

Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, September 13th

Saint John Chrysostom

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

Tuesday, September 14th

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Richard Kosko** (D)

Wednesday, September 15th

Our Lady of Sorrows

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Anthony Foli, Jr.** (L)

Thursday, September 16th

Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Benjamin Ogbonna-Nwodo** (D)

Friday, September 17th

Saint Robert Bellarmine

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Serafin Avitia** (D)

Saturday, September 18th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Audrey Rebello & Family** (L)

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Wis 2: 12, 17-20

Jas 3: 16-4:3

Mark 9: 30-37

Saturday, September 18th

Mass 4:00 PM: **People of the Parish** (L)

Mass 7:00 PM: **Familia Rodriguez** (L)

Sunday, September 19th

Mass 8:00 AM: **Members of the Prout Family** (L/D)

Mass 9:45 AM: **Parish & School Volunteers** (L)

Mass 11:30 AM: **Christy Chioma Udejiofor** (D)

Mass 6:00 PM: **Gertrude M'Carthy** (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; Lionel Fletcher; 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

September 5

Offertory	9,352
Faith Direct	2,544
Total	11,896
2020	6,558
2019	13,593

We Are Grateful For Your Generosity

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, from 6:00-7:00 PM and in English on Sunday, October 10th, from 10:30-11:30 AM. Please contact Ms. Kionna 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.



The Academy of Saint Matthias

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 18/19

4:00 PM	Fr. Jack
7:00 PM	Fr. Russo
8:00 AM	Fr. Jack
9:45 AM	Fr. Jack
11:30 AM	Fr. TBD
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

Peter had expectations about what it meant to call Jesus the Messiah, the Christ. Jesus was indeed the Messiah, but his life and death would show a different understanding of what it means to be the Messiah. We, too, have expectations of God and our own ideas about what we think God ought to be doing in our world. Like Peter, however, we may risk limiting our image of God by thinking only in human ways. God's plan is always more that we can ever imagine.

As you gather as a family, talk about what we expect God to be doing in our world and in our family life. Then read today's Gospel, Mark 8:31-35. Why do you think Peter was so upset by what Jesus was saying? Notice how Jesus reprimands Peter. Do we sometimes forget to let God be God for us? That is, do we sometimes get discouraged because God doesn't act in our world in the ways that we expect? Pray together that we will remember that God is always working for the world's salvation in ways that are beyond our imagination. Conclude by praying together today's psalm, *Psalms 116*.