

Masses for the Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, October 16th:

Saints Hedwig & Margaret Mary Alacoque

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Richard Kosko**

Tuesday, October 17th:

Saint Ignatius of Antioch

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Virginia Azarcon & Helen Scabis**

Wednesday, October 18th:

Saint Luke, Evangelist

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Helen Scabis**

Thursday, October 19th:

Saints John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Richard Kosko**

Friday, October 20th:

Saint Paul of the Cross

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Diana Gritz** (Living-Birthday)

Saturday, October 21st

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Letecia Buan**

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 21st

5:00 PM: **Rufino M. Prieto**

7:00 PM: **Thomas Mooney**

Sunday, October 22nd

8:00 AM: **Nancy Hesterberg**

9:30 AM: **Isaac & Louisa Ezeonyebuchi Family**
(Living)

11:30 AM: **Maria Eruchalu** (Living-Birthday)

6:00 PM: **Rev. Auxentius V. Panares**

Readings:

Is 45:1, 4-6

2nd Reading: 1 Thes 1:1-5b

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

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

Elaine and Melvin Brooks; Muriel Brown; Claudia Clayton; Teri Cor; Al Craig; Ronnie Davis; Norma Florimbio; Carole Gallo; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Lucy Nguyen; Joseph Parker, Sr.; Kay Villemi; Mae Young; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Eugene Zehner

For our military, protect them from all harm.

For the faithful departed, especially Asonganyi Gwendoline Abanda, may they rest in peace.

Stewardship Report

October 8, 2017	11,387.00
Faith Direct	2,522.00
Total Offertory	13,909.00
Last Year	12,112.00

We are grateful for your generosity.

Items of Note at St. Matthias

The St. Matthias Prayer Group meets in the church every Sunday immediately after 11:30am Mass. All are welcome. Contact Info: (240)486-0733 / (301)351-0777.

Teen Youth Ministry: Our first meeting for the school year was last Sunday. We explored our theme, *Thy Will Be Done* and studied several readings from the Bible to find examples of God's will working in our lives. We wish to thank all who attended, especially our adult volunteers. Our next meeting will be Sunday, November 12th, from 12:00-2:30 PM in the Hughes Center. For more information, please contact Le-Marie Thompson at lemarie.thompson@gmail.com or 301-452-2258.

Offertory Gifts Procession: If you are celebrating a special occasion and would like to bring the offertory gifts to the altar during Mass, please come to Mass early and make your request known to an usher.

Knights of Columbus



♦**Scholarship Grants:** Each year the MD State Council of the K of C awards scholarships to Catholic high school students. For information and application forms, go to www.kofc-md.org.

♦**The annual recruitment drive** will be held October 21-22. Please consider joining our parish chapter.

PSLC NEWS

Watch this space as the PSLC prepares for Advent and end-of-the-year events.

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

Reminder

Wednesday, November 1st, is the *Solemnity of All Saints*, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are scheduled for 7:00 AM, 9:15 AM (School Mass), 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM, and 8:00 PM (Spanish)

Faith Formation

Adult Bible Study: St. Matthias is offering an adult Bible Study on the book of Acts. The group meets Tuesday mornings at 9:10 AM in the Hughes Center. Please come and feel free to bring a friend.

Family Connection

Today's Gospel reminds us that God invites all of us to his kingdom. How do we respond to this invitation? In theological terms, God has granted us free will to accept or reject salvation. The parable of the wedding feast reminds us that God desires our wholehearted acceptance of his invitation to salvation. As you gather as a family, discuss what you consider appropriate attire for various occasions. For example, if your family were invited to a neighbor's barbecue, what would you wear? If you were planning to attend the symphony, what might you wear? If invited to an evening wedding, what might you wear? Discuss how our preparations for an event and our choice of attire indicates the importance and value we place on the occasion. In today's Gospel Jesus uses this metaphor to talk about the kingdom of heaven. Read Matthew 22:1-14. Discuss why the guest was thrown out of the wedding feast. What does Jesus expect of those who accept his invitation of salvation? What would be the evidence of our conversion to God's salvation? Pray together as a family that you will respond wholeheartedly to God's invitation to salvation. Pray together today's psalm, Psalm 23.

Around the Archdiocese

Workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: This workshop will instruct the faithful on how to serve effectively as an EMHC in the parish setting as well as when taking Holy Communion to the sick and shut-ins. It is intended primarily for those who wish to be certified as an EMHC in the Archdiocese of Washington, but the workshop is open to all.

11/11/2017 Holy Family Church
-Hillcrest Hgts., MD 9:00 AM—12:00 PM

Workshop for Lectors: This workshop will instruct lectors on how to be effective proclaimers of the Word in a liturgical setting. We will also explain the Lectionary and the structure of the Catholic biblical tradition. This workshop is open to all.

10/21/2017 Shrine of the Sacred Heart
-Washington, DC 9:00 PM—12:00 PM
11/18/2017 Pastoral Center
-Hyattsville, MD 9:00 AM—12:00 PM

For the above workshops, a \$ 5 registration fee may be paid at the door. Please RSVP by emailing liturgy@adw.org.

Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian Church Choir will celebrate their 45th Anniversary with a concert on Sunday, October 22nd, at 4:00 PM. George Stewart is the director of music. Tickets are available at www.hcsc45anniversary.eventbrite.com. A donation of \$ 20 is requested. The church is located at 1357 East Capitol St., SE, Washington, D.C.

Ministry Schedules October 21/22

<u>Time</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
5:00 PM	J. Oneywu, A. Amanyiwe	C. Clayton, F. McCrary
7:00 PM	F. Garcia, L. Martinez, B. Barahona	TBD
8:00 AM	A. DeMaio, D. DeMaio, S. DeMaio	L. Adekoya, M. Prout
9:30 AM	D. Osuji, C. Onyeiwu, C. Onyeiwu	P. Okongwu, V. Neke
11:30 AM	C. Morfaw, D. Morfaw	TBD
6:00 PM	S. Sykes, A. Marshall, G. Marshall	B. Burnett

<u>Time</u>	<u>EMCH</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
5:00 PM	B. Falls, C. Green, C. Kosko	A. Hawkins
7:00 PM	D. Ortiz, S. Resau	F. Moranchel, D. Lima
8:00 AM	J. George, M. Grayson, S. Keleti, S. Midgley, Z. Juanitez	C. Johnson
9:30 AM	P. Chappell, B. Chappell, R. Ihegbe, S. Ikpi, R. Pinchback	B. Nwadije
11:30 AM	R. Atemnkeng, L. Egbulem, B. Herring, M. Hoke, M. Ibebuch	R. Aitcheson
6:00 PM	D. Aitcheson, P. Makowski	K. Holmes-Johnson



The Academy of Saint Matthias

Applications for Admission are available at www.TADS.com. For more information about our school, please contact Mrs. Ann O'Hare at aohare@stmatthias.org or 301-577-9412 x 216.

Applications for Financial Aid for 2018-19 are available at www.TADS.com. Please check the website for details.

Help Wanted: If you are a retired teacher or guidance counselor and would like to volunteer to tutor students and assist teachers, please contact Mrs. Pat Schratz at 301-577-9412. Substitute teachers are also needed.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of October 21/22

5:00 pm	Father Jack	8:00 am	Father Canice
7:00 pm	Father Ford	9:30 am	Father Canice
		11:30 am	Father Jack
		6:00 pm	Father Albert