Stewardship Report

June 10

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We are grateful for your generosity.

Next weekend the Archdiocese will take up the Peter’s Pence Collection. Gifts to this annual collection help the Holy Father support victims of war, oppression, natural disasters, and others most in need of assistance. Please give as generously as you are able.

Items of Note at St. Matthias

Congratulations to our Students who were confirmed by Cardinal Donald Wuerl at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on June 2nd: Michelle Akem, Israel Alvarenga, Kimani Ames, Kobie Andrews, Isabel Carino Reyes, Kennedy Carroll, Alondra Cazares, Alexis Esparza-Medina, Venessa Francis, Felipe Garcia, Mya Hayling, Mac Anthony Ike, Henry Martinez, Steven Martinez, Justin Mercado Abarca, Cyriln Morfaw, Awah Muma, Mambo Muma, Sandy Ndeutchoua, Agendia Njinju, Clinton Njinkeng, Bryan Nwadike, Divine Obidike, Emily Rosales, Jaylene Sotelo, Chimezre Ugueje, McKinley Victor. Our thanks to Ms. Catherine Tolnay and catechists who prepared the students.

Adult Bible Study: The St. Matthias Adult Bible Study meets on Wednesdays from 7:00—8:30 PM in the Hughes Center. We will not meet on Wednesday, June 20th, but will resume on Wednesday, June 27th, covering the second chapter of Matthew. Please come and bring a friend!

The Ladies of Charity are in need the following items for the parish food pantry: cereal, canned soup, and canned fruit. If you are able to donate, please drop off bagged food items at the church or parish office. Thank you.

Save the Date: The Parish Social Life Committee invites you to a Multicultural Festival on Saturday, September 8th. Raffle tickets are available at $5 each or 3 for $10. Prizes include a microwave oven, television, tablet, and a $100 Amazon gift card. Tickets are may be purchased from PSLC members or at the parish office.

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 Femrite; Walter Fletcher; Norma Florimbio; Vilma Gilchrist; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Helen Jakic; Brenda Jackson; Janet Kinard; John and Joan Kodak; Carmen Kosko; 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.

Tenth Week in Ordinary Time

**Monday, June 18th**
DAILY MASS 8:30 AM: Father’s Day Novena

**Tuesday, June 19th**
Saint Romuald
DAILY MASS 8:30 AM: Father’s Day Novena

**Wednesday, June 20th**
DAILY MASS 8:30 AM: Father’s Day Novena

**Thursday, June 21st**
Saint Aloysius Gonzaga
DAILY MASS 8:30 AM: Father’s Day Novena

**Friday, June 22nd**
Saints Paulinus, John Fisher, Thomas More
DAILY MASS 8:30 AM: Father’s Day Novena

**Saturday, June 23rd**
DAILY MASS 8:30 AM: Father’s Day Novena

The Nativity of Saint John The Baptist

**Saturday, June 23rd**
5:00 PM: Father’s Day Novena
7:00 PM: Father’s Day Novena

**Sunday, June 24th**
8:00 AM: Father’s Day Novena
9:30 AM: Father’s Day Novena
11:30 AM: Father’s Day Novena
6:00 PM: Father’s Day Novena

Readings:
Is 49: 1-6
Acts 13: 22-26
Luke 1: 57-66, 80
ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Family Connection
Church documents call the Christian family the “domestic church.” This is both a compliment and a call to commitment. Because the family is a community formed in love and dedicated to the physical and spiritual growth of its members, it is a miniature version of the Kingdom of God on earth. This Sunday’s Gospel Reading, Mark 4:26–34, consists of two parables that Jesus used to help us discern the mystery of the Kingdom of God. The beginning of the kingdom is compared to a tiny seed that over time matures and ripens. Many of the things we do within the family seem insignificant. They are part of our daily activity and attract little attention. Yet they show our love and concern for one another. According to the Gospel, it’s these small things that yield big results, acting as significant contributions to the growth of God’s kingdom on earth. The growth of the seed illustrates the nature and the results of a strong faith.

Read aloud together the Gospel of Mark 4:26–34. Consider how your family’s concerns reflect the Church’s concerns for those members who are poor, forgotten, hungry, ill, shunned, or lonely. Together think of a specific action that you can do to assist a person in your extended family, neighborhood, or parish. Now pray together the Lord’s Prayer, pausing briefly to consider the import of the words “thy kingdom come.” Each evening this week as you gather for supper, share with one another the simple acts of love you witnessed within the family that day.

Around the Archdiocese

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.

Fiat Camp for Young Women is open to rising 9th-12th grade students. The camp will be held from July 27-29 at Mount St. Mary’s University in Emmitsburg, MD, and it includes prayer, talks, discussions, games, and sports. The fee is $150 (sibling discounts and scholarships are available). For details and registration, go to www.quovadisfiat.org.

Marriage Help: Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on September 14-16, 2018, please visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, call 443-400-7017, or email 3015@retrouvaille.org.

Faith Formation Classes

Faith Formation Classes 2018-2019: St. Matthias is in great need of Catechists to help our young people learn the faith and grow in their personal relationship with Jesus. Classes meet on Monday nights beginning in September. Help is available to prepare for this important ministry in the Church. Please call Catherine Tolnay, Director of Faith Formation, at 301-459-4814 x 205 to discuss the possibility of volunteering.

The Academy of Saint Matthias

Enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year: For information, please contact Mrs. Ann O’Hare, Admissions Director at 301-577-9412. We still have a few openings in our Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten classes.

School Raffle Winner: Congratulations to Constance Morfaw winner and seller ($ 350) in the June 11th drawing.

To Learn More About Our School or to keep up with school news over the summer, please see one of the following: Facebook @stmatthiasadw; Twitter@StMatthiasADW; Instagram@stmatthiasadw; School Website www.school.stmatthias.org.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for June 23/24

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