

SAINT MATTHIAS  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

CALENDAR:

Thursday, July 2nd  
Church Office Closed

Friday, July 3rd  
Church Office Closed

Monday, July 13th  
Men & Women's Bible Study  
7:00 pm with Zoom

Saturday, July 18th  
Ministry to the Homeless  
Austin St. Shelter @ 11am

Monday, July 27th  
Men & Women's Bible Study  
7:00 pm with Zoom

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# JULY 2020

## “Independence Day”

July is the month were we in the United States celebrate its Independence from England. We call it Independence Day and in England, they call it separation day. Most will celebrate with family, food and fun and sadly, very little will be said about the purpose of this yearly celebration. As Christians we too have a day set aside to celebrate our Independence. Not from a country or a king, rather from the captivity and demands of the flesh. Jesus came to set the captives free, to usher in a new way of life and to offer His people the true freedom that they were created to have. We call this day Easter.

Since Easter is now two months behind us and the Easter season ended a month or so ago, now is a good time to take account of our freedom. Are we worshipping the Lord with the same excitement as we did then? Has His presence in our lives made a change that not only we can see, but also those who are around us? Have we embraced the fact that, as Christians, we are an Easter people? Or have we returned to the ways of our past, the mundane, the exhausted and the hopelessness that comes with living in the flesh?

It is never a bad time to renew our hope in Jesus Christ. Just as a commemoration of country stirs up feelings of patriotism in our hearts, so should the celebration of our faith stir up a feeling of citizenship in Heaven. You have been called to be a people/city set upon a hill, a royal priesthood, a people set apart. Let the light of Christ that dwells in you illuminate the darkness of this world so that all that is hidden may be brought into the light. May the illumination of your life shine for the world to see.

Peace and Blessings,



# NEWS & UPDATES

**Helping Hands  
Items of the  
Month  
Dried Beans,  
Peas & Rice**



**Helping Hands  
Volunteer this  
Month  
Mary Dingwell**

This has been an ongoing ministry of our congregation for many years. Please consider being a part of our giving to Helping Hands.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Must wear a face covering in order to attend.
- No childcare is available at this time as well as No Sunday School.
- The 8:30am worship service is still being recorded for live streaming for those who are unable to attend.
- Eucharist will only be received in the hand and will be distributed at your seat.
- Passing of the Peace will continue to be suspended.
- Please discard your bulletin or take it home with you as you leave. It will not be recycled for use in the next worship service.

## COMBINED MEN & WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Monday, July 13th  
Monday, July 27th  
@ 7:00pm  
Online Classroom in Zoom

## REMEMBER TO

*Register each week  
for worship.  
Currently, seating is  
limited to 50 individuals.*

In observance of Independence Day,  
the church office will be closed July 2nd & July 3rd.

## Server's List

### 8:30 am Worship Service

Date	7/5/2020	7/12/2020	7/19/2020	7/26/2020
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Marguerite Brindock	Mark Volpi	Tracy McLeland	Vicki Graska
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Jody McGee	Tracy McLeland	Karen Anderson	Margie Chung
<b>Altar Server</b>	Preston Landman	Preston Landman	Preston Landman	Preston Landman

### 10:00 am Worship Service

Date	7/5/2020	7/12/2020	7/19/2020	7/26/2020
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Angela Garza	Juan Garza	Josh Zachary	Jeff Gay
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Yolanda Garza	Cristina Zachary	Pam Slovak	Yolanda Garza
<b>Altar Server</b>	Juan Garza	Juan Garza	Mark Volpi	Juan Garza

# Advertisements

David is so fascinating; from his "apple-of-God's-eye" heart of gold, to abject human failure in regards to Bathsheba and Tamar - there is always a spectacle to learn from! When he is walking in the Spirit, he is a force to be reckoned with - but when he acts like the human we all are, he is often disgusting.

One of my all-time fave's is the story of David's 24-hour turnaround; from TOTAL LOSS ((1 Samuel 30:3-5) to MORE THAN COMPLETE RESTORATION (1 Samuel 30:19-20).

**David and his men arrived at the city to find it burned to the ground and their wives, sons, and daughters taken captive. Then David and those who were with him wept aloud until they could weep no more. David's two wives, Ahinoam of Jezreel and Abigail, the widow of Nabal from Carmel, had also been carried off. (1 Samuel 30:3-5)**

**Nothing was missing, small or great, plunder or sons or daughters, of all that the Amalekites had taken. David brought back everything. Moreover, David took all the sheep and oxen, and as they drove these before him, they shouted, "This is David's plunder!" (1 Samuel 30: 19-20)**



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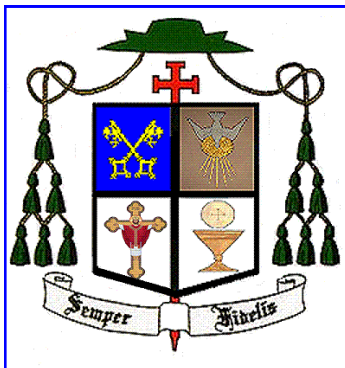
116 Kenway St  
Rockwall, TX 75087  
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Sunday English Mass.....8:30 am &  
10:00 am

Must register in order to attend live worship.

Confession.....Available by appointment

No Childcare or Sunday School until further notice.



## Saint Matthias Church Office

102 Kenway St  
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### Office Hours

Monday 9:00 am — 1:00 pm  
Wednesday 9:00 am — 1:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 am — 11:00 am

Please call to make an appointment..