



Mass Intentions for the Fifth Week of Easter

Monday, April 25th: Saint Mark

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Dharmesh Naik (Living - Birthday)
Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 - 8:00 PM
Confessions 7:00 to 8:00 PM
Benediction 8:00 PM

Tuesday, April 26th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Daniel Enahoro

Wednesday, April 27th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Ugochukwu Ikedilo

Thursday, April 28th: Saints Peter Chanel and Louis Grignon de Monfort

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Eddie Polk

Friday, April 29th: Saint Catherine of Siena

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Claude Cumberbatch

Saturday, April 30th: Saint Pius V

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Rev. Ambrose Mahoney, S.J.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 30th

Vigil 5:00 PM: Intentions of Parishioners
Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: Intentions of Parishioners

Sunday, May 1st

8:00 AM: Kaitlyn DeMaio (Living)
10:30 AM: Benedict Udejiofor
6:00 PM: Gabriel Roberts

Readings for Sixth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29
2nd Reading: Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
Gospel: John 14:23-29

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

Margie Baker; Muriel Brown; Ronnie Davis; Eugene Diggs; William Downey; William Halbe; Jack Jordan; Bong Juanitez; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Joe Makowski; Dick O'Connor; Florence Nwonye-Nwoko; Celestine Scindian; Phyllis Sczuka; Marian Thomas; Kay Villemi; Crystal VanBuren; Earl White Madeline White, Joseph Young; Sister Giustina Zanin; Eugene Zehner, Mick Zehner

-For our military, protect them from all harm.

-For all the faithful departed, 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: Revenue

April 17 th	8,712.00
Faith Direct	2,441.00
Total Offertory	11,153.00
Last Year:	9,786.00

We are grateful for your generosity

Looking Ahead

Planning for Mother's Day Reception: Saint Matthias will hold a reception for all mothers in Friendship Hall after the 10:30 am Mass on Mother's Day, May 8th. Parishioners, especially our fathers and young people interested in helping with this reception, please contact Emmanuel Amanyeiwe at D_amans@yahoo.com or call 301-351-0777 for more information.



Bless This Mess! In the near future, the carpet and tile in the Church will be replaced. While we anticipate minimal disruption to our normal use of the church, we may have to "suffer" the temporary inconveniences of this remodeling project.

Needed: We are looking for a generous parishioner who would like to donate a computer and high speed scanner for the parish front office. Please call 301-459-4814 x 207 if you can assist.

The St. Matthias Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group meets every Sunday in the Church after the 10:30 am Mass. All are welcome.

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

The Parish Library is usually open when the Hughes Center is open. Please call ahead, 301-459-4814, to make sure the room is not reserved for other activities.

School News

The Academy of Saint Matthias the Apostle: Spread the good news and encourage your friends and neighbors to consider enrolling their children for the 2016-2017 school year. For more information, contact 301-577-9412 x 212, or mblackburn@stmatthias.org

School Raffle: Congratulations to Derek Rich winner of \$300, and Windell Rich, seller (\$50), in the April 18th drawing.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Family Connection



Is love the first word your family members use to describe their interactions? Love is difficult. Jesus' sacrifice for us is an example of this. Yet because of love, the glory of God is fully revealed in Jesus. God's glory is revealed in us when we act as the Body of Christ, as individuals and as a community. In the love we

have for one another—difficult, challenging, sacrificial love—we find Jesus.

Choose one or two occasions when your family was together during the week. Describe the family's interactions from an outsider's perspective. When is it less difficult to show love to family members? When is it more difficult? When love is difficult, what do we do?

Jesus didn't just tell us to love one another. He showed us how to love one another. In what ways did Jesus show us how to love? (in his acts of healing and forgiving; at the Last Supper as he washed his disciples' feet; in the gift of the Eucharist; through his death on the Cross)

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2016 Run for Vocations: Run for Vocations registration is coming! The Marine Corps Marathon 10k registration opens on April 27th. For more information, visit www.dcpriest.org or search "Run for Vocations" on Facebook.

Marian Pilgrimage for Asian and Pacific Catholics:

The Asian and Pacific Catholic Network, in collaboration with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Secretariat of Culture Diversity, is holding the 14th annual Marian Pilgrimage at the Basilica of the National Shrine of Immaculate Conception on Saturday, May 7th. Following Confession at 12:00 pm, more than 20 unique Catholic Asian Pacific communities will gather at 1:00 pm to pray and celebrate with traditional music and sacred movements reminiscent of faith practices in their homelands. Everyone is welcome to participate in this multi-lingual, multi-cultural celebration of faith and heritage. Please contact Dr. Fred Semendy at 703-472-2032 or Sr. Myrna Tordillo at 202-541-3384 for further information.



Pilgrimage for World Apostolate of Fatima:

On Saturday, May 7th the Archdiocese of Washington Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima will have a bus pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Washington, D.C. The bus boarding will be at 6 am in the parking lot of Saint Catherine Labouré Parish in Wheaton, MD (11801 Claridge Rd.) Return time is 8:30-9:00pm. For more information, contact Muriel Hanson at mommarsh52@hotmail.com



Items of Note



Black Catholic Convocation for the Archdiocese of Washington Parishes, "Still I Rise, with the Mercy of Our Lord" will be held from Friday, April 29th—Saturday, April 30th at Mary Virginia Merrick Center (4275 4th Street, SE,

Washington, DC.) This event is presented by the Josephite Pastoral Center and co-sponsored by the National Black Catholic Congress, The Archdiocese of Washington, and Pax Christi USA. The cost is \$50 per person and includes conference registration materials, welcome dinner, social hour, continental breakfast and lunch. All are welcome!

2016 Catholic High School Fair : The Archdiocese of Washington will host a Catholic High School Fair on Saturday, April 30th from 11:00 am—2:00 pm at the College Park Marriott Hotel (3501 University Blvd., Hyattsville) Registration is free. For more information and to reserve a space, email Wendi Williams at wwilliams@adw.org with the student's name, current school, and current grade level.



Graduating Seniors: The parish will recognize all parish seniors graduating high school in 2016. Parents are asked to email lemarie.thompson@gmail.com by May 15th

with your child's name, high school, and future endeavor for a special recognition. For more information, contact Le-Marie Thompson at 301-452-2258 or Arlene Taylor at 301-459-5549.

Schedule for Lectors, EMCH, & Altar Servers April 30 / May 1

	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>EMCH</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
5:00 pm	J. Murray	TBD	A. Amanyeiwé A. Boafo
7:00 pm	D. Lima, F. Moranchel	TBD	TBD
8:00 am	A. Taylor	TBD	F. Garcia J. Onyewu G. Marshall
10:30 am	R. Ihegbe	TBD	C. Onyima, N. Onyima, R. Birun
6:00 pm	K. Holmes- Johnson	TBD	S. Akukwe A. Akem

Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of April 30 / May 1



5:00 pm Father Milt
7:00 pm Father Ford
8:00 am Father Albert
10:30 am Father Canice
6:00 pm Father Canice