



We had a great 50th Anniversary Celebration!

St. Matthias'
Episcopal Church
 Fellowship, Community and
 Faith

June 2023

What's Happening

Fr. Dexter Lesieur

We had a glorious St. Matthias 50th Anniversary celebration. The Rt. Rev. Rayford High, Assistant Bishop of West Texas and dear friend of St. Matthias received JoAnn, John and Pat. Erika pulled double duty as the Bishop's Chaplain and our crucifer and Harry was our LEM. We had 39 folks in attendance. We had 2 of St. Matthias's founders as well as past and present parishioners. There was a celebratory luncheon after the service. Thank you to everyone who put in long hours to get everything ready.



I was able to show Pat, JoAnn, Harry, and Meg our Diocese, the Bishop Jones Center buildings, and beautiful grounds. They were even able to meet some of the Diocesan staff.

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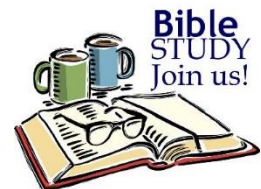


Thanks to Jon, we delivered cases of adult diapers to 3rd Street Closet who distributes them to area Homes and patients in need.

We'll be postponing our next POSM Murder Mystery originally scheduled for June due to too many conflicts. We'll reschedule for the fall.

MURDER MYSTERY

Everyone's getting used to our new Bible Study time, Sunday Mornings 9-10 in the Parish Hall. We're currently studying Revelation. We'd love to have you join our group of folks participating either in person or online.



Prayer Shawl Ministry – What is a prayer shawl? The tallit (sometimes called a “tallis” with an Ashkenazic pronunciation) is a garment one can wear to create a sense of personal space during prayer. By wrapping yourself in it, or by covering your head with it, the intention and direction of your prayers can be enhanced.

An interesting, albeit sacred, aspect of Jewish worship is the donning of a prayer shawl when one enters the sanctuary, prepared to worship. In Torah, the Jewish Bible, we are instructed in the Book of Numbers 15: 37-41, to do this.

The only difference between a prayer shawl and any other shawl is in the process of making it. When making a prayer shawl, the crafter is very intentional about their work. They infuse the piece with a prayer. This soothes the crafter as they work.

What do you say when giving a prayer shawl?
 “May this shawl made with love, through prayer, be a mantle and sign of God's healing presence. May it strengthen you when you are weary. May it surround you and ease your suffering. May it encircle you when you feel pain.”

There will be prayer shawls available in the back of the church as they are made and blessed for you to take and give to others or use for yourself.

St. Matthias, leading the way in our community, the Diocese, and in the Episcopal Church.

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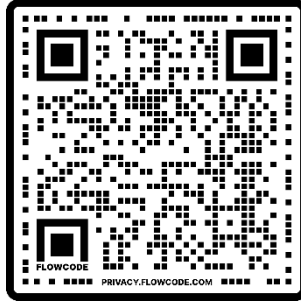
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GIVING LINKS

We've added an online giving link on our St. Matthias Web Site and Facebook pages. Your support is greatly appreciated.

<https://www.fellowshiponegiving.com/App/Form/d9b59938-5252-4e7f-8828-75939fd5be8c>

On the back of our new contact cards is this QR code. When scanned this is what links you can access.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 Bible Study gam HE 10:30 am	5 Evan & Cassandra Eads (A)	6	7 EP 6:00 pm	8	9	10 Kaylynn Lesieur (BD)
11 Bible Study gam HE 10:30 am	12	13	14 EP 6:00 pm Esme Eads (BD)	15	16	17 Rob Nichols (BD)
18 Bible Study gam HE 10:30 am Noisy Offering	19	20	21 EP 6:00 pm	22	23	24
25 Bible Study gam HE 10:30 am	26	27	28 EP 6:00 pm	29	30	

Legend: Legend: HE = Eucharist, EP = Evening Prayer, BD = Birthday, A=Anniversary