

Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time**Monday, October 3rd**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Avelino Gonzalez (L)

Tuesday, October 4th*Saint Francis of Assisi*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Homebound Parishioners (L)

Wednesday, October 5th*Saint Faustina Kowalska**Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Parish Volunteers (L)

Thursday, October 6th*Saint Bruno**Blessed Marie Rose Durocher*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: School Volunteers (L)

Friday, October 7th*Our Lady of the Rosary*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: ASMA Teachers & Students (L)

Saturday, October 8th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Ladies of Charity (L)

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**Readings**

2 Kgs 5: 14-17

2 Tm 2: 8-13

Luke 17: 11-19

Saturday, October 8th

Mass 4:00 PM: Gilberto Moreto (D)

Mass 7:00 PM: Francisco De Leon (D)

Sunday, October 9th

Mass 8:00 AM: Dr. Ferris E. George, Jr. (L)

Mass 9:45 AM: Adamma Ugoh (D)

Mass 11:30 PM: Azuka Mosley (L)

Mass 1:30 PM: People of the Parish (L)

Mass 6:00 PM: Avelino Gonzalez (L)

***Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish,
our neighbors, family, and friends:***Christina Smith Beal; Elaine Brooks; Mary Dawson;
Rosita Dietrich; Deborah Diggs; Helen Dziduch; Avelino
Gonzalez; Dolly Kwame-Greene; Genevieve Greenfield;
Jan Jarus; Everett & Martha Lallis; William Stevenson;
Mary Ann Vugrin; Patricia Williams; Mae Young; Don
Zehner; Rita and Eugene Zehner***For our military, protect them from all harm.******For the faithful departed, may they rest in peace.*****Stewardship Report****September 25**

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| Offertory | 7,759 |
| Faith Direct | 2,600 |
| Total | 10,359 |
| Last Year | 11,667 |

We are grateful for your generosity.**This weekend's second collection is the
monthly Building Fund.****Items of Note at St. Matthias****Ministry Recruitment:** Next weekend we will share the importance of Choirs and the Projection Ministry. Music praises God and the words on the screen enable us to fully participate throughout the Mass. Please join these

ministers October 8th & 9th for more information and refreshments in the Hughes Center after each Mass.

The Ladies of Charity are pleased to announce the next copies of the "***CORDIAL COMMUNICATOR***" will be issued on Sunday, October 9th, with the deadline for submissions on Wednesday, October 5th, and Sunday, October 23rd with the deadline on Wednesday, October 19th. **The suggested theme for October will be "THE ROSARY: A POWERFUL PRAYER"**. If you would like to dedicate a Rosary prayer to a specific individual, family or group, please fill out and submit an official form along with your donation (\$5/\$10) which helps support the efforts of the LOC. You will receive a Rosary as a special *Thank You* gift. As always, "***Cordial Communicator***" will gladly include your acknowledgements for Birthdays, Anniversaries, Best Wishes, Condolences, and all messages from the heart. Thank you for your support!**St. Matthias Prayer Group** meets in Friendship Hall every Sunday immediately after 11:30 AM Mass. The last Friday of the month is Miracle Night, from 8:00-10:00 PM, in the church. Contact Info: (240) 486-0733 or (301) 351-0777.

The Academy of Saint Matthias

Save the Date for Oct. 17, 2022. There will be an Open House for prospective parents from 4:00-6:00 PM. We anticipate limited openings in several grades for the 2023-2024 school year, so it is crucial to look at schools early and to apply for financial aid when it becomes available. The ASMA serves children in Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, Kindergarten, and Grades 1 through 8.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation classes will begin next Sunday, October 9, 2022, from 10:30-11:30 AM.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Maryland State Council is holding its 53rd Annual Cash Raffle. Tickets are \$ 1.00 each and the drawing will be held October 8th. **The last day to purchase tickets is this Sunday, October 2nd.** Grand Prize is \$ 20,000 cash; 2nd Prize is \$ 3,000; 3rd Prize is \$ 1,500. Tickets are available in the parish office during regular business hours and in the church vestibule after weekend Masses.

Family Connection

There is much in today's Gospel that resonates in family life. In our daily attempts as parents to live up to the confidence and trust that our children place in us, we come to know the wonders that God can do with just a little faith. In family life we also learn about obligations that are their own rewards. The daily tasks that family members do for one another and for the household are simply the manifestations of our responsibilities to one another.

Take a turn with each member of the family and identify some of the little things that each family member does that make a big difference in your family life. Read today's Gospel, Luke 17:5-10. Talk about how each person is called upon by God to believe that God can work miracles in our lives, that God can use us to make a difference in our world.

Together as a family, pray Saint Ignatius of Loyola's Prayer of Generosity. Ask that God will work through your family to make a difference in the lives of those around you.

Lord, teach me to be generous. Teach me to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, save that of knowing that I do your will.

60th Anniversary

The Parish Social Life Committee (PSLC) thanks all who participated in the liturgy during our bilingual Mass for our 60th Anniversary on Sunday, September 25th. I know that all the parishioners were so glad to be present to hear the message from Father Avelino Gonzalez and enjoy the diverse music. We began our day with praises to God. We thank our Heavenly Father for giving us a beautiful day to gather, socialize, and reflect on 60 years of service to Catholics and the Lanham community. Many parishioners, family, and friends attended the celebration. There were women wearing gorgeous cultural dresses and handsome traditional attire were worn by the men. We thank you for representing our diversity and sharing your traditional foods. We were fortunate to have Filipino, Hispanic, and Cameroonian dancers. The Nigerian Masquerade Group took over the parking lot and commanded our attention with their performance. Not to be outdone, the Sierra Leone Level Group with the dancer on stilts moved throughout the crowd under the tent, in the parking lot, and the closing performance with a lit fire on the performer's belly where they cooked an egg in a pan over the flames was just spectacular. We hope pictures will appear in the Catholic Standard so you can see for yourselves what an amazing day we shared with our brothers and sisters in Christ. So many people were recording videos and taking pictures, we should be able to post a collage of photos on our church website. I would be remiss if I didn't thank my Deputy Chair, Debbie Self. She is my rock and a superstar. There is no task, situation, or individual she can't handle. We have extraordinary volunteers at this church. They are a true reflection of the love and charity that Christ expects of all of us. For those of you who volunteered on Saturday and Sunday, you are superstars, too! Our thanks is insufficient when comes when it comes to our gratitude for all the work done by Hector Perez and Rina Notice. Thank you Ms. Leslie Long O'Leary for your guidance, support, and continuous updates. To Ms. Patricia Ford, thank you for handling our bulletin inserts, information, and announcements. We also thank you for your patience and calming demeanor. Ms. Deborah Kijak-Hess and Ms. Regina Loffredo, your hard work and knowledge of the liturgy brought all the elements together for a memorable 60th Anniversary Mass. We are truly blessed to have such wonderful people in our number. -Zita Givens

Mass Schedule for October 8/9

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| 4:00 PM | Fr. Canice |
| 7:00 PM | Fr. German |
| 8:00 AM | Fr. TBD |
| 9:45 AM | Fr. TBD |
| 11:30 AM | Fr. Canice |
| 1:30 PM | Fr. German |
| 6:00 PM | Fr. Canice |