

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 (954) 458-1590.



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.



**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 16, 2007**

*A clean heart create for me, O God,
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.
- Psalm 51:12*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10
- Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17
- Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35
- Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50
- Friday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13
- Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15
- Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

**NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE FOR EUCHARISTIC
MINISTERS & LECTORS**

Saturday, September 22, 2007
4:00 PM EM: B. D'Amour, L. Gomez, G. Sarta
Lector: K. Lohse

Sunday, September 23, 2007
8:30 AM EM: M. & R. Dennard, B. Levine
Lector: A. Lombardo
10:00 AM EM: R. Barton, P. Berman, G. Ippolito
Lector: B. Woroniecki
11:30 AM EM: R. Bergouignan, P. Berman, C. Gomez
Lector: G. Barbieri
1:00 PM EM: A. Luna-Victoria, R. Paiz, O. Valdivia
Lector: P. Gamboa, F. Perlaez
6:00 PM EM: L. Gomez, G. Sarta, M. Torres
Lector: D. Sexton
If you have questions, contact M/M Dennard at 954-458-1989.

RECONCILIATION

True reconciliation is emotional, dramatic, and cleansing. When two people meet heart to heart and work through old hurts, misunderstandings, and careless words, cleansing tears often flow and the encounter ends with an embrace that fills both with a warmth of a love too strong to fade.

The readings this weekend assure us of this healthy release that comes with reconciliation. They give us the courage to reach out to someone with whom we need to reconcile ourselves, and give us the courage to ask for forgiveness from God, too.

In the reading from Exodus, we see how God refuses again and again to give up on the Israelites. Even though they grow impatient with God and turn to false idols, God still calls them back. Luke's Gospel assures us that God rejoices when we turn away from sin. Paul's letter to Timothy encourages us, like Paul, to look back on our lives and recognize where God's patient mercy has been shown to us.



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, October 9th, 2007 at 7:00 PM in Parish Hall. All are welcome ... and please bring a friend. At this meeting we will have our Respect Life Baby Shower after the meeting ... more details to follow ...

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

Watch the bulletin for an announcement of future meetings.

ST. MATTHEW PRAYER GROUP

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

BOLETIN HISPANO

VIGESIMO CUARTO DOMINGO DEL

TIEMPO ORDINARIO: Jesús dijo que Dios ama al pecador como un padre cariñoso que recibe al hijo descarriado. El arrepentimiento da lugar a una celebración alegre, con comida, música y danza.



Gracias!!!! a todas las personas que cooperaron en la celebración de "Nuestra Señora de la Caridad", Patrona de Cuba.

NECESITAMOS!!! pintores voluntarios para pintar nuestra parroquia. Llamar a la oficina al (954) 454-1590

NOCHE LATINA: Viernes 5 de Octubre, 2007 de 7:00-11:00 PM en el salón de la iglesia, con comidas, baile, rifas, 50/50, etc. Su precio \$ 20.00 por persona. Ver a la Sra. Aurora para comprar su boleto.!!!!

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

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITIONS

The story is told of a rather stern and old-fashioned bishop in Africa, visiting an outpost mission for Confirmation. As the candidates were presented to him, he was pleased that most of them had chosen traditional names from the roster of saints or Christian virtues: Ursula, Cyprian, Modeste. He tripped up on one name, however, and said to the young man, "I know of no saint of that name," "No," replied the candidate, "I hope to be the first!"

In recent years, the practice of bestowing a Christian name at Baptism seems to have eroded. The erosion is hardly recent, however, since we know that in pre-Reformation England and Ireland more than 75 percent of children received a "namesake" at Church, and a link with someone who usually had more money or status than your folks. In those days, the pool of names was not very deep. Perhaps forty names were in play among English-speaking people, with another hundred heard from time to time. At the time of the Reformation, 70 percent of women were named Elizabeth, Mary, Agnes, Anne, Margaret, Katherine, Jane or Joan. Seventy percent of all men were named John, Thomas, William, Richard or Robert. Although these are all saints' names, it is difficult to prove that people had actually been named after saints. However, we do know that a period of wild creativity in naming babies began with the Reformation, and in New England graveyards you can read the evidence: Ezra, Goodwife, Charity, Temperance, Bathsheba, and even Reformation! Still, looking to the saints for heavenly patrons is a treasure worth restoring.

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 September 9, 2007 was \$5,681.18 with 198 envelopes being used out of 362. 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.



ST. MATTHEW RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
Sept. 22, 2007 Classes begin at 10AM SHARP!

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, Jack Fogarty, 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 Emillo, Judith Mehr, Manuel Soto, Jorge L. Bagan, Robert Gross, David Denglie, 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, Cindy Morrow, Mary Muchmore, Donald Van Loan, Donald Ruth, 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, Baby Sarah Smith, Helena Berrini, Domenic Silvestro, Diane Fote, Allen Muniz, Hailey Plunkett, Edwin Zephirin, 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, Terese Altieri, Isabela Dodson, Steven Cinque, Aliye Jafer, Fr. Kenneth Paulli, Onelia Mazpule, Isabel Levi, Isabel Abisaid, Rosalie Russo, Emmett Carney, Aracely Santamaria, Edward Kavooosi, John Bascietto, Renee Ochoode Rios, Oscar Rios Alzamora, Maria Kubilskis, Jim Hutton and Giacomino Marsico.

Please pray for those who have died.

MORNINGSTAR RENEWAL CENTER

7275 SW 124th St., Pinecrest, FL 305-238-4367

The schedule for the upcoming Fall programs being held in September, October and November at Morningstar Renewal Center is now available. Registration is required for all programs. Please call for more information or E-mail at www.morningstarrenewal.org.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

Office Hours by Appointment

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 15, 2007

4:00 PM †Carmela Anicito by Madeline Emanuele
†Charles Bruns by a friend
†Ed O'Brien by his church friends

Sunday, September 16, 2007

8:30 AM Parishioners of St. Matthew by Fr. Quinn
10:00 AM For the intentions of the Religious Education Catechists
11:30 AM †Julio Leonard by Lupita & Philip Mancuso
1:00 PM †Lina Angeles by Dayna Mass
†Jorge Gil Cardenas by Maria Cardenas
†Antonia Sant-Andreu by her family
6:00 PM †Rita Calvo & Fred Thompson, Sr. by Freddie Thompson
†Emily & Walter Bronhard by Olga Bronhard

Monday, September 17, 2007

8:30 AM †John Mortillaro by M/M John Arena
†Mary Dempsey by Dee Oakley
Katheryna Brukwicki (LIVING) by Grace Brukwicki

Tuesday, September 18, 2007

8:30 AM †Harry Brittain by Sadie Brittain
†Esther Mora by Francisco Mora

Wednesday, September 19, 2007

8:30 AM †Nils H. Lou by Ines Lou
†James Capilos by a friend

Thursday, September 20, 2007

8:30 AM †Josephine & Emilio Lucciola by Erminia Gioia
†Joseph Trapanotto by Angela Fazio

Friday, September 21, 2007

8:30 AM †Clare Pinto by Esther Pereira
†The Deceased Members of the Realmuto & Jos. Pellegrino families by Mae Realmuto

Saturday, September 22, 2007

9:00 AM †Holy Souls in Purgatory
PLEASE REMEMBER THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI/ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.



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, Cathy Walker, William Engels, Anthony Acebo, Randolph V. Lynd, Adriana Rengifo, Jennifer Philips, Nikolos Philips and Nathaniel Stone, relatives of St. Matthew parishioners.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS DONATED TO THE BRICKS OF REMEMBRANCE

"CHURCH PAINTING" BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT

THANK YOU to everyone else who helped in any way with this project. If you would still like to contribute to the Bricks of Remembrance "Church Painting" Beautification Project, please call the Parish Office 954-458-1590.

Here's a great way to

"LEAVE YOUR MARK ON YOUR CHURCH"



LATIN NIGHT, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2007
7:00 - 11:00 PM IN PARISH HALL

\$20.00 PER PERSON Authentic Latin Food
Cash Bar - Boutique Table - 50/50

Make your reservations now 954-458-1590
Seating is limited No tickets sold at the door
Aurora Luna-Victoria, Chairperson



OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 7, 2007 & THE 'RESPECT LIFE' BABY SHOWER will be held at the meeting of the Women & Men of St. Matthew on Tuesday, October 9th, 2007.

Boxes will be set up in the back of Church for your donations or they can be dropped off at the Parish Office, M - F, 9AM-3PM

The Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Friday, September 21st

