

March 17, 2024

# Saint Matthias the Apostle Catholic Church

9475 Annapolis Road Lanham, Maryland 20706-3020

Telephone: 301-459-4814 \* <https://stmatthias.org>

## Parish Staff

### Pastor

Reverend Avelino Gonzalez

### Permanent Deacon

Mr. Alton Davis

### Receptionist

Mrs. Miryan Cabrera ~ x 223

### Accountant

Ms. Leslie Long O'Leary ~ x 202

### Administrative Secretary

Ms. Evelyn Giron ~ x 201

### Director of Faith Formation

Ms Stephany Zetterstrom ~ x 205

Adult & Youth Religious Education  
and Sacramental Preparation

### Director of Music Ministry

### and Organist

Ms. Deborah Kijak-Hess~204

### Maintenance Supervisor

Mr. Hector Perez



## 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.

**Fifth Week Of Lent****Monday, March 18th***Saint Cyril of Jerusalem*Daily Mass: 8:30 AM: **Gene Zehner (D)****Tuesday, March 19th***Saint Joseph, spouse of the blessed Virgin Mary*Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Joseph C. Johnson (D)****Wednesday, March 20th**Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Ed Kin (D)****Thursday, March 21st**Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Vicente & Luisa Compas (D)****Friday, March 22nd**Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Alfredo V. Felix (D)****Saturday, March 23rd**Daily Mass 8:30AM: **Louisa Oyelese (D)****PALM SUNDAY OF  
THE PASSION OF THE LORD****Readings**

Mk 11:1-10

Is 50:4-7

Phil 2:6-11

Mk 14:1-15:47

**Saturday, March 23rd**Mass 4:00 PM: **People of the Parish (L)**Mass 7:00: **Maria C. Espinal (D)****Sunday, March 24th**Mass 8:00 AM: **Pearl Aitcheson (D)**Mass 9:45 AM: **The Eneze Family (L)**Mass 11:30 AM: **Louisa Oyelese (D)**Mass 1:30 PM: **Cesar Alejandro Barahona (D)**Mass 6:00 PM: **People of the Parish (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; Jesse P. Resau;  
Joan George; John Mattimore; Lauren Downs  
Douville; Le-Marie Thompson; Mae Young; Mary  
Ann Vugrin; Mary Dawson; Mary E. Hoke; Michelle  
Roling; Marion Prout; Phyllis Burton; Rita Zehner;  
Rosita Dietrich; William Stevenson.

***For our military, protect them from all harm.******For the faithful departed, especially for Jane******Carpino, may they rest in peace.*****Stewardship Report****March 3, 2024**

Offertory	10,870
Faith Direct	2,743
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,613</b>
<b>Last year</b>	<b>13,665</b>

**March 10, 2024**

Offertory	9,636
Faith Direct	2,743
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,379</b>
<b>Last year</b>	<b>10,619</b>

***Next weekend's second collection is the annual  
collection for Catholic Relief Services.  
Thank you for your generosity!***

**HOLY MASS AT ST. MATTHIAS****Saturday, March 23, 2024**

4:00 PM Fr. Avelino

7:00 PM Fr. DeSiano

**Sunday, March 24, 2024**

8:00 AM Fr. Canice

9:45 AM Fr. Parthi

11:30 AM Fr. Canice

2:00 PM Fr. Avelino

6:00 PM Fr. Avelino

**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.*

**FAITH FORMATION - Calendar****Sunday, March 24 and 31 - NO FAITH FORMATION**

***We truly appreciate the efforts of the Parish Social  
Life Committee for an enjoyable Tea Party held at the  
Hughes Center last Monday.***

*St. Matthias Church Parishioners 65 years and older  
were cordially invited to a pleasant afternoon of tasty  
treats and enjoyable entertainment. The "Seasoned  
Players", a local group, provided live music, singing and  
dancing. Everyone had fun!*

***A warm and sincere, "Thank you" to the Tea Party  
organizers and servers: Jackie Bates, Jeannette Davis,  
Joycelyn Dougall, Zita Givens (Chair of PSLC),  
Esperanza & Ramon Lomosbog and Debbie Self.***

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



### *The Academy of Saint Matthias*

The Academy of St. Matthias the Apostle is currently accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year. We serve families with students in grades Pre-K 3 years old to 8th grade. If you wish to apply to our school for your children for the 2024-2025 school year, please go to [www.TADS.com](http://www.TADS.com) and create an account. Complete the application and submit the application fee.

While the deadline to apply for financial aid from the Archdiocese of Washington has passed, the **BOOST program, available through the State of Maryland for financially eligible families is now open.** Information and applications can be found at <https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/Pages/boost/index.aspx>. You will need to submit your 2023 tax return with your application. The deadline to apply is May 3, 2024. If you have questions or need assistance with this process, please contact Mrs. Ann O'Hare ([aohare@stmatthias.org](mailto:aohare@stmatthias.org)) or call the school office (301-577-9412).

### *St. Matthias Leisure Club*

Join us for a bus trip to Sight and Sound Theatre on Thursday June 27, to see DANIEL. It is a spectacular performance. The cost is \$170 and it is due by Friday, May 10, 2024. The cost includes bus transportation, refreshments, movies, buffet at Hershey Farm Restaurant, and admission to the play. Call Rita Kitchings, Activity Co- Coordinator to reserve your seat ASAP at 301-254-1038.

### *Family Connection*

Family life is often a balancing act in which we prioritize and attend to a variety of competing needs. We learn the value of putting others' needs ahead of our own. In family life we also learn that when we make personal sacrifices to serve others, we gain so much more than we may have lost.

As you gather as a family, talk about how important it is to your family life to gladly serve one another. Ask each person to consider the last time that another family member asked for help. What was your response? Did you cheerfully try to honor the request, or did you ask "Why me?" Read today's Gospel, John 12:20-33. How do you think Jesus would want us to respond when someone in our family asks for help? Invite each family member to make a commitment for the next week to try to respond cheerfully to requests for help. Pray together, asking God's help with this commitment. Pray the Prayer of Saint Ignatius of Loyola.

## Holy Week & EASTER

### AT SAINT MATTHIAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH



**PALM SUNDAY**  
March 24

8:00 AM / 9:45 AM / 11:30 AM /  
2:00 PM (Spanish) and 6:00 PM

Monday, March 25

8:30 AM Daily Mass  
6:00 - 8:00 PM Adoration  
7:00 PM Confessions

Tuesday, March 26

8:30 AM Daily Mass

Wednesday, March 27

8:30 AM Daily Mass

### SACRED TRIDUUM



**HOLY THURSDAY**  
March 28

7:30 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual)

Eucharistic Adoration in Friendship Hall after Mass until  
12:00 AM



**GOOD FRIDAY**  
March 29

9:30 - 11:00 AM Confessions

12:00 PM Stations of the Cross (English)

3:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

7:30 PM Commemoration of the Lord's Passion with  
Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion  
(Bilingual)

**HOLY SATURDAY**  
March 30

8:00 PM Easter Vigil - (Bilingual)

No 4:00 PM or 7:00 PM  
Masses

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
March 31

8:00 AM / 9:45 AM / 11:30 AM and  
2:00 PM (Spanish)  
(No 6:00 PM Mass)

