

Second Week of Lent

Monday, March 18th

Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

Daily Mass 8:30AM: Rev. Canice Enyiaka (L)

Tuesday, March 19th

Saint Joseph

Mass 8:30 AM: People of the Parish (D)

Wednesday, March 20th

Mass 8:30 AM: Kimm Jorgensen (D)

Thursday, March 21st

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Vicente Compas (D)

Friday, March 22nd

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Alfredo V. Felix (D)

Stations of the Cross 7:30 PM

Saturday, March 23rd

Saint Turibius

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: People of the Parish (L)

Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 23rd

5:00 PM: Fernando Altares (D)

7:00 PM: Nicandro Fernandez & Belen Noriega (D)

Sunday, March 24th

8:00 AM: Pearl Aitcheson (D)

9:30 AM: Anne Eneze (L)

11:30 AM: Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Foli (L)

6:00 PM: Dogne Gregoire (D)

Readings:

Ex 3: 1-8a, 13-15

1 Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12

Luke 13: 1-9

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

Elaine Brooks; Muriel Brown; Kevin Butler; Yvette Butler; Rose Chisefsky; Leigh Donet; Chunyere Duru; Helen Dziduch; Ferris "Bo" George; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Judy Jenkins, John and Joan Kodak; Brian Lizzi; Mary Soh; 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.

Stewardship Report

March 10

Offertory 10,837

Faith Direct 2,714

Total 13,551

Last Year 14,046

We are grateful for your generosity.

This weekend's second collection is the Archdiocesan Collection for the Church in the Developing world

Items of Note at St. Matthias

Thank You: The Parish Social Life Committee wishes to thank our volunteers for their service. Last Sunday's Volunteer Luncheon was a wonderful way to recognize our parishioners who selflessly share their time and talents with others. Our parish has much to celebrate, thanks to our volunteers!

Offertory Envelope Reminders: Please notify the parish office if your address has changed recently. If you live in apartment, it is important to include your apartment/unit number in your mailing address. Parishioners who have not used their envelopes in 2019 will no longer receive contribution envelopes in the mail. Questions? Please call Pat at the parish office 301-459-4814.

Volunteers Are Needed at the receptionist's desk in the parish office. Most volunteers work a 4 hour shift once or twice per month. Please contact Thad Ereme at 301-458-4814 x 207 for details.

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.

Stations of the Cross



Every Friday During Lent

7:30 PM



2019 Annual Jubilarian Mass

The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please use the sign-up forms in the church vestibule to register. Forms are also available in the parish office. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Friday, April 19th.

Around the Archdiocese

Camp St. Charles—Boys and Girls Catholic Over-Night

Summer Camp: Attend our Open House on April 14th, from 11:00 AM—3:00 PM to learn about our camp and weekly outdoor and indoor activities. For more information, directions, and to sign up for the Open House, go to www.campstcharles.org or call 301-934-8799.



“The Way,” a Healing Retreat for Survivors of Abuse:

There will be a men’s retreat April 5th-7th and a women’s retreat April 12th-14th. The retreat is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington and is free of charge to participants. It will be facilitated by experienced counselors, pastoral theologians, and a chaplain. To learn more, go to adw.org/the-way-retreat, or to register, contact Deborah McDonald at mcdonald@adw.org or 301-853-4466.

40 Days for Life College Park asks your participation to pray for God’s favor to turn hearts and minds toward family life and away from abortion. Join us any hour between 6:00 AM and 10:00 PM on the public sidewalk at 5915 Greenbelt Rd., College Park, every day through April 14th.

Lenten Food Drive: Grocery bags will be distributed after next weekend’s Masses to encourage you to participate in this year’s Lenten Food Drive. Please bring your filled bags to church the weekend of March 30/31. Your donations will re-stock our St. Matthias Food Pantry which serves the area’s needy. Thank you for your support.

Do You Want to Fast this Lent?

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

-Pope Francis



The Academy of Saint Matthias

Would you send your child to St. Matthias School if you could afford it? Thanks to a Maryland statewide program called *Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today* (BOOST), you may qualify for substantial aid that puts a private Catholic education within your reach! More information may be found at <http://marylandpublicschools.org/Pages/boost/index.aspx>. **The deadline for submitting a completed application is April 17, 2019.** Questions? Contact Mrs. Ann O’Hare, Director of Admissions, at 301-577-9412.

Open House: The Academy of St. Matthias the Apostle will hold an Open House for prospective parents on Friday, March 29, 2019, from 8:30 -10:30 AM. Families are invited to tour our school and learn about the educational opportunities available to our students. Please call the school office at 301-577-9412 if you plan to attend. There are only a few seats currently available in our middle school grades for the next school year. The enrollment fee is \$ 350.

School Raffle Fundraiser: Congratulations to Joann Sands, winner of \$ 500, and to the seller, Nneka Offiah (\$50), in the March 11th drawing.

Family Connection

In today’s Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to the disciples saying, “Listen to him.” The Transfiguration was a focused moment for the disciples when they heard God speaking to them and experienced Jesus in glory. They most certainly left this focused moment with a new appreciation for the importance of Jesus’ words even if they did not yet understand everything that he had taught them. During Lent, we are invited to consider our attentiveness to Jesus and to one another. In the pace and noise that often characterizes family life, how well do we listen to one another? What opportunities do we have for quiet prayer?

Read aloud today’s Gospel, Luke 9:28-36. Consider whether the noise and pace of your family life allows family members opportunities for quiet prayer. During Lent, it may be appropriate for your family to choose a time for quiet in the household by turning off phones, televisions, radios, and computers.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for March 23/24

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