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The Parish Newsletter of St Matthias' Church, Dallas, Texas

NOVEMBER AD 2025

Dear Parish Family,

As I write this letter, I am filled with so much anticipation and excitement for the days ahead of us. We have, as always at the beginning of the month of November, some of the most important and well-loved days of the Church year: All Saints Day and All Souls Day. There is something fitting about these special feasts being celebrated at the beginning of November. We are at a point in the year in which a lot of us tend to look back and also look ahead. These feasts help us to do just that – look back and look ahead – in a spiritual sense.

The Feast of All Souls encourages us to look to the past, to remember and pray for all those we have known and loved who have passed from this world before us. We give thanks to God for those connections, those meetings, those special relationships; and we pray that our Loving Father would grant them peace and rest as He illuminates them with His Divine Grace.

The Feast of All Saints also helps us look back on the glory of God in His saints. We honor all the saints of God, whether they have been formally canonized or not. Those saints who have been canonized inspire us by their examples of heroic holiness and virtue. They are our powerful older brothers and sisters in the faith who we are sure are alive with Christ in Heaven, cheering us on and helping us along the Pilgrim Way. More than this, the Feast of All Saints helps us to look ahead. The saints stand as witnesses of the transforming power of God's grace and love, showing the world that hell has lost

its power and death has truly lost its sting. In the saints, we get a picture of what life will be like, and indeed what we will be like, if we persevere until the end and keep the faith.

We are now in a moment in the life of our parish in which we are able to look back, and also look ahead. As a parish family, we have the opportunity to look back on this past year and indeed on the entire life of our parish, and give thanks to God for all the blessings, provision, and guidance He has granted us. At the same time, as we take our first steps together in this new chapter in the life of our parish, we look ahead to the coming year and all the possibilities it brings.

I look forward to seeing the results of our stewardship season, to see where the Lord is leading us and how He is inspiring us to work together for His Kingdom in the year ahead. I look forward to working with you all in the months (and years) to come as we renew ongoing ministries, restart events and ministries which have gone dormant, and also prayerfully institute new events and ministries that will contribute to our mission of holding high the fullness of the saving Gospel once handed down to the saints.

May our Lady Mary, our Patron Matthias, and all the saints pray for us.

Yours in Christ,

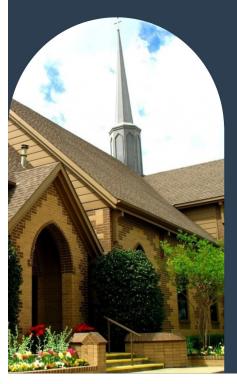
The Rev'd Father Travis Province, Rector

ST MATTHIAS' CHURCH

ANNOUNCES

The Institution of The Rev'd Father Travis A. Province, ssc

Join us for this sacred occasion



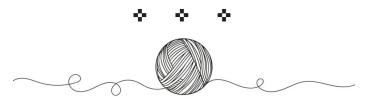
Saturday, November 8, 2025 10:30 AM St Matthias' Church Luncheon to Follow

St Matthias' Church 3460 Forest Lane Dallas, TX 75234 (214) 358-2585

PRAYERS & SQUARES MINISTRY



The Prayers and Squares Ministry will meet Thursday, November 20th at 4:30pm. We have given over 300 quilts and many prayers to those in need. If you know someone who would benefit from extra prayers and support, please consider a quilt for them. Contact nitahinshaw@aol.com to make a request.



KNIT & STITCH

Grab your yarn, hooks, needles, or favorite stitching project and join us for a cozy morning of creativity and conversation! The Ladies Knit & Stitch Group meets on Tuesday, November $4^{\rm th}$ at 10:00 a.m. in Duncan Hall. Bring your lunch, your project, and your cheerful spirit as we share fellowship, laughter, and a love for all things handmade. Whether you're a seasoned crafter or just curious, you'll find a welcoming spot at our table!



DID YOU KNOW?

Are your retirement accounts subject to Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs), or are you over age 70 1/2? You can ask your financial advisor to make your tithe and pledge contributions to St Matthias directly from your IRA, and it will potentially reduce the income tax you owe on your distribution. Making your contributions to St Matthias (and other qualified charities) through your RMD can save you more than itemizing your deductions. While it may seem complicated, making contributions directly from your IRA or retirement account can be an important tool to save you money. You can get more information from the IRS website at https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/qualified-charitable-distributions-allow-eligible-ira-owners-up-to-100000-in-tax-free-gifts-to-charity or your financial advisor.

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Daily Liturgy Schedule

Monday through Friday:

6:45am - Matins

7:00am - Mass

Wednesday: Noon - Mass

Saturday: 9:00am - Matins 9:15am - Mass

Confessions - Noon to 12:30pm