**Second Week in Ordinary Time**

**Monday, January 20th**  
Saint Fabian & Saint Sebastian  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Adamma Ugoh (D)

**Tuesday, January 21st**  
Saint Agnes  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Felicidad Felix (D)

**Wednesday, January 22nd**  
Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of Unborn Children  
Mass 8:30 AM: Lekelefac Leke Fonge (D)

**Thursday, January 23rd**  
Saint Marianne Cope & St. Vincent  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Tammy Paolino (L)

**Friday, January 24th**  
Saint Francis de Sales  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Chris Jorgensen (L)

**Saturday, January 25th**  
Conversion of St. Paul  
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Melvin Brooks (D)

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, January 25th**  
Mass 5:00 PM: Michael Miara (D)  
Mass 7:00 PM: People of the Parish (D)

**Sunday, January 26th**  
8:00 AM: David James Knotts (D)  
9:30 AM: Jacob Ibik & Family (L)  
11:30 AM: Julius Birun (D)  
6:00 PM: Antonio Roxas (D)

Remember someone special, living or deceased, by having a Mass offered in 2020. Stop by the parish office or call 301-459-4814 x 201 to request a Mass intention. Suggested stipend is $10.

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

Elaine Brooks; Muriel Brown; Rose Chisefsky; Chunyere Duru; Helen Dziduch; Patricia Farland; Michele Feaster; Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Jan Jarus; George Johnson; John and Joan Kodak; Cathy Pielmeier; Adelino “Babe” Pereira; 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, especially Ferris “Bo” George, may they rest in peace.**

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**Stewardship Report**

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**We Are Grateful For Your Generosity**

**Contribution Statements for 2019** will be mailed next week. Please notify the office of your correct mailing address if you have moved recently (301-459-4814 x 201 or pford@stmatthias.org).

**Items of Note at St. Matthias**

**Volunteer Luncheon:** The Parish Social Life Committee is proud to assist Father Jack again this year in recognizing the many parishioners who regularly give their time, talent, and treasure to our church. A Volunteer Luncheon will be held on Sunday, March 22nd from 2:00-4:00 PM to honor those who assist with Masses and/or offer services to others in the parish and community. If you are a registered volunteer, please pick up a registration form in the church vestibule. Your completed form may be placed in the Volunteer Luncheon box, collection basket, or dropped off at the parish office. We look forward to seeing you at the luncheon celebration.

**The St. Matthias Prayer Group** meets in the church every Sunday immediately after the 11:30 AM Mass. On the last Friday of each month, there is a special service, **Miracle Night**, from 8:00-10:00 PM. **Children of participants must be supervised.**

**Holy Land Tour:** Are you interested in traveling to the Holy Land? In order to determine the level of interest in arranging for a tour, please contact Don Aitcheson at 240-481-0622.

**The Parish Office and School will be closed on Monday, January 20th, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

There will be NO Faith Formation Classes Monday, January 20th.
The Academy of Saint Matthias

Raffle Ticket Fundraiser: Tickets may be purchased at the school office and parish office for $20 each. The next winner this month will receive $1,000!

Open House: You’re invited to our Open House on Tuesday, January 28th, from 8:30 – 11:30 AM, and from 6:30 – 7:30 PM. We welcome prospective parents for the 2020-2021 school year to visit our school, meet our teachers and staff, and to learn about our academic programs. Please call the school office (301-577-9412) if you plan to attend.

The Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program for 2020-2021 is available for families enrolling their children for the first time in a Catholic elementary or high school. The deadline to apply for tuition assistance is February 14, 2020. All families who apply for financial assistance must complete the TADS application (https://secure.tads.com) to be considered for aid from any source. Please apply early, and contact the school if you have any questions.

Family Connection

The ministry of John the Baptist prepared for and pointed to the ministry of Jesus. In a similar way, our lives are to offer testimony to who we know Jesus to be for us and for the world. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. How does the witness of our lives give testimony to the reconciling presence of Christ?

As a family, identify as many titles for Jesus as possible, such as Lamb of God, Son of God, Prince of Peace, and so on. Talk together about what these different titles mean and what they tell you about Jesus. Then read together today’s Gospel, John 1:29-34.

Consider how John the Baptist gives testimony to who Jesus is. Talk about what people might come to know about Jesus by observing your family life. Pray together that your family life will show others that Jesus is the Son of God, the lamb who takes away the sins of the world. Pray the Lord’s Prayer.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for Jan. 25/26
5:00 PM Fr. Canice
7:00 PM Fr. Jacek
8:00 AM Fr. Jack
9:30 AM Fr. Jack
11:30 AM Fr. Canice
6:00 PM Fr. Canice

Faith Direct: Winter is here and snow and ice may affect your weekly Mass attendance. Consider electronic giving through Faith Direct. Go to www.faithdirect.net to enroll or call the toll free number 866-507-8757 for more information.

Ladies of Charity

Ladies, we need your help with our many acts of charity in the parish and beyond! You are invited to join us the 2nd Thursday of every month at 9:00 AM in the Hughes Center for our monthly meeting. For more information, please contact Arlene Taylor at atay14592@comcast.net or call the parish office at 301-459-4814.

Knights of Columbus

Catholic High School Scholarships: The Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus sponsors several high school scholarships. The application deadline is February 1, 2020. Scholarship information and application forms are available at https://kofc-md.org/high-schoolscholarships/.

Archdiocese of Washington

The Archdiocese of Washington’s Child Protection & Safe Environment Policy requires volunteers who work with children to be fingerprinted. If you began your volunteer service before September of 2013, records of your fingerprints and background check are on file. Volunteers who registered after September of 2013 must be fingerprinted. For information and to arrange for fingerprinting, please call the parish office at 301-459-4814 x 201 or the school at 301-577-9412.