

MARCH 20, 2022 | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



St. Matthew's

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil- 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

Daily Masses

Monday-Saturday at 8:30am

Adoration

Wednesday 5:00pm-7:00pm

Rosary at 6:30pm Wednesdays

First Friday 7:00pm-8:00pm

Confession

Saturdays 3:30pm-4:30pm
or by appointment

Daily Masses and 10:30 Sunday Mass will be
broadcast online.

Find a direct link to the livestream of the Mass
on stmatthewsjax.com.

Sacraments

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617-359-3842

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Giving

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Hours: Mon.-Fri. 9:00 a.m-4:30 p.m.



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" - Lk 13:2-3

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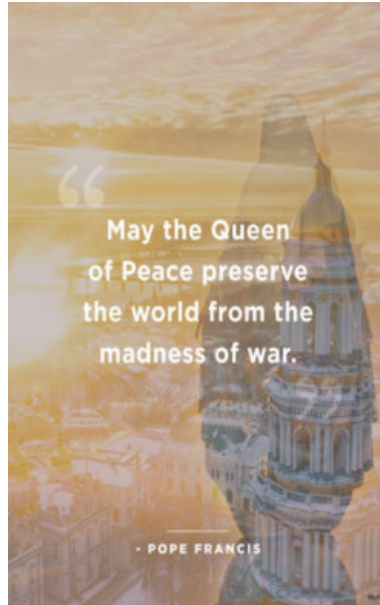
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the Stewards' Message † *sharing the gifts we have been given*

"...He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'"- Luke 13: 7

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts, and return them with increase. Remember, we are called to be generous with all of our gifts, especially the ones that mean the most to you.



Hundreds of thousands of people in Ukraine have been displaced and need emergency assistance due to the conflict with Russia.

Catholic Relief Services and their Caritas partner is on the ground in bordering countries, ready to provide safe shelter, hot meals, hygiene supplies, fuel to keep warm, transport to secure areas, counseling support and more. To contribute through Catholic Relief Services see the information listed below:

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- Donate by phone: 1-877-HELP-CRS
- Donate by check: Ukraine Response, Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, Maryland 21297-0303

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, MARCH 21ST

8:30AM: MARIA VAN †

TUESDAY, MARCH 22ND

8:30AM: SUDIE BURNEY †

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23RD

8:30AM: LAWRENCE MILLER, JR. †

THURSDAY, MARCH 24TH

8:30AM: SR. NANCY KEANE, SSJ †

FRIDAY, MARCH 25TH

8:30AM: ISABEL MARUCA †

SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH

8:30AM: DR. JIM CONNERS †

5:00PM: JERRY CAREY †

SUNDAY, MARCH 27TH

8:30 AM: JOE MCGILLIGAN †

10:30AM: DELPHINE McEACHIN †

5:00 PM: CARMEN LAURA PANTOJA †

SANCTUARY LIGHT IN LOVING MEMORY OF SR. NANCY KEANE, SSJ



Our Lenten Penance Service will be

Wednesday, March 30th at 6:30 p.m.

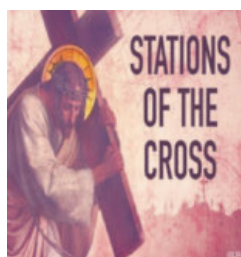
We invite you to come experience the gift of God's healing mercy!



Coffee & Donuts: March 20th, April 3rd & 24th.

Next Potluck: April 23rd

Join us for Stations of the Cross at St. Matthew's every Friday of Lent at 6:30 p.m. Each week is presented by a different ministry.



<u>March 25</u>	<u>Ministers of Hospitality</u>
<u>April 1 + Benediction</u>	<u>Music</u>
<u>April 8</u>	<u>Liturgical Ministers</u>
<u>April 15 (3:00 p.m.)</u>	<u>Youth - Living Stations</u>

PARISH SUPPORT

Our parish services are budgeted for weekly collections of \$17,000.00

Offertory Week of 3/13/2022		
Offertory Contributions	\$	9,449.50
Maintenance	\$	25.00
Eastern Europe	\$	30.00
New Campaign	\$	120.00
Totals:	\$	9,624.50
Total Number of Contributors		101

February Faith Direct & Online Contributions		Weekly / 4 weeks
Offertory Contributions	\$	7,636.75
Maintenance	\$	198.75
Eastern Europe	\$	23.75
New Campaign	\$	174.17
SVDP	\$	136.25
February Venmo Contributions	\$	177.50
Totals:	\$	8,347.17
Number of Donors Using Faith Direct:		188

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Faith Direct Contributions will be reported for the prior month in was received.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact

Kim Neill, Finance Manager at (904) 387-4401.

To Register for *Faith Direct Online Giving* go to www.faithdirect.net or call (866) 507-8757). Our Church Code is FL655

To Pay via **Venmo** use [@StMatthewsJax](https://www.venmo.com/@StMatthewsJax)

Current Bank Notes (Campaign Debt Remaining) as of 2/28/2022		
Old Campaign (Schiavone Hall)	\$	83,872.63
New Campaign	\$	222,142.72
Total:	\$	306,015.35

St. Vincent de Paul Society



If you would like a blessed blanket to give to someone who is ill or someone in need of comfort, please call

Shirley Barton at [389-6036](tel:389-6036) or Robin LaByer at [716-2612](tel:716-2612).

There is also a prayer blanket request box in the narthex of the church. Simply fill out a request form and place it in the box.



Next weekend, March 26th and 27th, our St. Vincent de Paul ministry will have grocery bags available at the church for their food drive. A list of needs will be stapled to the bag. Be sure to pick one (or more!) up and support this ministry that supports so many in need in our community.

RISE UP
APRIL 2, 2022
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MESSAGE BY:
 Sean Forrest

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 6:30 PM: CONCERT & SPEAKER
 8:30 PM - 9:15 PM: AFTER PARTY

TICKETS ARE FREE. ALL ARE WELCOME & INVITED!

Rise Up is all about middle and high school students gathering together for worship, teaching, and community. Not to mention fun! We want middle schoolers and high schoolers to leverage their lives for what matters most—the fame and glory of Jesus! We invite you to join us for the next Rise Up gathering on April 2nd.

At the Rise Up, attendees should expect to:

- Feel welcomed.
- Be a part of a free Christian Concert that is professionally produced.
- Have an opportunity to connect with hundreds of other Catholic teens.
- Have fun – The event includes food trucks, our very own D.J., modern Christian music, outdoor games and activities, and a post-event dance party.
- Experience Christ in the inspiring talks, praise, and worship, fellowship, especially during Eucharistic Adoration.
- Return home with a memory that will last a lifetime.

Visit www.riseupyc.org for tickets and more information.

We look forward to seeing you there!

**St. Matthew Parish
 Adopts One HOUR During Lent**



10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
 Tuesday, March 29

One HOUR During Lent

There are 33 days during Lent that babies will be aborted at A Woman's Choice of Jacksonville, 4131 University Blvd. S. Bldg. #2.

Fr. Pradeep Aerthayil

Will lead our parishioners in a peaceful and legal one-hour prayer and song procession.



In 2021, **6,832** UNKNOWN UNBORN babies were aborted in Jacksonville.

ABORTION is the #1 Cause of Death in our City!

Through the intercession of JESUS' mother and father, and the holy saints and angels in Heaven, we are praying for miracles of LIFE for the Unknown Unborn Souls with appointments for death on Tuesday, March 29.

We believe if we do our best, God will do the rest!



Our total donations to the Bishop's Annual Stewardship appeal are far below the amounts we have had in previous years. If you haven't donated, please do soon. Thank you for your support. Use the camera on your smartphone and scan this QR code to go to the link to donate:



FALCON NEWS

MARCH 20, 2022

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St. Matthew's
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Thank you Sgt. Amanda Eanes, Task Force Officer Adrian Torres, Mental Health Officer Anthony Dziergowski, and Bike Squad Officers, Troy Blum, Steven Stivers, and Bryan Coffey for stopping by to discuss the positive impact fourth grade's service project will have on our community. We loved working with JSO and appreciate them keeping us safe every day!

Annually, during Lent, our students, faculty, and staff, participate in the Catholic Relief Services, (CRS) Rice Bowl. Students will be hearing stories of hope from "a journey to three countries," as residents tell of personal challenges and gratitude for the generosity of others. Ask your children about this school-wide project which began today!

Your Lenten alms change lives globally and in your own community.



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Middle school NASA visit



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How would you rate your marriage? You are eligible for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend not because you need it, but because you and your marriage deserve it! It's a beautiful weekend experience designed for couples of all ages and backgrounds to enrich their marriage. Take advantage of this great gift to enhance your relationship and enjoy a love-filled weekend away together. Sign up today to attend an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on July 15-17, 2022 at Marywood Retreat Center in Jacksonville, FL or November 4-6, 2022 at St. Stephen Christian Retreat Center in Titusville, FL. For more information visit our website at wwme.org or e-mail: Applications@FLCN-wwme.org.

Volunteer OPPORTUNITIES

Are you interested in volunteering as a Lector, Usher or Eucharistic Minister? Do you have a child who would like to become an Altar Server? If so, please contact the church office at 388-8698 and let us know! Training will be provided. Dates will be announced as soon as they are finalized.

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Time: 7-8:30 p.m. Open to the public
Location: Marywood Retreat & Conference Center, Villa B, 235 Marywood Drive, Saint Johns 32259
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Ash Wednesday, March 2
 Timothy Johnson, Ph.D.
 St. Agnes of Prague



Monday, March 7
 Bishop Felipe Estévez
 Venerable Father
 Félix Varela



Monday, March 14
 Mary Saha, M.D.
 The Florida
 Martyrs



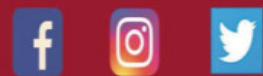
Monday, March 21
 Deacon Bob DeLuca
 St. Padre Pio



Monday, March 28
 Father Tom Willis
 St. Katherine
 Drexel



Monday, April 4
 Paul DiGeorge, Ph.D.
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After Wednesday morning Mass we pray the Miraculous Medal Novena, and after Saturday morning Mass we pray Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena? We would love to see you there!



The Knights of Father Maher Council #648 invite all to Pray the Most Holy Rosary at Seton Hall every Tuesday Night at 6:30 PM. The Knights are also having a Bible Study Group immediately following the Most Holy Rosary. All are Welcome! Bring a Bible and please and join us!

SAFE ENVIRONMENT REPORT ABUSE

The Diocese of Saint Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with them in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner. To report abuse, call: Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator (904) 262-3200, ext. 129, or the Department of Children and Families at 1-800-95-Abuse (800)952-2873.

March 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
20 8:30am: Mass 10:30am: Mass 5:00pm: Mass	21 8:30am: Mass	22 8:00am: Respect for Life Rosary 8:30am: Mass	23 8:30am: Mass (Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass) 5:00-7:00pm-Adoration	24 8:30am: Mass 6:00pm: Bereavement Meeting in Schiavone Parish Center 7:30- Choir Practice in Church	25 8:30am: Mass 6:30pm- Stations of the Cross- Ministers of Hospitality	26 8:30am: Mass (Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena after Mass) 5:00pm: Mass
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Date	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
Saturday, Mar 26, 5:00 PM	Martin Litchfield	Tammy Stomfay-Stitz (3B) Peyton Kimball (4B) Eileen O'Brien - Upstairs	Dayne Kimball NOT FILLED
Sunday, Mar 27, 8:30 AM	Tom Bishop (1) Misty Cameron (2)	Liz Holmes (3B) Windy Gaines (4B) Wayne Bevis - Upstairs	John Bishop James Bishop
Sunday, Mar 27, 10:30 AM	Andrew Maholanyi (1) Aida Lim (2)	Debbie Ballard (3B) Joanne Maholanyi (4B) Martin Polsenski - Upstairs	Dorothy Martin Evelyn Polsenski (Senior Server)
Sunday, Mar 27, 5:00 PM	Meredith Rodriguez	Bobbie Anding (3B) Lauren Neal (4B) Chuck Hayes - Upstairs	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED

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