**Masses for the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

**Monday, February 13th**  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Dwayne Campbell (Living)

**Tuesday, Feb. 14th:** Saint Cyril  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Henry Kosko

**Wednesday, February 15th**  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Olin Dovel

**Thursday, February 16th**  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Mary & Patrick Carr (Living)

**Friday, February 17th:**  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: John Wright (Living)

**Saturday, February 18th**  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Intentions of Parishioners

**The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, February 18th**  
Family Vigil Mass 5:00 PM: Don Falls (Living - Birthday)  
Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: Intentions of Parishioners

**Sunday, February 19th**  
8:00 AM: Christina Enahoro (Living - Birthday)  
10:30 AM: Family of Adaora Udekwu (Living—Thanksgiving)  
6:00 PM: Al Catanzati

**Readings:**  
1st Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18  
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23  
Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

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

Lisa Allison; Margie Baker; Muriel Brown; Hazel Campbell; Rose Chisefsky; Claudia Clayton; William (Bill) Cooper; Al Craig; Darlene Crawford; Ronnie Davis; Mary Diamiano; Antoinette Diemer; Norma Florimbo; Paula Gambrill; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Richard Kosko; Trudy Lewis; Joe Makowski; Linda Moore; Shirley Singleton; Kay Villemi; Mae Young; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Eugene Zehner; Mickey Zehner

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.

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

The parish office and school will be closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of Presidents’ Day. The office and school will re-open Tuesday, February 21st at 8:00 AM.

**Stewardship Report**

February 5, 2017  
Faith Direct  
Total Offertory  
Last Year

10,985.00  
2,301.00  
13,286.00  
12,704.00

We are grateful for your generosity

**Items of Note**

**Teen Ministry—February Meeting:**  
All teens of the parish are welcome to attend our next meeting on Sunday, February 12th from 12:00 — 2:30 PM in the Hughes Center. Lunch refreshments will be provided.

**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 Perpetual Memorial Candles.**  
For an initial payment of $50, and monthly installments, you can reserve a candle that remains lit for one year. For more information, please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 or tereme@stmatthias.org.

**World Day of the Sick:**  
At this time, we remember the sick and homebound of our parish and community in a very special way. Will you join the dedicated group of Eucharistic Ministers who visit the Catholic patients at Doctors Community Hospital? Volunteers are needed to serve periodically. Patients truly appreciate the opportunity to receive Holy Communion and/or prayers of comfort during this time of need. Please call Pat Makowski at 301-937-1443, or Riz Galicinao at 301-577-3447 for more information. Training is available.

**School News**

Thank you for attending our recent Open House events. Our celebration of Catholic Schools Week included a coffee hour with the Principal, a special school Mass, guest speakers from NASA, and student and teacher appreciation days with special activities to honor the children and adults. Two special service projects included a food drive for the parish food pantry and a multi-school coin drive to help build a school in Pakistan.

Meet Us on Mondays: School tours are offered every Monday from 8:30—10:30 AM. Please contact the school office at 301-577-9412 to schedule an appointment.

Raffle Winners: Congratulations to Agnes T. Taylor, winner and seller ($ 350) in the February 6th drawing.
**Family Connection**

Families have rules. Without rules, family life would be chaotic. As a family, brainstorm a list of rules that you are all called to follow in your home in order for all to get along together. Think about rules for play time, rules for eating, rules for how to speak to one another, rules for going out with friends, and so on. Emphasize that families follow rules as a way of showing love and respect for one another. Explain that in this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus talks about following the Law. God’s Law of love can be thought of as rules that we are to follow in order to show our love and respect for one another. Read aloud this Sunday’s Gospel, Matthew 5:17–37. Talk specifically with one another about how anger is to be dealt with in your family. Conclude by praying for the grace to overcome anger and to show respect for one another as a family by following God’s Law of love.

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**Items of Note**

**Cardinal’s Appeal:** This week you are asked to review the Cardinal’s Appeal information in today’s bulletin. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

**The Saint Matthias Feeding the Homeless Ministry** will prepare and help serve lunch on Wednesday, February 15th at the Community Place Cafe in Hyattsville, MD. Hosted by the United Methodist Church, this inter-faith ministry provides community services and support for homeless people and our struggling neighbors in the Hyattsville area. Additional parish volunteers are needed to help with this effort. Please call the parish office at 301-459-4814 x 201 to join us. All are welcome!

**Catholic Date Night:** The Office of Young Adult Ministry and Family Life for the Archdiocese of Washington is hosting a Catholic Date Night for engaged and married couples. Couples are invited to begin their date with fellowship, free wine and cheese, prayer, and an inspiring talk on growing together in love. After the talk, couples continue their date on their own! Join us on Saturday, February 25th from 6:00 – 7:00 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes in downtown Bethesda. Childcare is on your own. The event is free but you must RSVP at DCCatholic.eventbrite.com or call (301) 853-4559.

**Parish Social Life Committee**

All parish volunteers are invited to attend a special reception in celebration of their contributions to the life of our parish. The event will be held in the Hughes Center on Sunday, February 26th from 3:00—5:00 PM. Please RSVP by February 22nd to Pat Ford at 301-459-4814 x 201 or pford@stmattias.org.

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**BEST LENT EVER**

**DON’T GIVE UP chocolate FOR LENT**

We all know the things that make us happy, but we don’t always do them. Lent is an opportunity to change that. This year we invite you to do something different.

Join Dynamic Catholic for Best Lent Ever, a free video-based email program featuring internationally acclaimed speaker and New York Times bestselling author Matthew Kelly. From Ash Wednesday to Easter, Matthew will help you identify what stands between you and happiness…and what to do about it. Are you ready for your best Lent ever? To sign up, visit BestLentEver.com

**Ash Wednesday is March 1, 2017.**

Ashes will be distributed at all Masses: 7:00 AM, 9:15 AM (School Mass) 12:00 PM, and 7:30 PM

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**Schedule for Lectors, EMCH, Altar Servers, and Greeters February 18/19**

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**Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of February 18/19**

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