

## Mass Intentions for the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

### Monday November 21<sup>st</sup>: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

### Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>: Saint Cecilia

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

### Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>: St. clement I

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

### Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Day

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

### Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>: Saint Catherine of Alexandria

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

### Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

## First Sunday of Advent

### Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>

Vigil 5:00 PM: All Souls  
Spanish Mass 7:00 PM: All Souls

### Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>:

8:00 AM: All Souls  
10:30 AM: All Souls  
6:00 PM: All Souls

**Readings:** 1st Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5  
2nd Reading: Romans 13:11-14  
Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

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

Elijah Alexander; Lisa Allison; Lazarus Asong; Margie Baker; Earl Bracey; Muriel Brown; Hazel Campbell; Al Craig; Ronnie Davis; Joseph DeMarco Jr; Janice Ereme; Bob Faass; Norma Florimbio; William Halbe; Kimberly Jackson; Jan Jarus; Vera Joseph; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Richard Kosko; Joe Makowski; Dorothy Newman; Christopher Onuaku; John Plater; Sam Ross; Phyllis Sczuka; Amalia Spescha; Ida Stelmack; Jeffrey Surtkovich; Charity Taylor; Elijah Taylor; Louise Tesar; Marian Thomas; Matthew Thomas; Kay Villemi; Madeline White; Mae Young; 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 the faithful departed, especially Jack Jordan, may they rest in peace.*

## Stewardship Report: Revenue

November 13 <sup>th</sup>	8,348.00
Faith Direct	2,819.00
Total Offertory	11,167.00
<b>Last Year:</b>	<b>11,391.00</b>

**We are grateful for your generosity!**

## Items of Note

**Save the Date—Saint Matthias Mercy Program** has been **rescheduled** for Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 - 7:00 PM in the Hughes Center. The Mercy Program aims to enrich your knowledge of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Dinner and refreshments will be provided. All are welcome! For more information contact Le-Marie Thompson at 301-452-2258 or [lemarie.thompson@gmail.com](mailto:lemarie.thompson@gmail.com).

**Hosting An Event?** Friendship Hall is available for rent on weekends throughout the 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 by contacting Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 or [tereme@stmatthias.org](mailto:tereme@stmatthias.org).

**Missals for 2017:** The Ladies of Charity are selling 2017 Missals after weekend Masses. Cost of each Missal is \$4.00. Proceeds from the sales will support our parish food pantry and other charitable works. Thank you for your support.

**An Overnight Adoration Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe** will be held at St. Matthias Church on December 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Look for a flyer in an upcoming bulletin for more information and details.

## Parish Social Life Committee



### Carrera Antorcha Guadalupana

Please join the Parish on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 PM as we welcome the relay **Torch of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Saint Juan Diego** which left the Basilica of our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City and is on its way to the final destination at Saint Patrick 's Cathedral, New York City. A Mass in Spanish will be held at 1:00 PM here at St. Matthias Church.

**The Ladies of Charity** will sponsor a **Christmas Giving Tree** from November 26<sup>th</sup>-December 11<sup>th</sup>. The tree will be located in the vestibule of the church and will be decorated with paper ornaments with the name of a gift and charity. Charities include: Walter Reed Medical Center, PG Catholic Charities, the Veterans Administration Hospital, and Genesis Rehabilitation Center. Please return your unwrapped gift with the paper ornament tag attached by December 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for making the season special for those in need!

# THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

## Thanksgiving Holiday Hughes Center and School Schedules

The Hughes Center parish office will be closed Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. The school will close at 12:00 PM Wednesday, and both parish office and school will reopen Monday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>. Father Milt and the parish and school staff wish you a blessed Thanksgiving holiday.



**A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated Thursday, November 24th at 8:30 AM.** Please bring the bread and wine that will be placed upon your family table for a special blessing at the Mass.

## Thanksgiving Dinner Invitation

Mindful that Thanksgiving can be a difficult time for some, I wish to extend an invitation to our parish and school families to join me when I host a Thanksgiving gathering at the Father Hughes Center at 12:30 PM on Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> followed by dinner in Friendship Hall. There is no charge for your participation, nor is there an obligation to bring a food item. Simply come and join me and a few friends and share Thanksgiving Day with your St. Matthias family. Please call my assistant, Pat Ford, at 301-459-4814 x 201 or [pford@stmatthias.org](mailto:pford@stmatthias.org) if you plan to attend.

*-Father Milt*

## Items of Note

With the holidays approaching, now is the time to reserve a **Memorial Candle** for your loved ones. For only 83¢ per day, you can have a candle lit for one year. Contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 to reserve your candle.

**Kathleen Fowle "Coming Home" Concert** will be held at Saint Edward the Confessor (1940 Mitchellville Road, Bowie) on Friday Evening, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 pm. This is a free event and open to all.

**Ushers' Closet Clean-Out** will take place on November 27<sup>th</sup>. All unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity. If you are missing your jacket, glasses, umbrella, etc., please ask an usher for assistance.

## School News

- TADS Financial Aid application for 2017-2018 is available online. The application deadline is December 1, 2016. Single parents are also encouraged to apply for aid at [www.CatholicFA.org](http://www.CatholicFA.org).

## Family Connection

Understanding today's Feast of Christ the King may be particularly challenging. While we may not have a direct experience of kings or royalty, we have some sense of what these mean. We know that royalty have sovereignty over their kingdom. We know that those who are subjects to royalty offer them allegiance and honor. Christ is King in a way that is different from traditional understandings of royalty. Christ's kingship extends to all places, all people, and all times. Christ manifests his kingship through his death on the Cross, in which he offers salvation to all.

Recall with your children stories that you may have read about royalty. Talk with your children about what they have learned from these stories about what it means to be a king. Talk about what they have learned from these stories about what it means to be a subject.

Tell your children that this Sunday is the last Sunday in the Church Year, and on this Sunday, we celebrate a special feast called the Feast of Christ the King. Read today's Gospel, Luke 23:35-43. Reflect together on how the various people in this Gospel respond to Jesus on the Cross. Who in this Gospel recognizes Jesus as King? (the thief) What does Jesus promise the thief as a result? (The thief will be with Jesus in paradise.)

Talk about how your family will recognize and honor Christ the King. Pray together the Lord's Prayer and ask God to help your family to act in ways that show you recognize and honor Christ as King.

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## Schedule for Lectors, EMCH, & Altar Servers November 26/27

	Lectors	EMCH	Altar Servers
5:00 pm	A. Tylor	C. Kosko, J. Murray, P. Stevenson, B. Wiredu	B. Ogunlade, A. Ogunlade, J. Onyewu
7:00 pm	S. Resau	S. Resau, S. Avieta	L. Martinez, B. Barahona, J. Andres
8:00 am	F. Craig	M. Adams, B. Falls, M. Grayson, S. Keleti	J. Adekoya, E. Adekoya, D. Adekoya
10:30 am	R. Aitcheson	B. Herring, M. Hoke, R. Ihegbe, S. Ugoh, B. Chappell	N. Agha, H. Ntitebem, S. Akukwe
6:00 pm	M. Kwapinski	D. Aitcheson, S. Ikpi	J. Onuoha, G. Marshall

## Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of November 26/27



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