

Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, September 6th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Nelly Ashlin** (D)
Daily Mass 12:00 PM: **People of the Parish** (L)

Tuesday, September 7th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Roy Ashlin** (D)

Wednesday, September 8th

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Flora Aigbomian** (D)

Thursday, September 9th

Saint Peter Claver

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Florence Watts** (D)

Friday, September 10th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Ihuoma Ugoh & Chinyere Amazu** (L)

Saturday, September 11th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Parish & School Volunteers** (L)

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Is: 50: 4c-9a

Jas 2: 14-18

Mark 8: 27-35

Saturday, September 11th

Mass 4:00 PM: **Joseph Daly** (D)

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

Sunday, September 12th

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

Mass 9:45 AM: **Eugenia Ikpi** (L)

Mass 11:30 AM: **Lucille Snowden** (D)

Mass 6:00 PM: **Flora Aigbomian** (D)

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; Genevieve Greenfield; Jan Jarus; Joseph Johnson; Joan Kodak; Everett & Martha Lallis; Victor San Gabriel; Jane Smidinger; Angie Thompson; 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

August 29

Offertory	6,901
Faith Direct	2,544
Total	9,445
2020	8,081
2019	13,995

**This week's second collection supports
The Catholic University of America**

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Items of Note at St. Matthias

Faith Formation: Registration for Faith Formation for the 2021-2022 session is now open! The costs are: \$75 for 1 child; \$ 125 for 2 children: and \$ 175 for 3 or more children. Registration forms are available in the church vestibule and parish office. Checks and/or cash payments need to be returned with the registration form to the parish office during regular business hours. **Registration forms are due by Friday, September 24th, 2021.** A 50% upfront payment is required to secure a space for your child. Our Faith Formation classes will begin in Spanish on Saturday, October 9th, and in English on Sunday, October 10th, 2021. Please contact Ms. Kiona Bush de Amaya, Faith Formation Director, with questions or concerns (301-459-4814 x 205). **We need volunteers** to teach and to assist. Catechist training and materials will be provided.

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.

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Labor Day

***Evening Adoration and Confessions are
Cancelled**

***Parish Office & School are Closed**



The Academy of Saint Matthias



We offer a warm welcome to our new teachers, staff, and students, and hope that your first year at St. Matthias is off to a great start! We are also happy to see our returning

teachers, staff, and students and pray that you will continue to grow spiritually, academically, and socially this year.

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 may 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.

Around the Archdiocese

Marriage Workshop: Strengthening Your Love **Marriage Renewal Workshop Oct 9-10, 2021:**

A Christ-centered weekend designed to offer practical tools that can help foster effective communication and emotional closeness in your marriage. Make your marriage thrive, not just survive! The expert speaker team includes Catholic psychologists, therapists, and priests who will offer their expertise and experience, plus they will be on hand the entire weekend to offer individual consultation, upon request. Please note: This is NOT an overnight program. Cost: \$400 per couple. Seating will be limited to facilitate social distancing.

Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is located at 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. See our website for more details about measures to limit exposure to illness, information about the program, and links to register. Go to www.ourladyofbethesda.org.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for September 11/12

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

News From Catholic Charities

Save the Date: Healthy or Abusive? Teen Dating Abuse Workshop for Youth Group Leaders , Two part workshop: Wednesdays October 6 and 20, 7-8:30 PM via Zoom: Catholic Charities invites parish youth group leaders, youth, and adults, to attend a two-part workshop about teen dating abuse. Learn how to identify signs of dating abuse and how to facilitate group discussions with teens about healthy and abusive relationships. Learn how to respond to a disclosure of abuse in a supportive way. Learn about resources teens can use to evaluate their relationships and find help. Key trainers will be from the Jewish Coalition Against Domestic Abuse AWARE teen dating violence program. To register and receive the Zoom link, email Laura.Yeomans@CC-DC.org or call (202) 315-9440.

Food Ministry Gathering by Zoom Wednesday, September 22nd, at 10:00 AM: Catholic Charities will host a *Food Ministry Best Practices* workshop via Zoom where we will share challenges and successes in food ministry during COVID-19. Please come prepared to share steps your parish ministry is taking to serve those in need and keep volunteers and families safe. To register and receive the zoom link, please contact Trinidad.Soc@CC-DC.org.

Family Connection

Today's Gospel invites us to consider how we witness the healing presence of Christ in our care for and ministry to those who are sick. We notice that the deaf man is brought to Jesus for healing by his friends. These people beg Jesus to lay his hands on this deaf man so that he might be healed. Jesus' healing power is shown in his opening of the man's ears and the restoring of his speech.

As you gather as a family, recall a time when a family member was ill. What steps were taken to help restore this family member to health? Talk about what it feels like to care for a person who is ill, and about how it feels to be the sick person being cared for. In today's Gospel, we hear about a time when Jesus healed a man who was deaf. Read today's Gospel, Mark 7:31-37. Notice how the man who was cured and his friends could not honor Jesus' request to keep quiet about Jesus' power to heal. We continue to celebrate Jesus' healing presence in our lives by giving thanks to God for the gift of healing and health. Conclude in prayer, thanking Jesus for the gifts of health and healing. Pray together for those who are sick. After each person is named, pray, "Jesus, heal us."