Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, February 3rd
Saint Blaise
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Deacon John Briscoe (D)

Tuesday, February 4th
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: John Kennealy, IV (D)

Wednesday, February 5th
Saint Agatha
Mass 8:30 AM: Priscilla Egbe (D)

Thursday, February 6th
Saint Paul Miki & Companions
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Udoma Chikere (L)

Friday, February 7th
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Giuseppe Torchia (D)

Saturday, February 8th
Saint Jerome Emiliani & Saint Josephine Bakhita
Daily Mass 8:30 AM: School Staff & Students (L)

Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 8th
Mass 5:00 PM: Carmen Kosko (L)
Mass 7:00 PM: People of the Parish (L)

Sunday, February 9th
8:00 AM: Naomi Juanitez Naik (L)
9:30 AM: Adamma Ugoh (D)
11:30 AM: Veronica Ike (L)
6:00 PM: Lekelefac Leke Fonge (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; Yvette Butler; 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 Alexander Nnana Agiliga and Henry Baird, may they rest in peace.

Stewardship Report

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We Are Grateful For Your Generosity

Items of Note at St. Matthias

Volunteer Luncheon: 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 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 by designated adults.

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.

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 atay1459@comcast.net.

We Are Grateful to the following students who participated in last Sunday’s 9:30 AM Mass to celebrate Catholic Schools Week: Chinwendu Akunwafor, Lucia Alemjji, John Ted Almenji, Thelma Almenji, Chelsea Anosike, Elsie Anosike, Roosevelt Anosike, Zion Anosike, Hayden Hernly, Elaiwe Ikpi.
Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Discuss with the family the persons of Simeon and Anna as they meet Jesus. (Luke 2:25–40)

Because Simeon and Anna lived lives of prayer and fasting in the Temple, they were filled with the Spirit of God. That is why they were able to identify Jesus as the Savior even though Jesus was only a baby. To these two holy people, he was recognizable as the Redeemer who had been promised. Simeon described Jesus as “a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.”

We too are called to recognize Jesus as Lord. Together as a family discuss ways to recognize Jesus as Lord by praying and attending Mass, fasting, and serving others. As a family, decide on one specific sacrifice you can make in order to alleviate the suffering or need of someone you know.