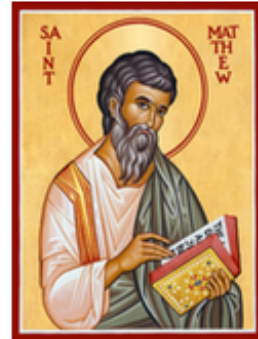




# SAINT MATTHEW

ECUMENICAL CATHOLIC CHURCH



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*Celebrating Christ's love in all people for 33 years!*

**Mission Statement:** We are a loving and inclusive faith community, following Jesus, honoring the dignity and equality of each person through the work of the Holy Spirit in our authentic Catholic tradition.

**Mass Schedule:**

Sundays: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
Sundays at 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Adult Study:** Selected Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

**Pray the Rosary:** Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m.

**Bible Study:** To be announced

**Anointing of the Sick:** Upon request

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Saint Matthew Church is a founding member community of the Ecumenical Catholic Communion (ECC),  
the national ecclesial body representing independent Catholic faith communities.

**Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church**  
**Welcome! We are glad you are here to worship with us.**  
**January 13, 2019 - The Baptism of the Lord**

**TODAY'S Liturgical Ministers:**

	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Presider/Homilist</b>	Fr. Ben Madriaga	Fr. Ron Ruanto
<b>Deacon</b>	Steve Smith	Michael Hoopes
<b>Servers</b>	Meredythe Hutchinson	Tony Questel Adelia Sandoval Garret Trumbo
<b>Ushers</b>	Linette Davenport	John Deane Jennie Guida
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Nancy Mitchell Mike Mitchell	Merry Battaglia Tony Battaglia
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Lou Clancy	Mariah Sandoval Jeanne Blum Fr. Toting Tronco

**NEXT WEEK'S Liturgical Ministers:**

	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Arturo Querijero	Fr. Arturo Querijero
<b>Homilist</b>	Bill Singleton	Bill Singleton
<b>Deacon</b>	Michael Hoopes	Steve Smith
<b>Servers</b>	Mike Mitchell	Lydia Tronco Angelica Tronco Gabriel Hudierrez
<b>Ushers</b>	Jolene Johnson	Jason Adams Veronica Taufa
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Victoria Greene Lou Clancy	Tammy Fuqua Polly Touhey
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Meghan Domer	Karen Bradley Ned Bradley Doris Hand



If you would like to participate in one of the ministries (altar server, proclaimer, Eucharistic Minister, or usher) during our Sunday liturgy, please let Kathryn know.

**WE NEED YOU!**  
**TO MAKE IT HAPPEN**

**Today's Readings**

Isaiah 43:1-8; Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

**Gospel Summary**

Jesus came to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. At first John objected and said that it was he, John, who should be baptized by Jesus. Jesus indicated a future baptism when he responded to John saying that it was fitting for John to baptize Jesus. John acquiesced and at the conclusion of the baptism, the Spirit came down from heaven in the form of a dove and clearly announced Jesus as his son. God was pleased with His son. (RCLB)



We here at Saint Matthew Church have recognized that the altar here in this place is not ours but the Lord's Table. As such, we realize that Jesus is the host of the Eucharistic meal. It is Jesus who invites all to come to His table, a table that has a place for everyone. It matters not what church or denomination you belong to for there is a place for you at this table of Jesus. All that is necessary is that your heart responds to the invitation of Jesus to receive His life from Him in this Eucharistic meal. As a Catholic community, we understand that in the gifts of bread and wine of the Eucharist we actually receive the risen life of Christ Himself. That is why we refer to these gifts as the body and blood of Christ. In this Holy Communion we receive the body and blood, soul and divinity of Christ. Remember that Holy Communion is not a reward for any moral achievement or accomplishment of our own. Holy Communion is God's gift in Christ freely given in order that our lives may be transformed by the life of Christ that we now receive in this Eucharistic meal. Therefore, you are most welcome to receive this Blessed Sacrament with us at this liturgy.



Every Wednesday at 5:15 p.m. we gather together in the church to pray as community this traditional devotion to the Lord Jesus and His mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a rich time of prayer and meditation as we reflect upon the scriptural narrative of the mysteries of our salvation.



As we enter the church, we remember that we are entering a house of prayer and worship, a place of solace and grace. This is sacred space so enter reverently, pray quietly, sing joyfully, listen attentively, give cheerfully, and come back gladly. We look forward to getting to know you so we invite you to join us in the Parish Hall immediately following Mass for conversation.



We collect non-perishable donations for **Western Service Workers Association's** (WSWA) food pantry. WSWA provides food, medical care, and other support to local, working-poor families. Greatest needs include peanut butter, jelly, rice, beans, tuna, mayonnaise, pasta & sauce, soups, canned fruits & vegetables, beverages, and hot & cold cereal. We encourage everyone to participate by bringing any of the above-mentioned donated items to church on Sunday, presented during the giving of our tithes and offerings. WSWA is located about one mile south of our church at 1717 N. Bush, Santa Ana.

**INTERFAITH SHELTER NETWORK:** This is a moving shelter for the working homeless of Orange County. The residents of the shelter move about every two weeks to a hosting church, where they stay and receive the assistance of meals and assistance in locating jobs. *Other items needed are: soap, razors, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, bathroom tissue, shampoo, conditioner, combs, and brushes.* **There is a container in the Community Hall to put these items in.** For questions or more information, please see **Ned Bradley**.



The Bereavement Ministry  
will meet on the following  
Sundays at 12 p.m. in the  
Classroom:  
January 20 February 17  
March 17

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## CALENDAR of Events

TODAY – Liturgy Ministry Team Meeting @ 9:30 a.m.  
TONIGHT – Prayer and Meditation @ 7 p.m.

January 16-23-30 – Bible Study @ 7 p.m. (Hall)  
January 20-27 – Prayer and Meditation @ 7 p.m.  
January 20 – Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.  
January 20 – Bereavement Ministry @ 12 p.m. (Classroom)  
January 26 – Parish Council Retreat @ 9 a.m. (Hall)

February 1 – First Friday Mass/Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena @ 6  
February 2 – Hymn Sing @ 7 p.m. (Church)  
February 3 – Team Ministry Meetings @ 9:30 a.m. (Hall)  
February 3-10-17-24 – Prayer and Meditation @ 7 p.m.  
February 6-13-20-27 – Bible Study @ 7 p.m. (Hall)  
February 9 – Men’s Group @ 9 a.m. (Hall)  
February 17 – Bereavement Ministry @ 12 p.m. (Classroom)

March 1 – First Friday Mass/Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena @ 6 p.m.  
March 3 – Team Ministry Meetings @ 9:30 a.m. (Hall)  
March 3-10-17-24-31 – Prayer and Meditation @ 7 p.m.  
March 6 – Ash Wednesday @ 12 Noon  
March 6 – Ecumenical Ash Wednesday @ 7 @ Trinity Episcopal  
March 9 – Men’s Group @ 9 a.m. (Hall)  
March 10 – Daylight Savings Time Begins (set clock ahead one hour)  
March 13-20-27 – Bible Study @ 7 p.m. (Hall)  
March 17 – Bereavement Ministry @ 12 p.m. (Classroom)  
March 31 – Brahms’s Requiem (Concert Outing)

April 3-10-24 – Bible Study @ 7 p.m. (Hall)  
April 5 – First Friday Mass/Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena @ 6 p.m.  
April 7 – Team Ministry Meetings @ 9:30 a.m. (Hall)  
April 7-14-28 – Prayer and Meditation @ 7 p.m.  
April 13 – Men’s Group @ 9 a.m. (Hall)  
April 14 – Palm Sunday  
April 15-20 – Holy Week  
April 21 – Easter Sunday

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Happy **January** birthday wishes:

Sherrae Adams	Mirella Hickman
Rachael Amaro	Deacon Michael Hoopes
Jeanne Blum	Pam Myers
Jim Bronson	Moises Ortiz
Doris Hand	Atlantis Taufau

Happy **January** anniversary wishes to:

Deacon Steve and Terry Smith

(When is your birthday/anniversary? Please let **Kathryn** know so we can celebrate you, too!)

# FINANCIAL NEWS

Christmas Donations: \$6,801.20

In 2018 we paid \$11,986.12 to our mortgage principal, bringing our balance due down to \$227,354.14. If you would like to help pay down the mortgage (separate from your regular giving), please designate the amount by writing mortgage principal on your check or envelope.

Thank you ALL for your generosity last year!

Saint Matthew Church is solely supported by those attending. The vision for the formation of Saint Matthew Church was (and still is) to build and grow a renewed faith community that would be both authentically Catholic and truly ecumenical. The church is now 33 years old.

We encourage you to make a pledge either weekly or monthly to keep the church operating. Pledge forms are still available. If you would like one, please contact **Kathryn**.

Donations may be made in cash (if you would like credit, please include your name on an envelope); by check; credit card (see Kathryn or complete information on pledge form); or by online banking.

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**O God, as we celebrate the baptism of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we remember our own baptism.**

**We thank you for claiming us as your children, and for calling us into lives of meaning and purpose.**

**Call your people to view all water in the same way that we view the water in the baptismal font: as your precious life-giving gift.**

**Help us to care for the gift of water, striving to make clean water accessible for all people.**

**In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**



To advertise (\$20/month), please contact Kathryn, [kathryntuma@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kathryntuma@sbcglobal.net) or (714) 401-7184.

### KEEP ME INFORMED

To receive emails from Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church, please send an email to the church's email, [stmatthewecc@gmail.com](mailto:stmatthewecc@gmail.com), to get on the distribution list. Please let **Kathryn** know of any snail mail address changes.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

The solicitation of funds from the members of Saint Matthew Church or any charitable organization must obtain prior approval from the Parish Council.

DID YOU  
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Our parish hall is now available for rent for your special occasions. If interested, please contact our Hall Coordinator, **Daniel Ayala**, for information and/or any questions:

(714) 624-2101 or  
[funtasticevents@hotmail.com](mailto:funtasticevents@hotmail.com)



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Each Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, we videotape the Gospel and Homily portions of the liturgy that is then posted on Facebook, YouTube and other internet venues. **Search: Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church.** Please be aware that, for the most part, no one, other than the ministers who are actively engaged in the liturgy, is intentionally video recorded and posted on the internet.



**Prayer and Meditation**  
Sundays @ 7 p.m. at the home of Dr. Ellie Zatyko.  
For information and directions, please call 714-595-8875.



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