

**The Second Week of Easter****Monday, April 17th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Chioke Conner (L)

**Tuesday, April 18th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Dominic DeMaio (L)

**Wednesday, April 19th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Engracia Felix (D)

**Thursday, April 20th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Sylvester Ugoh (L)

**Friday, April 21st***Saint Anselm*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Eugene L. Tate (D)

**Saturday, April 22nd**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Candida &amp; Sinforosa Nchuchuma (D)

**The Third Sunday of Easter****Readings**

Acts: 2: 14, 22-33

1 Pt 1: 17-21

Luke 24: 13-35

**Saturday, April 22nd**Mass 4:00 PM: Collin Fletcher (D)  
Mass 7:00 PM: Juan Carlos Donis (D)**Sunday, April 23rd**Mass 8:00 AM: Dr. Dennis A. George (D)  
Mass 9:45 AM: Adamma Ugoh (D)  
Mass 11:30 AM: Anthonia Ndika (L)  
Mass 1:30 PM: People of the Parish (L)  
Mass 6:00 PM: Dennis Lucus (D)*Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish,  
our neighbors, family, and friends:*

Christina Smith Beal; Elaine Brooks; Phyllis Burton; Mary Dawson; Rosita Dietrich; Deborah Diggs; Helen Dziduch; Avelino Gonzalez; Dolly Kwame-Greene; Genevieve Greenfield; Alice Gugliotta; Jan Jarus; Hildegard Jorgensen; Everett &amp; Martha Lallis; Harrington Ofwono; 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****April 2**

Offertory	12,580
Faith Direct	2,470
Total	15,050
<b>Last Year</b>	<b>15,018</b>

**April 9**

Offertory	10,194
Faith Direct	2,470
Total	12,664
<b>Last Year</b>	<b>11,032</b>

Next week's second collection is the  
**National Collection for Church  
Missions within the United States**

*Thank you for your generosity!***Items of Note at St. Matthias**

**Celebrate St. Matthias Ladies of Charity Recognition Month** at all weekend Masses in April. Ask any of the ladies in blue blazers about the mission of LOC: "To Serve, Rather Than Be Served." For more than 55 years, the St. Matthias Church LOC has provided food, clothing, and other assistance to

those in need. These uplifting and life changing services are made possible by contributions from members of the LOC, parishioners, and other groups. We welcome your support!



**Save the Date:** The 60th Anniversary Gala for Mother Seton Council #5381 will be held on **Saturday, May 20, 2023**. Tickets cost \$ 50 each and are available in the parish office and through the Knights of Columbus.

**St. Matthias Prayer Group**

meets in Friendship Hall every Sunday after the 11:30 AM Mass. The last Friday of the month is Miracle Night, from 8:00-10:00 PM in the church. Contact Information: 240-486-0733 or 301-351-0777.





## The Academy of Saint Matthias

**The Academy of St. Matthias** is accepting new student applications for the 2023-2024 school year. The application is available online at [www.TADS.com](http://www.TADS.com). Our school code is AS9EI-CSC. For more information, please contact Ann O'Hare, Director of Admissions, at 301-577-9412, or [aohare@stmatthias.org](mailto:aohare@stmatthias.org).

**Congratulations** to Lorraine Willis, raffle winner of \$ 500 in the April 1st drawing.

## Family Connection

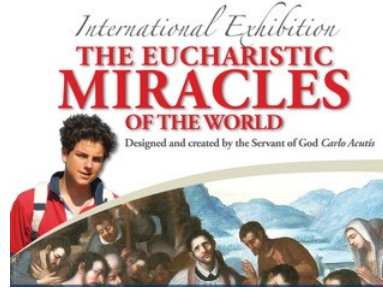
Many of us can relate to Thomas's response to the news that the disciples had seen Jesus. We want to see for ourselves too, but we grow in faith, trusting the experience and knowledge of others.

We have heard the saying, "Seeing is believing." As your family gathers, take some time to consider what that saying means. What are some things we believe because we see them? Is there anything we believe without seeing? Today's Gospel reminds us that faith sometimes asks us to believe things we cannot see with our eyes. Read today's Gospel, John 19:19-31, with your family. Think about Thomas's response to the reports about the risen Lord. Is Thomas's doubt reasonable? How does Jesus respond to Thomas? Jesus grants Thomas the evidence that Thomas needs to believe, but Jesus also affirms the faith of those who will be called upon to believe without first-hand experience. We are among those whom Jesus calls blessed. Discuss with your family the basis of each member's faith in Jesus—the witness of the first disciples, the Gospels, the continuing activity of the Holy Spirit, the community of the Church. Pray together that your faith in Jesus will be strong.



## Around the Archdiocese

### Coming to Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center on Saturday, May 6, 2023:



You and your family are invited to experience the International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles of the World. This amazing exhibit was compiled by

Blessed Carlo Acutis, a teen from Italy who died from cancer but had a true devotion to the Eucharist and a passion for researching and documenting the miracles. Featuring more than 100 miracles from 20 countries, the exhibition includes the principal Eucharistic Miracles recognized by the Church, plus a first-class relic of Blessed Carlo. **Exhibit hours are 10:00 AM-6:00 PM. There will also be a Mass celebrated at 10:00 AM.** All are welcome. Find more information at [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org) or call 301-365-0612. *Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, A Place to Encounter Christ! 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.*

## Divine Mercy Sunday



In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as *Divine Mercy Sunday*, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

### **Mass Schedule for April 22/23**

4:00 PM	Msgr. Balbago
7:00 PM	Fr. German
8:00 AM	Fr. Canice
9:45 AM	Fr. Avelino
11:30 AM	Fr. Canice
1:30 PM	Fr. Avelino
6:00 PM	Fr. Canice