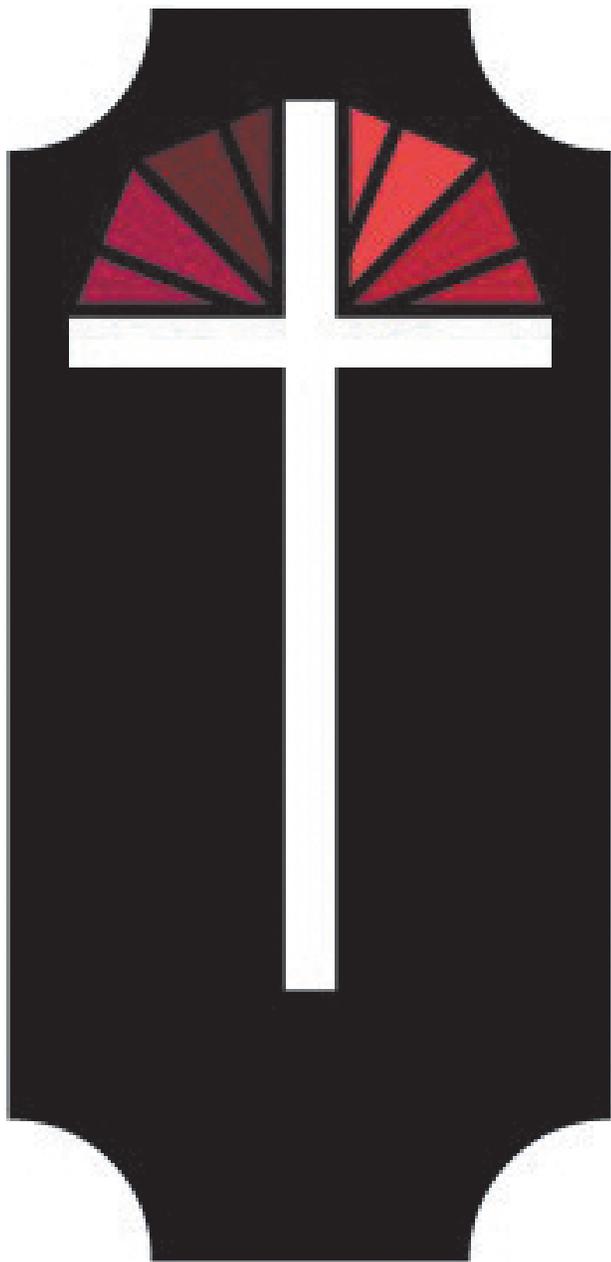


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*"There is no longer a privileged people and a marginalized people.*

*All of us are co-heirs in the mystery of Christ."*

St. Archbishop Oscar Romero

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8:30AM Virginia Mascherino

Wednesday, September 16

8:30AM Filomena Centofanti

Thursday, September 17

8:30AM John Cardinal

Friday, September 18

8:30AM Michael Kinley

Saturday, September 19

5:00PM Miriam Ramirez

Sunday, September 20

9:00AM People of Our Parish

11:00AM Joe Viola

**Mass Times**

Tues-Fri 8:30 AM

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM

11:00 AM

1:30 PM (Haitian)

3:00 PM (Nigerian)

7:15 PM (Brazilian)

Confessions:

First Saturdays from 3:45 pm—4:45pm

*Please continue to:*

- Socially Distance
- Wear a Mask
- Use hand sanitizer

# PASTORAL POST

*Parish Council by Fr. Tony Davis*

The new St. Matthias Parish Council continues to grow, even amidst the pandemic. I am excited at the progress that has been made over the past year. Being a new group to the parish, we had to start small. It was our plan to take the next step in expanding the council this past May 14 (St. Matthias Feast Day), but we did not even reach the nomination phase before the coronavirus shutdown in mid-March. In order to not lose the momentum previously gained, towards the end of the Summer we decided to move ahead and appoint the next few members of the council with the hope that by May 14, 2021, our process of nomination and drawing by lot will be in effect. By this time next year, we should have a full council of nine members, with three coming on and three going off each year.

Parish Council meets once a month and members are asked to serve a three year term. Minutes from the meetings will be posted on our website under 'About' - 'Parish Organizations'. The current members of the Parish Council are:

Phil Callaghan (1), John Grant (2),  
Martha Miricho (2), Sr. Mary Riley (2),  
Tam Trinh (1), Kristy Yonyon (1)

One of our current endeavors as a council is to formulate a mission statement and identify our core values. With this in place, our vision will be much clearer and our communication of that vision much more comprehensive. As a group, we are particularly mindful of the pain that many of our parishioners and neighbors feel as our world continues to deal with the sin of racism. We want to be a voice of healing for all of our ethnic journeys.

As the risk of the virus subsides, I hope that the Parish Council can become even more visible within our community. They are here to represent the wider parish, provide feedback, plan events, and support the pastoral vision. May the Holy Spirit, who chose St. Matthias to be the 13th Apostle, guide us into our future.

**Church News**

**PSR (PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION)**

Please spread the word that our PSR program is restructured and excited to introduce our new format! These classes are for all our students who do not attend a Catholic School, but are looking for religious education and/or are preparing for a sacrament. The first session is the evening of **Wednesday, October 7, 2020**. Please note that with this new format, there will not be PSR classes on Sunday mornings. Our primary way of communication will be Flocknote, using the 'PSR' group. For those without access to Flocknote, you may call the Parish Office for information.

**HAITIAN MASSES RESUMES**

The Haitian Catholic Community will resume their Sunday masses this weekend, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Haitian mass will be every Sunday at 1:30pm, **except the first Sundays of the month**. All St. Matthias parishioners are invited to attend, particularly as it is easier to socially distance at this mass. On the first Sundays of the month, members of the Haitian Community are encouraged to attend our parish masses.

**GUIDE BOOK 2021 ADVERTISING**

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the church. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees, and activities plus a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please contact the Parish Office: [office@stmatthiascolumbus.com](mailto:office@stmatthiascolumbus.com).

**JUBILEE OF ANNIVERSARIES**

Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th (and every year thereafter) anniversaries in 2020 are invited to the annual Jubilee of Anniversaries in honor of their marriages! Bishop Robert Brennan will celebrate Mass at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 25, at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Westerville. The Jubilee Mass will also be livestreamed for couples who prefer to attend virtually. All registered couples, whether attending or not, will receive a personalized certificate. Couples who R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, October 14, will be included in the Mass worship aid and The Catholic Times. For more information, including COVID precautions, contact the Marriage and Family Office at (614)-241-2560.

**I Think You're Wrong (but I'm Listening)**

"Twenty years ago, only 17 percent of Republicans had a 'very unfavorable' opinion of Democrats. By 2016, almost half of all Republicans had a 'very unfavorable view.' A similar shift was seen on the other side. In twenty years, the number of Democrats who had 'very unfavorable' opinions of Republicans jumped from 16 to 44 percent. Among those on both sides who had a 'very unfavorable' opinion of the other party, the majority reported to Pew [Research Center] that the opposing party's policies represent a *threat to the future of the country*." (Holland & Silvers, p.25)

**Weekly Collection**

<b>August 30, 2020</b>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>FISCAL YEAR TO DATE</u>
Contributions	\$9,865.00	\$58,887.00
Budget	\$8,200.00	\$73,800.00
Difference	\$1,665.00	(\$14,913.00)

**Notices**

**THANK YOU!**

The parish thanks the many people who volunteered to setup, run, and tear down our 2020 Yard Sale. We were blessed with great weather and raised over \$2,000 for the Church. Also, a big thank you to all who donated items to the sale.

**2019-2020 FINANCIAL REPORT**

We are almost ready to share our yearly financial report with the parish. The members of the Finance Council have been working hard and meeting monthly as we continue to move through these difficult pandemic times. Please look for a 'Pastoral Post' and bulletin insert in the near future with that information.

**CENSUS UPDATES**

Even though the deadline for Census Updates and surveys is past, we still would like to hear from you! Please mail us your updates so we can adjust our records. Also, if you did not receive a packet or lost it, let us know and we can resend it.

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

St. Matthias is still collecting completed BAA envelopes, which are available in the vestibule. Pledges or donations may be placed in the collection basket or mailed directly to the Diocese of Columbus using the provided envelope. Thank you for your generosity!

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2021**

Mass intention slots for January through December 2021 are now available. There is a donation of \$10 per mass. To request a mass, please contact the parish office via mail, a note in the collection basket, or email: [office@stmatthiascolumbus.com](mailto:office@stmatthiascolumbus.com)

**MATERNITY LEAVE**

Our Parish Secretary is currently on maternity leave and we are excited to meet her new son! In the meantime, we ask for your patience with your emails and phone calls. We will get back to you as soon as possible!

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