

Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, February 10th

Saint Scholastica

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Gabriel Francis Emodi (D)**

Tuesday, February 11th

Our Lady of Lourdes

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Ferris "Bo" George (D)**

Wednesday, February 12th

Mass 8:30 AM: **Deacon John Briscoe (D)**

Thursday, February 13th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Ladies of Charity (L)**

Friday, February 14th

Saints Cyril and Methodius

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Henry Kosko (D)**

Saturday, February 15th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Homebound Parishioners (L)**

Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 15th

Mass 5:00 PM: **Pedro Cesar Zambrano (D)**

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

Sunday, February 16th

8:00 AM: **Ferris "Bo" George (D)**

9:30 AM: **Margaret Blizard (D)**

11:30 AM: **Gabriel Francis Emodi (D)**

6:00 PM: **Brendan T. Burke (D)**

Remember someone special, living or deceased, by having a Mass offered in 2020 or 2021. 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 Dgiduch; 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 Ruth Effenge Sam-Kubam, may they rest in peace.

Stewardship Report

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| February 2 | Offertory | 9,675 |
| | Faith Direct | 2,947 |
| | Total | 12,622 |
| | Last Year | 15,509 |

We Are Grateful For Your Generosity

Items of Note at St. Matthias



Thanks to Our Volunteers!

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.

Teen Youth Ministry Meeting: Our next meeting is this Sunday, February 9th, from 12:00-2:30 PM, in the Hughes Center. This month's topic is *Rights and Responsibilities*.

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.**

Knights of Columbus Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: Join us on February 25th for the Annual pancake and sausage supper. See the flyer in today's bulletin for details.



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.

Lost & Found: Please see an usher if you are missing your glasses, umbrella, jacket, etc. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity Feb. 18th.





The Academy of Saint Matthias

Raffle Ticket Fundraiser: Tickets may be purchased at the school office and parish office for \$ 20 each. Congratulations to Pamela Hopkins, winner and seller (\$1,050) in the February 3rd drawing. You could be the next \$ 1,000 winner in the February 18th drawing!

FINAL NOTICE: 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.

Archdiocese of Washington

2020 Annual Appeal: Next weekend, you will be asked to prayerfully consider your gift to the 2020 Annual Appeal. This weekend, brochures and frequently asked questions about the Annual Appeal are available in our church to help inform your giving. You may also visit the Annual Appeal website at appeal.adw.org. The Annual Appeal supports more than 60 ministries and programs that benefit many people in the Church of Washington, including our own parish and local community. As in every year, 100% of your contribution to the Annual Appeal will be designated to the ministries and programs supported by the Appeal. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

The Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation will begin a new cycle of recruitment and preparation of men for the diaconate. "Come and See" events will be held at various locations through March. Dates and locations are posted in the church vestibule. Interested persons may contact Deacon Charles Huber at 301-853-4582 or HuberC@adw.org.

Retreat for Music Ministry Members: Rev. Jacek Orzechowski, OFM, will offer a retreat on Saturday, February 22nd, from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM, at St. Camillus Church in Silver Spring, MD. Register by February 14th at <https://www.npmdc.org/events-1/pre-lenten-retreat>.

40 Days for Life College Park invites you to an inspired Prayer Service Rally from 2:00-4:00 PM on Saturday, Feb. 22nd, at St. Mary of the Mills, Keesler Parish Center, 800 Main St., Laurel, MD. Join us for prayers and songs in English and Spanish, an informative video, and legislative updates.

Faith Formation

Bible Study: You are invited to join us for *Wisdom*, on Tuesdays, at 9:15 AM in the Hughes Center. You will benefit personally from being part of this study, and you will help us to grow in fellowship as a parish. *Wisdom* invites you to experience the transforming power of taking time to apply God's wisdom to your own life. For more information, please contact Catherine Tolnay at 301-459-4814 x 205 or ctolnay@stmatthias.org.

Ash Wednesday February 26, 2020 Schedule of Masses

8:30 AM, 10:30 AM (School Mass)
12:00 PM
5:00 PM, 7:00 PM
8:15 PM (Spanish)

Family Connection

The widespread use of electricity in our society may make us less aware of the value and importance of light. To re-engage with the power of the metaphor that Jesus offers, gather your family in a darkened room. Bring only one flashlight.

Sit together for a minute and consider what you are able to do and see in so little light. You might try opening the Bible to see whether you can read today's Gospel. Turn on the flashlight and experiment to see how one might use it to achieve the greatest amount of light. Then read today's Gospel by the light of the flashlight. Ask everyone to consider what it means to say that Christians are to be the light of the world. How might your family act in a way that is a light for others, a light that is worthy to put on a lamp stand? Choose one thing that your family will do this week to show that you are the light of the world. You might choose to participate in an activity that your parish sponsors, such as help with a food pantry. Pray together by singing



Celebrant Mass Schedule for Feb. 15/16

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