

# St. Matthias the Apostle Catholic Church

*"A welcoming community, committed to fostering a deeper love of Jesus through faith, family, and service to others."*  
 Archdiocese of Galveston - Houston Established 1978  
 March 17, 2019 Second Sunday of Lent



*The Lord is my light and my salvation. (Psalm 27)*  
*El Señor es mi luz y mi salvación (Salmo 27)*

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 Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

### Celebration of the Eucharist

Monday: Word & Sacrament Service,  
 8:00 am  
 Tuesday - Friday: Mass, 8:00 am  
 Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm, English  
 Sunday Masses: English 8:00 & 10:30 am  
 Spanish 1:00 pm

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 9:30 am  
 Friday: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

### Sacraments

Reconciliation: Tues.-Fri. 8:30 - 9:30 am  
 Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm  
 Baptisms: Contact the parish office  
 Matrimony: 6 months in advance  
 Anointing of the Sick: 8am Mass 1st Fri.  
 of each month or call the parish office  
 First Eucharist & Confirmation:  
 Call the parish CCE office

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# SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

## WORSHIP

### STAND FIRM IN THE LORD

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, "Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things" (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, "our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (3:20). He will "change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body" (3:21). Note that he says "body" rather than "bodies." He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So "stand firm in the Lord" (4:1).

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### Friday's During Lent

Each Friday in Lent, you can come and feed your soul and your body in preparation for Holy Week and Easter.

Start the evening with a good **fish dinner** hosted by the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters working together to host the first 3 Fridays followed by the Guadalupanos hosting the last three. They will be held 5 - 7 pm in the parish hall.

Following the fish dinner, the **Lenten Mission** will start at 6pm in the St. Mary Room (13/14) in English and, in Spanish at 8:45 p.m. in the church. An Ascension Press program, "No Greater Love" will be used following the Passion of Christ from the Garden of Gethsemane to Calvary. All are welcome to attend these presentations and participate in an informal discussion to help prepare your soul for Holy Week.

After the Mission, you can follow Christ to Calvary through the **Stations of the Cross** at 7pm in English and 8pm in Spanish.



Fast & Abstinence

#### Guidelines for Lenten Observances

All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence only. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence.

**Fasting** – Limit oneself to one full meal for those 18-59 years old. Two smaller meals may be taken, not to equal one full meal.

**Abstinence** – Abstain from meat for those 14 years old and over

#### Bulletin Information Deadline

The deadline for information to be in the weekly bulletin is **noon on the Monday prior to the desired weekend.**

It is importance to receive information by the deadline so we can get the bulletin to our publisher on time. Appreciate your help with this.



**March 18—March 24, 2019**

Monday	8:00 am	Word & Sacrament Service
Tuesday	8:00 am	Legion of Mary Auxiliary
Wednesday	8:00 am	Eileen Langreck †
	7:30 pm	Eddie Parrish †
Thursday	8:00 am	Jim Franks †
	10:30 am	Stanley Millet †
Friday	8:00 am	Andrew Klimek †
Saturday	5:00 pm	Wallace Vega †
Sunday	8:00 am	Parishioners of St. Matthias Parish
	10:30 am	Luke C. Trombatore †
	1:00 pm	Quirino & Agatita Mendoza † <i>Deceased † Living (liv)</i>

Please contact the parish office to request a Mass Intention. If you would like to furnish flowers for the altar for a special occasion or in memory of someone, please contact the parish office.

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
	Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;
	Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

#### Lenten Reconciliation Service

Our parish Reconciliation Service for Lent will be on Wednesday, Apr 3. Deacon Rafael will lead a presentation starting at 5:45 pm to help you prepare for the Sacrament. Fr. Chris will have a number of priests here to assist with Confessions (both in English and Spanish) starting at 6:30pm. Come, prepare your soul for Holy Week and Easter.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH:** Katherine Palasota, James Broussard, Alicia Payne, Delores Kreitz, Cindy Stoberg, Kellee Osborn, Craig Comer, Martha Fey, Dale Thompson, Kim & Family, Mark Garcia, Dr. Michael, Joann Lusby, Patsy Ratcliff, Lily Filar, Philip Golembiewski, Billy Ray Mosley, Wilma Lege, Joel White, Irene Valverde, Jaqueline Foster, Ezmeralda Hernandez, Michaele Czimny, Robert Harris, Alicia James Forbes, Candi Tatum, James Smith Daniel Dimas, Sr., Raquel Dimas, Carl Willis, Daniel Millet, Joanne Viehman, Stephanie Diehl, Anne Bradford, Gregory Nolan, Margaret Mary Gebura, Mary Dollison, Edwina Kaminski, James & Marlene Gondek, Patty Havlin, Richard Nava, Antonio Nava, Andrea Corolla Phillips, Kimberly Copeland, George Nolan, Carolyn & Bob Foster

Names on the prayer list will be removed after 2 months. If you want a name to continue longer, please contact the parish office.

If a family member, a neighbor or someone you know from our parish is homebound and is in need of Holy Communion and/or prayer, please notify the office so that arrangements can be made for home or hospital visits.



## WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 9/10, 2019

Collection envelopes (207) - \$ 7835.00  
 Checks/Cash - \$ 2447.35  
 Online Giving - \$ 1096.60  
 Maintenance - \$ 124.15  
 Children's Collection - \$ 56.00  
 Black & Indian Missions - \$ 1914.99

Ash Wednesday - \$ 4985.91  
 Archdiocesan Social Ministries - \$ 1207.85

Second Collection next weekend - Youth & Faith Development

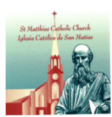
*Our deep gratitude to parishioners and visitors for your support to the ongoing work of Christ at St. Matthias.*



## DSF Update

The 2019 Archdiocesan DSF campaign is underway in the Archdiocese with this year's theme of "Do Not Neglect to Share What You Have". The Cardinal has set our parishes goal for this year at \$65,000. As of

Mar 11, our parish has contributed \$4,540 toward pledges of \$12,090. Pledge cards are available in the narthex. Your pledge can be dropped in any collection or mailed directly to the Archdiocese. Please confirm that your pledge card indicates our parish name. Please pray about how you can support this important campaign that benefits so many needy in the Galveston - Houston area.



## CAMPAIGN FOR OUR NEW CHURCH

As of March 1, here's where we stand regarding our campaign goals to be met in order to break ground in November this year:

- Capital campaign gifts: Our goal is **\$3,100,000** and we have received gifts of **\$2,693,567** toward pledges of **\$3,378,955**
- Parish savings account: Our goal is **\$1,900,000** and we currently have **\$1,925,208** in the bank
- Fundraisers: Our goal is **\$150,000** and we have raised **\$189,804** to-date through the various fundraisers

This all adds up to a total of **\$4,808,579** on hand now toward our overall goal of **\$5,150,000** leaving us just **\$341,421** to go by mid-2019. **We're getting closer!!!**

We have updated the list of items for the new church that are available to be sponsored. The requested donations for these items range from \$2,500 up to \$100,000. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Please pray about what you might be able to do to help our parish reach the above goal. No gift is too small.

Contact our campaign team through Tom Condon at 281-382-8097 for more information about the campaign or Jerry Strenk at 936-449-6686 with Building Committee questions.



Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something to the poor." Wherever you live there are poor families needing assistance. Together we can help the suffering and the poor, and give them reason to find comfort and peace.

**Monthly needed items: macaroni and cheese, coffee, canned sweet potatoes, mash potatoes, gravy mix packet**

## ADULT EDUCATION

### Monday Morning Bible Study

The morning Bible Study at St. Matthias meets each Monday from 9:30 to 11 am in the St. Mary Room (13/14). The Word comes to life in an exciting way in the program, "The Bible - Plain and Simple". Beginning March 11, we'll be studying Luke. There is no cost to participate.

### RCIA

RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process for not only gaining knowledge of the Catholic Faith but more importantly developing and deepening our relationship with God. This process is for you if you have never been Baptized and want to be; are a Baptized member of a non-Catholic church and want to become Catholic; or are a Baptized Catholic who never completed your Sacraments of Initiation and want to do so. If you think you might be interested or just want to ask a question, call Catherine Smith at 281-259-8840 or the Church. Email [gran-smith2244@att.net](mailto:gran-smith2244@att.net).

### Adult Faith Formation

EASY PEASY FUN AND BREEZY CHURCH HISTORY

On March 14th at 9:30 A.M. in room 13-14 our discussion will move from the Persecution Period to the Conversion and Councils Period of church history. Please join us for these friendly and informative sessions on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. Light snacks will be available. For more information please call Flossie and George at 832-229-4289.

### Adult Confirmation Class

English Adult Confirmation classes continue every Sunday until Palm Sunday. Off for April 14, (Palm Sunday) and April 21 (Easter Sunday). We will have a break in classes to allow for Pastor interviews of candidates resuming on May 26 and June 2 that will be the final classes. Anticipate Adult Confirmation on or near June 9, location to be advised.



### English Baptism Classes

The next English Baptism Classes will be held April 7 & 14. If you have a child needing to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, please contact the parish office by March 22. After this date, you will need to register for the July classes.

### Alan Ames Coming to St. Matthias

On Monday, **March 25**, Alan Ames, a Catholic Evangelist from Australia with the Gift of Healing & Author of "Through the Eyes of Jesus" will be at St. Matthias for a Mass, presentation, and healing experience. The program starts at **6:30 p.m.** in the Church. There is no cost to attend.



Since 1994, Alan has been traveling all continents to witness how God lifted him from misery and hopelessness into a life full of joy and freedom. Alan has the gift of healing. After his talks, he will pray over each of those present (by laying on of hands). Alan has other gifts of the Holy Spirit as well (words of knowledge etc.). These gifts have been documented by priests and bishops all over the world. Alan's ministry enjoys the explicit permission and support of his Archbishop Most Rev. Timothy Costelloe SDB, Archbishop of Perth.



### Bazaar News

Thanks to all who have returned **raffle tickets** to-date. There are plenty of extra tickets available in the narthex if you would like a few more.

Eric Ortega was the winner of the **2<sup>nd</sup> Early Bird drawing** for a \$75 VISA gift card. Congratulations, Eric. The **3<sup>rd</sup> Early Bird drawing** will be on Sunday, Mar 24, after the 10:30 Mass for a \$50 VISA gift card for the seller of the winning ticket.

The **Sponsor Trees** have plenty of envelopes available for you to sponsor an activity or two at the bazaar. We need your help to offset the \$37,000 cost to put on the bazaar.

**Donations for the Live and Silent Auctions are coming in at a snails pace** so far. We need your help to make our auctions successful and fun. The auctions are responsible for about half of our bazaar proceeds and are a major part of the fun that day. **Ideas for donations include:** Handmade Items, Homemade Food, Sports Memorabilia, Religious Articles, Condo or Timeshare, Small Appliances, Lawn and Outdoor Equipment, Power tools and Hand Tools, Kids Toys, Bicycles, Firearms, and Themed Gift Baskets such as Date Night, Astros or Texans, Breakfast foods, Camping, Car Care, Game Night, Grilling/BBQ, Movie Night, Food themes, Coffees, Wines, Newborn, or New Mother.

This year, we are trying a new **Handmade/Homemade Craft tent**. We have many talented parishioners and we are asking that you share your talents with our parish. Idea include: Knitted or Crocheted items, Woodcraft items, Handmade soaps, Handmade jewelry, Baby & children's items, Jams, Jellies, Baked items, Embroidered items, Sewing projects.

The soft drink ring toss booth is in need of many donated **2 liter bottles of soft drinks!**

The **wine wheel booth** is back this year where you can take a chance on winning a bottle of wine. Please donate a few bottles of your favorite wine (min \$8 value).

As you work in your gardens this spring, please pot a few plants for the plant booth or buy a few extra for the **plant wheel booth**.

We are looking for a family or couples to organize the **Pinatas**. Please contact the parish office.

### LAY MINISTERS - March 23/24

#### 5:00 p.m.

**Mass Coordinator:** C/P Yost

**Acolytes:** M. Zanoff, L. Beuershausen, M Beuershausen

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon/Inst. Acolyte, B. Jackson, M. Olszewski, P. Souriall, F. Cytacki, M. Cytacki, B. Kurten, B. Ratcliff, D. Rivera

**Lectors:** G. Zanoff, P. Souriall

**Ushers:** J. Jackson, L Herzog

**Greeters:** P. Ratcliff, D. Ratcliff

**Rosary:** M.A. Zanoff

#### 8:00 a.m.

**Mass Coordinator:** M. Sullivan

**Acolytes:** J. Kreitz, D. Engbarth, R. Crabb

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon/Inst. Acolyte, M. Hoffart, S. Hoffart, D. Hoffart, P. Taake, A. Meyers, R. Hancock, M. Sullivan, S. McClean

**Lectors:** D. Hoffart, S. Hoffart

**Ushers:** Ro. Arce, Ri. Arce, R. Holub, G. Glowski

**Greeters:** Ro. Arce, Ri. Arce

**Rosary:** K. Engbarth

#### 10:30 a.m.

**Mass Coordinator:** J. Strenk

**Acolytes:** D. Rios, N. Rios, K. Nigliazzo, S. Nigliazzo

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon/Inst. Acolyte, J. Shaffer, G. Trahan, D. Trahan, M. Lloyd, B. Lloyd, J. Strenk, C. Dennington, M. Galindo

**Lectors:** L. Mackey, G. Trahan

**Ushers:** T. Mayhew, R. McCorquodale, M. Garcia, M. Kos

**Greeters:** Y. Garcia, M. Dinnell

**Rosary:** J. Shaffer

### MEETINGS, ETC.

Sun., Mar. 17	8:00 am 9:00 am  9:05 am 10:30 am 11:30 am 11:35 am 1:00 pm	Mass, English English Adult Confirmation Class, St John Paul II Rm (15) Elementary CCE Mass, English Spanish Adult Confirmation Class, St Mary Rm Elementary CCE Mass, Spanish
Mon., Mar. 18	8:00 am 8:30 am 9:30 am 6:30 pm  7:00 pm  7:00 pm	Word & Sacrament Service Adoration Bible Study, St Mary Rm (13/14) Boy Scouts, St Philip Neri Rm (9/11), St Catherine Labourer Rm (7), St Francis Xavier Rm (5) Hispanic Prayer Group, Parish Hall, St. Josemaria Escriva Rm (2), St. Agnes Rm (4), St. Thomas Aquinas Rm (10) Knights of Columbus Meeting, Men's Building
Tues. Mar. 19	8:00 am 8:30 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Mass Adoration & Confessions Legion of Mary, St Mary Rm (13/14) Pastoral council Meeting, Conference Rm Christ Renewals, St Agnes Rm (4) Basic Faith Formation, St Philip Neri Rm (9/11) RCIA Children, St Catherine Labourer Rm (7)
Wed., Mar. 20	8:00 am 8:30 am 6:00 pm 6:45 pm 7:30 pm	Mass Adoration & Confessions TEEN, Parish Hall TEEN Parents Rosary, Church TEEN/Family Mass, Church
Thurs. Mar. 21	8:00 am 8:30 am 9:30 am  10:00 am 5:00 pm 6:15 pm 7:30 pm	Mass Adoration & Confessions Goldenrod's Mass, Birthday Lunch, The Patch in Tomball AMSIF, all classrooms Youth Meeting, St. John Paul II Rm (15) English Choir Practice, Church Spanish Choir Practice, St Jerome Rm (17)
Fri., Mar. 22	8:00 pm 8:30 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm 8:45 pm	Mass Adoration & Confessions Lenten Fish Fry, Parish Hall Lenten Mission, English, St. Mary Rm (13/14) Stations of the Cross, English, Church Hispanic Prayer Group Leaders Meeting, (13/14) Stations of the Cross, Spanish, Church Lenten Mission, Spanish, Church
Sat., Mar. 23	10:00 am 10:00 am 3:30 pm 5:00 pm 5:00 pm	Children's First Reconciliation, Church Pavilion Reserved Confessions, Church RCIA, St Mary Rm (13/14) Mass, English, RCIA 1st Scrutiny
Sun., Mar. 24	8:00 am 9:00 am  9:05 am 10:30 am 11:35 am 1:00 pm	Campaign Fundraiser, Parish Hall, Enchiladas Mass, English English Adult Confirmation Class, St John Paul II Rm (15) Elementary CCE Mass, English Elementary CCE Mass, Spanish

### St. Matthias VIP Nominations

It's time to nominate candidates for the coveted St. Matthias Very Inspirational Parishioner (VIP) quarterly award. Nominations forms are in the narthex and can be dropped in the collection basket anytime in March. Please nominate an individual or couple that you feel have truly given of themselves to our parish and our Lord.



### Goldenrod News

All seniors of the parish 50 and above are invited to join The Goldenrods on Thursday, March 21, for their monthly Birthday Celebration. We begin with Mass at 10:30 a.m. and then depart for lunch at The Patch Restaurant in Tomball. Contact Ginny Mock for any questions - 281-252-6043.

**FAITH FORMATION**

**OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
 Marlene Grauvogl at 281-356-2000 x 14  
 E-mail: mgrauvogl@st-matthias.net

**SACRAMENT REMINDERS**

**FIRST RECONCILIATION – Saturday, March 23, at 10am.** Please be at church at 9:30 to check in and pick up their rock to give to Father.

- **FIRST EUCHARIST – Session One is March 28 – 7pm.** Please arrive by 6:30 to check in. Child and one parent **MUST ATTEND.** They should have worked on the first three chapters in their book.
- **PRAYERS –** Keep working on helping your child learn their prayers.
- **BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE –** A copy of their Baptismal certificate is needed in the RE office as soon as possible. Your child **CANNOT** make their sacrament unless it is received.
- **ASSESSMENT –** If you have not signed up your child for a sacrament assessment, please call the RE office. Please mark your calendar with the date and time of your appointment. The assessment should take only about 10-15 minutes.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL -  
 SAVE THE DATE**

Planning for 2019 Vacation Bible School is underway. In planning your summer, sign up your children for **VBS 2019.**

This summer it will be held **July 22-25** from **10am to 2pm.** The children are in for a fun, faith-filled jam packed time. They will learn how God is good when life is unfair, life is scary, life changes, life is sad or life is good. They will deepen their friendship with a mighty, loving and good God who empowers them to boldly face life's challenges. More details will be following soon. If you would like to volunteer, contact the RE office.



**CALENDAR UPDATE**

- March 20 – Wednesday CCE returns
- March 23 – Children's First Reconciliation 10AM
- March 28 – First Communion – Session 1



**Attention Graduating Seniors**

If you are a Graduating Senior this year (boys or girls) and a member of St. Matthias, you may apply for a **\$2000, 4 year scholarship.** The Knights of Columbus, Fr. Frank Jones Council 11866, is now taking applications. The deadline for the submission of an application is **Noon, May 5, 2019.** If you are interested please contact the CCE office or call Joe Okopinski at 281-356-2628 for an application.



The Guadalupanos are taking applications for **two \$1000. scholarships.** Graduating seniors can pick-up an application at the Parish Office or at the Religious Education Office. The deadline for submission of an application is by noon on May 5th, 2019.

**OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY**  
 Sylvia Perez at 281- 356-2000 x 12  
 E-mail: sperez@st-matthias.net

**Youth Meeting**



All Youth are invited to attend our Youth gatherings in the Youth Room

On Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

- March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 Why Be Catholic and Not Christian**
- March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – Learning How to Love from the Bible**
- April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - The Power of Prayer**
- April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 – Mastering Love and Relationships**
- April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - Why Confess My Sins to a Priest**

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**June 2, 2019—June 5, 2019**  
**Cameron Retreat Center**  
 2403 Holcombe Blvd.  
 Houston, TX 77021

**WITNESS** is a 4-day service camp for high school youth and chaperones, sponsored by the Office of Adolescent Catechesis and Evangelization, we serve the local community of the greater Houston area.

**COME FOR THE SERVICE:**

Direct service is cornerstone of the WITNESS experience. It is not enough to serve, our goal is to facilitate opportunities for you to truly encounter the poor and marginalized, and in doing so encounter Christ in a new and powerful way.

**STAY FOR THE EXPERIENCE:**

Our mission experience does not stop at service. Each day you will also play, pray, and gain. You will play by engaging in daily camp activities designed to foster community and joy. You will pray through Mass, adoration, and various prayer service. You will gain a deeper understanding of Catholic social teaching and the particle skills it takes to live as a WITNESS in your daily life.

**LEAVE READY TO CHANGE THE WORLD:**

Unlike other camps and retreats the purpose of WITNESS is to send you home with a faith that is more than a feeling. You will leave equipped with the skills to be a missionary to your family, friends, church, and community.

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**Steubenville Lone Star – Dallas, Texas**  
**June 21-23, 2019**  
 Cost: T.B.A.

# COMUNIDAD HISPANA

Declaración de la Misión Parroquial

*"Una comunidad acogedora, comprometida a fomentar un amor más profundo por Jesús, por medio de la Fe, la familia y el servicio a los demás."*

## MANTENTE FIRME EN EL SEÑOR

No es difícil imaginar, en esta época de guerras, que grupos malvados tiendan a la destrucción de la humanidad y locuras políticas, que las palabras de san Pablo fueron tan precisas, aún para el tiempo en que vivió. Pareciera que el mundo nunca cambia. Pablo dice muchos se comportan como enemigos de la cruz de Cristo. Para los que piensan en cosas terrenas, su destino es la perdición. . . (Filipenses 3: 18, 19). El resultado es la destrucción de personas inocentes y del planeta mismo. Pero Pablo dice a los filipenses: somos ciudadanos del cielo, de donde esperamos como salvador a Jesucristo el Señor (3:20). Él transformará nuestro cuerpo frágil en un cuerpo glorioso semejante al suyo (3:21). Nota que él dice cuerpo en lugar de cuerpos. Él habla acerca de la completa comunidad de creyentes, quienes, siguiendo el ejemplo de Jesús y Pablo, vendrán a la gloria de Dios. Así que ¡manténganse firmes en el Señor! (4:1).

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## EL PODER DE LA ORACIÓN

La oración que tiene poder es la que decimos con toda nuestra fuerza.

--Mechthild de Magdeburg

## Actualización de DSF



La campaña de fondos de servicios diocesanos de la Arquidiócesis de 2019 está en marcha en la Arquidiócesis con el tema de este año *"No negarnos a compartir lo que tenemos"*. El Cardenal ha fijado la meta de nuestra parroquia para este año en \$ 65,000. A partir del 11 de marzo, nuestra parroquia ha contribuido \$ 4,540 para promesas de \$ 12,090. Las tarjetas de compromiso están disponibles en el nártex. Su compromiso puede colocar en cualquier canasta de colecta o enviarlo directamente a la Arquidiócesis. Por favor confirme que su tarjeta de compromiso indique el nombre de nuestra parroquia. Ore por favor sobre cómo puede apoyar esta importante campaña que beneficia a tantos necesitados en el área de Galveston - Houston.

## Nominaciones VIP de San Matías

Es hora de nominar candidatos para el premio trimestral de **Feligreses Muy Inspiradores de San Matías** (VIP). Los formularios de nominación están en el nártex y se pueden colocar en la canasta de la colecta en cualquier momento en marzo. Por favor, designe a una persona o pareja que realmente se haya entregado a nuestra parroquia y al Señor.

## Alan Ames viene a San Matías

El lunes **25 de marzo**, Alan Ames, un evangelista católico de Australia con el don de sanación y autor de "A través de los ojos de Jesús". Él vendrá a San Matías para una misa, presentación y experiencia de sanación. El programa comienza a las **6:30 pm** en la Iglesia. No hay ningún costo para asistir.



Desde 1994, Alan ha estado viajando por todos los continentes para presenciar cómo Dios lo levantó de la miseria y la desesperanza a una vida llena de alegría y libertad. Alan tiene el don de sanación. Después de su charla, orará por cada uno de los presentes (mediante la imposición de manos). Alan también tiene otros dones del Espíritu Santo (palabras de conocimiento, etc.). Estos regalos han sido documentados por sacerdotes y obispos de todo el mundo. El ministerio de Alan goza del permiso explícito y el apoyo de su Arzobispo Most Rev Timothy Costelloe SDB, Arzobispo de Perth.

## MINISTROS PARA EL DOMINGO 24 DE MARZO 2019

**Lectores:** 1ra. Lectura: Agustín Rodríguez

2da. Lectura: Aurora Guevara

**Ministros:** J. Aguirre 1b, I. Ramírez 1c, F. Moreno 2b, R. Moreno 2c, G. Silva 3b, C. Silva 3c, A. Navarro 4c, C. Juárez 5c, E. Merino 6c

**Ministro para el Salón Parroquial:** Diácono

**Monaguillos:** N. Juárez, E. Pacheco, C. Aguirre, V. García, M. Roque

**Ujieres:** G. Alcantar, M. Estrada, M. Sánchez, R. Campos, B. Rodríguez, J. Aguirre, E. Guzmán

**Ofertorio:** Valentín y Olivia Pacheco

**Visita de la Virgen Peregrina a la familia:** Valentín y Olivia Pacheco

**Coordinador de la Misa:** Gabino y Carmen Silva, Juanita Aguirre

**Rosario:** Juan y Rosa García (empezar a las 12:15pm)

**Intención de Misa de Hoy:** Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico

## Reflexión del Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico

17 de marzo de 2019

Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

*La unión de la Familia no se mide por el número de miembros, sino por la unión que hay en ellos.*



## Servicio de Reconciliación de Cuaresma

Nuestro Servicio de Reconciliación parroquial para la Cuaresma será el miércoles 3 de abril. El Padre Chris tendrá varios sacerdotes para ayudar con las Confesiones (en inglés y en español) a partir de las 6:30 pm.



## Viernes - Vía Crucis a las 8:00 p.m. en Español

22 de marzo - Movimiento Familiar Cristiano Católico

29 de marzo - Grupo de Oración

05 de abril - Grupo de Oración

12 de abril - Carlos y Carmen Hernández

19 de abril - a las 5pm - Diacono Rafael



## Estos son los temas de la Misión Cuaresmal:

22 de marzo: El desierto nos purifica

29 de marzo: Cuaresma, Tiempo para Arrepentirse

05 de abril: El amor que todo lo perdona

12 de abril: Cristo se entrega a sí mismo

**Martín Palafox**

**Jorge Sayón**

**Isabel Ramírez**

**Dcn. Rafael Millet**

**\*\*Todos están invitados al Vía Crucis y después quedarse para la Misión Cuaresmal. ¡Se les anima a todos que asistan como comunidad!**

## La Venta de Pescado Frito es Patrocinado por los Caballeros de Colón y el Grupo Guadalupano

Cada viernes durante la Cuaresma habrá venta de pescado empezando el 8 de Marzo hasta el 12 de Abril de 5pm-7pm en el salón parroquial. Los primeros 3 viernes será patrocinado por los Caballeros de Colón y los últimos 3 viernes por el Grupo Guadalupano; Venga y disfrute de un buen pescado frito! Puede comer en el salón parroquial o pedirlo para llevar. ¡Traiga a su familia, vecinos y amigos! ¡Los esperamos!



## Atención Estudiantes de Último Año de Prepa Aplicación de Becas

**Los Caballeros de Colón** - Si eres un estudiante que te gradúas este año 2019 (niño y niña) y un miembro registrado de San Matías tu puedes aplicar para una beca de \$2,000, por 4 años. Los Caballeros de Colón, Padre Frank Jones, Consejo 11866 ahora están aceptando aplicaciones. La fecha límite es el 5 de Mayo de 2019 a las 12 del mediodía. Si estas interesado, por favor ponte en contacto con la oficina de la educación religiosa o con Joe Okopinski al 281-356-2628 para una aplicación.



**Beca - María Tierra Blanca** - La asociación Guadalupeana estará dando 2 becas de \$1,000 cada una, para estudiantes que se gradúan del 12º grado este año 2019. La fecha límite es el lunes, 6 de Mayo antes de las 5pm. Las aplicaciones están en la oficina parroquial o en el departamento de la doctrina.



A partir del 1 de marzo, aquí es donde nos encontramos con respecto a los objetivos de nuestra campaña que se deben cumplir para comenzar a romper tierra en noviembre de este año:

- Regalos de Campana Capital: Nuestro objetivo es **\$3,100,000** y hemos recibido donaciones de **\$2,693,567** hacia la promesas de **\$3,378,955**
- Cuenta de ahorro parroquial: Nuestra meta es **\$1,900,000** y actualmente tenemos **\$1,925,208** en el banco.
- Recaudadores de Fondos: Nuestra meta es de \$ 150,000 y hemos recaudado **\$ 189,804** hasta la fecha a través de varios eventos para recaudar fondos.

Todo esto se suma a un total de **\$ 4,808,579** en la mano para alcanzar nuestra meta general de \$ 5,150,000, lo que nos deja solo **\$ 341,421** para mediados de 2019. Nos estamos acercando!!!

Hemos actualizado la lista de artículos para la nueva iglesia que están disponibles para ser patrocinados. Las donaciones solicitadas para estos artículos van desde \$ 2,500 hasta \$ 100,000. Por favor, póngase en contacto con la oficina de la parroquia para obtener más información.

Por favor, oren sobre lo que podría hacer para ayudar a nuestra parroquia a alcanzar la meta anterior. Ningún regalo es demasiado pequeño.

Comuníquese con nuestro equipo de campaña a través de Tom Condon al 281-382-8097 para obtener más información sobre la campaña o con Jerry Strenk al 936-449-6686 si tiene preguntas sobre el Comité de Construcción.

**Oficina de Educación Religiosa**  
Marlene Grauvogl al 281-356-2000 ext. 14  
Correo Electrónico: [mgrauvogl@st-matthias.net](mailto:mgrauvogl@st-matthias.net)

### Recordatorios de Sacramentos

**Primera Reconciliación** – **Sábado, 23 de marzo a las 10am.** Por favor, esté en la iglesia a las 9:30 para registrarse y recoger su piedra para dársela al Padre.

- ◆ **Primera Eucaristía (comunión) – 1ra sesión el 28 de marzo – a las 7pm.** Por favor llegue a las 6:30 para registrarse. El niño y un padre **DEBEN ASISTIR.**
- ◆ **Oraciones** – Siga trabajando para ayudar a su hijo/a aprender sus oraciones.
- ◆ **Certificado Bautismal** – Se necesita una copia del certificado de bautismo en la oficina de educación religiosa lo mas pronto posible. Su hijo/a **NO PODRA** hacer su sacramento a menos que se reciba.

- ◆ **Evaluación** – Si no ha inscrito a su hijo/a para una evaluación sacramental, llame a la oficina de educación religiosa. Por favor marque su calendario con la fecha y la hora de su cita. La evaluación debe tomar sólo unos 10 a 15 minutos.

### MATRÍCULA

Todavía tenemos matrícula pendientes. A mediados de enero recibirán una carta sobre su cantidad pendiente. Si es posible, pague su saldo pendiente lo antes posible. Hay plan de pago disponible. Estamos dedicados a brindar la mejor educación religiosa posible en San Matías, sin embargo, esto sólo puede hacerse con su apoyo. Gracias por su cooperación.

### Guarde la Fecha—Escuelita Bíblica de Vacaciones

La planificación para la Escuelita Bíblica de Vacaciones 2019 está en marcha. En la planificación de su verano, inscriba a sus hijos para la Escuelita Bíblica de Vacaciones 2019. Este verano se llevará a cabo del **22 al 25 de julio** de 10am a 2pm. Los niños disfrutarán de un tiempo lleno de diversión y lleno de fe. Aprenderán cómo Dios es bueno cuando la vida es injusta, la vida da miedo, la vida cambia, la vida es triste o la vida es buena. Ellos profundizarán su amistad con un Dios poderoso, amoroso y bueno que les da el poder para enfrentar los desafíos de la vida. Más detalles seguiremos pronto. Si desea ser voluntario, llame a la oficina de educación religiosa.



**Oficina de Ministerio Juvenil**  
Sylvia Perez al 281-356-2000 ext. 12  
Correo Electrónico: [sperez@st-matthias.net](mailto:sperez@st-matthias.net)

### Reunión de Jóvenes

Todos los jóvenes están invitados a asistir a nuestras reuniones de jóvenes en nuestro salón de jóvenes los Jueves de 6:00pm a 7:30pm



**Marzo 21, 2019 - Por que ser Católico y no Cristiano**

**Marzo 28, 2019 - Aprendiendo amar de la Biblia**

**Abril 4, 2019 - El Poder de la Oración**

**Abril 11, 2019 - Dominar el Amor y las Relaciones**

**Abril 18, 2019 - ¿Por qué confesar mis pecados a un sacerdote?**

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### Ven al Servicio:

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