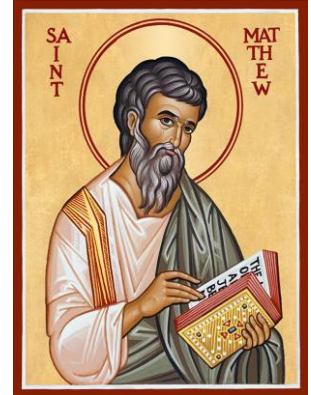




# SAINT MATTHEW

## ECUMENICAL CATHOLIC CHURCH



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***Celebrating Christ's love in all people for 34 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)

**Bible Study:** Mondays (via Zoom)  
Contact Mo. Martha: (714) 606-4365

**Adult Study:** Dates TBD

**Anointing of the Sick:** Upon request

**Pray the Rosary:** Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m. (currently via ZOOM)  
Contact Deacon Tammy: (714) 422-5428

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*Fr. Ben Madriaga	(714) 392-4699	madriaga.marylou@yahoo.com
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**Religious Education Schedule:**

Contact: Mother Jetty van den Berghe	(714) 343-8274	eccpriestjetty@gmail.com
10:30 a.m. Mass Year-Round	Children ages 4-12 - Dismissed during the Liturgy (temporarily suspended)	

**Simbayan Ecumenical Fellowship:**

*Fr. George Florendo	(213) 595-5379	georgemf2001@yahoo.com
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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. [www.ecumenical-catholic-communion.org](http://www.ecumenical-catholic-communion.org)

# Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church

## Welcome! We are glad you are here to worship with us.

### July 12, 2020 - The 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**TODAY'S Liturgical Ministers:**

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
<b>Presider</b>	Mo. Diane Smith	Bp. Peter Hickman
<b>Concelebrant</b>		Mo. Diane Smith
<b>Homilist</b>	Dc. Tony Russo	Bp. Peter Hickman
<b>Deacons</b>	Dc. Adelia Sandoval	Dc. Tammy Fuqua
<b>Ushers</b>	Mary Stacey	Irene Bronson
		Jennie Guida
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Marylou Madriaga	Doris Hand

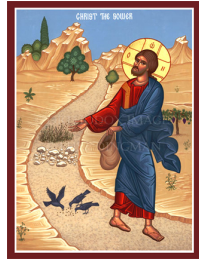


If you would like to participate in one of the ministries (altar server, proclaimer, Eucharistic Minister, or usher) during our Sunday liturgy, please let **Doris Hand** know.

**Today's Readings**

Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23;  
Matthew 13:1-23

**Gospel Summary:**

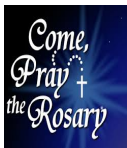


While we call this Gospel, "The Parable of the Sower," it is much more about the seed than the farmer. Although there will be obstacles to telling others the Good News, the message will be received by many. Some of the sower's seeds fell on rocky ground, on paths where people walked and among thorns. While these seeds probably won't take, the seed that fell on good soil has the chance of

reaping a tremendous harvest. (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 (currently via ZOOM) 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 food pantry on the first and third Sundays of each month from 10-2. 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, toiletries and hot & cold cereal. Contact person: **Béa Tiritilli**, (714) 292-2899.

Any information to be added in the bulletin must be sent to Mirella by Tuesday of each week. Her email is 64meems@gmail.com.

**Bible Study: Psalm 23-Scripture as a Meal for the Soul**

This study will begin on Monday, 7 PM, July 6th and run for 15 weeks. Sessions will be only 20-30 minutes in length. There will be a set of handouts posted on Facebook and on the Saint Matthew webpage.

Scripture is like a meal, best savored in small bites, and slowly chewed and consumed in order to fully savor its nuances of flavor -- stretch your thinking and expand your spirit as you spend time alone or to share with others. We will talk about Psalm 23 phrase by phrase, and provided several translations and interpretations, both from Jewish as well as Christian sources. We will cover just one phrase per week -- try it at whatever pace or intensity you think is good.

**Instructions to attend 'live':** On Facebook, go to 'Saint Matthew Bible Study' group to the announcement and there will be a Zoom ID link in blue lettering which you should click, and then type in the password 169406.

**Instructions to watch the video sessions:** If you don't make it to be actually at the study live, then it will be posted each week on the bible study page as well as on our website: [www.saint-matthew.org](http://www.saint-matthew.org).

**FINANCIAL NEWS**

1997 Mortgage Purchase Price:	\$665,000.00
2007 Refinance:	\$350,000.00
January 2020 Principal Balance:	\$222,999.14
July 1, 2020 Principal Balance:	\$220,808.24

If you would like to help pay down the mortgage principal (separate from your tithing for operations), please designate the amount by writing mortgage principal on your check or envelope.

Weekly/monthly donations may be made in cash, by check, credit card, or by online banking. Preferably to avoid fees, please donate by cash or check.



- Happy **July** birthday wishes to:
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| 2-Larry Moan     | 12-Jacob Mateo Ortiz |
| 2-Mary Stacey    | 14-Jim Sladack       |
| 5-Madelyn Trumbo | 18-Jack Chestek      |
| 9-Laurie Moan    | 20-Irene Bronson     |
| 11-Wendy Rollins | 31-Jolene Johnson    |

- Happy **July** anniversary wishes to:
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| 8-Jason and Tonya Adams         | 13-Fr. Toting and Lydia Tronco |
| 8-Larry and Laurie Moan         | 25-Robin and Eric Pehrson      |
| 30-Bp Peter and Mirella Hickman |                                |