Saint Matthias the Apostle Catholic Church

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Admissions Information

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Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Mass (Spanish): 7:00 PM Sunday: 8:00, 9:45 AM, 11:30 AM, 1:30 PM (Spanish) and 6:00 PM Daily Mass Schedule

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 AM

Monday Devotion

Adoration and Blessed Sacrament: 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Confessions: 7:00 to 7:45 PM Benediction: 7:45 PM

Holy Days of Obligation

*As announced

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal preparation classes and Baptisms are held the 2nd (Spanish) and 3rd Saturdays (English) of the month. Contact the parish office to register to attend.

Sacrament of Marriage

Registered parishioners must contact the Pastor at least six months before the wedding.

New Parishioners

Welcome! Please complete a Parish Registration Form. Forms are available in the church vestibule, parish office, and online. All parishioners must be registered and practicing in order for us to serve you by issuing a Letter of Good Standing for sponsorship at the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, or Matrimony.

Moving?

Please notify us as soon as possible if you are moving or have had a change of address in order for us to update our records.





The Academy of Saint Matthias the Apostle
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Pre-K-3 years old to Grade 8

Catholic school whose mission is to provide quality education in a safe and caring environment. Parish students are welcomed throughout the school year. If you'd like to take a tour, please call the school offices for an appointment.

The Twenty-second Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, September 4th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Dr. Dennis George** (D)

Tuesday, September 5th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Carlos Osorio (L)

Wednesday, September 6th
Mass 8:30 AM: Mike and Jackie Hayes (L)

Thursday, September 7th Mass 8:30 AM: Andre N. Mana (L)

Friday, September 8th

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass 8:30 AM: Marie-Cecile Groelsema (L)

Saturday, September 9th

USA: Saint Peter Claver, Priest Mass 8:30AM: **Kathi Dowell** (L)

The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Ez 33:7-9 Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20 (127)

Saturday, September 9th

Mass 4:00 PM: **Julia Creech** (L) Mass 7:00: **Cristobalina Barrios** (D)

Sunday, September 10th

Mass 8:00 AM: Ferris B. George (D) Mass 9:45 AM: Lucille Snowden (D) Mass 11:30 AM: Joseph C. Johnson (D) Mass 1:30 PM: Miryan Cabrera (L) Mass 6:00 PM: Patricia Dikibo (L)

Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends:

Elaine Brooks; Phyllis Burton; Jane Carpino; Mary Dawson; Rosita Dietrich; Deborah Diggs; Lauren Downs Douville; Helen Dziduch; Dolly Kwame-Greene; Genevieve Greenfield; Jan Jarus; Martha Lallis; John Mattimore; Robert J. Resau; William Stevenson; Mary Ann Vugrin; Mae Young; Don Zehner; Rita Zehner; Bosbri Barrios; Christopher Inya.

For our military, protect them from all harm.

For the faithful departed, may they rest in peace.

Stewardship Report

August 27

Offertory 8,321 Faith Direct 2,718 Total 11,039 Last year 12,511

Next week's second collection is the National Collection to support The Catholic University of America

Items of Note at St. Matthias

September Bible Study Series

Father Avelino will present "Exodus: Seeing the Pattern" a bible study series on Tuesday (Spanish) 9/5, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26 and Wednesday (English) 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27 at 7:00 PM in Friendship Hall or



Zoom. Cost: suggested donation of \$10.00. For registration visit out website https://stmatthias.org/bible-study-2023, send an email to lthompson@stmatthias.org or scan with your cellphone the QR.



Come learn about God's power to redeem his people from oppression and his willingness to forgive sin!

Labor Day is Monday, September 4th

The parish office and school will be closed Monday, September 4th, in observance of Labor Day.

There will be no Adoration, Confessions due to the holiday.

Faith Formation News

<u>Call for Catechists:</u> Faith Formation at Saint Matthias is about helping youth encounter Jesus Christ. We form youth to encounter God in the sacramental life of the Church, in prayer, community, in the Word, nature, service, witness, friendship and acts of kindness. We are in need of dedicated Catechists to serve from the 2023-2024 session in the following grades; 3th, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th. If you are interested, please contact the Director of Faith Formation at 301-459-4814 (x 205).

Registration Forms for Faith Formation Classes for the 2023-2024 school year are available in the church vestibule and parish office. Please complete a form and plan to come to a mandatory in-person registration session in the Hughes Center on Sunday, September 3rd, or September 10th from 9:15-11:15 AM. Fees are listed on the registration form. Classes will begin on Sunday, October 8th, from 10:30 to 11:30. All fees must be paid upon registration. Completed registration forms and payment will be accepted only at the registration sessions.

Registration Fees: 1 child \$ 90.00

2 children \$ 155.00

3+ children \$ 220.00

Please see the information in the registration packet regarding sacramental fees and documents needed to register your children for Faith Formation classes.

The Ladies of Charity wish to thank you for your support of the parish food pantry. We appreciate your generous donations of canned soup and shelf-stable milk that will be distributed to those in need.



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 has

begun their school year. A back to school BBQ was held for all school families on August 26th and was very well attended. Our middle school students (grades 6th and 8th) did team building activities at Terrapin Adventures in Savage, MD.

Our year is off to a great start! There are a few spaces remaining in our Kindergarten. Call the School (301-577-9412) for more information

Family Connection

Peter was expecting a Messiah that would carry out a different plan than the one Jesus had explained. Jesus was indeed the Messiah, but his life and death would show a different understanding of what it means to be the Messiah. We too have expectations of God and our own ideas about what we think God ought to be doing in our world. Like Peter we may risk limiting our image of God by thinking only in human ways. God's plan is always more than we can ever imagine.

As you gather as a family, talk about what we expect God to be doing in our world and in our family life. Then read today's Gospel, Matthew 16:21-27. Why do you think Peter was so upset by what Jesus was saying? Notice how Jesus reprimands Peter. Do we sometimes forget to let God be God for us? That is, do we sometimes get discouraged because God doesn't act in our world in the ways that we expect? Pray together that your family will remember that God is always working for the world's salvation in ways that are beyond our human imaginings. Conclude by praying together today's Psalm, Psalm 63.

Mass Schedule for September 9/10

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