# ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE CHURCH January 16, 2022

#### **WORSHIP**

#### **MASS TIMES**

**Daily Mass** 

M-F 6am, 9:15am; Sat. 9:15am Rosary before daily 9:15 Mass

Sunday Masses 4pm Vigil (Sat) 7am, 9am, 11am, 6pm (Sun)

#### RECONCILIATION

Friday: 6:30am and 8:45am Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm Or by appointment.

#### HOLY HOUR PROGRAM

Adoration: Thursdays 10am-7:00 pm

Perpetual Help Novena Tuesdays 9:45am

#### **ROSARY**

Every Monday evening at the outdoor Mary statue at 6:15pm. Before daily 9:15am Masses in Church, Mon-Sat.

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **RCIA**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process of welcoming new members to our faith. Classes are September through May.

#### **BAPTISM**

Most Sundays immediately after the 11:00 AM Mass. Please call 737-4537 in advance to register.

#### MARRIAGE

Consult parish priest at least eight months prior to planned date of marriage.

#### CONFIRMATION

Through our parish and High School CCD Program. Please call 737-4537.

#### **FUNERALS**

Please call 737-4537. Funerals along with wakes and visitations in Church are encouraged.

#### **HOSPITAL VISITATION**

We appreciate knowing when a parishioner is in the hospital.

#### SACRAMENTS AT HOME

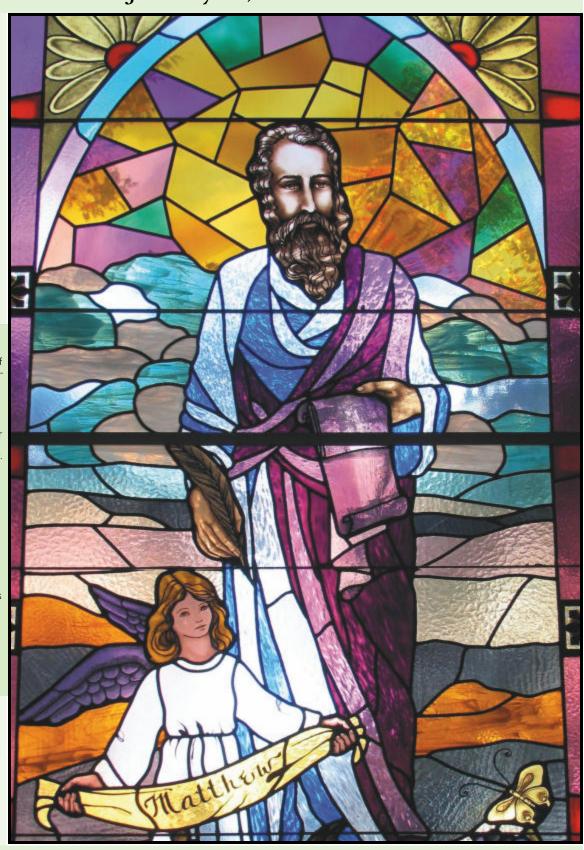
Communion weekly. Sacrament of the sick as requested.

#### CONTACT

Rectory 737-4537, 737-2662 stmatthewchurch@arch-no.org School 737-4604/RectoryHours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM- 4:00 PM

#### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

Please fill out a parish census, found in the church foyer or at www.stmatthewtheapostle.net.



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### WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

SUN 1/16 Is62:1-5/Ps96:1-2,2-3,7-8,9-10 [3]/1 Cor12:4-11/Jn

MON 1/17 1Sm15:16-23/Ps50:8-9,16bc-17,21 and 23/Mk2:18-

22

TUE 1/18 1Sm16:1-13/Ps89:20,21-22,27-28/Mk 2:23-28 WED 1/19 1Sm17:32-33,37,40-51/Ps144:1b,2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

**THU 1/20** 1Sm18:6-9;19:1-7/Ps56:2-3,9-10a,10b-11,12-13/Mk

3:7-12

FRI 1/21 1Sm24:3-21/Ps57:2,3-4,6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

**SAT 1/22** 2Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27/Ps80:2-3,5-7/Mk3:20-21

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

**Sunday:** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot

Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

**Thursday:** St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian

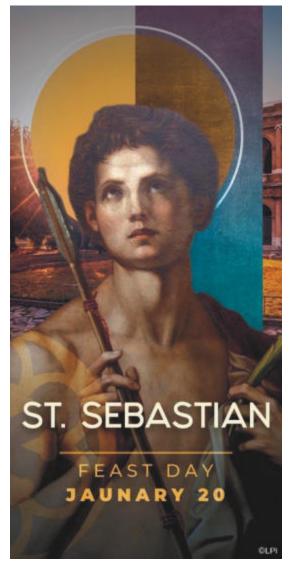
Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn

Children

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon

and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope



#### Become an Altar Server

Training is January 15 or January 22

(one session required)

10 AM-Noon in Church

3rd Grade and up
RSVP stmatthewchurch@arch-no.org





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Worship Ministries
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Altar Servers
Barbara Hebert 810-6786
Holy Name Society
Bill Siegel 737-5782
Divine Mercy Alida Wyler 390-6805
Evangelization Brian Comboy 737-4537
Floral Committee 737-4537
Music Glen Ganucheau 466-1475
Ushers 737-4537
Rosary Groups 737-4537
Sacred Heart Ministry Dania 738-6924

Education & Vocation Ministries
Pastoral Council Rep.-Alida Wyler
Elem. CCD & VBS Mary Elvir 737-7210
H.S. CCD Jim Donovan 621-7501
RCIA David & Margaret Penick 738-7027
Friday AM Bible Study

Barbara Hebert 737-0328 Come Lord Jesus

A. Arcement 737-6578 Catholic Couples Stiebings 430-5589 Vocations Deacon Jerry Clark

Service Ministries
Pastoral Council Rep.-Bill Siegel
Altar Society Carla Segura 738-1335
Knights of Columbus

Ralph Brandt 737-2732 Missionaries of St. Therese Stephanie 912-6666, Patricia 400-3186 SMA Cares 737-4537 Social Justice Deacon Wayne Lobell St. Vincent De Paul Soc. 737-4537 Collection Counters 737-4537 Hospitality Ministry Janiene 669-0115, Sheila 352-6184

Family Life Ministries
Pastoral Council Rep.
Ladies Cancer Ministry 737-4537
CYO-737-4537
Home & School Assoc. 737-4604
Family Life Deacon Nathan Simoneaux
Men's Club 737-4604 or 737-4537
Marriage Enrichment

Marriage Enrichment Chuck & Bridget Stiebing 738-7687 Right to Life S. Kenning 737-9776 Scouting 737-4537 Seniors JOY Ministry - 737-4537 Family Fall Festival 737-4537 Youth Ministry - Matt's Cats 737-4537 Young Adults-Pier Ministry 737-4537

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#### This Week at St. Matthew

#### St. Matthew Schedule Rectory Hours 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

SUNDAY 1/16 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM Masses 9:00 AM Sensory-Friendly Mass

MONDAY 1/17—Martin Luther King Jr. Day 6:00 AM & 9:15 AM Daily Mass 6:15 PM Monday Patriotic Rosary 7:00 PM Lord Teach Me To Pray KC Hall 7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul MBC RECTORY CLOSED

TUESDAY 1/18

6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass 6:30 PM 1st Communion Parent Meeeting

WEDNESDAY 1/19 6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass 7:30 pm Men's Club MBC

THURSDAY 1/20 6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM Adoration Church

FRIDAY 1/21 6:00 AM & 9:15 AM Daily Mass

**SATURDAY 1/22** 9:15 AM & 4:00 PM Masses

SUNDAY 1/23 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:00, 9:00, 11 AM & 6:00 PM Masses 4:15 PM Confirmation MBC



**GOD IS FAITHFUL** 

#### 2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not. God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

#### **CHRIST IN THE CITY**

Christ in the City 2022, evenings of Eucharistic Adoration for young adults in their late teens, 20s, and 30s, are scheduled February 1 and March 8 at 7:00 PM in the Chapel at Notre Dame Seminary [2901 S. Carrollton Ave., New Orleans]. A social hour will follow.

For more information, please contact James Behan, Associate Director for Young Adult Ministry and Marriage and Family Life, at yam@arch-no.org. Christ in the City is sponsored by the CYO/Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office of the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

#### Safe Environment Training

The Archdiocese of New Orleans has implemented the VIRTUS® Program as its new comprehensive safe environment training platform for adults and children.

All St. Matthew volunteers working with minors must log-in to the new system to verify that the information on file is correct; review and acknowledge the updated policies for the protection of children, youth and vulnerable adults; and ensure their training and background checks are up-to-date.

#### Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The Archdiocese of New Orleans will host an annual wedding anniversary for those couples who have been married for 25 years. Only couples married between 1992-1997 are invited



to be recognized at this celebration. The 2022 Silver Anniversary celebration will take place on Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 3:00 PM at St. Joseph Church, New Orleans.

To register contact Kim at St. Matthew, 737-4537 or stmatthewchurch@arch-no.org by January 20, 2022.

Please Note: This celebration is a prayer service and not a Mass.

#### Missionaries of St. Therese



The Missionaries of St. Therese Circle 65 and Circle 68 will meet at Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 10:00 AM on the following dates in 2022:

February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11.

For more information, call Patricia Schilling, 504-400-3186.

#### **Annulment Writing Workshop**

The Archdiocese of New Orleans is hosting an Annulment Writing Workshop at St. Benilde Catholic Church, located at 1901 Division Street, Metairie, LA 70001, from 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM.

The workshop will be held on five consecutive Tuesdays: January 25, February 1, February 8, February 15 and February 22, 2022.

The cost is \$25.00 to attend. For more information, call 504-861-6243.

### Radio Rosary Second Collection January 15-16



The second collection this weekend is for Radio Rosary. Sponsored by the Archdiocesan Holy Name Societies, Radio Rosary in scriptural form has been broadcast on the radio continuously since 1946. It is said live on the air on Station WVOG

AM by the various parish Holy Name Societies, including St. Matthew the Apostle. Costs to broadcast continue to rise. Please be generous.

In your charity, please pray for the souls of Leon K. Poche, Sr.

who died recently, and for all who mourn him.

**Prayer to St. Matthew**—May we be helped, Lord, by the prayers of Your Holy Apostle and Evangelist, Matthew. May his intercession obtain for us the graces which we cannot merit for ourselves, through Our Lord Jesus Christ and His Virgin Mother, Amen.

### Celebrant and Liturgical Minister Schedule for January 22-23, 2022

Sunday		Celebrant/Deacon	Sacristan	Lector	EOMs	AS
1/22	4:00 PM	Fr. Lee	Knipper	Rhode	Gordon/Penick/Penick/Rhode	12
1/23	7:00 AM	Fr. Lee	Hebert	Millet	Reed/Fowler/Fowler	7
1/23	9:00 AM	Fr. Lee	Comboy	Comboy	Gioia/Cardinale/Lorenzo/Comboy	8
1/23	11:00 AM	Fr. Francis	Battle	Arnold	Demarest/Keller/Fitzsimmons/Danton	9
1/23	6:00 PM	Fr. Francis	Wyler	Siegel	Wyler/Johnston/Montero	4

(Schedule is subject to change)

Hams For Fams thanks the parishioners of St. Matthew the Apostle parish for donating more than \$3,000 to it's cause. Your generosity is appreciated. Hams For Fams is a non-profit founded by high school students who want to make a difference in their community. They donate food to low-income families so that they might have a Christmas dinner. The organization also helps the homeless year-round, providing food and clothing and other aid to help get them on their feet again.

# Hams For Fams

St. Matthew JOY Ministry

January 27: Oak Alley Plantation Tour, departs St. Matthew at 8:00 AM. Reservations required.

February 10: Book Club, 2:00 - 4:00 PM MBC. Reservations required

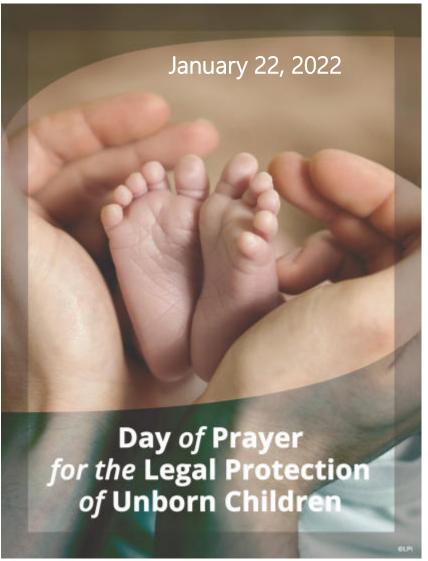
For more information, contact: dvarisco@cox.net

#### Bonco

SMA Cares is hosting an adult Bonco on Sunday, March 13 2022, in the MBC. Please bring food to share.

Doors open at 2:00 PM and games begin at 2:30 PM. \$5 to play.







Meeting & Mass February 6th, 6 p.m.-9 p.m. Faithful Fridays Mass 6 a.m.

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For membership information please visit stmatthewkc.com

#### **CHURCH OFFERINGS**

#### January 2, 2022

Weekly Envelopes \$34,277.76 Loose \$1,171.52 Building & Maint. \$3,527.00 \$38,976.28

Thank you for your generous offerings. "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." ~ Matthew 6:21

Visit https://www.stmatthewtheapostle.net/ for online giving information.



Please call the rectory at 737-4537 if you have a prayer request, older than one month.

Ruth Fontenelle, Darlene Montalbano, John Conti, Sr., Ryan Logan, Margaret O'Brien, Vincent Ganucheau, Rodney Harris, Vincent Lobue, III, Becky Heffner, Beverly Jeansonne, Michael Montero, Greg Ganucheau, Ida Ganucheau, Mary Catherine Wellman, Leslie Simon, Abby Perez, Payton Lambert, Keith Melancon, Hudson Joseph Adams, Andrew Rucker, Smith Family, Woodruff Family, Barbara W. Barrosse, Judith Morter, Adrian Romani, Michael Moffatt, Jr., Clark Family, Emmet Manuel, Denise Balint, Joseph Passalaqua, Adam Peschlow, Infant James David Price, Karl Clark, III, Kimberly Tucker, Hanna Falkenberg, Jai Eschete, Michael Leeds, Christopher Monistere, Millie Zylicz, Susan Galkowski, Kevin & Garrison Schilling, Bryan & Susan Burkenstock, Anna Marie Olivier, Diana Friedel, Kelly & Michael Hebert, Jan Treuting, Chris & Linda Arms, Buddy Brewer, Joseph Maisano, Sharon Miller, Michael & Kelly Hebert, Gerri & Eddie Bergeron, Kathleen Berzas, Jenny Manale, Dan Kehoe, Camille Marino, John Viguerie, Gene Bourg, Paul DiGiovanni, Brent Toca, Herman Dutreix, Blakely Menzel, Darlene Chopin, Michelle Dutreix, Debbie Doll, Holly Clark, Hank Gudlach, Lee Brady, Edward Holmberg, Christopher McCaudle, Janette Fararra, Lauren Rabalais, Mr. & Mrs. Tim Smith, Sr., Mr. Timmy Smith , Jr., Mac Carr, Rene Gibson, James Finan, Stephen Bertram, Lili Archer, Cameron King, Zaine Pechawer, Braeden King, Louella Graves, Gloria Ruiz, Laura King, Capt. William Crawford, Clinton Summers, Jr., Beth Motto & Family, Tim Rigney, Lee Bourgeois, Sr., John Mancina, Grayce Marino, Tom Nenos, Ray B., Father Miles, Tony Caminita, Donald Gaudet, Jr.



# January 15 – January 22, 2022

SATURDAY, January 15

9:15 AM: Doty & Shirley Bertram

4:00 PM: Jacob "Jack" Fallo, Joseph, Annie & Mike Ferrara

& Family, Marcel & Josephine Couget; Donald

Gaudet, Jr., (Living), Bertha Laborde

SUNDAY, January 16

7:00 AM: Dominic & Maria Ty Hoang

9:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Matthew the Apostle

11:00 AM: Kendall Springman & Martha Munch, Floyd &

Geraldine Terranova, Adele Hatrel Neupert & Dr. Paul P. Hatrel, Mary Ann Folse, Tesoro Joy Ticman, Odeon Parayno, Lydio Macaranas, Elena

Maynigo, Torebio Maynigo, Mario Maynigo

6:00 PM: Coach Dave McCuller

MONDAY, January 17

6:00 AM: Dr. Herb & Joan Bensel 9:15 AM: All The Souls In Purgatory

TUESDAY, January 18

6:00 AM: Carol Hobson 9:15 AM: Nicole Guerin

WEDNESDAY, January 19

6:00 AM: Yvonne Matulich

9:15 AM: Ernest & Alma Angell, Lloyd J. Abadie, Sr.

THURSDAY, January 20

6:00 AM: Mr. & Mrs. William Lobell, Jr., Lobell, Kennedy &

Picone Family

9:15 AM: Nunzio Relle

FRIDAY, January 21

6:00 AM: Joseph Maunoir, Jr., Sheryll Maunoir, Mike

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9:15 AM: Martha Munch

SATURDAY, January 22

9:15 AM: Robert "Bob" Delaney

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