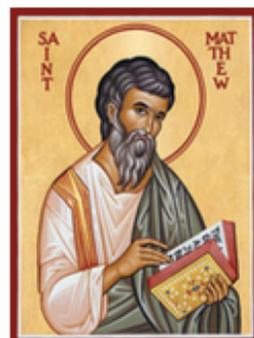




# SAINT MATTHEW

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.**  
**December 30, 2018 - Feast of the Holy Family**

**TODAY'S Liturgical Ministers:**

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
<b>Presider/Homilist</b>	Fr. George Florendo	Fr. George Florendo
<b>Deacon</b>	Steve Smith	Michael Hoopes
<b>Servers</b>	Meredythe Hutchinson	Tony Questel Garret Trumbo Angelica Tronco Veronica Taufa Jason Adams
<b>Ushers</b>	Jolene Johnson	Adelia Sandoval Doris Hand Lydia Russo Jennie Guida Emmie Florendo
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Rachael Amaro Emmie Florendo	
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Meghan Domer	

**NEXT WEEK'S Liturgical Ministers:**

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
<b>Presider</b>	Mo. Diane Smith	Mo. Diane Smith
<b>Homilist</b>	Fr. Nick DelosReyes	Fr. Nick DelosReyes
<b>Deacon</b>	Michael Hoopes	Steve Smith
<b>Servers</b>	Mike Mitchell	Liz Wessel Tonya Adams Tammy Fuqua Woody Wessel John Deane Lydia Russo Tony Russo Jennie Guida Irene Bronson Joe Karam
<b>Ushers</b>	Mary Stacey	
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Kristen Ross Steve Ross	
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	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**

Sirach 3:1-14; Colossians 3:1-21; Luke 2:41-52

**Gospel Summary**



In today's Gospel, Mary and Joseph discover that Jesus is not with them in the caravan returning home from celebrating the Passover in Jerusalem. After searching for three days, they find him back in the Temple. Mary questions why Jesus stayed behind, but she does not fully understand Jesus' response—he had to be in his Father's house. (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.



Saint Matthew's Social Justice and Outreach Ministry is collecting 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. 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

**Opportunities to Serve:** Many are the opportunities to be of service to your community of faith. One of the needs of our church is the preparation and care of our sacred space for our worship. Our next church preparation date is:



Take Down Christmas décor Saturday, **January 12**, at 9 a.m.

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## Prayer for Families

Heavenly Father,  
you have given us the model of life  
in the Holy Family of Nazareth.

Help us, O Loving Father,  
to make our family another Nazareth  
where love, peace and joy reign.  
May it be deeply contemplative,  
intensely eucharistic,  
revived with joy.

Help us to stay together in joy  
and sorrow in family prayer.

Teach us to see Jesus in the members of our families,  
especially in their distressing disguise.

May the eucharistic heart of Jesus  
make our hearts humble like his  
and help us to carry out our family duties  
in a holy way.

May we love one another  
as God loves each one of us,  
more and more each day,  
and forgive each other's faults  
as you forgive our sins.

Help us, O Loving Father,  
to take whatever you give  
and give whatever you take with a big smile.

Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
cause of our joy, pray for us.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Holy Guardian Angels,  
be always with us,  
guide and protect us.

Amen.

--Mother Teresa of Calcutta

# CALENDAR of Events

## 2018 – 2019

TONIGHT – Prayer and Meditation @ 7 p.m.

January 4 – First Friday Mass/Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena @ 6  
January 6 – Team Ministry Meetings @ 9:30 a.m. (Hall)  
January 6-13-20-27 – Prayer and Meditation @ 7 p.m.  
January 9-16-23-30 – Bible Study @ 7 p.m. (Hall)  
January 12 – Take Down Christmas Décor @ 9 a.m. (Church)  
January 12 – Men's Group @ 9 a.m. (home of Tony Russo)  
January 20 – Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.  
January 20 – Bereavement Ministry @ 12 p.m. (Classroom)

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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### 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.

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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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