

# Saint Matthias the Apostle Catholic Church

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## Parish Staff

### Pastor

Reverend Avelino Gonzalez

### Permanent Deacon

Reverend Deacon Alton Davis

### Receptionist

Mrs. Miryan Cabrera ~ x 223

### Accountant

Ms. Leslie Long O'Leary ~ x 202

### Administrative Secretary

### 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

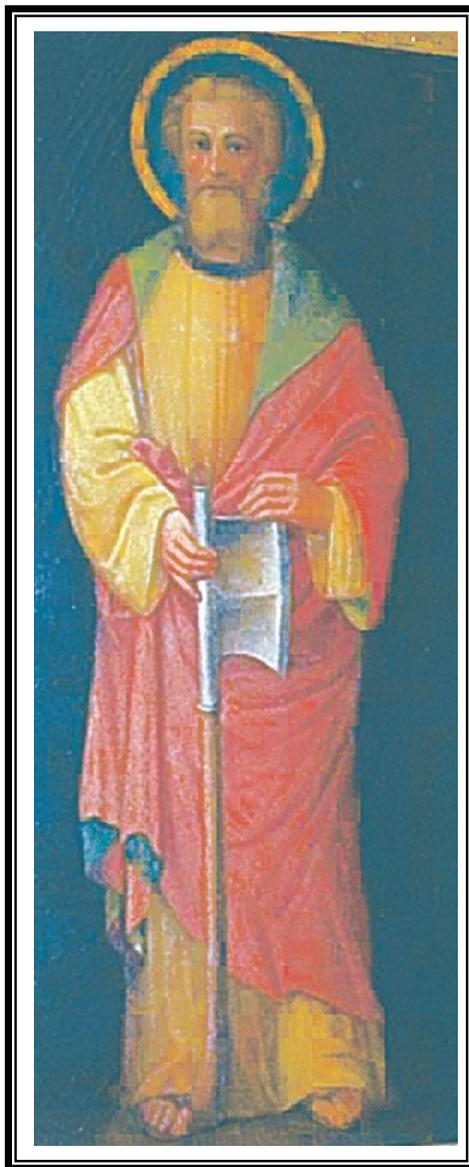
Mrs. Patricia Schratz ~ x 215

### 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

### 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.

### 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.

**Third Week of Easter**

**Monday, May 5th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Jean Marie White & Family (L)**

**Tuesday, May 6th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Guadie M. Montesa (L)**

**Wednesday, May 7th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Mark Navolio (D)**

**Thursday, May 8th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Mary Ann Curtin (D)**

**Friday, May 9th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Chioke Conner (L)**

**Saturday, May 10th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Engracia Felix (D)**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Readings**

Acts 13: 14, 43-52

Rv 7:9, 14b-17

John 10:27-30

**Saturday, May 10th**

4:00 PM: **Marie Metuge (D)**

7:00: **Francisca Barahona (D)**

**Sunday, May 11th**

8:00 AM: **Stanley Aitcheson (D)**

9:45 AM: **Loretta Agboli Dungar (L)**

11:30 AM: **Catholic Women's Group (L)**

1:30 PM: **Marikneli DeLeon (L)**

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

*Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends: (These names will be on the sick list for six weeks or until a family member calls)*

Christopher Agboli; Kevin Butler; Deacon Alton Davis; Michelle Doran; Helen Dziduch; Dolly Kramer Greene; Genevieve Greenfield; Troi Greenfield; Christopher Inya; Eugenia Ikpi; Jan Jarus; Christian Jones; Hildegard Jorgensen; Nicholas Kniska; Gay Magruder; Juanita Pielmeier-McGinn; Carmel Murphy; James Nfoncho; Rodney Oak; Helen Onyewu; Margaret Mary Opalski; Mary Kellermann, Rita Zehner.

*For our military, protect them from all harm.*

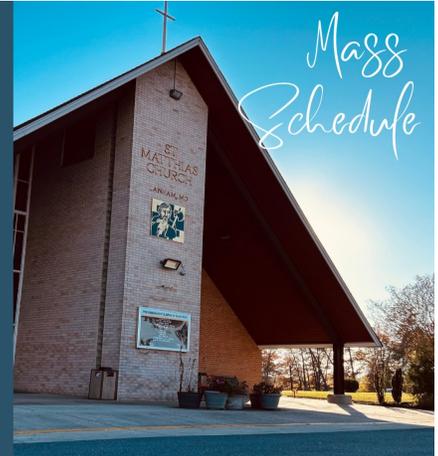
*For the faithful departed, especially Virginie Tchonlafie and Alfred Atanga, may they rest in peace.*

**Saturday, May 10**

4:00 PM | Fr. Canice  
7:00 PM | Fr. Avelino

**Sunday, May 11**

8:00 AM | Fr. Pious  
9:45 AM | Fr. Matthew  
11:30 AM | Fr. Canice  
2:00 PM | Fr. Avelino  
6:00 PM | Fr. Pious



**Stewardship Report**

**April 27, 2025**

<b>Offertory</b>	<b>8,676</b>
<b>Faith Direct</b>	<b>2,759</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,435</b>

**Archdiocesan Collection \$ 1,994**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Reminders**

This weekend, the second collection will be for the monthly Building Fund.

***Mother's Day is May 11th***

**The Spanish Mass will be offered at 2:00 PM on Mother's Day**

**All other weekend Masses are scheduled at the regular times.**

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Sacraments of Initiation

**May 4th**  
**First Communion**  
**At St. Matthias**  
**English Mass ~ 9:45 AM**  
**Spanish Mass ~ 1:30 PM**

**May 10th**  
**Confirmation/Youth Retreat**  
**At the Shrine of St. Anthony**  
**7:00 AM-4:00 PM**

**June 7th**  
**Archdiocese of Washington**  
**Regional Confirmation**  
**at the**  
**Basilica Shrine of the**  
**Immaculate Conception**  
**2:00 PM**

For further information, please  
Contact Le-Marie Thompson at  
Ltompson@stmatthias.org

### Family Connection

Today's Gospel describes what we can easily imagine as a picnic on the beach. Just as Jesus' miracle at the wedding feast at Cana blesses the love between man and woman, Jesus' attentiveness to food and mealtimes raises the possibility that our meal gatherings can be sacred times. In families, the domestic church, our meals together are everyday opportunities to gather and recall Jesus' presence with us. As in the Eucharist, we bring the gifts that God has given us, which have been prepared especially for our Mass, and at our family meals we share gifts that God has given to us and that we have worked together to prepare. This includes the food on the table and also the people who gather around the table. We ask God to bless these gifts and to be present among us in all of our interactions.

Consider a recent family meal: What food was served? Where did the food come from? Who prepared the food? Who served the food? Was mealtime a happy time? Why or why not? Observe that today's Gospel tells about a meal that Jesus shared with his disciples after his Resurrection. Read aloud today's Gospel, John 21:1-14. Reflect on the Gospel reading using the questions above. Talk about ways in which this meal that Jesus shared with his disciples might remind us of the meal we share at the Eucharist. You might choose to plan a special meal together as a family, encouraging each person to participate in the meal preparation. Pray together that Jesus will make his loving presence known in your family life. Pray together *The Lord's Prayer*.

### The Academy of St. Matthias

We currently have openings in grades Pre-K-7. If you are interested in more information, please contact Mrs. Ann O'Hare at [aohare@stmatthias.org](mailto:aohare@stmatthias.org).

The BOOST scholarship application for the 2025-2026 school year is open. It is free to apply, and a copy of your 2024 tax return must be uploaded with your completed application. Google "BOOST scholarship 2025 Maryland" to be linked to the page to begin the process. The scholarship is income-based and a chart is available to see if you qualify.

The Father Hughes Scholarship application is currently open. Applicants must be parishioners of St. Matthias and have a financial aid application on file in [TADS.com](http://TADS.com). **The deadline for both BOOST and Father Hughes is Friday, May 9, 2025**. Applications for the Father Hughes scholarship may be dropped off at the school or parish office.

### *From the Pastor's Desk...*

I am pleased to announce that Ms. Elsy Zaldivar has graciously accepted the job offer of Parish Secretary at St. Matthias. Please join me in welcoming Ms. Zaldivar to our parish.

### Conclave

The Vatican has announced that Cardinals have chosen May 7th as the date to start conclave and elect a new leader for 1.4 billion Catholics around the world. The date was decided after Cardinals held the first daily congregation since Pope Francis' funeral.

General congregations are closed-door meetings to discuss Church matters and preparations for conclave. Only cardinals under the age of 80 may vote in a papal election. There are currently 135 cardinals eligible to participate in the upcoming election. We prayerfully look forward to seeing the "white smoke" that will signify a new pope has been chosen.