

Second Week of Easter

Monday, April 9th

Daily Mass 8:30AM: Don Falls (D)

Tuesday, April 10th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Don Falls (D)

Wednesday, April 11th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Don Falls (D)

Thursday, April 12th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Don Falls (D)

Friday, April 13th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM Helen Bates (D)

Saturday, April 14th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: People of the Parish (L)

Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 14th

5:00 PM: Pablo Alano (D)

7:00 PM: People of the Parish (L)

Sunday, April 15th

8:00 AM: Elijah Alexander (D)

9:30 AM: Dennis & Dorothy Oleru (D)

11:30 AM: Benjamin Udejiofor (D)

6:00 PM People of the Parish (L)

Readings:

Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19

1 Jn 2: 1-5a

Luke 24: 35-48

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

Elaine and Melvin Brooks; Muriel Brown; Yvette Butler; Patricia Castellano; Al Craig; Anne Dorsch; Nancy Femrite; Norma Florimbio; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Brenda Jackson; John and Joan Kodak; Carole Anne New; Kay Villemi; Mae Young; Sister Giustina Zanin; Sam Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Rita and Eugene Zehner

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

Celebrant Mass Schedule for April 14/15

5:00 PM Father Jack
7:00 PM Father Desiano
8:00 AM Father Canice
9:30 AM Father Jack
11:30 AM Father Canice
6:00 PM Father Jack

Stewardship Report

April 1 (Easter)

Offertory	\$ 11,720
Faith Direct	2,895
Total	14,615
Last Year	15,095

2018 Easter Offering 12,619

We Are Grateful for Your Generosity

Items of Note at St. Matthias

Adult Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, April 10th, at 9:15 AM in the Hughes Center. We are studying the book of *Acts* and we will pick up on Chapter 17. Please come and bring a friend!

Marian Devotion is held the first Saturday of the month at 12:00 PM in the church. Please join us.

The St. Matthias Prayer Group meets in the church every Sunday immediately after the 11:30 AM Mass. All are welcome.

2018 Annual Jubilarian Mass: Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 40, 50, and 51+ years on Sunday, June 17, 2018 at 2:00 PM at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office or use the sign-up forms in the back of church to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by **Monday, April 16, 2018**.

Volunteers are needed to staff the front office in the Hughes Center for 4 hour shifts once or twice a month. Please call Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 for more information.



Members of the African Community are reminded to pay their annual contribution for the Mothers Day and Fathers Day celebrations. Emmanuel Amanyeiwe and Veronica Ike are collecting your contributions.

Teen Youth Ministry April Meeting: All parish teens are welcome to attend our next meeting this Sunday, April 8th, from 12:00 –2:30 PM in the Hughes Center.

The Catholic Women's Association meets after the 11:30 AM Mass on the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

Parish Social Life Committee News

The PSLC will host parish mothers on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13th and parish fathers on Father's Day, Sunday, June 17th in Friendship Hall

Details will be provided in upcoming bulletins.



The Academy of Saint Matthias

School Tours are offered every Monday from 8:30-10:00 AM. Please call the school office at 301-577-9412 to arrange a tour.

The Application for Admissions to The Academy of St. Matthias the Apostle School for the 2018-2019 school year is now available. Please go to www.TADS.com and click on *Application for Admission*. Current school families are encouraged to re-enroll by April 9, 2018. **After April 9th, the enrollment fee will increase from \$ 200 to \$350.** If you have any questions or concerns, please call Mrs. Ann O'Hare at 301-577-9412.

Attention, All Former St. Matthias Students, Parents, Faculty & Staff:

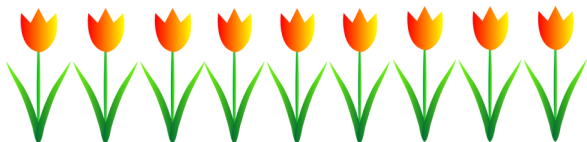
An **All Classes Alumni Reunion** will be held May 19th, 2018. Go to Facebook's St. Matthias School Reunion page to accept your invitation.



School Raffle Winners: Congratulations to Taurino Morales, winner of \$ 300 and to the seller, Carmela Diaz, winner of \$ 50 in the April 2nd drawing.



Community Yard Sale at St. Matthias April 21st, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM: If you would like to reserve space, please contact Chanel Wiseman at chanel1286@gmail.com.



Around the Archdiocese

A Day of Hope and Healing for those who struggle with infertility or have suffered a miscarriage will be held Saturday, April 14th, from 10:00 AM-3:30 PM at St. Joseph Parish, 11007 Montgomery Rd., Beltsville, MD. To register, go to <https://dayofhopeandhealing2018.eventbrite.com>.

An Advanced Lector Workshop with Fr. Conrad Murphy, Director of the Office of Worship, will be held Saturday, April 28th, from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center. Please RSVP by emailing liturgy@adw.org. A \$ 5 registration fee may be paid at the door.

An Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Liturgical Workshop will be held Saturday, April 28th, from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 917 Montrose Rd., Rockville, MD 20852. To register, go to liturgy@adw.org or call Maria Hamm at 301-853-4594. Cost is \$ 5.00.

A Spring Dinner Dance will be held at Holy Family Parish, Mitchellville, on Saturday, April 21st, from 6:00 PM –12:00 AM. The dance is open to those who are 18 years of age or older. Cost is \$ 35.00 per person. Ticket price includes dinner, dessert, beverage, and dancing. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Monette Roxas Tharp at monetteroxastharp@gmail.com.

Quo Vadis Camp: The Office of Priest Vocation's annual Quo Vadis Camp for high school-aged young men will be held at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD, From July 15th-18th. The four-day camp includes daily Mass, prayer, talks, sports, and much more. More information is available and registration is open at www.DCpriest.org. Questions? Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations at vocation@adw.org or 202-636-9020.

Family Connection

Within normal family life, there are many opportunities for conflict. Jesus did not promise us the absence of conflict in our lives. Instead, he gave us the gifts of peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation so that we could reduce conflict. The measure of Christian family life is not the absence of conflict, but the manner in which conflict is resolved. Filled with the gift of the Holy Spirit, we ask Jesus to help us to bring peace and forgiveness to situations of conflict in our families.

As your family gathers, take this opportunity to examine how your family resolves conflict. Recall a recent argument or disagreement and discuss how the conflict was resolved. Consider whether the conflict was resolved peacefully, in the spirit of Jesus. If not, discuss alternatives that might be tried in the future. Read together today's Gospel, John 20:19-31. Recall that we have each received Jesus' gift of the Holy Spirit and that the Holy Spirit helps us to be people who forgive others and seek peace. Pray together the Prayer to the Holy Spirit or the [Peace Prayer of Saint Francis](#).