

Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, October 25th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **William (Bill) Halbe** (D)
Daily Mass 12:00 PM: **People of the Parish** (L)

Tuesday, October 26th

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

Wednesday, October 27th

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

Thursday, October 28th

Saints Simon & Jude

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Leticia Buan** (D)

Friday, October 29th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Antonio Martinez** (L)

Saturday, October 30th

Daily Mass 8:30 AM: **Homebound Parishioners** (L)

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Dt 6: 2-6
Heb 7: 23-28
Mark 12: 28b-34

Saturday, October 30th

Mass 4:00 PM: **Don & Diana Gritz** (L)
Mass 7:00 PM: **People of the Parish** (L)

Sunday, October 31st

Mass 8:00 AM: **Phyllis Sczuka** (D)
Mass 9:45 AM: **Christine & Jonah Ukaibe** (L)
Mass 11:30 AM: **Jumoke Olaniyi** (L)
Mass 6:00 PM: **Clotilde Padonu Lokia** (D)

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

Christopher Agboli; Marion & Mirl Bendt; Elaine Brooks;
Rose Chisefsky; Mary Dawson; Rosita Dietrich; Helen
Dziduch; Bob Faass; Patricia Farland; Genevieve
Greenfield; Jan Jarus; Joseph Johnson; Steve Keleti; Joan
Kodak; Everett & Martha Lallis; Dennis Lucas; 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

October 17, 2021

Offertory	7,365
Faith Direct	2,653
Total	10,018
2020	6,591
2019	10,530

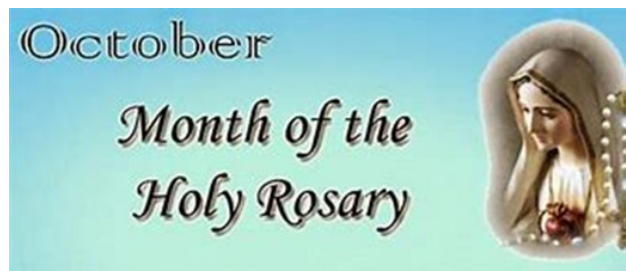
We Are Grateful For Your Generosity

World Mission Sunday October 24, 2021

Please respond to World Mission Sunday by supporting the priests, religious sisters and brothers, and lay catechists who provide loving service to those most in need. A national second collection will be held at all Masses this weekend.

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.



The Month of October is Dedicated to the Holy Rosary. In this month of October, let us consider this beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means that we too can use in order to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.

Be sure to read the
Annual Fiscal Report from the Pastor
placed in today's bulletin.



The Academy of Saint Matthias



Open House date for prospective parents for the next school year is Thursday, October 28th, from 9:00-10:00 AM. If you plan to attend, please contact Mrs. Ann O'Hare, Director of Admissions, at 301-577-9412 or aohare@stmatthias.org.



Our School's 60th Anniversary Celebration! Please join us on Saturday, October 30th, for our anniversary liturgy at 4:00 PM. After Mass, we will welcome our friends, families, and alumni who are 18 years and older to a reception in

Friendship Hall. At this event, guests will have the opportunity to donate to several projects at the school. Following local Covid-19 restrictions, masks will be required indoors at this event.

Family Connection

Today's Gospel offers us a powerful example of faith and persistence in prayer. Those around him rebuked Bartimaeus for his efforts to attract Jesus' attention. When silenced by the crowd, however, Bartimaeus called out all the more. He is persistent and bold in his confidence that Jesus will show mercy on him and do what he asks. His persistence and great confidence that Jesus would help him reminds us of the confidence with which our children bring to us their needs. In their faith and trust we can find an example of the attitude with which we might approach God in prayer.

As a family, recall a request that has been made repeatedly by one family member to another. After reading today's Gospel, pose questions such as these to your family: Why must Bartimaeus be persistent in calling out to Jesus? (Some people in the crowd are telling him to be quiet.) What does Bartimaeus do when some try to stop him? (He calls out to Jesus all the more.) When Jesus stops and calls for him, what does Jesus do and say? (He restores Bartimaeus' sight; Jesus tells Bartimaeus his faith has saved him.) When we pray, God wants us to be so confident he will help us that we don't permit anyone to keep us from bringing our needs to God in prayer. Invite family members to identify the things they need most from God. Pray these prayers of petition together as a family, confident that God will hear and answer your prayers. Respond to each petition, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on us." Conclude by praying the *Glory Be to the Father*.

Around the Archdiocese

St. Nicholas Catholic Church, located at 8603 Contee Road, Laurel, MD, 20708 (between Route 1 & Route 197), will hold their **2021 Fall Bazaar** on Friday, October 29th, from 2:00- 8:00 PM, and on Saturday, October 30th, from 9:00 AM-8:00 PM. COVID-19 Guidelines are in place and masks are required. For more information, contact Donna Cellini, donnac803@aol.com.

Spiritual Warfare and the Victory of Christ: Mary and the Angels in the Battle for our Souls: Join us at Ascension Catholic Church on Friday, October 29th, at 7:00 PM for a talk by Fr. Basil Cole, O.P. How can we make good use of the help of Our Lady and the angels in overcoming the temptations of the Evil One? How can we secure our peace in Jesus Christ amid the trials and uncertainties of this world? The talk will last about an hour with ample time for questions and answers afterward. Fr. Cole is Professor Ordinarius of Moral and Spiritual Theology at the Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. He has written several works of theology, including *Music and Morals*, *The Hidden Enemies of the Priesthood*, and *Christian Totality: Theology of the Consecrated Life*. The talk will be held in the church. The address is Ascension Catholic Church, 12700 Lanham Severn Road, Bowie, MD,

St. Matthias Calendar Notes

All Saints

Monday, November 1st, is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Daily Masses are at 8:30 AM and 12:00 PM

Annual Mass of Remembrance

This Mass, which commemorates the souls of our faithful departed will be celebrated on November 6th at the Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 PM. All are welcome as we remember those who have died this past year and pray for families who mourn the loss of their loved ones.

Celebrant Mass Schedule for October 30/31

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