



The Catholic Community of
**ST. MATTHEW
THE EVANGELIST**
ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

Parish Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon & 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Vigil
Sunday: 8:00; 10:00 a.m.; 12:00 noon
& 1:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Adoration

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Reconciliation available

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Baptism classes must be attended by parents and godparents. Please call the parish office. Classes are held the 1st and 2nd Thursday in February, May, August and November. A copy of the Birth Certificate is required.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Also available by appointment and during Wednesday Adoration.

MARRIAGE: Call office to get appointment. Prior notice of six months is required.

ANOINTING & COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: Please notify the parish office.

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Fr. Luis V. Evaroni, D.S.
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Vincent Saavedra, D.S.
Deacons: Rev. Mr. John Adams
Parish Administrator: Virginia Neiser
Parish Secretary: Janie Guerrero
Liturgy/
Music Director: Lana Durham
Music - Spanish: Jorge Mogollon
Religious Education: Anna Brent
Youth Ministry: Zita Moreno
RCIA: Kathy Jones
Hispanic Ministry: Yolanda Salinas
Social Concerns/
Family Life: Jennifer Piotrowski

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chairperson: Mike Filipiak

NURSERY available during the 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 1:30 p.m. Masses for infants and children up to 5 years old.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to our parish. A Welcome Orientation is held the 1st Sunday of January, March, May, July, September & November after the 10:00 a.m. Mass (E) & 1:30 p.m. Mass (S). Please come and meet the priests and fellow parishioners.



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS
(INTENCIONES DE LA MISA)
AUGUST 1 - AUGUST 9



SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

Leviticus 25: 1, 8-17; Matthew 14: 1-12

5:30 p.m. †Ellen Donnellan

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15; Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24; John 6: 24-35

8:00 a.m. People of St. Matthew

10:00 a.m. †Ponciano Lum Pee Hoake

12:00 p.m. †Lee Roy and Cecilia King

(S)1:30 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

Numbers 11: 4b-15; Matthew 14: 13-21

8:30 a.m. †Mary Ann Esparza

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

Numbers 12: 1-13; Matthew 14: 22-36 or 15: 1-2, 10-14

8:30 a.m. Special Intentions of Sharon McLeod

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

Numbers 13: 1-2, 25—14: 1, 26a-29a, 34-35; Matthew 15: 21-28

8:30 a.m. †Kay Kronenberger

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1: 16-19; Mark 9: 2-10

8:30 a.m. Men's Journey to Demascus #75

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

Deuteronomy 4: 32-40; Matthew 16: 24-28

8:30 a.m. †Art Swonke

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

Deuteronomy 6: 4-13; Matthew 17: 14-20

5:30 p.m. †Jeff Ripper

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

1 Kings 19: 4-8; Ephesians 4: 20—5: 2; John 6: 41-51

8:00 a.m. †Willie Jo Neiser

10:00 a.m. People of St. Matthew

12:00 p.m. †David Jaehne

(S)1:30 p.m. Intenciones de / Fary Tejada

NOTE: The Chapel is open for Prayer daily, from
9:a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday following the 8:30 a.m. Mass the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration in the Chapel until 4:00 p.m. A priest is also available to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance with you during this time. Come to the parish office and let the Receptionist know.



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PRAY FOR THE SICK / REZA POR LOS ENFERMOS

Ellen Case, Clifford Norvick, Paul Rekieta, Rebecca Durham, Dottie Everett, Dulie Martinez, Eric Hermis, Pat Hunt, Ray Holloway, Martha Lopez, Larry Gibson, **We Remember Those Who Have Died** – we pray especially for **Guadalupe Galvan**, aunt of Jennifer Piotrowski, parishioner.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar this weekend are donated in celebration of the 44th Wedding anniversary of **Nick and Virginia Diehl**



Dear Parishioners,



"This is the work of God; that you believe in the one he sent."

Sometimes we look for Jesus for the wrong motives. Often as an instant answer to an immediate human need - food for the day, a good-paying job, a miraculous healing of an illness. When this happens, the words of the gospel today apply to us. "You are looking for me not because you saw signs, but because you ate the loaves and were filled." Then we fail to understand. We fail to see Jesus as a sign; as a sacrament of a compassionate God, of a loving Father.

Sometimes, too, we look for extraordinary signs. And, like the crowd in the gospel, we ask Jesus: "What sign can you do?" Often we fail to see that Jesus is the SIGN. He is the ONLY SIGN. For He is the very Word of God. He is the good news that there is a God, who loves us unconditionally. And this is reason to live. It gives meaning to life. Thus, the true bread is Jesus himself, the Word of God. "Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God" (Mt. 4,4). Jesus is our assurance that God is Father of all. He is the one who looks for us, and who looks after us.


The Church, the community of the disciples of Jesus, is also called to be a sign. The pastors of the Church share in this role in a particular way. St. John Mary Vianney, was a pastor who distinguished himself, by himself unreservedly for the people of his parish community. For this reason, he is considered the patron of pastors and parish priests.

Today, let us pray for our pastors, so that they may be faithful to their vocation of being signs, like Jesus, of the love of the Father.

Sincerely yours in the Lord Jesus,

Fr. Louie and Fr. Vincent

Traveling Vocation Chalice:
Let us join our prayers with **Jimmy and Susie Padilla** who will receive the Traveling Vocation Chalice at the 10:00 p.m. Mass on August 2, 2009.



O Mary, our Mother, you joyfully accepted the call to bear God's Son to a waiting world. Hear our prayer for those called to be priests and religious and those called to the diaconate and lay ministry. May they also accept the joys and challenges of bringing Christ to the world today. Amen.

YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Pope Benedict has declared an extraordinary 'Year For Priests' St. John Vianney said that a good priest, a priest after Christ's own heart, is the greatest treasure that God can give a parish. Let us all pray for our priests and all those serving in the priestly ministry.

We ask that everyone be protective of our new carpet and seating. Please do not bring food or drinks into the church and especially NO chewing gum. Let us all work together to keep our Spiritual home a beautiful place of worship.

FALL FESTIVAL NEWS

Festival Kick-Off Party Sept. 12, 2009 6:00 – 10:00 pm
2009 Fall Festival: October 4, 2009, 10:00 am to 8:00 pm
“Celebrating 35 Years of Faith, Family, & Friends”

- The next Festival Committee meeting is August 3 at 6:30 PM.
 - Thanks to Dr. Gleem Car Wash for sponsoring the printing of the raffle tickets.
 - Margie Brogger & Dolly Perez are organizing a new booth with a focus on Kids/Teens aged 3-15, offering action figures, Barbies/baby dolls, sport balls, etc. Donations are now being accepted for the booth.
 - Donations of sodas & water are needed for the Kick-Off Party/Festival.
 - Donations of briskets are needed for the Festival.
 - Thanks to Kathy Gary and the Women’s Club for organizing all the desserts.
 - Thanks also to Theresa Palermo for heading up the Cake Wheel.
 - Thanks to the Youth Group and Zita Moreno for their work in the Games area.
 - The Flea Market, headed up by Carmen & Ernest Ortiz, is now taking donations. Carmen asks that fragile items be packaged carefully to protect against breakage!
- To volunteer for a committee or for more information about the above items, please contact the Parish Office @ 713-466-4030. They will see that you reach the right person.
- **Raffle Tickets are in!!!** Twenty-five great prizes!!! Thank you to the members of the 50+ Club who helped stuff and label the envelopes. Be sure to pick up your envelope after Mass today or come by the parish office during the week. If you sell and return all 5 books before September 9th, you will be eligible for the Early Bird drawing on September 12th at the KICK-OFF. With these great prizes the tickets should be easy to sell.
- Volunteers are needed to help sell tickets at other parishes. If you can help, call the parish office.

CONTINUING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – CCE

Registration for 2009/2010 CCE (Continuing Christian Education) will be Sunday August 2, after the 10 and 1:30 Masses in Room 129. Registration forms for Fall CCE are in the back of the Church at both entrances. The **FINAL CCE registration** will be on **August 23** after the 10 and 12:00 Masses.

Why do we send our children to CCE? Many would say to prepare for sacraments. Others would say that CCE is an investment in the parish community and the student’s role as a Christian. CCE gives our children a firm foundation of our faith and how to survive in our ever-changing culture. **Sacraments are not merit badges** to be earned nor are they mere family photo opportunities. Sacraments can be wonderful moments of intimate, loving communication between God and the individual. All children should have the opportunity to get closer to God and learn more about our faith. Have you denied your children?

Mark your calendars, our annual In-service for Catechists will be Saturday, August 29, 9:00 am to 12:30 p.m.

SOCIAL CONCERNS / FAMILY LIFE

Operation backpack coming soon! Watch for sales!

- Many of you responded to our request for food. Thank you-Keep it coming! Please bring the following items to church with you next Sunday and place in the Social Concerns baskets in the back of the church: jelly, dried and canned beans, bags of rice, tomato/spaghetti sauce, canned corn, canned green beans, tuna and canned soup. “I say to you, whatever you did for one of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” Mt25:40



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| SATURDAY, | AUGUST 1 | |
| 9:00 p.m. | Marriage Preparation | (216) |
| SUNDAY, | AUGUST 2 | |
| after 10:00 & 1:30 Mass | CCE Registration | (129) |
| after 10:00 Mass | Welcome Orientation | (130) |
| después de la Misa | Bienvenida | (130) |
| 12:00 p.m. | Coro (Spanish) (204) | |
| 5:30 p.m. | Choir practice (35 th Anniv.) | (Church) |
| MONDAY, | AUGUST 3 | |
| 1:00 p.m. | Bridge | (129) |
| 6:30 p.m. | Festival Meeting | (129) |
| 1:00 p.m. | Bridge | (129) |
| TUESDAY, | AUGUST 4 | |
| 6:30 p.m. | Sr. High Prayer & Share | (Youth Rm) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Comité de Apoyo | (216) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Grupo de Oracion | (Iglesia) |
| WEDNESDAY, | AUGUST 5 | |
| 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | ADORATION/Confessions available (Chapel) | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Couples for Christ | (129) |
| THURSDAY, | AUGUST 6 | |
| 9:00 a.m. | 50+ Game/Card Social | (129) |
| 10:00 a.m. | Legion de Maria (S) | (203) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Baptism classes (S) | (Auditorium) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Baptism classes (E) | (129) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Coro (Spanish) | (129) |
| FRIDAY, | AUGUST 7 | |
| SATURDAY, | AUGUST 8 | |
| 7:00 p.m. | 35 th Anniversary Dinner/Dance | (Auditorium) |
| SUNDAY, | AUGUST 9 | |
| 12:00 p.m. | Coro (Spanish) | (204) |
| 1:30 p.m. | 50+ Club Meeting | (Auditorium) |
| 5:30 p.m. | Choir practice (35 th Anniv.) | (Church) |

YOUTH MINISTRY

High School Prayer and Share every week in Room 202, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Come join us for pizza and prayer.

Softball update: Check the website for the latest information.

ST. MATTHEW’S 50+ SOCIAL CLUB

Thursday, August 6th – this is our next Card/Game Social. Join us in room 129 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. It’s FREE, come and join us. Our attendance is growing!

Sunday, August 9th – our regular monthly meeting in the Auditorium at 1:30 pm. There is always a raffle drawing and future monthly trips are discussed while we have lunch. If you are 50 years or older, we welcome you to join us and see if you would like to become a member of our club.

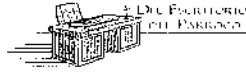


WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
 JUBILEE MASS - 2009



Couples celebrating their Golden (50) and Silver (25) Anniversaries of marriage in the Catholic Church in 1959 or 1984 will be held on Sunday, September 20 at 3:00 p.m. at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Daniel Cardinal DiNardo will preside. A couple wishing to participate is asked to call the parish and register their name, address, daytime telephone number, wedding date and the name and location of the Catholic Church where they were married with the parish secretary. Deadline for registration is Wednesday, August 19. Soon after receiving the couple’s names, the Office of Family Life Ministry will send registered couples a letter with detailed information about the Mass. They will then have the opportunity to R.S.V.P.

Queridos Feligreses:



“Este es el trabajo de Dios, que creas en El a Quien envió.”

Hay veces buscamos a Jesús por motivos equivocados; muy seguido como una respuesta instantánea a una necesidad humana—comida para el día, un trabajo que pague bien, una sanación milagrosa de una enfermedad. Cuando esto pasa, las palabras del Evangelio de hoy se aplican hacia nosotros. “Me buscas no porque viste las señales, sino porque comiste de las barras y te llenaste.” Después, fallamos en comprender. Fallamos en ver a Jesús como una señal; como un sacramento de un Dios compasivo, de un Padre amoroso.

Hay veces, también buscamos señales extraordinarias. Y como la multitud en el Evangelio, le pedimos a Jesús: “¿Que señales puedes hacer?” Muy seguido, fallamos en ver que Jesús mismo ES la señal. El es la UNICA SEÑAL; pues El es la propia Palabra de Dios. El es la Buena Nueva de que hay un Dios quien nos ama sin condiciones; y ésta es la razón para vivir; le da significado a la vida. De este modo, El Pan verdadero es Jesús mismo, la Palabra de Dios. “No solo del pan vive el hombre, sino de cada palabra que viene de la Boca de Dios” (Mateo 4.4). Jesús es nuestra garantía que Dios es Padre de todos. Él es Quien nos busca, y Quien nos cuida.

La Iglesia, la comunidad de los discípulos de Jesús, también es llamada a ser una señal. Los pastores de la Iglesia comparten en este papel de una manera en particular. San Juan María Vianney, fue un pastor distinguido al presentarse sin reservas para la gente de su comunidad parroquial. Por esta razón, el es considerado el patrón de los pastores y sacerdotes parroquiales.

Hoy, oremos por nuestros pastores para que ellos puedan ser fieles a sus vocaciones en ser las señales, como Jesús, del amor del Padre.

Sinceramente en el Señor Jesús,

Padre Luis y Padre Vicente

Horario del Cáliz Vocacional Ambulante

Por parte de la Comunidad Católica de San Mateo el Evangelista, le agradecemos su participación en el Programa del Cáliz Ambulante de nuestra parroquia. El propósito de este programa es para animar a la gente que recen por las vocaciones y para promover las vocaciones dentro de la comunidad. Por favor comuníquese con la Sra. Yolanda Salinas al teléfono (713)466-4030, ext. 308. No se les olvide registrarse para este programa.

O María, nuestra Madre, tu gozosamente aceptaste la llamada para dar a luz al Hijo de Dios en este mundo de espera. Escucha nuestra oración para aquellos quienes son llamados al sacerdocio y la vida religiosa, y aquellos llamados al diaconato y a los ministerios laicos. Que ellos también acepten las dichas y los retos de traer a Cristo al mundo de hoy. Amén.

El Papa Benedicto XVI ha declarado un “Año Extraordinario Para los Sacerdotes.” San Juan Vianney dijo que un buen sacerdote, un sacerdote tras el propio corazón de Cristo, es el tesoro más grande que Dios puede dar a una parroquia. Oremos por nuestros sacerdotes y por todos aquellos quienes sirven en el ministerio del sacerdocio.

FESTIVAL DE OTOÑO 2009 4 de octubre, 2009 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

“Celebrando 35 Años de Fe, Familia y Amistades”

Fiesta Pre-Celebración, 12 de septiembre a la 6:30 PM

- Los Boletos de la Rifa se estarán distribuyendo comenzando este fin de semana el día 1° de Agosto
- Gracias a **Dr. Gleem Car Wash** por patrocinar la imprenta de los Boletos de Rifa.
- Margie Brogger y Dolly Perez están organizando un puesto nuevo con el enfoque en Jóvenes/Adolescentes entre edades de 3-15 años; también estarán ofreciendo muñecos de acción, muñecas Barbie y bebés, pelotas de deporte, etc. Se están aceptando donaciones ahora para este puesto.
- Se necesitan donaciones de refrescos y botellas de agua para beber para el Festival y la Pre-Celebración del Festival.
- Se necesitan donaciones de carne (briskets) para el Festival.
- Gracias a Kathy Gary y el Club de Damas por organizar todos los postres.
- Gracias también a Theresa Palermo por encabezar la Rueda de Pasteles.
- Gracias al Grupo Juvenil y la Sra. Zita Moreno por su trabajo en el área de los Juegos.
- El Mercado de la Pulga, encabezado por Carmen y Ernesto Ortiz, está aceptando donaciones. ¡Carmen les pide de favor que envuelvan cuidadosamente los artículos frágiles para protegerlos y que no se rompan!

Para servir como Voluntario en uno de nuestros Comités, o para recibir más informes de estos temas, por favor comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial al teléfono (713) 466-4030. Allí le ayudaran para asegurar que se comuniquen con la persona adecuada. ¡GRACIAS!

EDUCACION CRISTIANA CONTINUA – CCE

• Las Registros para las clases del CCE (Educación Cristiana Continua) para el periodo de 2009/2110 serán el próximo domingo, 2 de agosto, después de las Misas de las 10:00 a.m. y la 1:30 p.m. en el Salón 129. Las formas de Registración del CCE para el otoño están atrás de la Iglesia en las dos entradas. La Registración FINAL del CCE será el día 23 de agosto después de las Misas de las 10:00 a.m. y las 12:00 del medio día.

Por que mandar a nuestros hijos al CCE? Muchos dirían que es para preparar para los sacramentos. Otros dirían que el CCE es una inversión en la comunidad de nuestra parroquia, así como una inversión en el papel del estudiante como un cristiano. El CCE les ofrece a nuestros hijos una fundación firme en nuestra fe y les ayuda a sobrevivir en nuestra cultura que siempre está cambiando. Los Sacramentos no son insignias de merito que deben ser ganadas, ni tampoco son únicamente oportunidades para tomar fotos de la familia. Los Sacramentos pueden ser momentos maravillosos de una comunicación íntima y amorosa entre Dios y la persona individual. Todos los niños deben tener esta oportunidad de acercarse a Dios y aprender más sobre nuestra fe. ¿Acaso usted les ha negado esto a sus hijos?

Marque sus calendarios ahora; nuestra formación en la empresa para Catequistas será el sábado, 29 de agosto, a las 9:00 a.m. hasta las 12:30 p.m.

FONDO DE REPARACION Y RENOVACION: ¿Ya regreso su tarjeta de promesa para ayudar con las renovaciones? Si usted no recibió una carta y una tarjeta de promesa para nuestro Fondo de Renovación y Reparación, hay más tarjetas disponibles en las entradas de la Iglesia. Este proyecto es muy importante y se les pide a todos que hagamos nuestra parte en ayudar. Por favor considere por medio de oración lo que usted puede dar y regrese su tarjeta de promesa en la canasta de la colecta o por correo.

¡ATENCIÓN! Le pedimos de favor que nos ayuden a proteger nuestra alfombra nueva y la tapicería nueva de las bancas. Por favor **NO TRAIGA COMIDA NI BEBIDAS ADENTRO DE LA IGLESIA;** y muy en especial, **¡NO SE PERMITE MASTICAR CHICLE ADENTRO DE LA IGLESIA!** Trabajemos todos juntos para mantener nuestra casa Espiritual—la Casa de Dios—para que permanezca un sitio hermoso de alabanza.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 08-02-2009

The crowd in today's gospel demanded a sign from Jesus. May our faithful stewardship be a sign to others that we, like the Ephesians in the second reading, have laid aside our former way of life and acquired a "fresh, spiritual way of thinking" in Christ.

18º domingo Ordinario 2 de agosto, 2009

La multitud en el Evangelio de hoy exigía una señal de Jesús. Que nuestra fiel administración sea un signo para los demás de que nosotros, como los Efesios en la segunda lectura, hemos dejado a un lado nuestra forma de vida anterior y que hemos adquirido una "forma fresca y espiritual de pensar," en Cristo.

CHURCH REPAIRS & RENOVATIONS:

The new carpet has been installed and the renovation of the pews & kneelers is continuing. We plan to be finished by our 35th anniversary, when Cardinal DiNardo comes to celebrate our Anniversary Mass on August 15th. If you have not yet made your pledge to the Repair and Renovation Fund, pledge cards are available on the tables in the entrances of the church. Everyone is asked to help with this major and necessary project for our parish. Consider what you can give and return your pledge card either in the collection basket or by mail. THANK YOU to all those who have already responded.



Deacon Dale Steffes invites you to the Premiere of *Vianney* on August 3, 2009 at St. John Vianney parish in West Houston. This is a live production. Maybe some of you or your friends would like to attend.



**ST. MATTHEW the EVANGELIST
A Stewardship Parish
SAN MATEO el EVANGELISTA**

Una Parroquia de Administración de Bienes Dones de Dios

07-26--2009

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| Sundays Envelopes/Colecta por Sobres | \$9,990.04 |
| Children's Envelopes/Sobres de los Niños | \$133,06 |
| Total Collection/Colecta en Total | \$10,123.10 |

Envelopes / Sobres - 247

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| Weekly needs | \$10,804.00 |
| Sunday's Collection | \$10,123.10 |
| Deficit This Week | <\$680.90> |

Thank you for your stewardship of Treasure

When you go on vacation, please remember to mail your weekly contribution envelope to the parish or use the "Vacation Make-Up" envelope in your contribution packet.

CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS!!!

Out of the hands and mouths of our children.

My Good Deed was:

- Aryanna blanco: "going to church."
- Grace Meleski: "thanking my Dad and Mom."
- Joshua Snow: "clean the garage."
- Nicolas Gomez: "listening to Mom and Dad."
- Paola Solano: "I helped Mom do the dishes."
- Emily Vasquez: "I was good during our vacation."
- Sophia Anne Cespedes: "I pray a lot."
- Lisette Obregon: "I go to church every Sunday."
- Leslie Torres: "I give to God and say thank you."
- Daniella: "I help my Grandma."