Mass Intentions for the Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

**Monday September 12th:** The Most Holy Name of Mary
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Joseph Hugya

**Tuesday, September 13th:** Saint John Chrysostom
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Ferris (Bo) George (Living)

**Wed., Sept. 14th:** Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Donald Kerstiens

**Thurs., Sept. 15th:** Our Lady of Sorrows
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Patricia Padono (Living)

**Friday, September 16th:** Saint Cornelius
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Patricia Padono (Living)

**Saturday, Sept. 17th:** Saint Robert Bellarmine
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Patricia Padono (Living)

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, September 17th**
Vigil 5:00 PM: Norman Osenkowski
Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: Joseph Makowski (Living)

**Sunday, September 18th**
8:00 AM: Szabo Family
10:30 AM: Christy Udejiofor
6:00 PM: David Bernstein

Readings for The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
1st Reading: Amos 8: 4 -7
2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 2: 1-8

Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends:
Lazarus Asong; Margie Baker; Muriel Brown; Ronnie Davis; Norma Florimbio; William Halbe; Jan Jarus; Jack Jordan; Kay Kaderabek; Mary Ellen Keleti; Richard Kosko; John and Joan Kodak; Joe Makowski; Dorothy Newman; William Pinchback; John Plater; Sam Ross; Phyllis Szukia; John Schmidt; Ida Stelmack; Charity Taylor; Louise Tesar; Marian Thomas; Matthew Thomas; Kay Villemi; Madeline White; Sister Giustina Zann; Zaria Zann; Eugene 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.

Stewardship Report: Revenue

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Second Collection: The Archdiocese of Washington’s second collection this weekend is for the support of The Catholic University of America.

Items of Note

Knights of Columbus Car Raffle: Tickets are available for the Knights of Columbus 48th Annual Car Raffle. This raffle benefits area charities and scholarship programs. Tickets are $1 and are available from any council member, or you may call Don Aitcheson (240-481-0622) or Dominic Forka (240-595-9479).

Memorial Candles: Time is running out to reserve your Memorial candles at the introductory cost! Memorial candles are available in the Church and in the Adoration Chapel and 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. 30, 2016. For more information or to reserve your memorial candle, please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814x207 or tereme@stmatthias.org.

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.

School News

The Academy of St. Matthias the Apostle opened its doors to new and returning families on Monday, August 29, 2016. We are excited to welcome 33 new families to our community. We also welcome our new principal, Mrs. Patricia Schratz and the following new faculty members:
Ms. Emily Scala…………..Grade 2
Ms. Aurore Anastassiadi…Grade 8
Mr. Randall Parker…………Art Teacher
Mr. Marco dela Cuesta……..Music Teacher
Ms. Rayla Parquet………….Technology Teacher
Ms. Kimberly Glass………..Resource Teacher

Our Home and School Association has been busy planning several community building activities. There was a Back-to-School Barbeque earlier this weekend for our school families, faculty, and staff.

Mark your calendar to SAVE THE DATE for this year’s Fall Festival to be held on Saturday, October 8, 2016. More details to follow.

Have you visited our parish website lately? Watch for new features and content in the weeks ahead. Go to www.stmatthias.org
**Family Connection**

Read or retell in your own words, the three stories from the Gospel. Ask your children to recall games they play that involve losing or hiding something and then finding it. (Hide and Go Seek, Ghost in the Graveyard, Button, Button, Who's Got the Button?) Talk about how exciting it is to find the person or thing that was hidden.

Ask your children if they have any memories of losing something special or being lost themselves. Share the stories as well as the fears or feelings. Then tell them that just as you would go to any length to find and bring them home if they were lost, so too would God. That is what Jesus is telling us in the three stories. No matter what we do, no matter how wrong we are, God, our loving father, is always anxious to forgive us and welcome us back home.

Taken From Loyola Press (www.loyolapress.com).

**Temporary Exhibition on Saint Thomas More:** A New landmark exhibition, God’s Servant First: The Life and Legacy of Thomas More runs from September 16th through March 31st. The exhibit is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and The Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst, UK. The Saint John Paul II Shrine is located at 3900 Harewood Road, NE, Washington. Additional information can be found at www.jp2shrine.org.

**Parish Office Email:** You can now contact the Parish office by email at recvolunteer@stmatthias.org.

**Faith Formation**

If you have questions regarding Faith Formation, please contact Catherine Tolnay at 301-459-4814 x 205.

- **Faith Formation Classes** for students not attending Catholic school begin September 19th in Friendship Hall from 6:30-7:45 PM. Registration forms are in the pamphlet racks at the back of church and may be returned to the Hughes Center during office hours. Fees are listed on the forms and there is a $25 late fee for forms turned in after September 12th.
- **Catechists Needed** for the Faith Formation Religious Education program. Training and support are provided.
- **Interested in Exploring the Catholic Faith?** RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a program where you can learn what the Church teaches and why. If you are considering joining the Catholic Church, this program is for you. Please “come and see” on Wednesday, September 28th at 7:00 PM in the Hughes Center.

**Schedule for Lectors, EMCH, & Altar Servers September 17/18**

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**Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of September 17/18**

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**An Invitation to Receive Grief Support:** Saint Matthias welcomes those who have faced a significant loss to join its on-going Grief Support Group. Participants experience the support and caring of other grieving persons, as well as receive helpful information about grieving and the grief process. Sessions are held every Saturday from 9:00 - 10:30 AM in the school library. New members are welcome beginning September 24th. For more information, contact Miriam Jacik MSN, MS Psy., the group coordinator, at 301-345-6054.

**Evangelization Leaders Meeting:** The Archdiocese of Washington invites you to join parish leaders in your area -- including evangelization teams, volunteers, pastoral councils, staff, and clergy -- to discuss evangelization and discipleship in our local parishes. We will focus on evangelizing when people are open to questions of faith and spiritual experiences. The meeting will be held at Saint Matthias, Lanham, MD, on Thursday, September 22nd at 7:00 PM.

**Addressing Domestic Violence:** The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) will address domestic violence and abuse at Hope, Help and Healing: A Catholic Response to Domestic Violence and Abuse. Attendees will learn what to do as individuals, organizations, or parishes to address domestic violence and abuse. The session will take place on Saturday, September 17th at Saint Catherine Labore, 11801 Claridge Rd., Wheaton, MD, from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. Register at archdioceseccw@gmail.com or Carmen Boston, 301-984-3934.

**2016 Gabriel Network 5K Run/Walk** will take place on Saturday, September 24th at 8 AM at 9200 Rustling Leaf, Columbia, MD. Proceeds from the run help homeless moms and babies. To register go to www.gabrielnetwork.org/events.