Stewardship Report

September 15
Offertory 8,768
Faith Direct 2,606
Total 11,374
Last Year 11,446

There will be a special second collection this weekend for “Bahama Relief” to aid in efforts to rebuild & provide assistance to those who lost their homes & livelihoods in hurricane Dorian.

We Are Grateful For Your Generosity

Items of Note at St. Matthias

Join Us for the Monthly Marian Devotion on Saturday, Oct. 5th at 7:30 AM in the church.

The Parish Social Life Committee is pleased to announce that the Second Annual Multicultural Festival will be held Saturday, October 19th, from 12:00-4:00 PM. Festivities will be both indoors and outdoors here at St. Matthias. Discount cards for a variety of area businesses and restaurants are available for purchase after Mass. To volunteer for this event, contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207. Please read the flyer in today’s bulletin.

Feeding the Homeless at the Community Café was once again a wonderful event. Generous parishioners of St. Matthias provided a lovely luncheon on August 21st for 65 persons in need. We thank everyone who donated funds and food, as well as those who cooked, shopped, and served. The lunch took place at the First United Methodist Church of Hyattsville. The next lunch will be held in October.

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. To sign up, please contact LeMarie Thompson at lemarie.thompson@gmail.com or call the parish office at 301-459-4814.

First Friday/First Saturday Vigil on October 4th & 5th beginning at 8:00 PM Friday and concluding with Mass at 12:30 AM on Saturday.

The St. Matthias Prayer Group meets in the church every Sunday immediately after the 11:30 AM Mass. All are welcome.

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

Sam Barreto; Welton Belsches; David Brace; Elaine Brooks; Muriel Brown; Rae Chamberlain; Rose Chisefsky; Chunyere Duru; Helen Dziduch; Patricia Farland; Ferris “Bo” George; Francis and Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Gwen King; John and Joan Kodak; Cathy Pielmeier; Evelyn Turley; Mae Young; Sister Giustina Zanin; Ziara Zanin; Rita and Eugene Zehner

For our military, protect them from all harm.

For the faithful departed, may they rest in peace.
Faith Formation at St. Matthias

Please contact Catherine Tolnay, Director of Faith Formation, at 301-459-4814 x 205 for information about the following announcements:

Faith Formation Classes for public school students have begun. To register your K-8th grade children, please visit the Hughes Center parish office during regular business hours. Forms are also available in the pamphlet racks in the church vestibule. Tuition for one child is $125; two children $175; three or more children $220.

Aides and substitutes are needed for the program.

RCIA for Adults: Are you looking for a greater understanding of the teachings and spirituality of the Catholic Church? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is for you. St. Matthias will hold a "Come and See" evening where the program will be explained and all questions will be answered, on Wednesday, September 25th, at 7:00 PM in the Hughes Center. Please join us!

St. Matthias will have an Adult Day of Recollection on Saturday, September 28th, from 8:30 AM until 1:30 PM in the Hughes Center. The theme is "Growing Closer to God". We are asking for $20 to help defray the costs of the light breakfast and lunch that will be provided. Please find a registration form on the table in the entrance of the Church. Please turn in your registration by Monday, September 23rd.

The Academy of Saint Matthias

The Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program is available for students in grades PreK-12 who are applying to or currently enrolled in Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Washington. TADS financial aid and assessment manages the process on behalf of Archdiocese of Washington Catholic schools. The open application period for the 2020-2021 Archdiocese of Washington Tuition Assistance Program will begin on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 and ends early December.

Join us for the Fall Festival next Saturday, September 28th, from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM, in the church parking lot. Food, games, flea market, arts & crafts—fun for everyone!

Family Dinner Fundraiser at Anthony’s Pizza & Pasta: September 30th, from 4:00-9:00 PM at 15480 Annapolis Rd., Bowie, MD. A portion of the proceeds benefit our school.

Substitute Teachers are Needed for Grades K-8: If you are willing to work on an on-call basis, please contact Mrs. Blackburn in the school office at 301-577-9412.

Knights of Columbus

Soccer Shoot-Out: The Knights of Columbus Mother Seton Council # 5381 will hold a “Soccer Shoot-Out” on the field behind the school next Saturday, September 28th, at 9:00 AM. Register on site at the start of the event. The shoot-out is for boys and girls, ages 6-18.

Tickets for the 50th Annual Car Raffle are available at the parish office and may also be obtained from a member of the Knights of Columbus. The grand prize is a 2020 Ford Mustang or $18,000 in cash. Second prize is an iPad and the third prize is a $200 gift card. Tickets are $1.00 each and proceeds benefit scholarship programs and local charities. The drawing will be held October 12, 2019.

Around the Archdiocese

Join the 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign for prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. Opening Day is Wednesday, Sep 25th at 5915 Greenbelt Rd, College Park. Pray with the College Park Campaign in front of Metropolitan Family Planning. A Candlelight Vigil will take place 7:00 PM on Thursday October 3rd. Prayer hours are 6:00 AM – 10:00 PM daily, September 25th to Nov. 3rd. To pray for an hour, email your day and time to 40daysforlifeMD@gmail.com, or phone Tom Trunk, 240-593-6982.

Family Connection

Talk with your children about some things that they have done to show that they can be trusted. Talk a bit about what it means to be responsible. Responsibility often means that we put aside something of passing value for something of greater value.

Read together the short form of today's Gospel, Luke 16:10-13. Talk about the importance of responsible use of money and our material possessions. As a family, commit to one action that you will take this week to show that your family serves God and not money.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for September 28/29

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