Fifth Week of Easter

**Monday, April 30th**

*Saint Pius V, Pope*

Daily Mass 8:30AM: Rev. Joseph Pagone (D)

**Tuesday, May 1st**

*Saint Joseph the Worker*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Rev. Joseph Pagone (D)

**Wednesday, May 2nd**

*Saint Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Jude Nwoko (L)

**Thursday, May 3rd**

*Saints Phillip & James, Apostles*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Rev. Joseph Pagone (D)

**Friday, May 4th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Genevieve Emmons (D)

**Saturday, May 5th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Stanley Aitcheson (D)

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Saturday, May 5th**

5:00 PM: Gordon Clark and George Kosko (D)
7:00 PM: People of the Parish (L)

**Sunday, May 6th**

8:00 AM: Kaitlyn DeMaio (L)
9:30 AM: Guadie Montesa (L)
11:30 AM: Jude Nwoko (L)
6:00 PM: Charlotte R. Jackson (D)

Readings:
Acts 10: 25-26
1 Jn 4: 7-10
John 15: 9-17

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

Belinda Brewington; Elaine and Melvin Brooks; Muriel Brown; Yvette Butler; Patricia Castellano; Al Craig; Anne Dorsch; Nancy Fentrie; Norma Florimbio; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Helen Jacik; Brenda Jackson; John and Joan Kodak; Carole Anne New; Kay Villemi; Debby Walter; Mae Young; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Rita and Eugene Zehner

For our military, protect them from all harm.

For the faithful departed, may they rest in peace.

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**Stewardship Report**

**April 22**

| Offertory   | $ 7,959 |
| Faith Direct | 2,795  |
| **Total**    | **10,754** |

Last Year

| **Total**    | **10,879** |

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

**Items of Note at St. Matthias**

**Congratulations to our Jubilarian Couples** who will be honored at a special Mass on Sunday, June 17th, at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception: Michael & Funmilola Adekoya, Mr. & Mrs. David Folefac, Mr. & Mrs. Ferris (Bo) E. George, Jimmie & Zita Givens, Francis & Genevieve Greenfield, George & Carmen Hajjar, Horace and Theresa Henry, Innocent & Florence Nwadije, Ransford & Sally Palmer, Bravilia Ramos & Otilia Reyes de Ramos, Mr. & Mrs. G. Michael Scanlan, Charles & Candace Springmann, Bernard & Mary Ann Vugrin, Celia & Dan Wendel, Bob & Peg Worthington, Barbara & Ray Zanin.

**Marian Devotion** is held the first Saturday of the month at 12:00 PM in the church. Please join us.

**The St. Matthias Prayer Group** meets in the church every Sunday immediately after the 11:30 AM Mass. All are welcome.

**The Catholic Women’s Association** meets after the 11:30 AM Mass on the second and fourth Sundays of the month.

**Friendship Hall** is available for rent. For information, please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207.

**The Parish Social Life Committee** will meet Saturday, May 5th, at 9:30 AM, in the Hughes Center.

**Celebrant Mass Schedule for May 5/6**

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Attention, All Former St. Matthias Students, Parents, Faculty & Staff: An All Classes Alumni Reunion will be held May 19th, 2018. Go to Facebook’s St. Matthias School Reunion page to accept your invitation.

The Father E. Albert Hughes Scholarship Application Forms for the 2018-2019 academic year are available in the school office, parish office, and are also on the parish website at www.stmatthias.org. If you are a parishioner and your child attends the Academy of St. Matthias or an accredited Archdiocesan Catholic high school, you may be eligible for some tuition assistance. Additional details and information may be found on the application form. This scholarship program is funded through the generosity of parishioners and friends of St. Matthias Church. Please note that the Father Hughes collection is down by 20% this year which will limit our ability to help parish students with tuition aid. The application deadline is Tuesday, May 1, 2018.

BOOST Scholarship Program: The State of Maryland is now accepting applications for its BOOST scholarship program for the 2018-2019 school year. This program awards scholarships to income-eligible K-12 students to be used for attendance at any eligible nonpublic school. For more information and to apply, go to www.educationmaryland.org/boost. The application deadline is May 21, 2018.

School Tours are offered every Monday from 8:30-10:00 AM. Please call the school office at 301-577-9412 to arrange a tour. We currently have openings in our Pre-K and Kindergarten classes, and limited openings in grades 2-7 for the 2018-2019 school year.

The Application for Admission to The Academy of St. Matthias the Apostle School for the 2018-2019 school year is now open. Please go to www.TADS.com and click on Application for Admission. The enrollment fee is $350. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Mrs. Ann O’Hare at 301-577-9412.

School Raffle Winners: Congratulations to Randy Martin, winner of $300 and to the seller, Paula Henry, winner of $50 in the April 16th drawing.

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Visit the Museum of the Bible: On Saturday, May 19th, women are invited to join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women to visit the Museum of the Bible. For tickets, go to www.museumofthebible.org/ticket. Suggested donation is $15.00. Choose the 1:15 PM entry time. The museum is located at 400 4th St., SW, Washington, DC. Contact 301-651-8190 or archdioceseCCW@gmail.com for more information.

Domestic Church Day: Parenting in the Modern World
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