

Saint Matthias the Apostle Catholic Church

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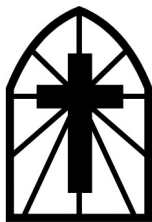
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School Office Staff

Telephone: 301-577-9412

Principal

Mrs. Patricia Schratz ~ x 215

Administrative Assistant

Ms. Marsha Blackburn ~ x 212

Admissions Information

Mrs. Ann O'Hare ~ x 216



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

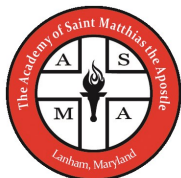
Registered parishioners must contact
the Pastor at least six months before
the wedding.

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-ninth Week in Ordinary Time**Monday, October 23rd**

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Esperanza Tiamson (L)****Tuesday, October 24th**

Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Raquel Martinez (D)****Wednesday, October 25th**Mass 8:30 AM: **Sam Jr. and Laura Creech (L)****Thursday, October 26th**Mass 8:30 AM: **Manny Braun (D)****Friday, October 27th**Mass 8:30 AM: **Jimmy O'Connor (D)****Saturday, October 28th**

Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

Mass 8:30AM: **Heather Roberts (L)****The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time****Readings**

Ex 22:20-26

1 Thes 1:5c-10

Mt 22:34-40 (148)

Saturday, October 28thMass 4:00 PM: **Jeff and Mary Creech Family (L)**Mass 7:00: **People of the Parish (L)****Sunday, October 29th**Mass 8:00 AM: **Antonio Martinez (L)**Mass 9:45 AM: **Helen Harris (D)**Mass 11:30 AM: **Christine and John Creech (L)**Mass 1:30 PM: **People of the Parish (L)**Mass 6:00 PM: **Genevive Ibe (L)*****Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends:***

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

For our military, protect them from all harm.***For the faithful departed, may they rest in peace.*****Stewardship Report****October 8**

Offertory	10,984
Faith Direct	2,609
Total	13,593
Last Year	8,802

October 15

Offertory	9,598
Faith Direct	2,609
Total	12,207
Last Year	13,607

We are grateful for your generosity.**This weekend's second collection is for
World Mission Sunday.****Items of Note
at St. Matthias****Annual Mass of Remembrance**

This Mass, which commemorates the souls of our faithful departed will be celebrated on November 4th at the Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 P.M. All we are welcome as we remember those who have died this past year and pray for families who mourn the loss of their loved ones.

The Retired Priests of the Archdiocese of Washington Collection is November 4th and 5th this year.

Our Priests enrich our lives in many ways: they baptize our children, comfort us in the confessional, witness our marriage vows and hold our loved ones' hands as the Lord calls them home. Let us come together to help provide care and housing for our retired priests so they can live their retirement in dignity. There are many ways you can support the Retired Priests Collection this year: Envelope, Online: please visit adw.org/rpc and Text: "Priest" to (301) 231-1816.

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

Our school will hold the last open house for prospective families for the 2024-2025 school year.

It will be on Sunday Oct. 22, 2023, from 12-1:30 p.m. Please, contact the school office for more information. We look forward to meeting you.

Openings in Kindergarten. The Academy of St. Matthias has limited openings for children who turned 5 by September 1st, 2023. If interested, please apply today through the school website at school.stmatthias.org. Some financial aid is available for kindergarten students. **For more information call Mrs. Ann O'Hare today at 301-577-9412.**

The Archdiocese of Washington Application for financial aid for the 2024-2025 school year is now open. The deadline for ALL families to apply for elementary school aid is Feb. 16, 2024. The Catholic high school application for aid is due by Dec. 15, 2023. The fee to apply for aid is \$42, and the application is found at <http://secure.tads.com/>. If you would like an application guide and worksheet, please email Mrs. Ann O'Hare, Admissions Director at the Academy of St. Matthias the Apostle (aohare@stmatthias.org).

Faith Formation News

Call for Catechists. We are still in need of Catechist and Classroom Aides to help with our CCD programs. If you are interested in volunteering in this capacity please contact our Coordinator of Faith Formation, Stephany Zetterstrom, szetterstrom@stmatthias.org or phone 301-459-4814 X205. Your prayerful consideration is appreciated.

All Saints Day
A Holy Day of Obligation
Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Mass Schedule

8:30 AM, 10:45 AM (School Mass), 6:30 PM and 8:00 PM (Spanish)

Family Connection

Payment of taxes is unlikely to be a disputed issue in your family. Yet families can still learn something from this Gospel reading. Jesus' answer to the Herodians and Pharisees redirects their question to focus on the issue of greatest importance: loving and honoring God. Taking this perspective can help us make good judgments about the competing issues of importance in our lives.

As your family gathers, make a list of the activities that your family spends time doing together, such as household tasks, jobs, academics, and recreational activities. Talk about the importance of each of these activities. Ask what would happen if there were an imbalance in our attention to these activities and we spent too much time on one activity at the expense of another.

In today's Gospel Jesus reminds us of the necessity of giving things their proper importance. Read Matthew 22:15-21. The Herodians and Pharisees were giving too much importance to the issue of the payment of taxes. Jesus reminds them that loving and honoring God is of greater importance. In family life we do many important things, but we remember that God is of the greatest importance in our lives. Pray together that your family will learn to keep things in proper perspective, remembering to keep God first in your lives. Pray together today's psalm, Psalm 96.

Mass Schedule for October 28/29

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