

St. Matthew Catholic Church

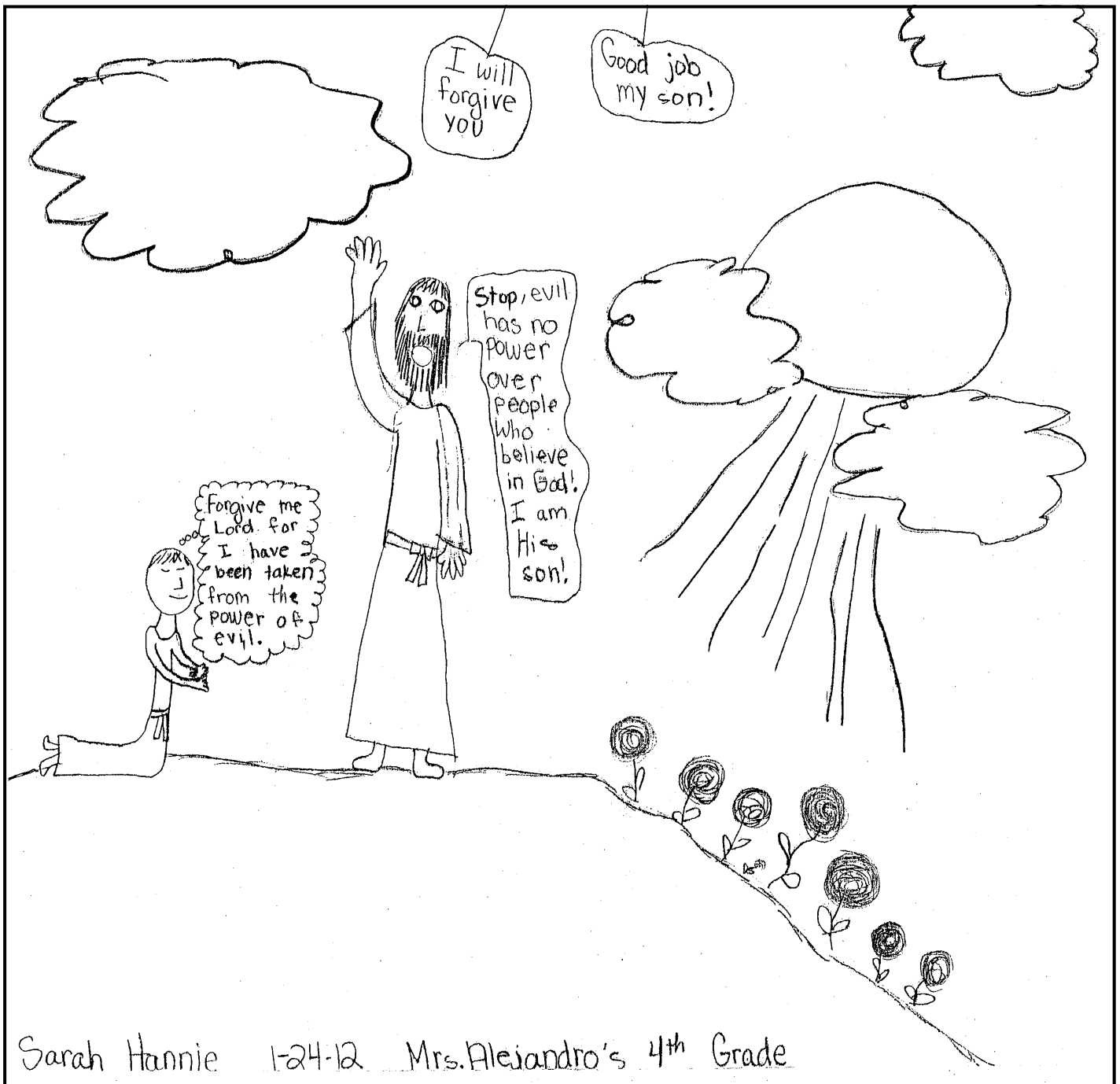
10703 Wurzbach Rd.

San Antonio, TX 78230-2499

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (All Offices)
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ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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NET ADDRESS: <http://www.stmatts-sa.org>

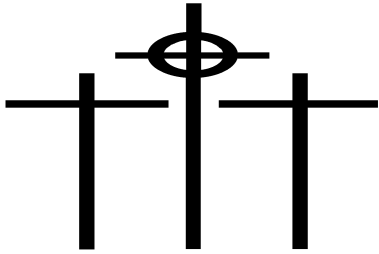


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WORSHIP SERVICE

WEEKEND MASS Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:15, 11 am, 12:45 pm (*All Spanish Mass*) and 6:00 pm McDonald Family Center Gym, *Additional Mass added at "9:30 am" School Cafeteria*
 11:15 am School Cafeteria Children's Liturgy of the Word & Eucharist
DAILY MASS Parish Hall Mon.—Fri. 6, 8:15 am (also Saturday), 12:05 & 6:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration (Parish Hall) 7 am—11 pm
 Monday-Saturday; Sunday 2:15-5:30 p.m. & 7:30-10:00 p.m.
Penance Saturday 4:00- 5:15 pm Priest Offices
Admin Bldg "Doors will close at 5:15 pm" (Or you may make an appointment with one of the parish priests)
Anointing of the Sick *SECOND* Sunday 2:00 pm
Prayer Groups English Thursday 7:00 pm
 Espanol Monday 8:00 pm
Novena to Miraculous Medal Tuesday 7:30 pm

PASTORAL COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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HOSPITALITY 641-7670

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Rev. Valentine Gallegos

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Deacon Michael Nealis 478-5000

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OFFICE

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

SENIOR NUTRITION CENTER

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

HOURS

Mon-Fri 8am to 8pm, Sat 9am-12N

Mon-Fri 8am to 4pm

Mon-Fri 8:30 am-12:30 pm

Tues-Sat 9:00am to 12:00 pm (Noon)

PHONE

478-5000

478-5099

478-5024

478-5020

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS	MEETING DAY	TIME	Legion of Mary	Wednesday	10:00 a.m.
Blessed Sacrament & Altar Society	1st Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	PARISH ORGANIZATIONS	MEETING DAY	TIME
ACTS Core Group	1st Mon	7:00 p.m.	Men's Club – Holy Name Society	2nd Monday	7:30 p.m.
Athletic Association	1st Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Novena of the Miraculous Medal	Tuesdays	7:30 p.m.
CAFÉ (Adults 36-50)	Beth Duarte	478-5006	Parish Pastoral Council	2nd Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Cancer Support Group	4th Monday	7:00 p.m.	Perpetual Adoration	Mike Robles	579-0716
Catholic Daughters of America	3rd Monday	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Group (English)	Thursdays	7:00 p.m.
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Sundays (MCDFCenter Gym) 9:15 a.m.		Respect Life Ministry	Deacon Pete Cuellar	410-7591
Children's Mass	Sundays(MCDFCenter Gym)11:15 a.m.		School Council	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Choirs - ACTS	Sundays	7:30 a.m.	SCOTS(Doris Mc Atee)	Twice Monthly	340-5449
Adults	Wednesdays	7:30 p.m.	Scouts (Boys)	Stephen Tipps	694-0152
Bilingual	Tuesdays	8:00 p.m.	Scouts – Cubs	Ernie Guerrero	240-7312
Children's	Saturdays	4:30 p.m.	Scouts -Girl	Kelly Crespin	492-5690
Family Folk	Sundays	5:00 p.m.	Society of St. Vincent de Paul	3rd Wednesday	7:00 pm
Youth	Sundays	10:00 a.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Mondays	8:00-9:00 p.m.
Christian Meditations	Wednesdays7-8p.m.	445-1107	Square Dancng	Thursdays	7:30 p.m.
Confraternity of Our Lady of Guadalupe	1st Sunday	11:00 a.m.	St. Matthew's Mission Group	2nd Tuesday 7PM	344-7310
Finance Council	3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	St. Matthew's Singles (40+)	Sunday	9:30 a.m.
Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree	1st Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Transportation Ministry	2-3 Days' Notice	478-5000
Knights of Columbus 4th Degree	3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m.	VIP Club (Mature Adults)	4th Tuesdays	7:00 p.m.
			YC ³ (Young Adults 25-35)	Beth Duarte	478-5006

QUICK MESSAGE-INFORMATION dial 478-5098	please press
Emergency Line for Sickness/Sickness ONLY	1
Prayer Petition Line	2
Mass and Confession Schedule	4
Infant Baptism	5
Marriage (6 Months Marriage Preparation Required)	6
CYO Athletic	7
Senior Nutrition Center	8
RCIA/Adult Confirmation	478-5007

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Fourth Sunday
in
Ordinary Time



Come, let us bow down in worship; Let us kneel before the Lord who made us.
-- Psalm 95:6

FALSE PROPHETS, TRUE PROPHETS

In Deuteronomy today we hear that God's very words will fill the mouth of a true prophet, but a false prophet will, in a manner of speaking, put mere mortal words into God's mouth. In Mark's Gospel, we see Jesus teaching and healing as a true prophet, one filled with the authority of God's own voice, the Holy One of God.

The whole history of our church is filled with both true and false prophets. But in today's Gospel we learn that Jesus' fame spread because he taught with authority; he wasn't an authority because he was popular or famous. We also learn from him, in his desert temptation confrontations with Satan, that anyone can quote scripture, even against God's purposes. And today we hear that his authority was not like that of the scribes, who held the official positions of religious authority in his day. Our work is to do our best to discern the true prophets in our midst, and to be true prophets as well. The psalmist tells us how to do this: by not hardening our hearts when God speaks. If we truly listen to God, it will be God's very words filling our mouths.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Forty days after Christmas, this week's ancient feast of the Presentation of the Lord is an extension of the shining days of Christ's coming into the depths of winter. This is the day when, for a thousand years, the Church has blessed a year's supply of candles. In many places, a procession forms outside the church. The core memory is of Simeon and Anna's meeting with the infant Jesus and his parents outside the temple on the fortieth day after the child's birth, and the delight of going to the table of the Lord for the Eucharist, a foretaste of our final meeting with Christ.

For some Christians, today is known as "The Meeting," suggesting not only the encounter in the temple, but also our assembly at the Lord's table and our longing for the kingdom. One story suggests that the commotion made by so many candle-bearing, hymn-singing faithful in the wintry fields of Germany on their joyful way to Mass stirred the badger from hibernation to examine this promise of springtime. The interrupted nap of the groundhog is amazingly linked to the light of Christ driving away the shadows of the world's darkness. This beautiful feast only rarely falls on a Sunday. What better reason could there be for candles at dinner tonight?

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- Jan 28-29** Habitat Volunteer sign-up in foyer of MFC
Social Sunday hosted by the Knights of Columbus
- Jan 29** CYO Track Registration, 12 pm—2pm MFC Room 103
- Feb 3** St. Blaise—Blessing of Throats, all Masses
- Feb 4-5** Girl Scout Cookie fundraiser, all Masses except 12:45pm.

**ADDITIONAL “SUNDAY”
 9:30 A.M. MASS IN
 SCHOOL CAFETERIA
 PLENTY OF ROOM!
 MASSES WILL BE HELD IN THE
 MCDONALD FAMILY CENTER GYM**

If you would like to be a Eucharistic Minister at this Mass, please contact Deacon Wilbur Hoelscher, 478-5013 or if you would like to be a Lector/Commentator please contact Victoria Gwynn, 843-8443.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Newcomers are invited to a Christian meditation group. The one hour gathering includes quiet music, a short taped talk on meditation by Fr. John Main, O.S.B., 25 minutes of silent meditation, followed by a question and answer period.

**We will meet in the
 Room 200 of the
 Church Administration Building
 on Wednesday nights from
 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.**

For more information please call Sr. Bernice Lindsey, O.S.B. at #445-1107.

LEGION OF MARY ORGANIZING EVENING GROUP

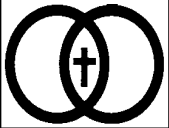
The Legion of Mary is organizing an evening group (praesidium) at St. Matthew. The first meeting will be on Friday, January 27th at 7:00 PM in the MFC, Room 106. Active members must attend the weekly meetings and perform a weekly apostolate work obligation of at least two hours. This work is done in pairs. Father Valentine Gallegos will be the Spiritual Director. Please come to the meeting if you are interested. For additional information, please call Kathleen, 520-2510 or Doris, 342-9490.

BAPTISM CLASSES	
Baptismal Classes January 9, & 16 (MFC, Room 103) 7:30 p.m. <i>Pre-registration by December 22nd</i> Group Baptisms Saturday, January 28th at 11:00 a.m. Parents & Godparents/Sponsors must be in the MFC Gym by 10:30 a.m.	Baptismal Classes February 6, 13 & 20 (MFC, Room 103) 7:30 p.m. <i>Pre-registration by January 28th</i> Group Baptisms Saturday, February 25th at 11:00 a.m. Parents & Godparents/Sponsors must be in the MFC Gym by 10:30 a.m.

Parents and Godparents/Sponsors are required to attend **all** of the **monthly classes** chosen before or after the baby is born. St. Matthew Parishioners need to take the classes at St. Matthew's.

Pre-registration is required and “NO” late registrations will be accepted. Registration packets are available at the Administration Building. The child's state birth certificate is required. Godparents/Sponsors from another parish may attend classes in their own parish if they bring a letter or certificate of completion.

**Newly ENGAGED?
 CONGRATULATIONS!**



Our Parish family rejoices with you as you prepare for this life-long covenant of love. We know that these next months will be filled with many details of planning for your wedding day. In order to help you prepare for your sacramental marriage, take time from your busy schedule as soon as possible to contact **Judith Poston at 478-5016** for Marriage Preparation. Together may you follow the way of love as Christ loved you. (Ephesians 5:2).

LENTEN LITTLE BLACK BOOK:

The “Little Black Book” is a treasure of brief meditations for every day of Lent. We have ordered a limited supply of these books for adults in English and Spanish and for children in English. If you are interested in purchasing one of these books, please call Mary DeCotis at 863-1938 or the Administration Office Front Desk at 478-5000. The cost for the booklet is only \$2.00! We will not submit an additional order. Thank you.