

The Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time**Monday, November 26th**

Daily Mass 8:30AM: All Souls

Tuesday, November 27th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

Wednesday, November 28th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

Thursday, November 29th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

Friday, November 30th*Saint Andrew, Apostle*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: All Souls

Saturday, December 1st

Daily Mass 8:30: Celine Conner (L)

First Sunday of Advent**Saturday, December 1st**

5:00 PM: William McEachern (D)

7:00 PM: People of the Parish (L)

Sunday, December 2nd

8:00 AM: Dr. Dennis A. George (D)

9:30 AM: John Paul Foli (L)

11:30 AM: Florence Nwonye-Nwoko (L)

6:00 PM: Barbara Falls (L)

Readings:

Jer 33: 14-16

1 Thes 3: 12-4:2

Luke 21: 25-28

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

Elaine and Melvin Brooks; Muriel Brown; John Cassidy; Helen Dzdulich; Barbara Falls; Hermance Gaston; Alice Gugliotta; Ferris "Bo" George; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Sylvester Ikpi; Helen Jacik; Janet Kinard; John and Joan Kodak; Susan Lum; Marion Prout; June Provini; Mary Soh; Mae Young; Dennis Zanin; Elda Zanin; Sister Giustina Zanin; Zaria Zanin; Rita and Eugene Zehner; Bernard Zempolich

*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

Due to the early printing deadline of this week's bulletin, the Stewardship Report for November 18th will be published next week.

We are grateful for your generosity

Items of Note at St. Matthias

Parish Representatives Needed for The Washington Interfaith Network to communicate with members of the P.G. County Council about a broad number of issues that affect our churches and communities. For more information, contact Pat Ford in the parish office at 301-459-4814 x 201.

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. Parishioners are invited to the CWA's first dedication of new members on Sunday, December 16th, at the 11:30 AM Mass. A reception will follow in Friendship Hall.

Volunteers Are Needed to help at the receptionist's desk in the Hughes Center. Most volunteers work a 4-hour shift once or twice per month. Please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207 for more information.

Antorcha Guadalupana: Please join the parish this Sunday, November 25th, as we welcome the relay *Torch of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Saint Juan Diego* which left Mexico City and is en route to its final destination at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City. Festivities will begin at 1:45 PM followed by a Mass in Spanish at 2:30 PM here at St. Matthias Church.

Parish Social Life Committee News

Celebration of the Virgin of Guadalupe: An overnight celebration with prayers, singing, and dancing will be held Tuesday, Dec. 11th, through Wednesday, Dec. 12th. Parishioners are asked to meet at Friendship Hall at 10:30 PM to prepare for the procession of Our Lady of Guadalupe. On Dec. 12th, Mass will be celebrated in Spanish at 7:00 PM. Please join us for this special celebration to honor our Blessed Mother.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



Giving Tree: The Ladies of Charity are again sponsoring the Parish Giving Tree. The tree will be in the church vestibule through Sunday, Dec. 2nd. Please take a gift tag labeled with a requested item. Unwrapped and tagged gifts may be dropped off at the church or parish office. Gifts will be donated to area charities. Thank you for making

Christmas brighter for someone in need.

Take The Next Step

Thank you to our parish families who have made sacrifices to increase weekly giving.

Please consider *Taking the Next Step*. Even a modest increase in your Offertory contribution will help our parish thrive.

If you would like to give online, please go to membership.faithdirect.net/MD41

Around the Archdiocese

Disconnect to Reconnect! Enjoy the Silence of a Retreat

Turn off your cell phone, power down your computer, hire a dog walker, and plan a get-away with Christ. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center offers silent weekend retreats based on the spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola throughout the year. Here are some upcoming weekends:

-Spiritual Exercises for Women: A 3-day retreat, Nov. 30th—Dec. 2nd. Cost is \$ 225 per person.

Jan. 4th—6th. Cost is \$ 250 per person.

-Spiritual Exercises for Men: A 3-day retreat in Advent,

Dec. 7th—9th. Cost is \$ 225 per person.

Feb. 1st—3rd. Cost is \$ 250 per person.

Register at www.ourladyofbethesda.org. or call 301-365-0612. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is located at 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

Walk with Mary on Saturday, December 1st, at 11:30 AM, from the Shrine of the Sacred Heart to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Rosary will be recited at 1:00 PM. Mass will be celebrated at 2:30 PM. For more information, go to ADW.org/events/Walk-With-Mary.

Annual Christmas Concert at the National Shrine: On Friday, December 7th, the Choir of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, in conjunction with the Chorus and Symphony Orchestra of The Catholic University of America, will present their Annual Christmas Concert for Charity. This festive concert of beautiful Christmas music is free and open to the public. The concert begins at 7:30 PM and seats fill up quickly. No tickets or reservations are required; arrive early for seating. The Basilica is located at 400 Michigan Ave, NE, Washington D.C.

Knights of Columbus



High School Scholarships: Each year the MD State Council of the K of C awards scholarships to Catholic high school students. For information and application forms, go to www.kofc-md.org. All applications must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than February 1, 2019.



The Academy of Saint Matthias

Tuition Assistance for the 2019-2020 School

Year: The application for Archdiocesan financial aid is available at www.TADS.com. Current school families will have until **December 1, 2018** to submit their applications. Families who will be new to the Academy of Saint Matthias have until **February of 2019** to apply. *You must have a completed financial aid application on file to be considered for aid from any source.* Questions? Please contact the school Admissions Director, Mrs. Ann O'Hare, at 301-577-9412.

Substitute Teachers Needed: If you are interested in working on an on-call basis, please contact Mrs. Blackburn in the school office at 301-577-9412. Substitute teachers who work the full day report at 7:45 AM and leave at 3:15PM.

ADVENT

TIS (almost) THE SEASON: Join our parish for **BEST ADVENT EVER**, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during the busy holiday season. Each day of Advent, you'll receive an email with:



- Short inspirational videos
- Practical tips for your everyday life
- Real-life stories to encourage you in your faith journey

To sign-up, visit BestAdventEver.com/Christmas

Celebrant Mass Schedule for December 1/2

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