

A JUBILEE PRAYER

O God, as we celebrate the Jubilee Year may we always rejoice in your love. Through the intercession of Mary and in union with the Apostles, Martyrs and righteous of every age may this year be a time of grace, consolation, and peace for all who walk in the light of Christ. Amen.

Archdiocese of Miami 1958-2008

Walking in the Light of Christ 50 Years**NOVEMBER 25, 2007 TEACHING: INRI**

Atop a crucifix in a Catholic church or home is sometimes found the inscription INRI. The letters commonly appear on a banner affixed to the uppermost quadrant of the cross above the head of the crucified Christ. Not all crucifixes bear the letters, but many do.

The letters abbreviate the Latin inscription 'Iesus Nazarenus Rex Iudaeorum,' or "Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews." According to John's Gospel, Pontius Pilate ordered this inscription to give the name and hometown of the victim and to publicize the grounds for his execution. Soldiers wrote the words in Hebrew, Latin and Greek - the languages of the Old Testament, the Roman government and the New Testament. In Christian art, the words are sometimes completely spelled out, but more commonly the Latin text is rendered as a simple acronym.

The chief priests of the Jews objected, saying that Pilate should have written, " 'This man said, I am King of the Jews.' " Pilate refused to change the text. His reply became a chilling aphorism of authority in Latin: 'Quod scripsi scripsi.' " "What I have written, I have written." Thus Pilate let stand the words intended for condemnation, now transformed as affirmation. Pilate would not acknowledge the kingship of Jesus in the trial, but he proclaimed it publicly - if sarcastically - on the cross.

The inscription appears in the other Gospels each time with slightly different wording. These are the only known words written about Jesus during his lifetime. To believers, they affirm the humanity and divine royalty of Jesus.

In Rome, the Church of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem claims to have the relic of the original sign.

BOLETIN HISPANO

TRIGESIMO CUARTO Y ULTIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO. NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO: Los soldados se burlaban de Jesús en la cruz; le dieron vino agri dulce, le dijeron que se salvara a sí mismo y pusieron sobre su cabeza un letrero que decía: " Este es el Rey de los Judíos."

REGISTRACION EN SAN MATEO: Todas las personas que atiendan regularmente a nuestra misa, deben estar registrados en la parroquia. Requisito indispensable para celebrar, bautizos, comuniones, confirmaciones, matrimonios... Pida su planilla a la salida de misa. BAUTIZOS: Desde ahora y hasta el mes de Mayo, 2008, se celebrarán los bautizos en español. Ver al padre Julio para más información.

OREMOS: Por todas las personas que se encuentran en las Fuerzas Armadas, especialmente familiares de nuestros feligreses, para que regresen pronto a sus respectivos hogares. Ellos son: Anthony Acebo, Anthony Tello, Javier Arocha, Derek Rodriguez, Nelson Ramirez, Matthew Adamcheck, Dwayne Pereira, Jesse Maneville, William Engels, Sebastian Rojas, Randolph, V. Lynd, Adriana Rengifo, Jennifer Philips, Nikolos Philips y Nathaniel Stone.

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH REGISTRATION**

If you attend Mass here at St. Matthew, we encourage you to register with us. Please stop by the Parish Office to fill out the simple registration form. We urge you to get involved with our ministries and, as a stewardship parish, ask that you use your Offertory envelopes. **If you are not a registered and active member of our parish, Baptisms, Marriages, Sponsor Certificates and other documents needed from the Church will take longer to obtain and, in some cases, not possible. You must be attending Mass regularly and be an active member within the parish.** If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office.

WOMEN & MEN OF ST. MATTHEW

Please note on your calendars - The next general meeting of the Women & Men of St. Matthew will be on Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 7:00 PM in Parish Hall. All are welcome ... and please bring a friend.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed on Mondays from 7:30 to 10 AM.

ST. MATTHEW MEN'S PRAYER MUFFIN

Meetings are held every Monday from 7:00 - 8:00 AM in Parish Hall. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

ST. MATTHEW CRAFTMAKERS

St. Matthew Craftmakers meet Mondays at 9:30 AM in Rose Hall.

LEGION OF MARY

Meetings are held on Tuesdays at 9:30AM in Rose Hall.

BINGO BRUNCH BRIGADE

BINGO is held every Wednesday year round...doors open at 10:00 AM and games begin at 11:00 AM. Lunch is provided for \$1.00. Coffee is available until 11AM.

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Meetings are held on Thursday evenings at 7PM in Parish Hall.

ST. MATTHEW PRAYER GROUP

All are welcome Thursdays at 10:00AM in Rose Hall.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS FOR NEXT WEEK

Saturday, December 1, 2007

4:00 PM EM: M. Cardamone, B. D'Amour, G. Sarta LECTOR: M. Canal

Sun. December 2, 2007

8:30 AM EM: M. & R. Dennard, B. Levine LECTOR: T. Altieri

10:00 AM EM: R. Barton, P. Berman, B. Jenkins LECTOR: G. Ippolito

11:30 AM EM: R. Bergouignan, P. Berman, C. Gomez LECTOR: A. Dunn

1:00 PM EM: A. Luna Victoria, R. paiz, N. Taboada LECTOR: J. Taboada, O. Valdivia

6:00 PM EM: M. Cardamone, L. Gomez, A. Salamone LECTOR: G. Diaz

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6,8-20; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14,16-17,23-28; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

November 14, 2007

Dear Friends in Christ,

While Tropical Storm Noel did not hit South Florida, our brothers and sisters in the Caribbean suffered much from its relentless winds and torrential rains. The loss of life has exceeded 100 and many more have been left without homes, churches and places to work. In the noble Christian tradition of care for all the Churches, we are in solidarity with our brothers and sisters who are suffering the aftermath of Tropical Storm Noel.

Therefore, I am calling for a special collection to assist the Church in Haiti, the Dominican Republic and Cuba in their efforts to recover from Tropical Storm Noel and to bring solace, care and support to the faithful. The collection will be taken up in all parishes and missions of the Archdiocese of Miami over the weekend of December 1st & 2nd, 2007.

As we in the Archdiocese of Miami reflect on our many blessings during this Jubilee Year, we also recall the many occasions that this Catholic community has come to the aid of our brothers and sisters in other parts of this country and beyond in their hour of need. We know personally the devastation caused by hurricanes and tropical storms and our love for Christ and His Church impels us to reach out to those who are suffering. I thank you in advance for your generosity and assure you that your donation will go directly to assist those who are striving to recover from Tropical Storm Noel.

May the Lord continue to bless you and your loved ones abundantly. With personal good wishes, I am

Sincerely in the Lord,
John C. Favalora, Archbishop of Miami



St. Matthew Parish BASKET OF CHEER
Tickets 6 for \$5.00 sold outside Church on weekends
DRAWING will take place December 9, 2007 in
Church after the 10:00 AM Mass
ALL TOP SHELF NAME BRAND LIQUOR
Basket displayed outside Church where tickets are being sold

STEWARDSHIP: "Sharing God's Gifts"

As Catholics, we give in gratitude for what God has given to us; this is what motivates us. We give because of faithfulness. The offertory collection for November 18, 2007 was \$7,477.50 with 178 envelopes being used out of 332. The weekly collection must be \$7,993.00 in order for St. Matthew Parish to meet our operating expenses: utilities, assessments, etc. In using your offertory envelopes each week, please make sure your envelope number is listed on it. If you do not know your envelope number, please call the Parish Office and we will gladly give it to you. If you are currently receiving offertory envelopes in the mail and are not using them each week, please call the Parish Office.



Kindly remember in your prayers the sick people of our parish, people confined to their homes, hospitals and nursing homes especially:

Josephine Broccoli, Jack Talavera, Donna Irish, Victoria Otero, Santo Bettina, Donna M. DePierro, Jean Galgano, Loretta Palis, Mary Caccese, Daniel Bzyschuk, Jane O'Loughlin, Stanley Czuprinki, the Demarzio family, Ceil Gable, Ulisia Bisia, Marie Casani, Vincent Anania, Patricia Ferro, Oneida Matos, Carola Morel, Jose Mitjans, Donna Brinkerhoff, Marie Schlenz, Ana Fernandez, Dr. Jack Bascove, Félix Gonzalez Jr., Sharon Kilculen, Regina, Lauren Salco, Frank Hayes, Damon Andrews, Rita Emilio, Judith Mehr, Manuel Soto, Jorge L. Bagan, Robert Gross, Hilda del Toro, Gasper Patrico, Catherine Becker, Walter Temchuk, Robert Friedel, Howard Perlman, Katherine Leone, Grace Guidone, Howard & Gerry Gruenwald, Agatha May, Claudia Tierre, Linda Reyes, Mary Muchmore, Donald Van Loan, Cynthia Cameau, Colleen Myers, Pilar Sanchez, Fr. Basil Congro, Neyda Martinez, Lawrence Rafferty, Anne Gedalye, Sr. Catherine Hunt, Anthony Del Gatti, Dee Schepps, Anita Albano, Carlos Balarezo, Gloria Zambrano, Conrado Mazpule, Christopher Porzio, Minerva Carmona, Bonnie Gauthier, Robert Valentino, Zachary Golstein, Theresa Varese, Giancarlo Debattiste, Marco Rojas, Tom Silviera, Gertrude Carroll, John Dooney, Elfriede Pasternack, Rolando Mederos, Fr. Paul Deyo, Stanley Bilan, Phyllis Anita Dennard, Helena Berrini, Domenic Silvestro, Diane Fote, Allen Muniz, Hailey Plunkett, Dawn Scola, Dorothy Findlay, Laura Pittman, Lou Troglio, Rose Mangiaracina, Cathryn Cole, Aleida Gonzalez, Francis & Jennie DeGregoria, Arthur Anderson, Anthony Marchitello, Pat Locatelli, Liramaria Kolski, Rose Lisi, Ann Rasmussen, Isabela Dodson, Steven Cinque, Aliye Jafer, Fr. Kenneth Paulli, Onelia Mazpule, Isabel Levi, Rosalie Russo, Emmett Carney, Aracely Santamaria, Edward Kavooosi, John Bascietto, Renee Ochoode Rios, Oscar Rios Alzamora, Maria Kubilskis, Jim Hutton, Giacomino Marsico, Evelyn T. Gallagher, Virginia Calderon, Jacki Smith, John Catalano, Dolores Chipola, Patricia Wallman, Millicent Eutor, Doris Flynn, Fr. Gonzalo Valdivieso (Dominican priest), Phyllis Singer, Elvira Schuster, Martin Cohen.

WORLD AIDS DAY MASS
St. Mary's Cathedral Sunday, Dec. 2nd, 2007 10:00 AM

The Celebrant of the Mass is Archbishop John Clement Favolora with the Homily by Fr. Dennis Rausch. You are invited to join all of those whose lives have been affected by HIV and AIDS in prayer as we celebrate the great mystery of God's love for each of us at St. Mary's Cathedral. For more information, contact Norman Embree, Care Team Ministry Coordinator 954-332-6831



Our Lord Jesus Christ the King
November 25, 2007

*I rejoiced because they said to me,
 "We will go up to the house of the Lord."
 - Psalm 122:1*



BAPTISMS AT ST. MATTHEW

Baptisms in English take place on the third Saturday of each month. Baptisms in Spanish take place on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month, November through May. If you would like to have your child baptized call the Parish Office. **To have your child baptized here at St. Matthew, you must be a registered parishioner. PLEASE NOTE:** There is an eight week waiting period from the date of registration before a baptism date can be set.

Thank you, Terri Andretta, for your generous donation to be used for the Christmas poinsettias we will all enjoy as we celebrate the Birth of Our Lord.
 God bless you!

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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Please keep those in the armed forces in your prayers. Lord, watch over them and bring them home safely. We especially pray for Anthony Tello, Javier Arocha, Derek Rodriguez, Nelson Ramires, Matthew Adamcheck, Dwayne Pereira, Jesse Maneville, William Engels, Anthony Acebo, Randolph V. Lynd, Adriana Rengifo, Jennifer Philips, Nikolos Philips and Nathaniel Stone, relatives of St. Matthew parishioners.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 24, 2007

4:00 PM †Joseph Berrini by Helena Berrini
 †Msgr. Peter Arcuri by Mario Cardamone
 Jennifer Philips (L) by Elsie Ciadiello

Sunday, November 25, 2007

8:30 AM †Robert Furey
 10:00AM †Jaime Lynne Messer by the Allen family
 Parishioners of St. Matthew by Fr. Quinn
 11:30 AM †Luis Suarez by Christian Suarez
 †Otto Mehrgut by Raquel Mehrgut
 †Jose Ignacio Gonzalez by his mother & sisters
 1:00 PM †Gloria D'Amour by Bernie D'Amour

Monday, November 26, 2007

8:30 AM †Joel Trudeau by Joe & Camille Flaherty
 †Reynaldo Calilung by Fely Carreras
 Regina Macfarlane (L) by her sister

Tuesday, November 27, 2007

8:30 AM †Carmelo Joseph Gregorio by Aurora Gregorio
 †Gerard Jean Baptiste by his wife
 †Florence Salamone by Rose Trocola

Wednesday, November 28, 2007

8:30 AM †Gerald & Frances Lovett by their family
 †Kathleen Campbell & John Oakley by Judy Singer
 †Alma Frey by Edie Kessler

Thursday, November 29, 2007

8:30 AM †Joseph DeLanzo by Susan Shannon
 †Ona Norbutas by Helen Norbutas
 †Deacon Tony Barbieri by the Monteleon family

Friday, November 30, 2007

8:30 AM †Lulu Gomez by Fausto & Carmen Gomez

Saturday, December 1, 2007

9:00 AM †Irena Rafalski by C. & D. Malinowski
 †Holy Souls in Purgatory by Bernie D'Amour
 †Isaura Martins by Maria Blount
 Grace Marie D'Amico (L) by Joanne Perciavalle

PLEASE REMEMBER THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI/ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.



As we celebrate this Jubilee Year here at the Archdiocese of Miami, a Jubilee Day for all Lectors will be held on Saturday, December 1st, 2007 at 9:00 AM at the Cathedral of St. Mary. ALL LECTORS are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, please call the Office of Worship at 305-756-2755.

ST. MATTHEW RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Terri Andretta, D.R.E.

954-458-3600 * 954-579-0197 * 954-252-5436

There are no R.E. classes December 1st. Classes will resume December 8th.
ALL CHILDREN ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND 9:00 AM MASS ON DEC. 8TH! THIS IS MANDATORY AS DEC. 8TH IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.



ADOPT A FAMILY FOR THANKSGIVING 'THANK YOU'

Thank you for your continued support of St. Matthew Outreach and their 'Adopt A Family for Thanksgiving' program. Less fortunate families in our community were provided with complete Thanksgiving dinners - dinners they would not have had without your generous contributions. Thank you to Betty Dadio and all her volunteers for their hard work in collecting, organizing and distributing these meals. God bless all of you.