Mass Intentions for the Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time

**Monday, July 4th**
- Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Innocent Akwue
- Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 - 8:00 PM
- Confessions 7:00 to 8:00 PM
- Benediction 8:00 PM

**Tuesday, July 5th: Saint Anthony Zaccaria**
- Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Michael Barahona - Living

**Wednesday, July 6th: Saint Maria Goretti**
- Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Michael Anthony K. Agboli

**Thursday, July 7th**
- Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Joseph Hugya

**Friday, July 8th**
- Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Hazel Campbell - Living

**Saturday, July 9th: Saint Augustine Zhao Rong**
- Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Riz Galiciano - Living

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, July 9th**
- Vigil 5:00 PM: Ugo Amanye (Living - Birthday)
- Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: Intentions of Parishioners

**Sunday, July 10th**
- 8:00 AM: Ugochukwu Ikedilo
- 10:30 AM: Igwe-John Okolo & Ezinne-Helen Okolo
- 6:00 PM: Intentions of Parishioners

Readings for The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14
- 2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends:
- Margie Baker; Jacqueline Bhola; Nancy Borders; Muriel Brown; Ronnie Davis; Norma Florimond; Amanda George; William Halbe; Jack Jordan; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Joe Makowski; Darin Nichols; Dick O’Connor; Florence Nwonye-Nwoko; Sam Ross; Phyllis Szcuka; John Schmidt; Celestine Scindian; Louise Tesar; Marian Thomas; Kay Villemi; Crystal Van Buren; Earl White; Madeline White; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Eugene Zehner, Mick 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 all the faithful departed, may they rest in peace.

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Stewardship Report: Revenue

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We are grateful for your generosity.

Looking Ahead

Votive and Memorial Candles: Votive and Memorial candles are available in the Church and in the Adoration Chapel. Suggested minimum offering to light a votive candle is $1.00. Memorial candles may be reserved for a term of one year. Each candle burns continuously for the entire year and will have a personalized plaque commemorating your loved one. Introductory cost is $300 per year, through Sept. 30th, 2016. For more information or to reserve your memorial candle, please contact Thad Erreme at 301-459-4814 x 207 or terreme@stmatthias.org.

Hospitality Committee: To foster a sense of community, a hospitality committee that will organize and oversee social functions for the parish is now forming. For more information, please contact Thad Erreme at 301-459-4814 x 207.

Christmas in June Campaign: Thank you for your generous response to our appeal for additional funding for our church floor renovations. We have received 42% of our goal to date. Each family is asked to donate $47.86 (or more) to help defray costs of additional work that must be done prior to the installation of carpet and flooring. Contribution envelopes are available from church ushers and the parish office.

SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome, Mrs. Patricia Schratz: The St. Matthias extends a warm welcome to our new school principal, Mrs. Pat Schratz, an experienced administrator who will lead the Academy’s growth in faith formation and academic excellence.

The Academy of St. 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 Pierrette Steele, winner and seller ($350) in the June 27th drawing.
**Family Connection**

Families teach a sense of togetherness and community. It is in the family that we learn that we are dependent on one another and where we learn to work together and live together. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus sends out the 72 disciples in pairs, a sign that we are to work together to serve the mission of the Kingdom of God.

Talk about all the ways that your family works together. Talk about the various chores and tasks that family members work on together to accomplish in order to keep the household running smoothly.

Read aloud Luke 10:1-12,17-20. Talk about why it was important that Jesus sent his disciples out in pairs. Discuss ways that your family can work more closely together to support one another and to make the household run more smoothly. Pray for the strength to overcome the temptation to be too individualistic and to recognize the need for working together as a family.

**Items of Note**

**Please Register with Saint Matthias Church:** We encourage all new households to register with the parish. Registration helps us create a tangible record of parish activity, including charitable contributions and connections with parish ministries which enables us to provide letters of good standing to verify your support and involvement in our parish. To register, please fill out a Registration Form. Forms are available in the parish office.

**Volunteers are needed to assist with meal preparation at the priests’ residence, July 5th-17th.** If you are able to provide a dinner for four, please contact Pat Ford at 301-459-4814 x 201 to schedule a date. Thank you.

**Drivers Needed:** As you know, we have visiting priests here at St. Matthias who do not drive but need transportation to minister to the needs of our parishioners, get to area public transportation stations, etc. If you are able to help, please contact Pat Ford at the parish office, 301-459-4814 x 201. Your name and availability will be provided to our visiting priests who will contact you to arrange transportation.

**Adult Faith Formation:**

St. Matthias is offering a weekly DVD series, *The Bible Timeline*, in the Hughes Center on Wednesdays, from 7:00-8:30 PM. Please note that there will be no class on Wednesday, July 6th. Class will resume July 13th.

**Krakow in the Capital:** On Saturday, July 30th, Saint Matthias young adults ages 18-39 will join young adults from across the region at *Krakow in the Capital*, a World Youth Day experience at Catholic University. We will encounter Christ through Polish food and music, bilingual talks from Bishops and national speakers, a late night concert, and more! Cost is $25 online. To register go to http://wyddc.org/. We will meet at Saint Matthias at 11:00 AM to car pool/metro to Catholic University. For more information about transportation, contact Le-Marie Thompson 301-452-2258 or email lemarie.thompson@gmail.com.

**The Adoration Chapel** is now open. Please stop by the parish office to register and receive a code to access the chapel.

**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 Saint Matthias Church Directories** are available for purchase at the parish office during regular business hours. The cost of a directory is $20.

**Reminder:** Next week, weekday Masses (Monday through Saturday) will be held in the Hughes Center at 8:30 am. Weekend Masses will be held in Friendship Hall. Monday Confession, Adoration and Benediction will be in the Hughes Center from 6-8 pm.

**The African National Eucharistic Congress** will be held on August 5th-7th at the Przybyla Center of the Catholic University of America (620 Michigan Avenue, NE, Washington, D.C.). The theme is “Responding To The New Evangelization: The African Catholic Family, A Gift To The Church In America”. For more information and to register, visit www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/cultural-diversity. For questions, please contact Sister Joanna Okereke, HHCJ at jovukereke@usccb.org.

**Celebant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of July 9/10**

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