

Masses for the Second Week of Easter

Monday, April 24th: Saint Fidelis

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Dominic Medina**

Tuesday, April 25th: Saint Mark

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Vera Okolie** (Living)

Wednesday, April 26th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Joseph Hugya**

Thursday, April 27th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Rev. Thomas Kehoe**

Friday, April 28th

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

Saturday, April 29th: Saint Catherine of Siena

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Claude Cumberbatch**

Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 29th

5:00 PM: **Francis Okigbo**
7:00 PM: **People of the Parish**

Sunday, April 30th

8:00 AM: **Dr. Dennis A. George**
10:30 AM: **Bernice Adamma Nnannah**
6:00 PM: **Veronica Ogbegie** (Living)

Readings: 1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22, 23
2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21
Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

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

Lisa Allison; Elaine and Melvin Brooks; Muriel Brown; Claudia Clayton; Al Craig; Darlene Crawford; Nina Curtis; Ronnie Davis; Mary Diamiano; Norma Florimbio; Paula Gambrell; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Bonnie Hess; Eugenia Ikpi; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Richard Kosko; Trudy Lewis; Linda Moore; Shirley Singleton; Mary Soh; Beulah Stewart; Kay Villemi; Mae Young; Barbara Zanin; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Eugene Zehner

For our military, protect them from all harm.

For the faithful departed, especially Elijah Alexander and Helen Bates, may they rest in peace.

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

Stewardship Report

April 16, 2017	11,746.00
Faith Direct	2,428.00
Total Offertory	14,174.00
Last Year	11,153.00
Easter Collection	12,433.00

-as of 4/18/17

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Items of Note at St. Matthias

Hosting An Event? Friendship Hall is available for rent. Please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 or tereme@stmatthias.org.

Remember your loved ones with a memorial candle that is lit for one year. Please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 for pricing and information.

Volunteer Opportunity: We are looking for an adult to assist with weekly floor buffing in the church. Please contact Thad Ereme for more information. He may be reached at 301-459-4814 x 207 or tereme@stmatthias.org.

Parish Social Life Committee News

-The next PSLC meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 28, at 6:30 PM in the Hughes Center.

-Our thanks to all who helped with the Easter goodie bags that were distributed to children at last weekend's Masses.

-If you would like to help with PSLC activities, please contact Debbie Self by calling the parish office at 301-459-4814. Unable to give of your time? Monetary donations are always welcome.

Around the Archdiocese

Workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

-May 13, 2017 Sacred Heart, Bowie 10:00 AM- 1:00 PM

-June 3, 2017 Nativity Catholic Church 9:00 AM--12:00 PM

Workshop for Lectors

-May 6, 2017 Mount Calvary Church 9:00 AM-12:00PM

A \$ 5.00 registration fee can be paid at the door. RSVP by emailing liturgy@adw.org. Questions? Please call the Worship Office at 301-853-4594

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.



Family Connection

Many of us can relate to Thomas's response to the news that the disciples had seen Jesus. We want to see for ourselves too, but we grow in faith, trusting the experience and knowledge of others.

Many of us have heard the saying "Seeing is believing." As your family gathers, take some time to consider what that saying means. What are some things we believe because we see them? Is there anything we believe without seeing? Today's Gospel reminds us that faith sometimes asks us to believe things we cannot see with our eyes. Read today's Gospel, John 19:19-31, with your family. Think about Thomas's response to the reports about the risen Lord. Is Thomas's doubt reasonable? How does Jesus respond to Thomas? Jesus grants Thomas the evidence that Thomas needs to believe, but Jesus also affirms the faith of those who will be called upon to believe without first-hand experience. We are among those whom Jesus calls blessed. Discuss with your family the basis of each member's faith in Jesus—the witness of the first disciples, the Gospels, the continuing activity of the Holy Spirit, the community of the Church.

Pray together that your faith in Jesus will be strong. Pray an act of faith together season: Alleluia, Alleluia, Jesus is risen, Alleluia!

Dear Parishioners.

Please join us the weekend of April 29, 2017, to hear Rev. Glen P. Baptiste speak at all the Masses about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

Father Baptiste will share personal witness about Food For The Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Father Baptiste is incardinated in the Archdiocese of San Salvador. Before preaching on behalf of Food For The Poor, Fr. Glen taught at St. Louis University, served as an associate pastor in Missouri, and served as Rector of the Cathedral Church in Hamilton, Bermuda.

Please join me in welcoming Father Baptiste.

Father Milt

Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of April 29/30



5:00 pm	Father Canice/Father Baptiste
7:00 pm	Father Joseph/Father Baptiste
8:00 am	Father Milt/Father Baptiste
10:30 am	Father Milt/Father Baptiste
6:00 pm	Father Canice/Father Baptiste



The Academy of Saint Matthias

The Father E. Albert Hughes Scholarship Application Forms for the 2017-2018 academic year are available in the parish office, school office, church vestibule, and are also on the parish website, www.stmatthias.org. If you are a parishioner and your child attends the Academy of St. Matthias or an accredited Archdiocesan Catholic high school, you may be eligible for a scholarship. Additional details and information may be found on the application form. This scholarship program is funded through the generosity of parishioners and friends of St. Matthias Church. **The application deadline is Friday, April 28, 2017.**



STEAM Summer Camp: The Academy is offering a Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM) summer camp from June 13th through June 16th from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM for incoming K -8th graders. The cost for this four day camp is \$160. Academy students and parish children are eligible to enroll. For more information and to register, contact the school office 301-577-9412.

Camp Saint Charles Raffle: The Academy will be selling chances to win two weeks at Camp Saint Charles. Raffle tickets will be sold for \$5 per ticket. Contact Marsha Blackburn at 301-577-9412 x 212 to get your tickets. For more information about Camp Saint Charles visit www.Campstcharles.org.

Ministry Schedule For April 29/30

<u>Time</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
5:00 PM	H. Taylor, J. Onyewu, A. Akem	TBD
7:00 PM	E. Diaz, L. Martinez, B. Barahona	TBD
8:00 AM	J. Walters, L. Kalshoven, J. Kalshoven	L. Adekoya, M. Prout
10:30 AM	R. Birun, H. Ntitebem, D. Okereke	P. Okongwu, V. Neke
6:00 PM	E. Ikpi, C. Johnson	Y. Balogen

<u>Time</u>	<u>EMCH</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
5:00 PM	Z. Juanitez, N. Richardson, J. Richardson	P. Stevenson
7:00 PM	B. Martin, S. Avieta	Z. Fuentes
8:00 AM	M. Adams, D. Aitcheson, P. Buan, M. Grayson	R. Johnson
10:30 AM	B. Chappell, P. Chappell, E. Curran, L. Egbulem, R. Okereke	R. Aitcheson
6:00 PM	K. Holmes-Johnson, D. Self, C. Sykes	K. Holmes-Johnson