Stewardship Report

May 13
Offertory $ 9,903
Faith Direct 2,787
Total 12,690
Last Year 12,480

Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services $ 2,011

We Are Grateful For Your Generosity.

Items of Note at St. Matthias

Faith Formation: St. Matthias is in great need of Catechists to help our young people learn the faith and grow in their personal relationship with Jesus. We are looking at the real possibility of not being able to offer all the grades next school year. Is the Holy Spirit calling you to help build the kingdom of God here at St. Matthias? God will not allow you to outdo him in generosity! Faith Formation classes meet on Monday nights. Help is available to prepare for this important ministry in the Church. Please call Catherine Tolnay, Director of Faith Formation, at 301-459-4814 ext. 205 to discuss the possibility of volunteering.

Adult Bible Study: Beginning Wednesday, June 6th, St. Matthias will offer an adult bible study on the Gospel of Matthew. We will meet in the Hughes Center from 7:00-8:30 PM. Please come and bring a friend!

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.

Are you missing your umbrella, glasses, jacket, etc.? Please check with an usher as you leave church today. All unclaimed items in the ushers’ closet will be donated to a local charity after May 27th.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for May 26/27

5:00 PM Father Canice
7:00 PM Father Desiano
8:00 AM Father Canice
9:30 AM Father Jack
11:30 AM Father Jack
6:00 PM Father Casimir

Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, May 21st
Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest & Companions, Martyrs
Daily Mass 8:30AM: Rev. Jeffrey Defayette (L)

Tuesday, May 22nd
Saint Rita of Cascia
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Michael Aiden Paolino (L)

Wednesday, May 23rd
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Eleanor DeMarco (D)

Thursday, May 24th
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Eleanor DeMarco (D)

Friday, May 25th
Saints Bede, Gregory VII, Mary Magdalene de’Pazzi
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Charlotte Daly (D)

Saturday, May 26th
Saint Philip Neri
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Rev. Msgr. James T. Beattie (D)

The Most Holy Trinity

Saturday, May 26th
5:00 PM: Mary T. Brady (D)
7:00 PM: Laure Johnson (D)

Sunday, May 27th
8:00 AM: Pearl Aitcheson (D)
9:30 AM: Adamma Ugoh (D)
11:30 AM: Lucille Snowden (D)
6:00 PM: Jose Corona (D)

Readings:
Dt 4: 32-34, 39-40
Rom 8: 14-17
Matthew 28: 16-20

Please pray for the sick and homebound in our parish, our neighbors, family, and friends:
Belinda Brevington; Elaine and Melvin Brooks; Muriel Brown; Yvette Butler; Patricia Castellano; Al Craig; Anne Dorsch; Nancy Ferrite; Norma Florimbio; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Helen Jacik; Brenda Jackson; John and Joan Kodak; Carole Anne New; Charlotte Palm; June Provini; 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.

Names will be placed on the Sick List for 4 weeks. Please contact Pat at the parish office to add or remove a name. 301-459-4814 or pford@stmatthias.org.
Family Connection

Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church. The Gospel for Pentecost reminds us that the Church begins with the command to forgive. Within the family, the domestic church, we learn how to forgive and how to accept forgiveness. The gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to do both.

Today is a fitting time to share a family celebration of reconciliation. As you gather together as a family, sit quietly for a few minutes, inviting everyone to reflect upon their need to forgive and to receive forgiveness. If there is a situation or issue within the family that needs attention, spend some time reflecting on how your family might address it. Read together today’s Gospel, John 20:19-23. Talk together about how Jesus gave us the gift of the Holy Spirit to help us in the work of forgiveness and to bring us peace. Pray together today’s psalm or the Prayer to the Holy Spirit, asking that the Holy Spirit help your family. Share with one another the Sign of Peace.

The Academy of Saint Matthias

The Fifty-First Annual Memorial Day Mass at Resurrection Cemetery will be held Monday, May 28th, at 10:00 AM. The Celebrant is the Most Reverend Charles Antonicelli. The cemetery is located at 8000 Woodyard Rd., Clinton, MD.

Celebration of the Saints of Africa: On Saturday, June 2nd, the Celebration of the Saints of Africa will take place from 2:00-8:00 PM at St. Camillus Church, 1600 St. Camillus Drive, Silver Spring, MD. This year’s theme is “Becoming Missionary Disciples,” answering the call of Pope Francis to “Share the Journey” of migrants and refugees. The celebration will include Mass with Auxiliary Bishop Mario Dorsonville as well as a Rosary procession, youth forum, socials, and choir concert. For more information, please call the archdiocesan Office of Cultural Diversity and Outreach at 301-853-4469.

Quo Vadis Camp for Young Men: From July 15-18 at Mount Saint Mary’s Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD, the Office of Priest Vocation’s annual Quo Vadis Camp is for mature high school age young men who desire to grow in holiness. The four-day camp includes daily Mass, prayer, eucharistic Adoration, recreation, sports, and fraternity. More information is available and registration is open at www.DCpriest.org. Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations at vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020 with any questions.

Monthly Telephone Rosary: On the 4th of each month at 8:00 PM, join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women for a Rosary by telephone. Call 605-468-8016 and insert code 357090#. Participants pray for an increase in faith, hope, and love, and any personal intentions that callers would like to add. Questions? Contact 301–651-8190 or archdioceseCCW@gmail.com.

The Parish Office and School will be closed Monday, May 28th, in observance of Memorial Day.

Daily Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 AM. Adoration will be held from 6:00—8:00 PM.

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 Quondra Gaskins, winner of $300, and to Gary Gaskins, seller ($50), in the May 14th drawing.