**Mass Intentions for the Seventh Week of Easter**

**Monday, May 9th:**
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Mother’s Day Novena  
Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 - 8:00 PM  
Confessions 7:00 to 8:00 PM  
Benediction 8:00 PM

**Tuesday, May 10th: Saint Damien de Veuster**
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Mother’s Day Novena

**Wednesday, May 11th**
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Mother’s Day Novena

**Thursday, May 12th**
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Mother’s Day Novena

**Friday, May 13th: Our Lady of Fatima**
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Mother’s Day Novena

**Saturday, May 14th**
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Saint Matthias, Apostle

**Pentecost Sunday Saturday, May 14th**
Vigil 5:00 PM: Mother’s Day Novena  
Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: Mother’s Day Novena

**Sunday, May 15th**
8:00 AM: Mother’s Day Novena  
10:30 AM: Mother’s Day Novena  
6:00 PM: Mother’s Day Novena

**Readings for The Most Holy Trinity**
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7 or Romans 8:8-17  
Gospel: John 20:19-23

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

Margie Baker; Muriel Brown; Martina Coleman; Ronnie Davis; Eugene Diggs; William Downey; Norma Florimbio; William Halbe; Jack Jordan; Vera Joseph; Bong Juanitez; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Joe Makowski; Dick O’Connor; Florence Nwonye–Nwoko; Celestine Scindian; Phyllis Szczuka; Marian Thomas; Kay Villemi; Crystal VanBuren; Earl White 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

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**Stewardship Report: Revenue**

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*We are grateful for your generosity*

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**Looking Ahead**

**The Knights of Columbus Living Rosary** will be held on Tuesday May 12th at 7:30 PM in the church. All are invited and encouraged to attend!

**Needed:** We are looking for a generous parishioner to donate a computer for the parish front office. Please call 301-459-4814 x 207 if you can assist.

**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 301-459-4814 to make sure the room is not reserved for other activities.

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**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, please call 301-577-9412, or mblackburn@stmatthias.org

**School Raffle:** Congratulations to Greg Warner, winner of $300, and Cynthia Marshall seller ($50), in the May 2nd drawing.

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**Note of Thanks!**

Dear Saint Matthias the Apostle Parish,

The United Communities Against Poverty, home of Shepard's Cove Shelter, extends its thanks to the Saint Matthias Parish Teen Youth Group for their generous donations of toiletries, school supplies, and non-perishable goods. The teens’ generosity has made a meaningful impact within Shepard's Cove and throughout the community.

With much appreciation and gratitude from our women and children,

**Deborah Ellison**  
Volunteer Services Manager, Shepherd’s Cove Shelter
Family Connection

One of the greatest gifts that we are given in our family life is protection from harm. Families work together to keep one another safe in a physical sense. Think of the effort a family makes to “child-proof” their home for infants and toddlers. Families also work to protect each other from emotional harm. For example, we attend to the ways in which family members talk to one another so that we do not hurt one another's feelings by our words. Most importantly, families work together to protect each other from those things that might harm us spiritually. We shield our children from those things in our culture that tempt us away from God. When families work together to strengthen their sense of God and community, we build the spiritual strength to turn from those things that would lead us away from God and the Church. Jesus' prayer for his disciples can also be a prayer for our family life.

Gather as a family and talk about the things that you want most for each other. Talk about the fact that as we work toward these things we also work to protect one another from other things, especially harmful things. What do you want to protect each other from? Observe that in today's Gospel, Jesus shows these same two tendencies as he prays for something he wants for his disciples and prays for their protection as well. Read together this Sunday's Gospel, John 17:20-26. Consider what Jesus wants for his disciples (union with the Father as Jesus is united with the Father). We know that when Jesus prayed for his disciples he was praying for us as well. We pray for these things as well—for example, when we pray the Lord's Prayer. Conclude by praying the Lord's Prayer together.

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Items of Note

A happy and blessed Mother's Day to you!

First Communicants: Congratulations to our young parishioners who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 7th.

Memorial Mass for the Military Services will be held on Sunday, May 15th to honor those who have served and are serving in our nation’s armed forces. The Mass will take place at 12 noon at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (400 Michigan Ave., NE). To request seating or obtain additional information, please visit www.milarch.org/memorialmass.

Carpent and Flooring Installation in the Church: Due to the extensive preparatory work required before carpet and flooring can be installed, the project will begin mid June.

Calling All Teens! The Saint Matthias Teen Youth Group will hold its next meeting on Sunday, May 15th from 12:00 - 2:30 PM in the Hughes Center. Lunch & refreshments will be provided. Parish teens in grades 9 through 12 are welcome. For more information, contact Le-Marie Thompson at 301-452-2258 or Arlene Taylor at 301-459-5549.

Graduating Seniors: Parents of 2016 high school seniors are asked to email lemarie.thompson@gmail.com by May 15th with your child’s name, high school, and future plans.

The Father E. Albert Hughes Scholarship Applications for the 2016-2017 academic year are available at www.stmatthias.org. Forms are also available at the parish office and in the church vestibule. Parents of St. Matthias students and high school students who attend Archdiocesan Catholic schools may apply. This scholarship is funded by the parish for parish families. The application deadline is May 27, 2016.

Camp Saint Charles Open House will be held on Sunday May 15th from 11 AM to 3 PM. CSC is a Catholic overnight summer camp for boys and girls. Join us for lunch, and a tour. For more information see our website www.campstcharles.org or call us at 301-9348799, or email director@campstcharles.org.

Do you know someone who can’t get to Mass? The Archdiocese of Washington produces a weekly televised Mass which airs on Sundays at 10:30 AM. For more information, please call 301-853-4517.

Next Saturday, May 14th is the Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle. Please join us for Mass at 8:30 AM.

Schedule for Lectors, EMCH, & Altar Servers May 14/15

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Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of May 14/15

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