura muy popular. Celebramos su fiesta el 21 de diciembre.



Misa de Navidad de Niños



¡¡Llamando a todos los niños!! Estamos buscando de niños que quieran participar en el desfile anual de Navidad en la misa de los niños de Nochebuena a las 4pm. Si desea que su hijo participe, por favor comuníquese con la oficina de educación religiosa tan pronto como sea posible para inscribirse. Las partes son asignada por orden de llegada. El ensayo será el jueves, 21 de diciembre a las 6:00pm. Se decidirán las partes y se entregarán los trajes. Su hijo debe venir al ensayo para estar en la obra de Navidad.

FOTOS DE COMUNION

Todavía tengo fotos de la Primera Comunión que aún no han sido recogidas. Por favor pase por la oficina de educación religiosa para recogerlos.

INFORMACIÓN SACRAMENTAL

Si no ha comprado sus libros de sacramento, vaya a la oficina de Educación Religiosa para recogerlos. Los libros cuestan \$20 por cada uno, los niños necesitarán uno para la Reconciliación y uno para la Comunión.

- ◆ Los padres necesitan comenzar a trabajar con su hijo/a en casa en el libro de la Primera Reconciliación.
- ◆ Se necesita una copia del certificado de bautismo del niño/a en la oficina de Educación Religiosa.
- ◆ Practique las oraciones con sus hijos.
- ◆ La primera sesión para la Primera Reconciliación es el jueves 26 de enero de 7pm a 8:30pm. **Un padre y el niño/a DEBEN asistir a las cuatro sesiones.**

VACACIONES DE NAVIDAD

El último día de clases para este año será, **Miércoles, 14 de diciembre y domingo, 18 de diciembre.** Las clases resumen el **Miércoles, 11 de enero y el domingo, 8 de enero.** Por favor marque su calendario. Que esta temporada Navideña les traiga felicidad, amor y paz a sus hogares.

Oficina de Ministerio Juvenil

Sylvia Perez al 281-356-2000 ext. 12

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HOY domingo, 18 de diciembre hay clase de confirmación. Empezará con adoración y después

Clases de Confirmación 2016-2017

Diciembre 18, 2016

Enero 08, 2017

Marzo 05, 2017

Febrero 12, 2017

Abril 09, 2017

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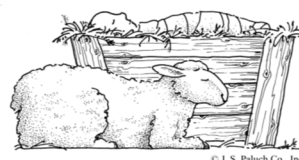
¿Eres tú José? ¿Tu esposa es María?

Entren, peregrinos; no los conocía.

Entren santos peregrinos, peregrinos; reciban esta mansión.

Aunque es pobre la morada, la morada, se la doy de corazón.

—Tradicional



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Adornos para recordar a sus seres queridos

Los feligreses están invitados a colgar un adorno especial en uno de los arbolitos de Navidad cerca del Altar antes o después de Misa el próximo fin de semana para recordar a un ser querido. El adorno nos ayudará a recordar que ellos están más cerca de Dios y serán recordados como parte de nuestras misas durante la Navidad.

