Mass Intentions for the Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

**Monday September 26th:** Saints Cosmas and Damian  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Patricia Padonu (Living)

**Tuesday, September 27th:** Saint Vincent de Paul  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Patricia Padonu (Living)

**Wed., Sept. 28th:** Saints Wenceslaus and Lawrence  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Frank Vitale

**Thurs., Sept. 29th:** Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Gabriel Joseph Caggiano

**Fri., September 30th:** Saint Jerome  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: John Kosko

**Sat., Oct. 1st:** Saint Therese of the Child Jesus  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Sarah Sheerin

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, October 1st:**  
Vigil 5:00 PM: Earle White  
Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: Michael Barahona (Living)

**Sunday, October 2nd:**  
8:00 AM: Edward G. Grofic  
10:30 AM: Florence Nwonye (Living)  
6:00 PM: Jeffrey Burleson

Readings for The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
1st Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4  
2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14  
Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends:  
Lisa Allison; Lazarus Asong; Margie Baker; Muriel Brown; Ronnie Davis; Janice Erreme; Norma Florimbio; William Halbe; Jan Jarus; Jack Jordan; Vera Joseph; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Joe Makowski; Dorothy Newman; William Pinchback; John Plater; Sam Ross; Phyllis Szczuka; John Schmidt; Ida Stelmack; Jeffrey Surtovich; Elijah Taylor; Louise Tesar; Marian Thomas; Matthew Thomas; Kay Villemi; Madeline White; Mae Young; Barbara Zanin; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; 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.

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

Stewardship Report: Revenue

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We are grateful for your generosity!

Items of Note

Knights of Columbus News: For additional information about events and activities, contact Don Aitcheson (240-481-0622) or Dominic Forka (240-595-9479).

- **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 301-459-4814 x 207 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.

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

First Friday: All are welcome to join fellow parishioners for refreshments after the 8:30 AM Mass on the first Friday of each month. Our next gathering is Friday, October 7th. Generous members of our parish provide coffee cakes, donuts, juice and coffee. Take advantage of a perfect opportunity to meet others. If you would like to donate refreshments, please let those serving have your name.

Hospitality Committee: The inaugural meeting of the Hospitality Committee was held last Sunday, Sept. 18th. Attending were: Father Canice, Thad Erreme, Debbie Self, Beatrice Owolabi, Doris Chika-Onyima, Rosario Andres, Evelyn Andres, Jackie Bates, Jackie Bhola, Marion Prout, Arlene Taylor, and Bernadette Wilson. We thank these parishioners who will work to foster a sense of community by providing a welcoming atmosphere, and coordinating a variety of planned social events.
Family Connection

Talk with your children about some of the things that they have that can be shared with others. Ask your children to describe a time when they had to share something that they had. Ask if this was easy or difficult and why. Talk about some of ways in which your family shares your possessions. Read together today's Gospel, Luke 16:19-31. Consider together some reasons why the rich man may not have shared his riches with the poor man, Lazarus. Identify some reasons why we might share our possessions with others. Make a commitment as a family to do something this week in which you will choose to share your possessions with someone in need.

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Faith Formation

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

- **Faith Formation:** classes have begun for students (k – 8) who do not attend a Catholic School. Please register your children if you have not done so already.

- **Interested in Exploring the Catholic Faith?** RCLA (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.

- **Adult Bible Study** will begin Tuesday, October 4th at 9:15 am in the Hughes Center. We will be studying the Gospel of Matthew. Please come and bring a friend.

Youth

**Teen Ministry Meeting:** Save the date! October 8th begins our 2016-2017 teen ministry season. Teens are in for an insightful and fun year exploring the corporal and spiritual works of mercy through words and deeds. Registration forms may be found in the back of church and can be returned to the Hughes Center during office hours. Forms may also be emailed to recvolunteer@stmatthias.org. For more information, contact Le-Marie Thompson at 301-452-2258 or Arlene Taylor at 301-459-5549.

Miscellaneous

- Thank you to all the parishioners who signed up for the “Invitation to Perpetual Adoration”. Information on the next steps will be coming soon.

- Periodically, there will be flyers in the bulletin that promote parishioners’ businesses. The parish does not necessarily endorse these businesses but provides the information as a service to you.

- Clerical jobs for bi-lingual speakers: Contact Veronica Cool at 443-854-1444, or Karol Snyder at 240-727-2335.

School News

- The Fall Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 8th from 9:00 AM—3:00 PM. Wristbands for games, activities, and crafts may be purchased at the school office for $20 for one child, and $30 for two children. The cost will increase after Sept. 30th. Food tickets and face painting tickets will be available at the Festival. Remember that children must be accompanied by an adult at the Festival. Vendors are invited to reserve table space by calling the school at 301-577-9412.

- **HELP WANTED:** We are in need of retired or former teachers who are willing to be substitute teachers. For information, please contact the Principal, Mrs. Patricia Schratz, at 301-577-9412 or pschratz@stmatthias.org.

- There are still openings available to attend our school For information, or to arrange a school tour, please contact Mrs. Ann O’Hare, Admissions Director, at aohare@stmatthias.org or by calling 301-577-9412.

- Many thanks to our Home and School Association for the wonderful Back-to-School Barbeque held earlier this month. Many school families and teachers gathered to begin the school year by visiting with old friends and meeting new ones, enjoying refreshments, and playing outside in the beautiful weather.

Schedule for Lectors, EMCH, & Altar Servers

**October 1/2**

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Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of October 1/2

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