

Third Week of Easter**Monday, April 19th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Engracia Felix** (D)
 Daily Mass 12:00 PM: **Benjamin Nwodo** (D)

Tuesday, April 20th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Sylvester Ugoh** (L)

Wednesday, April 21st

Saint Anselm

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Rev. John Kennealy** (L)

Thursday, April 22nd

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Michael Chan** (L)

Friday, April 23rd

Saint George & Saint Adalbert

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Jean Tolnay** (D)

Saturday, April 24th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Arlene Balunset** (L)

Fourth Sunday of Easter**Readings**

Acts 4: 8-12

1 Jn 3: 1-2

John 10: 11-18

Saturday, April 24th

Mass 4:00 PM: **Eugene Krawczewicz** (D)
 Mass 7:00 PM: **Familia Martinez: Lucila, Gregorio, y Ricardo** (D)

Sunday, April 25th

Mass 8:00 AM: **Dr. Dennis A. George** (D)
 Mass 9:45 AM: **Dharmish Naik** (L)
 Mass 11:30 AM: **Anthonia Ndika** (L)
 Mass 6:00 PM: **Audrey Walz** (L)

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

Christopher Agboli; Florence Asonlefac; Welton Belsches; Marion & Mirl Bendt; Jacqueline Bholu; Charles Briscoe; Elaine Brooks; Yvette Butler; Rose Chisefsky; Charlene Dawson; Eugene Diggs III; Chunyere Duru; Rosita Dietrich; Helen Dzikuch; Bob Faass; Patricia Farland; Carole Gallo; Paula Gambrell; 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

April 11

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| Offertory | 6,279 |
| Faith Direct | 2,834 |
| Total | 9,113 |
| Last Year | 4,520 |

We Are Grateful For Your Generosity.

Items of Note at St. Matthias**Celebrate St. Matthias Ladies of Charity**

Recognition Month at all Masses this weekend.

There is a special display table in the front of the church with information about the LOC mission: *"To Serve, Rather Than Be Served."* During the past 12 months we have continued to provide food and clothing to the area's needy, and contributed to agencies and programs in the county. These services are made possible by contributions from members of the LOC, parishioners, and other groups. We welcome your support! For more information about the LOC, please contact Arlene Taylor at atay1459@comcast.net.

Parish Social Life Committee Will Host a Food Distribution Drive

next Saturday, April 24th, from 8:00-10:00 AM. If you know individuals or families in need of assistance, please invite them to participate. If you would like to assist with the distribution, please contact Thad Ereme for more information (301-459-4814 x 207). Monetary donations are always welcome. Simply place your donation in an envelope in care of PSLC Food Distribution. You may place your envelope in the weekend collection basket or drop your contribution off at the parish office. Thank you for your support!

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 Academy of Saint Matthias

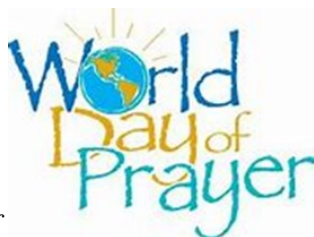
We Are Looking Forward to the 2021-22 School Year, and ask you to consider enrolling your child(ren) in our school. We are happy to answer your questions, and we offer school tours by appointment. The BOOST program, available through the State of Maryland, provides financial assistance for families who qualify. You must submit an application with a copy of your 2020 tax return and a letter from our school showing that your child is enrolled. For more information about the program, go to <https://www.Marylandboost.org>, or call Mrs. Ann O'Hare in the Admissions Office at 301-577-9412. **The deadline to apply for this program is May 17, 2021.**

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

Around the Archdiocese

2021 Annual Jubilarian Mass: Are you celebrating a special wedding anniversary? Each year the Archdiocese of Washington honors couples married 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70+ years at the annual Jubilarian Mass. This year's Mass will be held Sunday, June 27th, at 3:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Matthew. Each parish is allowed seating for only two couples. Couples may register to receive a certificate from the Archdiocese in recognition of their milestone anniversary. The Mass will also be live-streamed to allow all Jubilarian couples to participate virtually. Please call Pat Ford at the parish office to register to receive a certificate (301-459-4814 x 201). The deadline for submitting your registration is Friday, May 7th.

World Day of Prayer (also known as Good Shepherd Sunday) will be observed next Sunday, April 25th. The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "*Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest*" (Mt 9: 38, Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life, or secular institutes.



Knights of Columbus

Tickets for the 51st Annual Car Raffle are available at the parish office or may 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.

Family Connection

Family life is strengthened through storytelling and shared meal times. In a similar way, Christian life is sustained by God's word in Scripture and by Christ's presence in the Eucharist. We are especially sustained in our faith through our weekly celebration of Mass. Today's Gospel reading reminds us that the Scripture and the Eucharist are given to us so that our acts of bearing witness to Christ might be strengthened.

As you gather as a family, ask each person to share a favorite story about your family. Talk about the importance of these memories about your family life and the importance of the meals you have shared together as a family. Recall that these stories and meals strengthen the love you share. In a similar way, our Christian life is strengthened by sharing God's Word and the Eucharist at Mass. Read together today's Gospel, Luke 24:35-48. Discuss the mission that Jesus gave to his disciples after their shared meal. The Eucharist also sends us to be Christ's witnesses in the world today. Conclude by praying together that we will be strengthened by God's word and by Jesus' presence in the Eucharist to be witnesses to Christ. Pray together [*Tantum Ergo*](#) or today's psalm, Psalm 4.



Next week's second collection is the National Collection for Church Missions within the U.S.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for April 24/25

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| 4:00 PM | Fr. Jack |
| 7:00 PM | Fr. Tim |
| 8:00 AM | Fr. Jack |
| 9:45 AM | Fr. Canice |
| 11:30 AM | Fr. Jack |
| 6:00 PM | Fr. Canice |