

Twenty-First Week in Ordinary Time**Monday, August 27th***Saint Monica*Daily Mass 8:30AM: **St. Matthias Teachers & Staff** (L)**Tuesday, August 28th***Saint Augustine*Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **John Huber** (D)**Wednesday, August 29th***The Passion of Saint John the Baptist*Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Mary and Marion Ford** (D)**Thursday, August 30th**Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **John Wright** (L)**Friday, August 31st**Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Robert Hoke** (D)**Saturday, September 1st**Daily Mass 8:30: **John Obi Nwabineli** (D)**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time****Saturday, September 1st**5:00 PM: **Don & Rozanna Aitcheson** (L)7:00 PM: **People of the Parish** (L)**Sunday, September 2nd**8:00 AM: **Joan George** (L)9:30 AM: **Adamma Ugoh** (D)11:30 AM: **Jude & Florence Nwoko** (L)6:00 PM: **People of the Parish** (L)**Readings:**

Dt 4: 1-2, 6-8

Jas 1: 17-18, 21b-22, 27

Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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

Elaine and Melvin Brooks; Muriel Brown; Al Craig; Anne Dorsch; Barbara Falls; Philip Ferrara; Ferris "Bo" George; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Helen Jacik; Janet Kinard; John and Joan Kodak; Mahnaz Majafi; June Provini; Margaret & Bill Riley; Mary Soh; Angela Thompson; Kay Villemi; Mae Young; Dennis Zanin; Elda Zanin; 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 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.

Stewardship Report**August 19****Offertory** \$ 8,539**Faith Direct** \$ 2,941**Total** \$ 11,480**Last Year** \$ 11,614*We are grateful for your generosity.***Items of Note at St. Matthias**

Save the Date: The Parish Social Life Committee invites you to a **Multicultural Festival** on Saturday, September 8th, from 12:00-4:00 PM. 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 may be purchased from PSLC members or at the parish office. We now have **Festival T-shirts** available in sizes for every member of your family. The cost is \$15.00 for adult sizes, and \$ 10.00 for youth. Shirts may be purchased after Mass or in the Hughes Center during regular business hours.

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.



Teen Youth Ministry: Calling all teens in grades 9-12! Beginning in October, we will meet in the Hughes Center on the second Sunday of each month from 12:00—2:30 PM. Join us and make new friends, earn service hours, and get closer to Jesus. To sign up, contact Le-Marie Thompson at lemarieie.thompson@gmail.com or call the parish office at 301-459-4814.

**The Parish Office and School
will be closed
Monday, September 3, 2018
in observance of
Labor Day.**

Faith Formation



Come and See: Have you considered joining the Catholic Church? Have you been baptized but did not receive First Communion/Confirmation? Do you want to better understand what the Church teaches and why she teaches it? Then RCIA is for you. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) will have a “Come & See” session on Wednesday, September 26th, in the Hughes Center at 7:00 PM. The program will be explained and all questions will be answered. Please invite family and friends to consider this program. There is no pressure, just come and see.

Faith Formation Classes 2018-2019: Faith Formation will begin on Monday, September 17th. Students need to be registered before the first night of class. We are limiting class sizes to 20. We can no longer provide sacramental preparation for high school students. There will be **no** registrations at Monday night classes. Please come by the office for registration beginning Monday, August 27th. On Saturday, Sept. 1st, Ms. Tolnay will be at the 7:00 PM Spanish Mass with a translator to register the families whose parents do not speak English.

Is Your Parish Registration Information Up-To-Date?

We are updating our parish registration records and need your help. Over the next few weeks, you will receive a mailing that contains the information we have on file for you and your family. Mailings have already been sent to parishioners whose last names begin with A-L. Thank you for submitting your updated information to Pat in the parish office.

You can also make changes in your family profile and access your giving history by creating your online account. Go to:

<https://washingtondc.parihssoftfamilysuite.com/> and click **New User**. Follow the steps to create your account.

Questions? Call Pat at 301-459-4814 x 201

Knights of Columbus



Tickets are available for the Knights of Columbus Annual Car Raffle which benefits area charities and scholarship programs. Tickets are \$ 1 each and are available from any council member, or you may call Don Aitcheson (240-481-0622) or Ferdinand Ibebuchi (301-802-3075)



The Academy of Saint Matthias

Attention, Current School Parents: There will be a **Parent/Teacher Meet, Mix, and Mingle** event from 5:30-7:30 PM this coming Monday, August 27th, in Friendship Hall. This is an “**adults only**” evening and will include time in your child’s classroom to meet your child’s teacher(s). Father Jack Kennealy, our Pastor, and Mrs. Patricia Schratz, our Principal, will be on hand to welcome you. Plan to attend this event as we begin our 2018-2019 school year.



Our school children will be back in class on **Wednesday, August 29th**. Please observe the traffic pattern signs and **watch for students** in the parking lot prior to the 8:30 AM daily Mass.

School Raffle Winner: Congratulations to Gael Moranchel Olivos, winner of \$300, and the seller Moises Merino (\$50), in the August 20th drawing.

Family Connection

When a child is baptized, the parents speak on behalf of the child in professing the faith in which the child is to be baptized. The parents promise to teach their child this faith so that they may one day accept this faith as his or her own. In the example of Simon Peter, we learn that each person must also make his or her own profession of faith in Jesus as the one sent by God to save us. We pray for our children as they mature in the faith that they may learn that Jesus alone has the words of eternal life and that they may choose to follow the way of Christian discipleship.

As you gather as a family, talk about promise that parents make at their child’s baptism to teach their child about Jesus and the faith of the Church. Talk about the importance of this promise to your family and about some of the things that you are doing to try to honor this commitment. In today’s Gospel we hear Simon Peter speak about what he has come to believe about Jesus. Together read today’s Gospel, John 6:60-69. Pray together that each person in our family will grow in his or her faith that Jesus is the one sent by God who alone has the words of eternal life. Pray together the [Apostles’ Creed](#) or the [Nicene Creed](#).

Celebrant Mass Schedule for September 1/2

5:00 PM	Fr. Jack
7:00 PM	Fr. Ford
8:00 AM	Fr. Canice
9:30 AM	Fr. Canice
11:30 AM	Fr. Jack
6:00 PM	Fr. Jack