



**“I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen; not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.”**

**C. S. Lewis**

**St. Matthias’  
Episcopal Church**  
Fellowship, Community and Faith

**November  
2021**

## What’s Happening

Fr. Dexter Lesieur

We had a busy October. I attended our Diocesan Clergy Conference at Camp Capers. It was great to get updates on ministries and see fellow clergy. Bishop Reed will visit St. Matthias June 19th, which is Father’s Day. I also met with the Diocesan Archdeacon, the Venerable Mike Besson to begin a 5-yr plan for St. Matthias to become a Parish instead of a Mission as we are now. As the number of parishioners continues to grow, I want to be ready. I was honored to be the Chaplain for the Wounded Warriors and Veteran’s Family retreat at our Diocesan Mustang Island Conference Center and thank Meg for

leading our Morning Prayer Service while I was away.

### Advent Wreaths

Advent begins in November! On Sunday, Nov. 21 there will be the makings of Advent Wreaths in the Parish Hall for your family to put together and take home. The First Sunday in Advent is the following Sunday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>. A donation of \$10 is suggested to help defray material costs.



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### Trunk or Treat

I want to thank everyone who donated to our annual St. Matthias Trunk or Treat for the community. JoAnn, Harry, Phyllis, Allison, Mike, Brenda and Meg handed out all kinds of treats for the folks who visited.





## Murder Mystery Event

Our Murder Mystery Event (MME) was a complete success, and everyone had a great time. I want to thank our MME Committee (Rene, Erika, Rob, and Meg) for organizing the event. The costumes, actors, passengers, accents, questioning, and the Moroccan food and beverages were amazing! I can honestly say I didn't know it was Harry when he rang our bell. JoAnn was with him, so I figured it out. What an assortment of characters.



## Blessing of the Animals

We had a wonderful Blessing of the Animals service for the community. I blessed goats, dogs, cats, deer and chickens. We had 632 views of our service on our Facebook page.



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## GIVING LINKS

We've added a new 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>

Amazon Smile update:

Here is a direct link for you: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/74-2727034>

Use this link and then just shop as you normally would, renew your smile organization every 6 months. What an easy way to support St. Matthias!

AmazonSmile is a program that donates 0.5% of your eligible purchases on Amazon to a charity of your choice. All you need to do is start your shopping at smile.amazon.com. The donation will be made at no extra cost to you and you can choose from nearly one million public charitable organizations.

# November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Daylight Savings - Fall Back! Joyce Gill - BD
7 HE 10:30 am	8	9	10 MP 9:00 am Bible Study 5 pm	11	12	13
14 HE 10:30 am	15	16	17 MP 9:00 am Bible Study 5 pm	18	19	20
21 HE 10:30 am Noisy Offering POSM Bag Advent Wreath Making	22	23	24 MP 9:00 am Bible Study 5 pm	25 Thanksgiving Day	26	27
28 HE 10:30 am First Sunday in Advent	29	30	27 MP 9:00 am Bible Study 5 pm	28	29	30

Legend: Legend: HE = Eucharist, MP = Morning Prayer, BD = Birthday, A=Anniversary



