Parish Staff

Administrator
Reverend Milton E. Jordan ~ x 203

Administrative Assistant
Ms. Mary Young ~ x 201

Business Manager
Ms. Leslie O’Leary ~ x 202

Director of Faith Formation
Ms. Catherine Tolnay ~ x 205
Adult & Youth Religious Education and Sacramental Preparation

Director of Music Ministry
Ms. Regina Loffredo 301-464-9193

Organist
Ms. Deborah Kijak-Hess

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Mr. Hector Perez

School Office Staff

Telephone: 301-577-9412

Principal
Mrs. Abigail Greer ~ x 214

Director of Development and Admissions
Mrs. Vivian O. Richards ~ x 215

Administrative Assistant
Ms. Marsha Blackburn ~ x 212

Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 AM and 6:00 PM

Daily Mass Schedule
Monday through Friday: 8:30 AM

Monday Devotion
Adoration and Blessed Sacrament: 6:00 to 8:00 PM
Confessions: 7:00 to 8:00 PM
Benediction: 8:00 PM

Holy Days of Obligation
*Masses at: 7:30 AM, 12 Noon and 7:30 PM
*Unless otherwise announced

Sacrament of Baptism
Parents must be registered at least six months, practicing and attend a mandatory preparation seminar, which may be completed prior to the child’s birth. Please contact the Office of Faith Formation for information and registration.

Sacrament of Marriage
Registered, practicing parishioners must contact a parish priest at least six months in advance of the wedding.

New Parishioners
Welcome! Please fill out a parish census form in the church vestibule or contact the rectory. All parishioners must be registered and practicing in order for us to serve you by issuing a Letter of Good Standing for sponsorship at the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, or Matrimony.

Moving?
Please notify us as soon as possible if you are moving or have had a change of address in order for us to update our records.

The Academy of Saint Matthias the Apostle
9473 Annapolis Road • Lanham, Maryland 20706-3020
Telephone: 301-577-9412 • Fax: 301-577-2060
Pre-K-4 years old to Grade 8
Catholic school whose mission is to provide quality education in a safe and caring environment. Parish students are welcomed throughout the school year. If you’d like to take a tour, please call the school offices for an appointment.
PASSIONTIDE ★ 2015
(Final two weeks of Lent)
Daily Mass, Monday through Friday 8:30 AM
Stations of the Cross, Friday 7:30 PM
Monday
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Confessions 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Benediction 8:00 PM

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY
Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Mass 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:00 PM

HOLY MONDAY
Daily Mass 8:30 AM, March 30th
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Confessions 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Benediction 8:00 PM

HOLY TUESDAY
Daily Mass 8:30 AM, March 31st

HOLY WEDNESDAY
Daily Mass 8:30 AM, April 1st

SACRED TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY, April 2nd
Decorating of the Church 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM
Mass of the Lord’s Supper 7:30 PM
with Eucharistic Adoration until 11:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY, April 3rd
Confessions 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM only
Stations of the Cross 12 Noon
Commemoration of the Lord’s Passion 7:30 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, April 4th
Decorating of the Church 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
Blessing of Easter Food and Baskets 12 Noon
(Note: No confessions on this day)
Easter Vigil 7:30 PM (replaces the 5:00 PM Vigil)

EASTER SUNDAY
Mass 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, and 6:00 PM

Stewardship Report: Revenue
March 15th: 9,310.00
Faith Direct: 2,081.20
Total Offertory: 11,391.20
Last Year: 11,130.00
Poor Box: 252.00
Every Penny Counts Box: 28.78
Building Fund for March 2015: 5,007.00
Building Fund for March 2014: 5,042.00
Church in the Developing World for 2015: 2,107.00
Church in the Developing World for 2014: 1,955.00
Number of Adult Envelopes: 200; Number of Children’s Envelopes: 6; Number of Faith Direct Donors: 63; Number of Regular Households: 807.

Recent Expenditures
Lowey’s Business Card: 1,017.50
McKay Church Goods (Candles, coin banks): 1,089.14

Two Collections for Easter Sunday: There will be two collections for Easter Sunday. The first collection will be for your regular weekly offering to the parish. The second collection will be for the Building and Maintenance Fund. This monthly collection enables us to make continuing repairs, upkeep and improvements to our parish and school buildings as well as our parish grounds. Thank you as always for your continuing generosity and stewardship!

Faith Direct: Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide Saint Matthias the Apostle with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. You can quickly sign up online at www.faithdirect.net using our church code: MD41, or by mailing an enrollment form available in the pamphlet rack or the Father Hughes Center.

School Raffle Winner: Gilda Daniels is the winner and seller of $350 for the March 16th drawing.

EASTER FLOWERS
The Easter mailing will soon arrive in your mailbox. Please be sure to fill out your Easter Flower offering in advance and enclose the names of those you wish to remember and honor. Please return your offering prior to April 2nd. We suggest a minimum offering of $10.00 to help defray the cost of flowers, plants, and other materials we use to decorate our church at Easter.

EASTER DECORATORS
Volunteers are needed to assist in decorating YOUR church for Easter. Decorating will take place on Holy Thursday, April 2nd from 1:00 pm until 2:00 pm AND on Holy Saturday, April 4th from 9:00 am until 11:00 am. Teen and adult parishioners are welcome!

Celebrant Mass Schedule for the Weekend of March 28th/29th
5:00 pm Father Stan
8:00 am Father Gerard
10:30 am Father Milt
6:00 pm Father Milt
FATHER HUGHES CENTER AND
THE ACADEMY OFFICE HOURS
FOR HOLY WEEK/EASTER

Please note the following closing dates for Easter:

♦ Father Hughes Center will be closed Thursday, April 2nd through Monday, April 6th.
♦ The Academy will close at noon on Wednesday, April 1st and re-open on Monday, April 13th.

Items of Note

Lenten Prayer Vigil: There will be a Lenten Prayer Vigil on Friday, March 27th, organized by the Saint Matthias Prayer Group, from 9:00 pm to 1:00 am in the church. Join us for a night of prayer, singing, and a healing Mass at 12 midnight. Father Stan will be the celebrant.

2015 Annual Jubilarian Mass: Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on Sunday, June 21st at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office to register. Names of Jubilarians need to be submitted to the parish office by Monday, April 13th.

An Invitation to Receive Grief Support: Saint Matthias the Apostle Parish 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. A new Support Group will begin on Saturday, April 14th at 9:00 am in the school library. For more details, contact Miriam Jacki Group Coordinator, at 301-345-6054 or You May Just Come!

Bishop McNamara Program: The Bishop McNamara Dance Program presents its showcase “Dance to Life”. Performances will take place in the BMHS Fine Arts Theater on Thursday, March 26th at 7:00 pm; Friday, March 27th at 7:00 pm, and Saturday, March 28th at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Tickets are available at www.BMHS.org or contact Mrs. Adrienne Davis at 301-735-8401 x136 or Adrienne.davis@bmhs.org. All tickets are $10.

7 Church Walk for Young Adults: DCCatholic invites young adults to join the 12th Annual 7 Church Walk on Saturday, March 28th. Join 100s of young adults (20s and 30s) walking and praying at seven downtown DC churches. This is a free event, but registration is required. Register at DCCatholic.eventbrite.com. For more information, contact Jonathan at DCCatholic@adw.org.

The Spirit Seminar: An introduction to a life lived in the power and the presence of the Holy Spirit. The seminar will be hosted by Saint Joseph Church (2020 St. Joseph Drive, Largo) from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on 7 consecutive Fridays starting Friday, April 10th. To RSVP or for more information, contact Theresa Bowser (202-714-6248), Elma Garnett (301-265-0859) or Darnelle Sneed (202-581-9175).

Pope Francis’ Resolution For the Month

“Take care of your relationships with others, transforming your faith into life and your words into good works, especially on behalf of the needy.”

Mass Intentions

Fifth Week of Lent and the beginning of Passiontide

Monday, March 23: Saint Turibiut, Bishop
8:30 am  Alice Ballard
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  Confessions
8:00 pm  Benediction

Tuesday, March 24:
8:30 am  Pearl Aitcheson

Wednesday, March 25: The Annunciation of the Lord
8:30 am  Walter Hillt

Thursday, March 26:
8:30 am  Francine Conanan

Friday, March 27:
8:30 am  Adamma Ugoh
7:30 pm  Stations of the Cross

Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion

Saturday, March 28:
5:00 pm  Patricia Meadows

Sunday, March 29:
8:00 am  William McDonald
10:30 am  George Johnson
6:00 pm  Vincent Charles

Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends: Fernando Alarès; Margie Baker; Melvin and Elaine Brooks; Muriel Brown; Shawn Brown; Yvonne Brown; Martina Coleman; Sylvia Conte; Ronnie Davis; Olen Dovel; Rizalina Galicino; Joan George; Emma Graham; Francis Greenfield; Sylvester Ikpi; Dorothy Johnson; Jack Jordan; Kay Kaderabek; John and Joan Kodak; Ethel Levock; Terry Looney; Ed Mahlin, Jr.; Joe Makowski; Carole New; Bernice Nnannah; Molly Onwukwe; Raphael Onyewu; Joe Owens; William Pinchback; Nicole Riley; Anna and Miriam Rizui; Pablo Rocha; Ben Self; Pat Springer; Eric Stemuck; Lucille Stengren; Marian Thomas; Kay Villemi; Jean, John, and Sam Zanin; and Eugene Zehner; may God’s healing grace be theirs. For our military serving overseas: Ryan Morgan; protect them from all harm. For all the faithful departed, Veronica Kennedy (mother of Father Kevin Kennedy); Clarence Poppe; Robert Snyder, Jr.; may they rest in peace.

Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament: The Father James S. Betz Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament, is looking for golf participants for their Friday, May 8th outing to be held at the Bowie Golf and Country Club Course (7420 Laurel-Bowie Road, Bowie). Funds derived from the tournament are used to benefit students who need tuition assistance to attend Catholic schools. For more information, contact Steve Kemp at 301-237-8098.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Let your marriage live in truth and works through God. Sign up today to attend the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in the Archdiocese of Washington on April 17-19 in Rockville. For more information and to apply online, visit wwwme.org, email applications@welovemarriage.org or call 301-541-7007.