Holy Week

Monday, March 29th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Martine Hoba (L) Daily Mass 12:00 PM: Jean Tolnay (D)

Tuesday, March 30th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Anamaria DeMaio (L)

Wednesday, March 31st

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: Michael Paolino (L)

Thursday, April 1st

Holy Thursday

Friday, April 2nd

Good Friday

Saturday, April 3rd

Holy Saturday

Easter Sunday

Readings

Acts 10: 34a, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

Sunday, April 4th

Mass 8:00 AM: Priest's Intentions Mass 9:45 AM: Priest's Intentions Mass 11:30 AM: Priest's Intentions Mass 1:30 PM: Priest's Intentions

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

Christopher Agboli; Florence Asonglefac; Welton Belsches; Charles Briscoe; Elaine Brooks; Yvette Butler; Rose Chisefsky; Charlene Dawson; Eugene Diggs III; Chunyere Duru; Rosita Dietrich; Helen Dziduch; Bob Faass; Patricia Farland; Carole Gallo; Paula Gambrill; John Graham; Genevieve Greenfield; William Halbe; Jan Jarus; Joseph Johnson; Joan Kodak; Everett & Martha Lallis; Moises Merino; Gustavo Paz; Bruce Prout; Jane Smidinger; Evelyn Turley; Mae Young; Ziara Zanin; Don Zehner; Rita and Eugene Zehner

For our military, protect them from all harm.

For the faithful departed may they rest in peace.

Stewardship Report

March 21 Offertory Faith Direct

6,922 2,649

Total Last Year 9,571

We Are Grateful For Your Generosity

Items of Note at St. Matthias

<u>Operation Rice Bowl:</u> You may drop off your Rice Bowl coin box at the parish office or give it to an usher at any of the weekend Masses. Thank you for participating in this Lenten project.

Two Hearts Vigil Friday, April 9th & Saturday, April 10th: The monthly Vigil will begin Friday, April 9th, at 8:00 PM, and conclude with Mass on Saturday at 12:30 AM. Please join us in the church for this special devotion.

St. Matthias Prayer Group meets in the church every Sunday immediately after 11:30 AM Mass. The last Friday of the month is Miracle Night, from 8:00-10:00 PM, in the church. All are welcome. Contact Info: (240)486-0733 or (301)351-0777.

The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Fund announces the 2021 scholarship competition, open to all eighth grade students attending a Catholic elementary school in the Archdiocese of Washington who will attend an Archdiocesan high school in the fall. Visit http:www.lljsf.org/ for the application packet and instructions for submitting all required documents. Applications must be received by March 31, 2021.

Knights of Columbus

<u>Tickets for the 51st Annual Car Raffle</u> are available at the parish office and may also be obtained from a member of the Knights of Columbus after weekend Masses. The grand prize is a 2021 Ford Mustang (or \$ 18,000 cash). Tickets are \$ 1.00 each, and proceeds benefit scholarship programs and local charities. The drawing will be held Saturday, May 1, 2021.



The Academy of Saint Matthias

We Are Looking Forward to the 2021-22 School Year, and ask you to consider enrolling your child(ren) in our school. We are happy to answer your questions, and we offer school tours, by appointment. We have several openings in Kindergarten and limited openings in Pre-K through 8th grades. Please visit our website at www.stmatthias.org for more information, or contact Mrs. Ann O'Hare at 301-577-9412, or aohare@stmatthias.org.

School Raffle: Drawings are held on the 1st and 15th of the month, and winners receives \$ 500. Tickets are \$ 10.00 each and may be purchased after weekend Masses or at the school and parish offices. The next drawing is April 1st.

Around the Archdiocese

Virtual Spiritual Retreat: Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center provides virtual retreats that allow you to connect with others and feed your soul, all from the safety of wherever you are. Go to www.ourladyofbethesda.org. Experience the dynamics of the Spiritual Exercises from your own home for only \$75 per person. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, A Virtual Place to Encounter Christ! Upcoming date: Apr 23-25 ~ Led by Fr. Andreas Kramarz, LC

Family Connection

Palm Sunday, also called Passion Sunday, marks the beginning of Holy Week. During this week, we prepare ourselves for Easter by prayerfully reflecting on the events of Jesus' passion and death. During this week, your family might display a crucifix in a prominent place as reminder of the salvation that Christ won for us. This can also serve as the focal point for family prayer during Holy Week.

Because of the length and complexity of the passion narrative, it is difficult for children to remain attentive when it is proclaimed in its entirety. Families can make it a tradition to read a portion of this Sunday's Gospel each day of Holy Week, providing ample opportunity for children to ask questions and respond to the events described there. In this way, the entire week can become a "way of the cross."

Each day during Holy Week, the family can gather in a prayerful space with a crucifix as its focal point. The passion as found in Mark's Gospel might be read in segments throughout the week.

After reading from the Gospel each night, the family might reflect on the reading together. Conclude your prayer time together by praying *The Lord's Prayer* or by singing an appropriate hymn such as "Jesus, Jesus," "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?" or "What Wondrous Love is This."

Schedule for Holy Week and Easter 2021

SACRED TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY, April 1

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration Following Mass

GOOD FRIDAY, April 2

Confessions 9:30-11:00 AM
Stations of the Cross 12:00 PM
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion with
Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion 7:30 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, April 3

Blessing of Easter Food and Baskets 12:00 PM Easter Vigil 8:00 PM (NO 4:00 PM or 7:00 PM Masses)

EASTER SUNDAY, April 4

Masses at 8:00 AM, 9:45 AM, 11:30 AM 1:30 PM (Spanish) (No 6:00 PM Mass)



Celebrant Mass Schedule for Easter, April 4th

8:00 AM Fr. Jack 9:45 AM Fr. Jack 11:30 AM Fr. Canice 1:30 PM Fr. Russo

