

Saint Matthias the Apostle Catholic Church

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Principal

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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.

Second Week Of Lent**Monday, February 26th**Daily Mass: 8:30 AM: **Karen Witting** (L)**Tuesday, February 27th***Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church*Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Guadalupe Manlapaz** (D)**Wednesday, February 28th**Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Gertrude McCarthy** (D)**Thursday, February 29th**Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Francisco Loaeza** (D)**Friday, March 1st**Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Chioke & Anna Conner** (L)**Saturday, March 2nd**Daily Mass 8:30AM: **Lorraine Dovel** (L)**Third Sunday Of Lent****Readings**

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3,7-8, 12-17

1 Cor 1:22-25

Jn 2:13-25 (29)

Saturday, March 2ndMass 4:00 PM: **Ed Kin** (D)Mass 7:00: **Marcelino Flores y Marta Castillo** (D)**Sunday, March 3rd**Mass 8:00 AM: **Ignatius N. Akagha** (D)Mass 9:45 AM: **Grace San Gabriel** (L)Mass 11:30 AM: **Emambu Beatrice Fomanka** (L)Mass 1:30 PM: **People of the Parish** (L)Mass 6:00 PM: **Lorraine & Tom Leonard** (L)***Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends:***

Bosbri Barrios; Christina Beal; Christopher Inya; Dolly Kwame-Greene; Elaine Brooks; Genevieve Greenfield; Helen Dziduch; Jan Jarus; Jane Carpino; Jesse P. Resau; John Mattimore; Lauren Downs Douville; Le-Marie Thompson; Mae Young; Mary Ann Vugrin; Mary Dawson; Mary E. Hoke; Michelle Roling; Pat Williams; Phyllis Burton; 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*****Due to the early printing of this week's bulletin, the Stewardship Report for February 18th will be included in next week's bulletin.******Thank you for your generosity!******The Two Hearts Vigil*** will begin after Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 1st and will conclude with a Mass at 12:00 AM on Saturday, March 2nd.**Holy Mass****Saturday, March 2nd, 2024**

4:00 PM Fr. Canice

7:00 PM Fr. Avelino

Sunday, March 3rd, 2024

8:00 AM Fr. Avelino

9:45 AM Fr. Canice

11:30 AM Fr. Parthi

1:30 PM Fr. Avelino

6:00 PM Fr. Parthi

**Stations of the Cross at St. Matthias**

Stations of the Cross are held in the church every
Friday at 7:00 PM
(English) and
8:00 PM (Spanish) during
Lent.

*2nd Station: Jesus carries His cross***FAITH FORMATION - Calendar**

Sunday, March 3 In person 10:30 - 11:30 am
 8th Grade Zoom at 7 pm

Sunday, March 10 Youth Group 12:00 - 2:30 pm
 F.F. in person 10:30 - 11:30 am
 8th Grade Zoom at 7 pm

Sunday, March 17 In person 10:30 - 11:30 am
 8th Grade Zoom at 7 pm

Sunday, March 24 and 31 - NO FAITH FORMATION



The Academy of Saint Matthias

Calling Alumni, Parents and Parishioners! The Academy of Saint Matthias the Apostle, our parish school, has the expressed mission of promoting educational excellence for all students and is rooted in the values and beliefs of the Catholic Church. In order to make this opportunity broadly available and affordable for our families, we need to rely upon dedicated volunteers who will regularly support the faculty and staff. We are asking for your help now in assisting as a substitute teacher, levels Pre-K through 8, or providing administrative support in the front office. We would also like to host a Spring Track and Field team through CYO, but adults are needed to coach and supervise. Our staff is committed to serving the needs of our students and their families. Please consider joining us in this most critical ministry.

Enrollment School for 2024-2025, began. If you have any questions about the process, please contact the school office 301-577-9412 or Mrs. Ann O'Hare (aohare@stmatthias.org).

**Congratulations
to Kiana Campbell,
winner of our February
15th Raffle Drawing!**



You can be the next Raffle winner! Get your ticket for \$10 at the school or at the parish office. The next drawing will be held on March 1st.



**Parish Social Life
Committee is hosting a Tea Party
from 12:00 noon - 2:00 pm
on Monday, March 11th, 2024.**

Anyone who is 65 or older and attends St. Matthias church or is a member of the Leisure Club is invited to the Tea Party in the Hughes Center. Please complete the information requested on the enclosed Tea Party invitation and submit it to the Parish Office by Thursday, February 22nd or drop it in the collection basket during any of the masses on Saturday, February 24th or Sunday, February 25th. The Hughes Center can only accommodate 72 people, so please reserve your spot early.

Operation Rice Bowl

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through Catholic Relief Service (CRS) Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. **For more information visit: crsricebowl.org.**

Attention Knitters and Crocheters! Volunteer Help Needed!



Our parish has received a request from Capital Caring Hospice for handmade prayer shawls, blankets, personal pillowcases or comfort items for patients in hospice care. Other volunteer opportunities to serve this community, which includes children, veterans and non-English speakers, are available. If you can provide comfort and support to our neighbors through this loving ministry, **please contact Amanda at apainter@capitalcaring.org or 301-808-5659.**

Family Connection

Every family has special moments that they remember and share again and again. In sharing these stories, the meaning and importance of these events develop and deepen over time. This is how it was with the disciples' remembrance of Jesus' Transfiguration. The full significance of what they had seen and experienced could only be understood after Jesus' death and Resurrection. As they told other believers about this event and recorded the story for us in the Bible, our understanding of what it means to call Jesus God's own Son has also deepened.

As you gather as a family, think about some special family memories that your family tells over and over again. Talk about why these memories are important to you. Recall that in the Bible we find many important memories about Jesus that have been recorded for us so that we can believe that Jesus is God's Son. Read today's Gospel, Mark 9:2-10. What do we learn about Jesus from this Gospel? (He fulfills the promises God made to Israel through the Law and the prophets. God glorified Jesus in his Resurrection. Jesus is God's Son.) Conclude in prayer together that as we continue to read the Bible, we will deepen our understanding of and our love for Jesus. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.