

The Tenth Week in Ordinary Time**Monday, June 12th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Edith, Elizabeth, and Clotilde Robinson (D)**

Tuesday, June 13th

Saint Anthony of Padua

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Patricia Dikibo (L)**

Wednesday, June 14th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Anthony Mekanjuola (L)**

Thursday, June 15th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Shawnaka Johnson (L)**

Friday, June 16th

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Ed Densmore (D)**

Saturday, June 17th

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**Readings**

Ex 19: 2-6a

Rom 5: 6-11

Matthew 9: 36—10:8

Saturday, June 17th

Mass 4:00 PM: **Francisco Loaeza (L)**

Mass 7:00 PM: **Esther Estrany LaBorda (D)**

Sunday, June 18th

Mass 8:00 AM: **Rodrigo Sanchez (D)**

Mass 9:45 AM: **Victor and Quirino Donis (L)**

Mass 11:30 AM: **George Acha-Morfaw (L)**

Mass 1:30 PM: **Padre Alejandro Diaz (L)**

Mass 6:00 PM: **People of the Parish (L)**

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 Dgiduch; Avelino Gonzalez; Dolly Kwame-Greene; Genevieve Greenfield; Alice Gugliotta; Jan Jarus; Hildegard Jorgensen; Everett & Martha Lallis; Burt Lyons; Harrington Ofwono; Lindsey Puce; Robert J. Resau; William Stevenson; Carl L. Tate, Sr.; Mary Ann Vugrin; Patricia Williams; Joyce Wright; 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

June 4, 2023

Offertory 9,220

Faith Direct 2,557

Total 11,777

Last Year 15,338

Thank you for your generosity.

Items of Note at St. Matthias**Parish Social Life Committee**

News: Thanks to our volunteers who plan to attend the Parish Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on Saturday, June 24th, 12:30-3:30 PM, in Friendship Hall. We look forward to seeing you!

Baptismal Preparation Classes are held the 2nd Saturday of each month (Spanish), and the 3rd Saturday of the month (English) at 10:00 AM. For more information and to register to attend, please call the parish office at 301-459-4814.

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 words ***Corpus Christi*** mean “body of Christ” in Latin. Corpus Christi, also called the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is celebrated by many Roman Catholics on the next Sunday after Trinity Sunday. This means that Corpus Christi is celebrated roughly two months after Easter. The feast is to celebrate the real presence of the body of Christ (the *corpus Christi*) in the bread and wine of the Eucharist.



The Academy of Saint Matthias

Congratulations to the ASMA class of 2023!

A special graduation Mass was held last Friday, June 2nd, for our eighth grade students. Our pastor, Father Avelino Gonzalez, was the celebrant. The following students received their diplomas from Principal Patricia Schratz and Father Avelino: Yana-Neveah Achaleke, Roosevelt Anosike, Saidah Barner, Jade Carter, Jocelin Garcia, James Grillo, Asael Gutierrez, Angel Hernandez, David Jenkins, Patrick Lara, Malick Myrville, Marilyn-Vera Ndeutchoua, Nememma Okalannaka, Natalia Reece, Jordan Steele, Alexander Torres, and Renaud Williams. We are proud of our graduates and pray for God's Blessings as they begin high school this fall.

The BOOST Scholarship Program, through the State of Maryland, is now open. **Families interested in having their child attend the Academy of St. Matthias for the 2023-2024 school year and who can document financial eligibility, must apply by June 30, 2023.** For more information, and eligibility criteria, go to: marylandpublicschools.org/pages/BOOST/index.aspx. If you need assistance with the application, please email Ms. Ann O'Hare, Director of Admissions, at aohare@stmatthias.org for an appointment.

The Mother Seton Council of the Knights of Columbus partners with our school to offer sponsored scholarship funds for families (or family groups) who participate in their FedEx program. Each participant must be 18 years or older and must agree to work a minimum of 5 professional football (NFL) events at FedEx Field during the coming season. **Events are usually held on Sundays. Each participant can earn a minimum of \$ 500 or more to be applied directly to the designated student's tuition at the school.** The first event of the 2023-24 season is a concert to be held in late June. To participate in this program, or if you have any questions, you may contact Mr. Sony Ajayi at 240-413-1066 or at sonyajayi@yahoo.com.

Mass Schedule for June 17/18

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

Father's Day Novena at St. Matthias



The Annual Father's Day Novena will begin with the 4:00 PM Vigil Mass on Saturday, June 17th, and will conclude with the 6:00 PM Mass on June 25th. A thoughtful way to remember fathers, living or deceased, is

to place names on a Father's Day envelope. Envelopes will be placed on the altar, and prayers will be offered throughout the Novena. A Father's Day envelope was included in the regular weekly envelope packet that was mailed in April. Additional envelopes and cards are available in the church vestibule and parish office. A suggested offering is \$ 5.00 per name.

St. Matthias Leisure Club

Last Call! Join us for a bus trip to attend the musical *Sister Act* on Wednesday, September 27th, at Toby's Dinner Theater, in Columbia, MD. **Cost is \$ 90.00 and is due by Monday, June 12, 2023.** Checks may be made payable to the St. Matthias Leisure Club. The bus leaves St. Matthias at 9:30 AM and returns at 4:30 PM. A buffet is available from 10:30-11:50 AM, and the show starts at 12:30 PM. Contact Rita Kitchings to reserve your seat (301-254-1038).

Family Connection

Our faith teaches us that when we gather to celebrate Mass, Jesus is present to us. The bread and wine truly become the Body and Blood of Christ. This is what we mean by the word transubstantiation: Jesus makes himself present to all who receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

If there are children in your family who have already celebrated their First Holy Communion, invite them to share their memories of this special day. If there are family photos taken on this occasion, bring them out and share them together. Adults in the family may also share memories or photos that they have of their First Communion. Then read together today's Gospel, John 6:51-58. Reflect together on what Jesus means when he calls himself the "living bread." Recall that every time we receive the Eucharist, Jesus keeps the promise he made in today's Gospel—those who eat his flesh and drink his blood will remain forever connected to him. Perhaps family members can share what it means for them to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. Together thank God for this gift of Holy Communion. Pray together *The Lord's Prayer* or today's Psalm.