

## Christmas Weekdays

### Monday, January 7th

*Saint Raymond of Penafort*

Daily Mass 8:30AM: Rev. Joseph J. Kleinstuber (D)

### Tuesday, January 8th

Mass 8:30: Marcela Gonzalo (D)

### Wednesday, January 9th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Bonnie Ellen & John Henry Kennealy and Mary Katherine DeAngelis (D)

### Thursday, January 10th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Carmelo Gugliotta (D)

### Friday, January 11th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Bonnie Ellen Kennealy (D)

### Saturday, January 12th

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

## The Baptism of the Lord

### Saturday, January 12th

5:00 PM: Raymond E. Schmidt (D)

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

### Sunday, January 13th

8:00 AM: People of the Parish (L)

9:30 AM: Robert Morfaw (D)

11:30 AM: Marcia Rhodes Cauley (D)

6:00 PM: Emmanuel Onyewu (L)

#### Readings:

Is 40: 1-5, 9-11

Ti 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7

Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

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

Elaine Brooks; Muriel Brown; John Cassidy; Rose Chisefsky; Chunyere Duru; Helen Dgiduch; Ferris "Bo" George; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Helen Jacik; Janet Kinard; John and Joan Kodak; Susan Lum; Nancy & John Matais; June Provini; Debbie Self; Mary Soh; Mae Young; Dennis Zanin; Elda Zanin; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Rita and Eugene Zehner

*For our military, protect them from all harm.*

*For the faithful departed, may they rest in peace.*

## Stewardship Report

### December 23

Offertory	8,693
Faith Direct	3,274
Total	11,967
<b>Last Year</b>	<b>14,514</b>

Christmas Collection 2018	24,779
<b>Christmas Collection 2017</b>	<b>26,291</b>

Flower Collection 2018	2,500
<b>Flower Collection 2017</b>	<b>3,437</b>

(The above 2018 figures are as of 12/26/2018)

**Next week's second collection is for Church Missions within the United States.**

*We are grateful for your generosity.*

## Items of Note at St. Matthias

**Mass Intentions:** Remember a loved one's birthday, anniversary or special occasion by having a Mass offered for him or her. Please stop by the parish office or call 301-459-4814 to request a Mass intention. Suggested offering is \$10.

**Calling All Teens!** The St. Matthias Youth Ministry will hold its next meeting on Sunday, January 13th, from 12:00-2:30 PM in the Hughes Center. The topic for our meeting is *Peace*. Lunch will be provided.

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

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

**Offertory Envelopes for 2019:** If you are a registered parishioner who currently uses weekly offertory envelopes, you should have received your January and February envelopes in the mail. Please notify the parish office if you have not received your envelopes.



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**Contribution Statements for 2018** will be mailed later this month. Please notify the office of your correct mailing address if you have moved recently (301-459-4814 x 201 or [pford@stmatthias.org](mailto:pford@stmatthias.org)).

**Faith Direct:** Winter is here and snow and ice may affect your weekly Mass attendance. Consider electronic giving through Faith Direct. Go to [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) to enroll or call the toll free number 1-866-507-8757 for more information.

### Family Connection

The tradition of giving gifts at Christmas is thought by some to be rooted in the gift giving of the Magi. In many cultures, gifts are not exchanged at Christmas, but rather on the feast of the Epiphany. Whenever you exchange your Christmas gifts, take some time to reflect on this tradition of gift giving at Christmas. Think of the best gift you have received. What was it? What made it special? Was it the gift itself, the thought that went into it, or the person who gave it to you?

Read today's Gospel, Matthew 2:1-12. The gifts of the Magi—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—have come to be understood as symbols of Christ's royalty, divinity, and eventual suffering and death. They are special because in giving them, the Magi acknowledge who Jesus was to be: our Savior. We pray that we will acknowledge Jesus as Savior in all that we do and say. Conclude by singing together "We Three Kings."



### Around the Archdiocese

**Men's Discernment Retreat:** St. John Paul II Seminary invites men in their 20's – 40's who are interested in learning more about the priesthood to attend a discernment retreat led by priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. The retreat will be held the weekend of February 1 – 3, 2019, at Saint John Paul II Seminary in Washington, D.C. The weekend will be an opportunity to pray and reflect on God's call, meet priests and seminarians, hear their stories, and learn more about the seminary and priesthood. Registration is now open at [www.DCPriest.org](http://www.DCPriest.org). For more information, contact the Office of Priest Vocations 202-636-9020 or [vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org).

### Faith Formation

**Faith Formation Classes** will resume Monday, January 7th, at 6:30 PM.

**Adult Bible Study:** St. Matthias will offer an adult Bible Study on St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians beginning Tuesday, January 8th, at 9:15 AM in the Hughes Center. Please join us and bring a friend!

### Knights of Columbus

**High School Scholarships:** 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](http://www.kofc-md.org). All applications must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than February 1, 2019.



### The Academy of Saint Matthias

**Tuition Assistance for the 2019-2020 School Year:** Families who will be new to the Academy of St. Matthias have until February 4, 2019, to apply for Archdiocesan financial aid at [www.Tads.com](http://www.Tads.com). **You must have a completed financial aid application on file to be considered for financial aid from any source.** Questions? Please contact the school Admissions Director, Mrs. Ann O'Hare, at 301-577-9412.

**School Raffle Fundraiser:** Please support our school by purchasing raffle tickets for \$ 20 each. The weekly drawing begins January 2nd and ends August 26, 2019. Each winner receives \$ 500 and the seller receives \$ 50. Tickets may be purchased in the school office, the parish office, and after the weekend Masses.



#### **Celebrant Mass Schedule for January 12/13**

5:00 PM	Fr. Khumbah
7:00 PM	Fr. Fr. Russo
8:00 AM	Fr. Jack
9:30 AM	Fr. Jack
11:30 AM	Fr. Khumbah
6:00 PM	Fr. Khumbah