

Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, August 2nd

Saint Eusebius of Vercelli

Saint Peter Julian Eymard

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Mbinkar Boniface** (D)

Daily Mass 12:00 PM: **Maseh Prudence** (L)

Tuesday, August 3rd

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Thomas Fofung** (D)

Wednesday, August 4th

Saint John Vianney

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Professor Gervais-Ze** (D)

Thursday, August 5th

The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Peg Chappell** (L)

Friday, August 6th

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Steve Ezeani** (L)

Saturday, August 7th

Saint Sixtus II & Companions, Martyrs

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Mami Naomie Okala Abate** (D)

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

1Kgs 19: 4-8

Eph: 4: 30-5:2

John 6: 41-51

Saturday, August 7th

Mass 4:00 PM: **Rev. John Wintermyer** (D)

Mass 7:00 PM: **Familia Martinez: Julio, Antonio, Lucila, Wilfred** (D)

Sunday, August 8th

Mass 8:00 AM: **Joey Manlapaz** (L)

Mass 9:45 AM: **Esmerando Juanitez** (D)

Mass 11:30 AM: **Jude & Florence Nwoko** (L)

Mass 6:00 PM: **Sylvester Ezeani, Sr.** (L)

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

Marion & Mirl Bendt; Elaine Brooks; Rose Chisefsky; Mary Dawson; Rosita Dietrich; Helen Dziduch; Bob Faass; Patricia Farland; Jimmie Givens; Genevieve Greenfield; Jan Jarus; Joseph Johnson; Joan Kodak; Everett & Martha Lallis; Bruce Prout; Victor San Gabriel; Jane Smidinger; Mary Ann Vugrin; Mae Young; 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

July 25

Offertory	6,502
Faith Direct	2,750
Total	9,252
2020	6,267
2019	10,174

We Are Grateful For Your Generosity

This weekend's second collection is the monthly Building Fund

Items of Note at St. Matthias

St. Matthias will resume teaching Faith Formation Classes in person in the fall, and *we need volunteers* to teach the classes. We thank you in advance for praying about volunteering in this important ministry. Catechist training and materials will be provided. Please call the parish office for more information.



Volunteers Are Needed in

the Parish Office: If you are interested in volunteering for light clerical tasks, morning or afternoon, please contact Thad Ereme at 301-459-4814 x 207. or tereme@stmatthias.org.

Coming to St. Matthias Church: The International Centennial Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Fatima presents "The Urgent Call for Prayer and Reparation: The Appeal of Our Lady of Fatima." Join us on Friday, August 6th through Sunday, August 8th, for this special vigil, Mass, and guest speakers. See the insert in today's bulletin.

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.

*"God grant me the serenity
To accept the things I cannot change;
Courage to change the things I can;
And wisdom to know the difference."*



The Academy of Saint Matthias

School Office Hours for Summer: Monday-Thursday:
8:30 AM-12:30 PM. Closed on Fridays.

Help Wanted: We are currently seeking a full-time teacher for grade 3, and two part-time (16 hours per week) teachers for the 2021-2022 school year. The part-time positions are for art and resource. Interested candidates should send a resume to our principal, Mrs. Patricia Schratz, at pschratz@stmatthias.org.

We Offer a Licensed Early Childhood Program that includes extended care. Please take our early childhood learning brochure as you exit the church today. If you are concerned that your family cannot afford full time pre-school in a Catholic school, we are happy to announce that we now accept Maryland Childcare Scholarships. To determine if you are eligible for this scholarship, go to <https://earlychildhood.marylandpublicschools.org/child-care-providers/child-care-scholarship-program>. **There are only 5 openings remaining in both the three and four-year-old classes.** For further information or to register, contact the school at 301-577-9412 or Mrs. Ann O'Hare, Director of Admissions, ahare@stmatthias.org.

We Need Volunteers to support some of our students by reading to them weekly and encouraging them by practicing skills that they are learning in class. Volunteers can select any day Monday- Friday and come anytime from 7:30 AM-2:30 PM. Training will be provided. For more information, please call the school office at 301-577-9412.

60th Anniversary of Our School: We will celebrate our school's 60th Anniversary on **October 30, 2021** and hope that our alumni will join us. Details to follow.

Family Connection

In today's Gospel, the crowd asks Jesus for a sign so that they can believe that he has come from God. This is a curious request, because Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people with just five barley loaves and two fish. How quickly they seem to have forgotten the wonderful thing that Jesus has done for them. Or, maybe they never recognized the miracle in the first place. Sometimes we don't recognize the wonderful things that God has done for us. And, sometimes, we simply forget and ask for further evidence of his love and care. We pray that God will remove our blindness so that we can receive with thanks and praise all the wonderful things that God accomplishes in our lives.

Around the Archdiocese



Loyola on the Potomac, A Jesuit Retreat House

Crab Feast Sunday, September 12, 2021 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

All you can eat on site: Crabs, chicken, hamburgers, hotdogs, corn on the cob and more. Beer, Soda, Water.

Early Bird-Adult tickets \$50, Children 7-12 \$35, 6 and under free. After September 1, tickets are \$65
Make Reservations on Website or call 301-392-0806.
Loyola is located at 9270 Loyola Retreat Rd., Faulkner, MD 20632

Help Our Marriage: Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on September 3rd - September 5th, 2021, please visit: www.HelpOurMarriage.org, or call (443) 400-7017.

Family Connection (continued)

Together as a family, name the wonderful gifts that God has given you and some of the remarkable deeds that God has accomplished in our world. Observe that it is important to stop to count our blessings because we can easily miss recognizing all of the wonderful things that God does for us. Read together today's Gospel, John 6:24-35. Ask: Why are the people seeking out Jesus? (because he has fed them) What do they want from Jesus? (a sign that he has come from God) What does Jesus tell them? (He says that he will give them something greater and more important than the bread that fed their physical hungers; he will give them bread that will give them eternal life.) Recall that we have this gift from Jesus in the Eucharist. Pray together, thanking God for all that he has given to us, especially for the gift of eternal life and the Eucharist. Pray together the *Magnificat*.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for August 7/8

4:00 PM	Fr. Canice
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