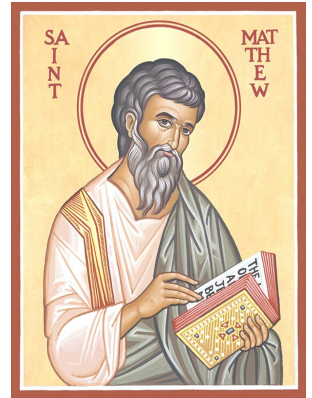




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ECUMENICAL CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Celebrating Christ's love in all people for 35 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: Currently at 9:30 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)
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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

Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church

Welcome!

December 6, 2020 - The Second Sunday of Advent

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

We now are celebrating the Sunday Liturgy in 2 ways. We will have an "in-person" mass outside on Sundays at 9:30a.m. as well as a live stream mass at the same time. You may choose whichever way you like. This is on a trial basis as we navigate through the pandemic.

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Financial Update

Please remember that the church operates solely on your kind donations. This year has been a tough one for Saint Matthew what with COVID-19 and some other setbacks. We are asking that you remember us as you pray on what you will give to your church. There are several ways that you can give. Just go to our website, saint-matthew.org and click on the GIVING tab. Thank you for your continued support!

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Today's Readings

Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11;
2 Peter 3:8-14
Mark: 1:1-8

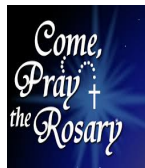
Gospel Summary



Today's Gospel passage is from the beginning of the Gospel according to Mark. The coming of John the Baptist is foretold in the verses quoted from the book of the prophet

Isaiah: *Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way.* John the Baptist did indeed prepare the way of the Lord. - RCLB

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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.

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Submissions for the bulletin should be sent to 64meems@gmail.com no later than Wednesday mornings.

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But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. (2 Peter 3:13)



SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THANKSGIVING

We collect non-perishable donations for Western Service Workers Association's food pantry on the **first and third Sundays** of each month from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. WSWA provides food, medical care, and other support to local, working-poor families. Contact person: **Deacon Tammy, 714-422-5428**

Western Service Workers Association needs volunteers with cars to help pick up and distribute food donations to hungry people in need who don't drive. Days/times they need help with include Fridays at around 10:30 a.m. and Sunday mornings to pick up perishable food (no later than 10:30 or 11) and other volunteers to deliver food to hungry folks in the community Sundays 12-3 pm. Even if people can volunteer once in a while, not necessarily every Sunday, that is helpful. Distribution is done in a no-contact manner. If you can help, please contact WSWA at 714-835-9961.

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Ongoing Facebook Virtual Events

Facebook Page:

Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church **Mass** is available on **Sundays at 9:30 a.m.** The recording will remain available to watch on Facebook any time after the live stream.

Bible Study Group

Our next Bible Study continues. Our topic will be on the Books of Wisdom.

Rosary Group

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

Prayer Group

Give and receive encouragement from one another through prayer, meditation, and study. Contact Mo. Martha or Mo. Jetty.

Saint Matthew CommUNITY Communication Page

Share uplifting posts among members of the Saint Matthew Community.

Children's Religious Education Program

Encourage your children to engage in the live stream of children's classes on **Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.** This class welcomes all kids, including kids beyond our church community. View the "[Sonshine Club](#)" Facebook page to access lessons and craft sheets.

Prayer and Meditation Sundays

Join Dr. Eleanor Zatyko and the prayer and meditation group via Zoom on **Sundays at 7:00 p.m.**

KEEP ME INFORMED

To receive emails from Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church, please go to our website, www.saint-matthew.org, and complete the "Join Our Email List" at the bottom of the Home page. Also, please let Mirella know of your address, phone number and email. Thank you.

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.



Like us on Facebook

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.

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First Friday Mass/Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena on the first Friday of each month at 6:00 p.m.



Contact our Parish Council with your questions and concerns! The Parish Council email address is bobsmfcc2020m@gmail.com.

This is an email address dedicated to Parish Council business that gives your email to **Bob Morano**, the Parish Council moderator. His promise to you is that he will forward your email to the appropriate Parish Council member (if he is not the one) and you should expect to be contacted within a week. If you have NOT heard back within one week, please follow up and we will make certain we understand what you need and what impeded your receiving a timely response.

Your 2020 Parish Council

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