

Mass Intentions for the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday Oct. 24th: Saint Anthony Mary Claret

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **John T. "Jack" O'Leary**

Tuesday, October 25th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Dr. Patrick Adigwe** (Living)

Wednesday, October 26th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **James Alexander Howard, Jr.**

Thursday, October 27th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Barbara Zanin** (Living)

Friday, October 28th: Saints Simon and Jude

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Ed Densmore**

Saturday, October 29th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Heather Roberts** (Living—Birthday)

The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 29th

Vigil 5:00 PM: **Josephine Monyei** (Living)

Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: **Jessica Fernandez Martinez** (Living)

Sunday, October 30th

8:00 AM: **Antonio Martinez** (Living-Birthday)

10:30 AM: **Adamma Ugoh**

6:00 PM: **Richard Hohmann**

Readings for The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

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

Lisa Allison; Lazarus Asong; Margie Baker; Earl Bracey; Muriel Brown; Ronnie Davis; Joseph DeMarco Jr; Janice Ereme; Bob Faass; Norma Florimbio; William Halbe; Rich Hoffmann; Kimberly Jackson; Jan Jarus; Jack Jordan; Vera Joseph; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Richard Kosko; Joe Makowski; Dorothy Newman; William Pinchback; John Plater; Sam Ross; Phyllis Sczuka; John Schmidt; Ida Stelmack; Jeffrey Surtkovich; Charity Taylor; Elijah Taylor; Louise Tesar; Marian Thomas; Matthew Thomas; Kay Villemi; Madeline White; Mae Young; Barbara Zanin; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Eugene Zehner; Mickey 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, especially Louis J. Cissone, Jr., may they rest in peace.

Stewardship Report: Revenue

October 16 th	9,312.00
Faith Direct	2,411.00
Total Offertory	11,723.00
Last Year:	10,970.00

We are grateful for your generosity!

Items of Note

Save the Date—Saint Matthias Mercy Program will be held on November 20th at 12:00 PM (noon) to 1:30 PM in the Hughes Center. The Mercy Program aims to enrich all parishioners' knowledge of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. In our discussion and workshop this month we will focus on the corporal work of *welcoming the stranger*. Our workshop will include learning parts of the Mass in the languages spoken by the parish. English, French, Igbo, Spanish, and Tagalog speakers are invited to help parishioners learn parts of the Mass in those languages. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. All are welcome! For more information contact Le-Marie Thompson at 301-452-2258 or lemarie.thompson@gmail.com.

Hosting An Event? Friendship Hall is available for rent on weekends throughout year. This coming summer, in addition to being available on weekends, Friendship Hall will be available on weekdays for meetings, conferences, and workshops. Book early for 2017.

Volunteers Are Needed to staff the parish office for four hour shifts, mornings and afternoons Monday through Friday. Duties include answering the phone, greeting visitors, and light clerical duties.

For more information on the above *Items of Note*, please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 or tereme@stmatthias.org

Beginning this Sunday after all Masses, the Ladies of Charity will be selling 2017 Missals. Cost of each Missal is \$4.00, with proceeds going to the food pantry and other charitable work. Thank you for your support.

Faith Formation

Registration for Faith Formation classes is closed for the current school year. Classes began September 19th. Please contact Catherine Tolnay at 301-459-4814 x 205 or ctolnay@stmatthias.org for information about Faith Formation.

Parish Social Life Committee

The Parish Social Life Committee welcomes two new members, Zita Givens and Dominic Forka. The next meeting will be held Friday, November 4th at 6:30 PM in the Hughes Center. The agenda includes final arrangements for the dedication of the Adoration Chapel.

THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Family Connection

In the family, one sometimes observes a level of competition between children for parent attention, or for acknowledgement of their abilities. Somehow children seem to internalize that the attention given to one member of the family diminishes the attention given to another. In this way, children can often sound like the Pharisee in Jesus' parable. Parents who provide continual reminders to their children that they are loved for who they are, not for what they do, help children develop a healthy spirituality.

As a family, talk about what it means to compare oneself to another. Discuss whether it is helpful to compare oneself to another. In what ways might this be positive? (when it motivates one to use one's talents) In what circumstances might this be unhelpful? (when it proves discouraging, when it prevents one from valuing the abilities of another) As a family, read today's Gospel, Luke 18:9-14. Discuss: What was wrong about the prayer of the Pharisee? How can we emulate the prayer of the tax collector? Pray together as a family in thanksgiving for the blessing that is each member of your family. Pray that your family will be free from unhealthy competition. Pray in thanksgiving that God's love for us is unconditional.

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School News



◆ The **Fall Festival** will be held Saturday, November 5th from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM. Please contact the school office for more information.

◆ TADS Financial Aid application for 2017-2018 is now available online. The application deadline is December 1, 2016. Single parents are also encouraged to apply for aid at www.CatholicFA.org.

◆ Principal Patricia Schratz will hold a coffee hour for school parents to share ideas and concerns on Thursday, November 3rd from 8:15-9:30 AM in the Hughes Center. Please email your RSVP to Mrs. Blackburn at mblackburn@stmatthias.org.

◆ Our first **Open House** for prospective school families will be held on Friday, November 11th from 9:00 AM until 12:00 PM. Come and see what we're all about! Any family interested in our school is invited to attend.



Items of Note

The Adoration Chapel is open 24 hours every day of the week for adoration. Parishioners who signed up to be part of the perpetual adoration ministry team will be contacted within the next few weeks. All parishioners are welcome to the chapel *any time*. Contact the parish office at 301-459-4814 to receive the keyless entry code.

The St. Matthias Home and School Association Board will present an educational program, "In the Genes: Race, Culture, and Breast Cancer" on Thursday, October 27th from 6:00-7:00 PM. in Friendship Hall. Dinner will follow the presentation. Please RSVP to Tay Onyewu at 301-552-8620 or hsa@stmatthias.org.

Honoring the Dignity of Life in Sickness and

Death: On Monday, October 24th from 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Saint Edward the Confessor Catholic Church (1940 Mitchellville Rd., Bowie) will host a discussion on the moral, medical, and legal aspects of caring for yourself or your loved ones in sickness and at the end of life. Contact Teresa Yao at 301-853-4555 or yaot@adw.org with questions.

Protecting God's Children for Adults: Protecting God's Children is the mandatory child protection training for all Archdiocese of Washington employees and volunteers who have substantial contact with children. The next local training will take place on October 29th from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM at St. Joseph's Parish, 2020 St. Joseph's Drive, Largo, MD. For more information and to register visit <http://www.adw.org/childprotection/>

Evangelization Conference: The Archdiocese of Washington will hold an Evangelization Conference on Saturday, November 5th at Saint Camillus Church in Silver Spring. This training day is for parish leaders and staff, volunteers, pastoral council members, and ministry leaders. The keynote speaker is Sherry Weddell, author of *Forming Intentional Disciples*. For more information, contact Msgr. Robert Panke at rpanke@adw.org.

Schedule for Lectors, EMCH, & Altar Servers October 29/30

	Lectors	EMCH	Altar Servers
5:00 pm	TBD	C. Kosko, J. Murray, P. Stevenson, B. Wiredu	A. Amanyeiwe, S. Cherisca, X. Cherisca
7:00 pm	F. Moranchel	S. Resau, S. Avieta	J. Andres, E. Diaz, L. Martinez
8:00 am	TBD	M. Adams, B. Falls, M. Grayson, S. Keleti	F. Onyewu A. Marshall, G. Marshall
10:30 am	TBD	B. Herring, M. Hoke, R. Ihegbe, S. Ugoh, B. Chappell	F. Garcia, A. Akem, S. Akukwe
6:00 pm	TBD	D. Aitcheson, S. Ikpi	R. Birun, H. Ntitebem



Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of October 29/30

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