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# The Messenger

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church 9349 E. 65<sup>th</sup> Street Raytown, Missouri 64133

# **BISHOP'S VISITATION**



## SERVICE OF RECEPTION FOR ERIC MARTINEZ

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The Bishop officiated the Presentation and Examination service to receive Eric Martinez into the communion of the Episcopal Church. Congratulations to Eric as the newest member of St. Matthew's parish.

A reception was held for the Bishop and Eric during coffee hour. Thanks again to the Hospitality Committee.

Linda Gerding, reporting



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# St. Matthew's Staff

The Rev. William Jeff Hurst Rector

> Sherry Minzey Admin. Assistant

Patti McGill Music Director

## Officers

Jason Brooks Senior Warden

Carl Turlin Junior Warden

Brenda Laney Treasurer

Linda Gerding Secretary

## Service Times

Sunday Worship Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:00 a.m. Streamed on YouTube

#### **BISHOP'S VISITATION PPHOTOS**















# DIOCESAN COUNCIL MEETING HOSTED BY ST. MATTHEW'S JUNE 15, 2024

It was St. Matthew's turn to host the Diocese for their Council Meeting and provide coffee and snacks in the morning then lunch later. Bishop Diane facilitates this meeting so she was back again after her visit the Sunday before, along with 24 council delegates. As it turns out now, the Diocese caters in their lunch so they had arranged to have a taco bar. Our hospitality team had also provided small sandwiches, pinwheels, pasta salad, cookies, and drinks. Everyone ate very well, and there was enough left over for St. Matthew's coffee hour the next morning so we all had brunch. (nothing wasted!!)

Linda G. Reporting







On June 22 five of us went to the Truman Library, joined a tour that had just started, learned interesting facts and saw informative videos. A couple of us left thinking we want to go back sometime and learn some more. I had been to the old library and this is, by far, an improvement.

Then we went to Independence Square to Ophelias and enjoyed our dinner.





# **Online Links**

Online Giving Link: http://stmatthewsraytown.org/

# Facebook:

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# St. Matthew's Website:

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church (stmatthewsraytown.org)

# St. Matthew's YouTube:

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