



Mass Intentions for the Third Week of Easter

Monday, April 11th: Saint Stanislaus

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Amanyiwe Family
Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 - 8:00 PM
Confessions 7:00 to 8:00 PM
Benediction 8:00 PM

Tuesday, April 12th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Roy Roberts (1 Year Memorial)

Wednesday, April 13th: Saint Martin

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Salvatore Marinucci

Thursday, April 14th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Saint Matthias Ladies of Charity (Living)

Friday, April 15th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Ada Egboma (Living)

Saturday, April 16th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Reverend Paul Liston

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 16th

Vigil 5:00 PM: Lina Manlapaz
Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: Nery Barrientos

Sunday, April 17th

8:00 AM: Francis P. Griffith
10:30 AM: Ainah Onukwubiri
6:00 PM: Chioke Conner (Living - Birthday)

Readings for Fourth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13: 14,43-52
2nd Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17
Gospel: John 10:27-30

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

Margie Baker; Muriel Brown; Ronnie Davis; Eugene Diggs; William Halbe; Jack Jordan; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Joe Makowski; Dick O'Connor; Celestine Scindian; Phyllis Sczuka; Marian Thomas; Kay Villemi; Crystal VanBuren; 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 3 rd	11,238.00
Faith Direct	2,832.00
Total Offertory	14,070.00
Last Year:	12,404.00

Easter Collection (to date)	16,648.00
Easter Collection (2015)	18,844.00

We are grateful for your generosity

Looking Ahead

Healing Mass: Saint Matthias will hold healing prayers after the 6:00 pm Mass on Sunday, April 17th. Come to Mass and stay for the healing prayers. Confessions will be offered at the same time. All are welcome.

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.

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.

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 Vivian Richards, Dir. of Admissions and Development, at 301-577-9412 x 215, or vrichards@stmatthias.org.

School Raffle: Congratulations to Sheila McPherson, winner and seller (\$350), in the April 4th drawing.

Cars in the Fire Lane Will be Towed!

When attending Church services, please park in a designated parking space. The lane in front of the Church is a fire lane to be used by emergency vehicles only.

St. Matthias gratefully acknowledges Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Nwosu's contribution to the Easter Flower Fund. Their names were inadvertently omitted from last week's bulletin insert.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Family Connection

Today's Gospel describes what we can easily imagine as a picnic on the beach. Just as Jesus' miracle at the wedding feast at Cana blesses the love between man and woman celebrated in the sacrament of marriage, Jesus' attentiveness to food and mealtimes raises the possibility that our meal gatherings can be sacred times. In families, our meals together are everyday opportunities to gather and recall Jesus' presence with us. As in the Eucharist, we bring the gifts that God has given us, which have been prepared especially for our Mass, and at our family meals we share gifts that God has given to us and that we have worked together to prepare. This includes the food on the table and also the people who gather around the table. We ask God to bless these gifts and to be present among us in all of our interactions.

Consider a recent family meal: What food was served? Where did the food come from? Who prepared the food? Who served the food? Was mealtime a happy time? Why or why not? Observe that today's Gospel tells about a meal that Jesus shared with his disciples after his Resurrection. Read aloud today's Gospel, John 21:1-14. Reflect on the Gospel reading using the questions above. Talk about ways in which this meal that Jesus shared with his disciples might remind us of the meal we share at the Eucharist. You might choose to plan a special meal together as a family, encouraging each person to participate in the meal preparation. Pray together that Jesus will make his loving presence known in your family life. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.



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Items of Note

Resisting the "Throwaway Culture" Dialogue: The Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life at Georgetown University will hold a public dialog on Resisting the "Throwaway Culture: Protecting Human Life and Dignity" on Tuesday, April 12th at 6:30pm at the Georgetown University Lohrfink Auditorium. For more information or to RSVP email cathsocialthought@georgetown.edu.



2016 Annual Jubilarian Mass: Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on Sunday, June 19th 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 submitted to the parish office by Monday, April 11th.**

Year of Mercy Lecture Series at the National Shrine:

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception will host a lecture series focusing on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. The next event is April 19th at 5:15 pm. For information, visit www.nationalshrine.com/mercy. The Basilica is located at 400 Michigan Ave., NE, Washington, D.C. Please call 202-526-8300 with any questions. 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.

Catholic Business Network of Prince George's County invites you to a networking breakfast that will be held on Friday, April 15th from 7:30 — 9:00 am. This meeting will be held at the Catholic Student Center at the University of Maryland, 4141 Guilford Dr., College Park. The Cost is \$20 for members and \$30 for guests. For more information, visit our website www.cbnpg.org.

Calling All Teens!



- Teen Youth Group will meet today, Sunday, April 10th from 12:00 - 2:30 p.m. in the Hughes Center. Lunch will served. All parish teens are welcome!
- The parish would like to recognize all parish seniors graduating high school in 2016. Parents are asked to email lemarie.thompson@gmail.com with your child's name, high school, and future endeavor (e.g. college/university/technical school, armed services and/or next life step) for a special recognition. For more information, contact Le-Marie Thompson at

Schedule for Lectors, EMCH, & Altar Servers April 16 & 17

	Lectors	EMCH	Altar Servers
5:00 pm	P. Stevenson	J. Flynn, C. Green, C. Kosko, J. Murray	A. Ogunlade, B. Ogunlade
7:00 pm	TBD	TBD	TBD
8:00 am	M. Taylor	D. Aitcheson, P. Buan, J. George, S. Keleti	F. Garcia, A. Marshall, E. Buan
10:30 am	G. Johnson	M. Ibebuchi, U. Nwokefor, R. Okereke, I. Onuaku, R. Pinchback	A. Amanyiwe, N. Agha, H. Taylor
6:00 pm	H. Jorgensen	D. Self, S. Wilson	D. Osuji, D. Okereke

Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of April 16/17



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