

St. Matthew Catholic Church - Annual Events 2023

The building / rooms will not be reserved for any event until a "Facility Request Form" is filled out, turned into the church office as soon as possible, and approved by the Pastor.

January

- 1 Su New Year: Mary, Mother of God, World Day of Peace / World Day of Peace
- 3 Tu *Rosca de Reyes Grupo de Oracion (Parish Hall)*
- 4 W Faith Formation Classes Resumes
- 6 F 1st Friday Adoration
- 8 S The Epiphany of Our Lord - Faith Formation Classes Resumes
- 9 M The Baptism of the Lord
- 16-23 M-M Cemetery of the Innocents: Done by Pro Life Ministry and Our Youth
- 18-25 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- 21-22 F-Sa Seminario de Vida en el Espíritu (Grupo de Oración) [SJP Center] (set-up on 21st)
- 22 Su Word of God Sunday/ Ecumenical Sunday
- 22 Su National Sanctity of Human Life Day
- 29 S Youth Ministry – Feast of St. John Bosco (Praise & Worship) SJP
- 29th – Feb 5th National Catholic Schools Week

February

- 2 Th Faith Formation Advisory Meeting
- 3 F First Friday Adoration and Benediction
- 4 S First Saturday /Anointing of the Sick
- 4 & 5 Sa & S: Blessing of Throats (at all weekend Masses) St. Blasé Feast Day [3rd Feb]
- 4 & 5 Sa-Su Presentation of Babies & Blessing of Nino Jesus
- 7 Tu *Día de la Candelaria (Grupo de Oración) [Parish Hall]*
- 11 S Our Lady of Lourdes: **World Day of the Sick**
- 12 Su World Marriage Day** [Special blessings for the married couples]
- 10-12 *Marriage Enrichment Retreat [New Evangelization] (Spanish)*
- 13-17 M-F Clergy Annual Retreat
- 16-19 Th-Su Cursillos de Mujeres**
- 18 Sa Parish Dinner and Dance**
- 22 W Ash Wednesday – NO Faith formation Class / No Adoration**
- 23 Th Liturgy Committee Meeting
- 24 F First Lenten Friday - Fish Fry / Way of the Cross
- 25 Sa *Pre-Matrimonial Retreat. (Spanish) 8 am – 4 pm*
Class for ALL parents at SJP 8:30 AM
- 26 Su 1st Sunday of Lent [**Ministries fair**] Masses in SJP

March [Spiritual Wellness Month]

- 3 F 2nd Lenten Friday - Fish Fry / Way of the Cross
First Friday – Adoration and Benediction
- 5 Su 2nd Sunday of Lent: [Super Bowl Sunday]
- 9-12 Th- Su **Women's ACTS retreat.**
- 10 F 3rd Friday of Lent - Fish Fry / Way of the Cross
- 11 Sa Right to Life of East Texas – **Celebrate Life Banquet**
- 12 Su 3rd Sunday of Lent
Women's Return Reception. [SJP]
- 12-18 **Spring Break – NO classes**
- 16-19 Th-Su Cursillos de Hombres**

- 17 F 4th Friday of Lent - Fish Fry / Way of the Cross
 19 Su 4th Sunday of Lent [Rose color]
 20 M St. Joseph's Day
 22 W Hispanic Pastoral Ministries Meeting
 24 F 5th Friday in Lent – Fish Fry / Way of the Cross
 25 Sa The Annunciation – Solemnity.

Class for ALL sponsors 8:30 AM – SJP.

Women's Retreat – [St. Philip's Institute, Tyler]

- 26 Su 5th Sunday of Lent
 28 Tu **Parish 23rd Anniversary (1999)**
 29 W *Hispanic Pastoral Ministries Meeting*
 31 F 6th Friday of Lent: Way of the Cross / Fish Fry

April

1 Sa Parish Work Day

1/2 Sa/Su Palm Sunday

3/4 M & Tu Lenten Confessions 5 PM – 7 PM

4 Tu **Chrism Mass in Tyler**

5 W No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 No Faith Formation Class

6 Th Holy Thursday

7 F Good Friday

8 Sa Holy Saturday – RCIA Rehearsal

9 Su Easter Sunday - No Faith Formation Class

16 Su **Divine Mercy Sunday / Benediction at 3 PM.**

24/25 M/Tu: **Confessions & Rehearsal for Confirmands**

30 Su World Day of Prayer for Vocations

MAY Month of Mother Mary

1 M St. Joseph, the Worker.

Sell Raffle Tickets for Mother's Day Basket (Catholic Daughters)

5 F First Friday / Adoration and Benediction

6 Sa **Confirmation Day**

First Saturday / Anointing of the Sick

7 Su Good Shepherd Sunday / World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Liturgical Ministries Commissioning (at all weekend Spanish Masses)

13 Sa Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

14 Su **Mother's Day (Siervos de Cristo) in (SJP) 2pm - 6pm (TBA)**

CDA presents Mother's Day Basket to the winner

17 W Last Day of the Class / Crowning of Mary

19-22 Th-Su Cursillos de Mujeres

21 Su – Last day of the class / Crowning of Mary

Graduation Mass at the 1:00 & 6:00 p.m. Masses / Senior Celebration SJP (TBA)

The Ascension Day

24 W **Catechist Appreciation Dinner** – St. John Paul Center

27 & 28 **First Holy Communion Weekend;** at the Mass of their preference

27 Sa Vigilia de Pentecostés (Grupo de Oración) – church 8 pm -10 pm

28 Su The Pentecost Sunday

29 M Memorial Day: Mass @ 9 am / Mary, Mother of the Church

31 Th Liturgy Committee Meeting

June (Month Dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus)

Enrollment begins for Faith Formation for NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

2 F First Friday / Adoration and Benediction

3 Sa First Saturday / Anointing of the Sick

4 Su **Trinity Sunday**

9-11 Retiro de Sanación [Grupo de Oración y New Evangelización] SJP Center

10 Sa Eucharistic Procession after the 5:00 p.m. Mass

11 Su **Corpus Christi** / Benediction after all Masses

Blood Drive sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

15-18 Th-Su **Cursillos de Hombres**

Father's Day – [SJP] 2pm - 5pm (TBA)

16 F Feast of Sacred Heart of Jesus

17 Sa Feast of Immaculate Heart of Mary

24-26 **Diocesan Charismatic Renewal Conference (Spanish) [at Maude Cobb]**

24 *Pre-Matrimonial Retreat (Spanish) 8 am – 4 pm*

23-25 **Steubenville Lone Star**- Irving Convention Center

28 W *Hispanic Pastoral Ministries Meeting*

July

1 Sa First Saturday / Anointing

7 F First Friday

4 Tu Independence Day (Mass @ 9:00 a.m.)

10-11 Altar Boys Camp - SJP

12-13 Altar Girls Camp – SJP

14 F All Altar servers - SJP

15 Sa Noche de Alabanza 8:00 pm- 10:00 pm

20-23 Teen ACTS Retreat

22 Sa Noche de Alabanza [Guerreros]

23 M World Day of Grandparents & Elderly

29 Sa **Together In Holiness Marriage Series** SJP Center

August

4 F First Friday/ St. John Marie Vianney (Patron of Priests

5 Sa First Saturday / Anointing of the Sick /

6 Su The Transfiguration of the Lord

10 Th St. Lawrence / Deacons Day

12 Sa High School youth back to school Kick-off party [SJP – or Lake Party] TBA

15 Tu Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary [Not a day of Obligation]

16 W High School youth back to school party

Faith Formation Advisory Meeting: 6:30 pm

19 Sa Guerreros de San Miguel Retreat (SJP Center)

23 W Catechists Meeting 6:00 pm

27 Su **Parents Meeting [Parish Hall] 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM**

30 W **Parents Meeting [Parish Hall] 6:30 PM**

September

- 1 F First Friday / Adoration
 2 Sa First Saturday / Anointing of the Sick at 5 pm Mass.
 4 Su Utrella Diocesana de Tyler [Misa y Convivo] Cusillos (Casa Betania) ¿?
 4 M Labor Day (Mass at 9:00 a.m.)
 6 W Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Wednesdays) resumes
First day of the FF Classes
 8 F Birthday of Blessed Virgin Mary
 10 Su **Catechetical Sunday** – Commissioning of Catechists
First day of the FF Classes
 13 W Prayer Service for First Responders 12:00 noon in SJP Center
 17 Su Catechetical Sunday
Mexican Independence Day Celebration (Hispanic Ministries – SJP)
 21 Th Feast of St. Matthew, the Apostle
 23 S *Pre-Matrimonial Retreat (Spanish) 8 am – 4 pm.*
 24 Su **Outdoor Mass & Parish Picnic** / Feast of St. Matthew the Apostles (Parish Patron Saint)
 27 W Feast of St. Vincent de Paul
Hispanic Pastoral Ministries Meeting
 28 Th Liturgy Committee Meeting
 29-Oct 1 F-Su Retiro Familiar (Grupo de Oración) [SJP Center] (Set-up on 23rd)

October (Month of Rosary) Family Rosary / Clergy Appreciation Month

- 1 Su Respect Life Sunday: Life-Chain Longview
 6 F First Friday / Adoration
 11-13 W-F Clergy Convocation
 7 Sa **[Parish RAFFLE]**
 10 M **6th Annual Diocesan Sanctity of Life Banquet**
 13-16 Th-Su **Cursillos de Mujeres**
 14 Sa **Class for ALL parents / Clases para los padres [SJP] 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM.**
America Needs Fatima - Rosary Rally
 16 M Clergy Appreciation Dinner
 21 Sa Together In Holiness Marriage Conference (SJP Center)
 22 Su World Mission Sunday
 Blood Drive Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
 23 M Ministries Head Appreciation Dinner
 26-29 Th-Su **MEN'S ACTS RETREAT ???**
 Men's ACTS Return Reception

November All Souls Month

- 1 W All Saints Day [Day of Obligation]
 2 Th All Souls Day – Mass in the Columbarium @ 12 pm.
 Faith Formation Advisory
 3 F First Friday/ Adoration
 4 Sa First Saturday / Anointing of the Sick;
 5 Su Day Light Saving time ends
 5-12 National Vocations Awareness Week
 10 F Altar Society Autumn Decorations
 11 Sa Veterans Day

11 Sa *Noche de Alabanza y Concierto (Grupo de Oración) Church;*

Taste of St. Matthew 6 - 8 pm SJP

12 Su **Stewardship Sunday**

15 W *Hispanic Pastoral Ministries Meeting*

16-19 Th-Su *Cusillo de Hombres*

18 Sa **Altar Servers Party** - SJP Center

19 Su Bible Sunday

20 M **Choir Appreciation Dinner**

22 W NO Adoration

23 Th Thanksgiving Day

25 Sa *Pre-Matrimonial retreat (Spanish)*

26 Su Christ, The King

Angel Tree set-up in foyer

December

1 F First Friday / Adoration;

Altar Society Advent Preparation

2 Sa First Saturday / Anointing of the Sick

Together In Holiness Marriage Series SJP Center / Longview Christmas Parade

3 Su 1st Sunday in Advent / Christmas Family Friends (pick names during the Weekend Masses)

Feast of St. Francis Xavier

4 M Advent Confessions

5Tu Advent Confessions

8 F Solemnity of Immaculate Conception – Day of Obligation

9 Sa **Our Lady of Guadalupe** [Hispanic Ministries] SJP & Church

10 Su Second Sunday of Advent

12 Tu Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - Actual day

13 W Last day of class before Christmas [Wednesday] - Children's Christmas Party

16-24 Sa-Su: *Posadas (all Spanish Ministries)*

16 Sa **Parish Work Day**

Setting-up the Nativity in the church

17 Su Third Sunday of Advent /

FF - **Last Sunday class** before Christmas - Children's Christmas Party

22 F Altar Society Poinsettia placement

23 Sa Altar Society decorates church for Christmas

24 Su Fourth Sunday of Advent / Christmas Eve Masses

25 M Christmas Day Masses

28 Th Holy Innocents Day: Mass for Infants and babies. Special blessing for Infants & babies

31 Su The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: Special recognition for families.