

**Fifth Week of Easter**

**Monday, May 3rd**

*Saints Philip & James, Apostles*

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Alex Balunset** (D)

Daily Mass 12:00 PM: **Jude Nwoko** (L)

**Tuesday, May 4th**

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

**Wednesday, May 5th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Gordon Clark & George Kosko** (D)

**Thursday, May 6th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Guadie M. Montesa** (L)

**Friday, May 7th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Alonso Mojica** (D)

**Saturday, May 8th**

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Rosario Naval** (L)

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Readings**

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48

1 Jn 4: 7-10

John 15: 9-17

**Saturday, May 8th**

Mass 4:00 PM: **Mother's Day Novena**

Mass 7:00 PM: **Mother's Day Novena**

**Sunday, May 9th**

Mass 8:00 AM: **Mother's Day Novena**

Mass 9:45 AM: **Mother's Day Novena**

Mass 11:30 AM: **Mr. & Mrs. Foli** (L)

**Mother's Day Novena**

Mass 6:00 PM: **Mother's Day Novena**

***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 Dgiduch; 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; Mary Ann Vugrin; 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 25, 2021

Offertory	7,989
Faith Direct	2,725
Total	10,714
2020	4,238
2019	11,546

*We Are Grateful For Your Generosity*

**Items of Note at St. Matthias**

**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.



**Thank You** for supporting the monthly food distribution drives held here at St. Matthias. Your contributions help sustain this vital program that serves the needs of our community. To donate, please make checks payable to St. Matthias Church, and write *Food Distribution* in

the memo section. Checks may be placed in the weekly collection basket, mailed, or dropped off at the parish office.

**Mother's Day Novena Begins May 9th.** Remember your mother and other special women, living or deceased, by submitting a Mother's Day envelope (available in the church vestibule and in your contribution envelope packet).

**Diaper Drive:** Help a parish family with what they need most: packages of disposable diapers, sizes 4 & up. Donations may be dropped off at the school and parish offices, or in the church vestibule.



**You've Got Mail!** Amigos Vincentinos, African Community, and Catholic Women's Assoc.—Please pick up your mail at the parish office.



## The Academy of Saint Matthias

**Reminder: Financial Aid Opportunity:** 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 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. The next drawing is May 15th.

### Meet Our School's 2021-2022 Primary Team Teachers!

We are proud of our teachers who have been with their students safely in the classroom for most of this school year! Our children have been engaged at school, learning and growing despite the pandemic. Our diverse team of primary teachers represents a broad range of experience and all have a great passion for teaching young children. There are a few openings in each class. If you want your child in school in the fall and are looking for a nurturing, hands-on-learning, STEAM focused environment, contact Mrs. Ann O'Hare at 301-577-9412 or [aohare@stmatthias.org](mailto:aohare@stmatthias.org). Tuition assistance opportunities are limited and expiring soon.



L-R: Ms. Krista Wood, Ms. Kim Bay, Mrs. Mary Kellermann, Ms. Kathryn Loughner, Dr. Pat Tyler

## Around the Archdiocese

**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 live-streamed Sunday, June 27th, at 3:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Matthew. Couples may register to receive a certificate from the Archdiocese in recognition of their anniversary. Please call Pat Ford at the parish office to receive a certificate (301-459-4814 x 201). **The deadline for submitting your registration is Friday, May 7th.**

## Family Connection

The goal of our life of prayer is to increase our awareness that Jesus lives with us always. Prayer is more than a dialogue with God; prayer is a lifting of our minds and hearts to God so that God might dwell and act within us and through us. The pinnacle of our life of prayer is our communion with Jesus in the Eucharist. Through this sacrament, we receive Jesus himself, and he remains with us. Our life of prayer and our union with Jesus will lead us to fruitful service to others.



Place a plant in your gathering space. Invite everyone to look at the plant, noting the connection between the plant and its leaves. Talk about the integral connection between all the parts of a healthy plant. Introduce today's Gospel by saying that Jesus talked about his relationship to his disciples using this metaphor. Read today's Gospel, John 15:1-8. Talk about the ways in which we are invited to relate to Jesus as his disciples today—prayer, Scripture, the Eucharist, and so on. When we do these things, Jesus promises to remain with us and to lead us to serve others well. Pray together that we will continue to be attentive and open to Jesus as he works in our lives today. Pray together the Acts of [Faith](#), [Hope](#), and [Love](#).

### **Join Us at St. Matthias Church**

**Monday, May 3rd: Adoration 6:00– 8:00 PM  
(Confessions 7:00-7:45 PM )**

**Friday, May 7th: First Friday Mass 8:30 AM  
Two Hearts Vigil 8:00 PM**

### **Celebrant Mass Schedule for May 8/9**

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