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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM 10:30 AM 7:00 PM

Monday – Friday: 7:30 AM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM, also by appointment

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The Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022



Week of December 10-December 17, 2022

Saturday, December 10

5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Borek, Baldi & Kaminski Families

Sunday, December 11– Third Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving
10:30 AM Frank, Theresa & Bruce Blase
7:00 PM All Parishioners of Saint Matthias Parish

Monday, December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:30 AM Francis X. Lynch

Tuesday, December 13 St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

7:30 AM Hughes & Cermack Families

Wednesday, December 14 St John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:30 AM Special Intention of Alison Burdo

Thursday, December 15 Advent Weekday

7:30 AM Francis X. Lynch

Friday, December 16 Advent Weekday

7:30 AM Buccino, Tallarico & Mollinedo Family

Saturday, December 17-Advent Weekday

8:00 AM Danny Padolina

Dear Saint Matthias Parishioners,

This past Friday, we had a wonderful Christmas Family Fun Fest! Thank you to all our families who turned out to support this fun evening. Our young parishioners enjoyed pizza, games, crafts and a visit by the Big Man in the red suit himself! They also put on a very beautiful tableau. Thank you to our volunteers who helped that evening and all those who provided backed goods.

The season of Advent is moving along as we light the Rose candle this weekend of our Advent wreath. My prayer is that you are each setting aside some time for personal prayer, reflection and embracing the spirit of the Advent season, waiting in Joyful Hope for the coming of Christ. One very important way to prepare your self for the coming of Christmas in the season of Advent is to avail yourself of the ***Sacrament of Reconciliation***. Confessions will be offered on Saturday, December 17 from 3:30 - 4:30 PM, Sunday, December 18 from 9:15 AM –10 AM and again on Monday, December 17 at 7 PM in Church. Our last Wednesday evening presentation on the Infancy Narratives, will be this Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 7 PM in the Parish Center.

Our Christmas schedule is as follows:

CHRISTMAS EVE

Saturday, December 24, 2022

4:00 P.M. & 6:00 P.M. Vigil Mass

MASS AT MIDNIGHT

Preceded by a choral and instrumental prelude at 11:30 P.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sunday, December 25, 2022

8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. Mass During the Day
There will not be a 7 P.M. Evening Mass on Christmas Day.

I hope you will be sure to invite your family and loved ones from out of town who may be joining you this Christmas to one of our Christmas liturgies. All are welcome here at Saint Matthias.

May God continue to bless you,

Father Kean



Thank you for your generous Stewardship to Saint Matthias Parish! Your donations allow us to sustain our parish and continue our good works.

Week of 12/3-4/2022

Envelopes... \$ 2,905.00
E-Giving \$ 2,422.00
Loose cash ..\$ 522.00
Late Donations \$ 3,000.00
Total\$ 8,849.00

Corresponding Sunday a year ago

11/20-21 2021.....\$ 5,662.00

Living Lights



Living Lights Candles are burning this week: *For a special intention.*

If you would like to have a candle burn for a loved one please call the Parish Center 610-664-0207.



Please return all Giving Tree items by December 14, 2022 with the tag attached.

All gifts benefit the students of LaSalle Academy. Thank you for your generosity and support!



12/12 Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich drop – off at the Parish Center

12/14 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament—8:00 AM-7:00 PM; Benediction 6:45 PM

12/15 Senior Bingo—2:30-3:00-Parish Center

12/17 Confessions—3:30-4:30 PM

12/18 Confessions—9:15-10:00AM

12/18 Senior Lunch—Parish Center—following 10:03AM Mass

12/19 Confessions—7:00-8:00 PM



ADVENT EVENINGS OF REFLECTION

Join Father Kean and Deacon Ernie on Wednesday evening will conclude the Advent presentation on the Infancy Narratives. The evening will begin at 7 PM in the Parish Center.

Wednesday, December 14

The Infancy narratives take you on a journey from the foreshadowing of the Messiah from John the Baptist, to the Annunciation and Visitation, the Nativity of the Christ Child and the various visitors who greet the Blessed Mother and Joseph on the birth of their child.

WEEKLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday December 14

Every Wednesday following the 7:30 AM daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration will take place in Church until 7 PM. Benediction will take place at 6:45 PM.



Please remember in your prayers:

**Charles Daniel
Kristin Haley
Louise Vesci
Teresa Kocudac
Juanita Harmon
Helen Calafut
Alice Mitrano
Ed Kiefski
Gerald Tran
Michael Cajigas-Loyola
Ektor Scamaroni-Loyola
Johnny Hughes**

You are invited to submit the names of loved ones who are in need of prayers. Please contact Eileen Keenan at the Parish Center or secretarymatthias@outlook.com

**Come one come all
Help decorate our Church for
Christmas**

**Thursday December 22
Between 8:30-10:30AM**

**“Team Work Makes the
Dream Work”**



RECONCILIATION

THE SACRAMENT OF

RECONCILIATION

ADVENT, 2022

Saturday, December 10 from 4-4:30 PM

Saturday, December 17 from 3:30-4:30 PM

Sunday, December 18 from 9-15-10:00 AM

Monday, December 19 from 7 – 8:00 PM

You may call the Rectory and ask for an appointment to have your confession heard.

Confessions will NOT be heard on Christmas Eve

Many Catholics go to confession regularly as part of their spiritual journey with Christ. It is a practice which the saints and the Church have encouraged throughout our history. As a preparation for Christmas, Confession is a singularly valued way to prepare. Although we shop, bake, mail and party throughout December, we know there is a deeper reason for all this activity. Christmas is more than decorating the house and setting the table. We want to prepare our hearts and souls so that the King of Kings will find in them a home.




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Timeline

June 19, 2022—June, 11, 2023
Archdiocesan Year of Eucharistic Revival

September 30, 2023
Archdiocesan Eucharistic Congress
Doylestown



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March 4, 2023

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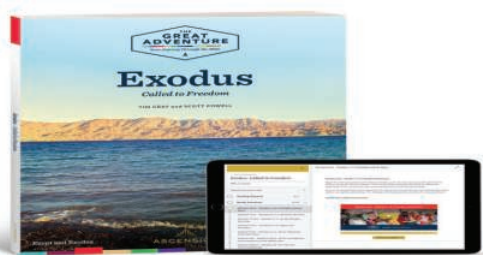


The annual **Catholic Charities Appeal (CCA)** touches over 180 beneficiary organizations, touching the lives of hundreds of thousands of lives in our local community. Saint Matthias Parish has reached about 40% toward our parish goal of \$50,536. If you have not made your contribution to the annual Catholic Charities Appeal (CCA) please do so as soon as possible. During the current economic climate, if the CCA appeal struggles to reach its goal, many of our brothers and sisters who depend on the services provided by Catholic Social Services which is the largest single social service provider in our area will struggle to meet their numerous needs. Please visit the Catholic Charities Appeal website and watch a powerful video on the many recipients of this annual appeal.

www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org

Adult Bible Study
FORMING NOW for 2023!

If you interested in participating in a Bible Study Group for adults in the New Year please contact Eileen Keenan at the Parish Center to register your participation. We are looking to find out when the majority of participants would be available, Wednesday afternoons or Wednesday evenings? We are planning to begin Ascension Press study on *Exodus - Called to Freedom*.





Join us for
Senior Christmas Lunch
Sunday December 18, 2022
following the 10:30AM Mass.



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Lunch will be served in the Parish Center for all Seniors of the Parish.

Come spend some time with your fellow parishioners and catch up on the happenings around the parish and the neighborhood. Meet old friends and make new friends and share a relaxing time over lunch with others.

Please RSVP to the Parish Center 610-664-0207 or email secretarmatthias@outlook.com with your RSVP.



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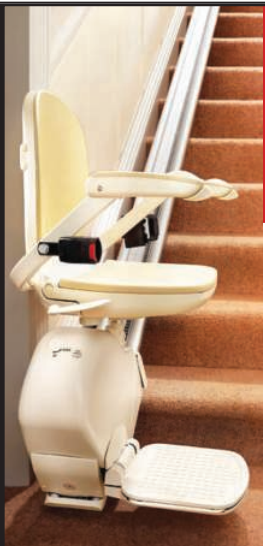
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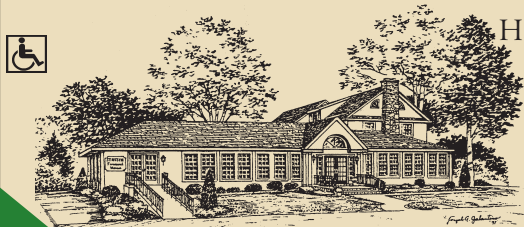
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