

## Masses for the Fifth Week of Lent

### Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Bill Schermerhorn**

### Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>: Saint Isidore

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Joe Makowski**

### Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>: Saint Vincent Ferrer

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Loretta Meyers**

### Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Ladies of Charity** (Living)

### Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>: Saint John Baptist de la Salle

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Michael and Brittany Paolino**  
(Living—Anniversary)

**Stations of the Cross: 7:30 PM**

### Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Pepi Manlapaz** (Living)

## **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

### Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

Family Vigil Mass 5:00 PM: **Scott Paolino** (Living—Birthday)  
Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: **Intentions of Parishioners**

### Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM: **Joe Makowski**  
10:30 AM: **L. Oyelese** (Living—Birthday)  
6:00 PM: **Intentions of Parishioners**

**Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 2:6-11  
Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

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

Lisa Allison; Margie Baker; Helen Bates; Muriel Brown; Rose Chisefsky; Claudia Clayton; Al Craig; Darlene Crawford; Ronnie Davis; Mary Diamiano; Antoinette Diemer; Norma Florimbio; Paula Gambrell; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Zetitia Hudson; Eugenia Ikpi; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Richard Kosko; Trudy Lewis; Linda Moore; Shirley Singleton; Mary Soh; Kay Villemi; Mae Young; Barbara Zanin; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Eugene Zehner

Names will be placed on our prayer list for 4 weeks. To place a name on the list, please contact Pat Ford at 301-459-4814 x 201 or email [pford@stmatthias.org](mailto:pford@stmatthias.org)

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

**Emergency Care:** An Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is located in the school hall at the entrance to the library. Use the side door from the church to the school to access the AED.

## Stewardship Report

March 26, 2017	9,955.00
Faith Direct	2,687.00
Total Offertory	12,642.00
<b>Last Year</b>	<b>12,406.00</b>

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish.*

## Items of Note at St. Matthias

**Teen Youth Ministry April Meeting:** All teens of the parish are welcome to attend our next meeting next Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 to 2:30 PM in the Hughes Center. We will explore the *Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy* through words and deeds. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

**Community Cafe:** Volunteers are needed for the next meal preparation at the Community Café in Hyattsville on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. Contact Debbie Self at [yourselves@aol.com](mailto:yourselves@aol.com).

### Parish Social Life Committee News

\*The PSLC will distribute Easter goodie bags to young children who attend Mass on Easter Sunday.

\*The next PSLC meeting is Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. in the Hughes Center.

**Hosting An Event?** Friendship Hall is available for rent. Please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 or [tereme@stmatthias.org](mailto:tereme@stmatthias.org).

## Around the Archdiocese

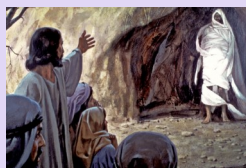
### Journey to Easter at the Franciscan Monastery:

On Wednesdays during Lent, at 7:30 PM, join the Friars at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land (1400 Quincy St., NE, Washington, DC) for *Journey to Easter* — evening prayer and faith sharing that focuses on the Sunday Gospels. Free parking is available. For more information, call 202-526-6800.

**Camp Saint Charles Open House** will be held on Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. For more information, and directions see our website: [www.Campstcharles.org](http://www.Campstcharles.org) or call us at 301-934-9799 or email [director@campstcharles.org](mailto:director@campstcharles.org).

**2017 Archdiocese of Washington Women's Conference - Occasions of Grace, Encountering God's Grace in Day to Day Life** will be held on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 AM—4:00 PM at Catholic University of America—Pryzbyla Center (620 Michigan Ave. NE, Washington, DC). The registration fee is \$40. For more information visit [www.adw.org/womensconference](http://www.adw.org/womensconference) or contact Debbie McDonald 301-853-4466 [mcdonald@adw.org](mailto:mcdonald@adw.org).

## Family Connection



Jesus' promise of eternal life is a central element of our Catholic faith. Even though Easter is still two weeks away, our Gospel today invites us to acknowledge Jesus' power over death, evidenced in the raising of Lazarus, and to anticipate Jesus' conquering of death once and for all in his death and Resurrection. We sometimes use examples from nature to help describe this mystery of our faith. Jesus himself talked about the seed that dies when planted in the ground in order to produce new life (John 12:24). Using that image and others, we find hope and confidence in Jesus, the Resurrection and the life.

Gather your family today and read today's Gospel in its shorter form, John 11:3-7,17,20-27,33b-45. Write Jesus' promise from today's Gospel ("I am the resurrection and the life.") on a large sheet of white paper. As your family talks about what Jesus means by this promise, decorate Jesus' words with symbols that will remind you of his promise of eternal life. Display this reminder of Jesus' promise in a prominent place in your home and keep it there until Easter. Pray that you will always remain confident in Jesus' promise of eternal life. Conclude by praying together the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed.

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## HUGHES CENTER & SCHOOL HOURS FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER

- The Hughes Center will be closed Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Monday (April 13-17). The office will reopen on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM.
- School closes at noon on Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and reopens on Monday April 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM.

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### MONDAY April 10<sup>th</sup>

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Confessions 7:00 to 8:00 PM

Benediction 8:00 PM

### TUESDAY April 11<sup>th</sup>

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

### WEDNESDAY April 12<sup>th</sup>

Daily Mass 8:30 AM

Living Stations 10:30 AM

### HOLY THURSDAY April 13<sup>th</sup>

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30 PM

Adoration following the Mass

### GOOD FRIDAY April 14<sup>th</sup>

Confessions 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM (Noon)

Stations of the Cross 12:00 PM (Noon)

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion 7:30 PM

### HOLY SATURDAY April 15<sup>th</sup>

Confessions 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM (Noon)

Blessing of Easter Food and Baskets 12:00 PM (Noon)

Easter Vigil 8:30 PM

### EASTER SUNDAY April 16<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM

9:30 AM

11:00 AM

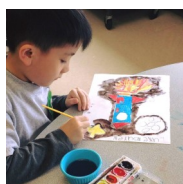
1:00 PM—Spanish Mass

Please note the time changes for Masses.

There will be **NO 6:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday.**

**Attention Lectors, EMCH, Altar Servers, and Greeters:** Please consult the bulletin board in the Church vestibule (or your email) for upcoming assignments.

## The Academy of Saint Matthias



There will be a **Primary Level Open House Information Night** on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, from 6:30-7:30 PM. Meet our teachers for Grades Pre-K (4 years old by Sept. 1, 2017) through Grade 2. Learn about our faith-filled curriculum, programs, and facilities. **Please note that if you are**

**applying for the 2017-2018 school year, the deadline for the Pastor's Award for Financial Aid is April 12, 2017.** To schedule a tour prior to the Information Night or for more information, please call the school (301-577-9412). Tours are offered every Monday from 8:30 - 10 AM, or by appointment.

### Archdiocese of Washington Teacher of the Week!



Congratulations to our fifth grade teacher, Mrs. Mary Gillis, who was recently named as the Archdiocese of Washington's *Teacher of the Week!* We are truly blessed to have Mrs. Gillis on our faculty for the past five years.

**Fish Fry:** Will be held this Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> in Friendship Hall from 11:00 AM -7:00 PM.

**Raffle Winner:** Congratulations to Mary Aaron, winner (\$ 300) and seller (\$ 50) in the March 27<sup>th</sup> drawing.

### Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of April 8/9



5:00 pm	Father Msgr. Balbago
7:00 pm	Father Ron
8:00 am	Father Milt
10:30 am	Father Canice
6:00 pm	Father Canice