

Today's Readings

Pace be with you. (John 20:19)
It's tempting to stay shortsighted when we think about these words of Jesus to his apostles. It's tempting to link our peace with the events of our day. If things are going well, we are at peace. But the moment one of life's trials comes along, we lose our peace.

Jesus experienced all of the emotions we experience, both the good and the bad. He showed love and tenderness to a woman who washed his feet. He showed disappointment with the Pharisees who flaunted their religiosity. He was especially compassionate toward the crowds that followed him, and he was surprisingly angry with the money changers in the Temple. He applauded people's generosity, and he hated to see anyone suffering.

Yet for all of these different emotions, one thing remained constant: Jesus always held on to his peace. That's because the peace that Jesus had was not about things going his way. His peace was about knowing that his Father was always with him and that God would always be faithful to his promises.

It's ironic, isn't it? We can lose our peace, not only when things go wrong, but even when things are going our way. We can forget about God. We can begin to rely only on ourselves and end up feeling proud and self-righteous. And this kind of self-reliance can lead to a downward spiral of agitation and insecurity.

The peace that God offers us is rooted in knowing that we are loved by him, forgiven by him, and saved by him. So when things are going your way, be sure to remain peaceful by thanking God for all of your blessings. And when you are feeling angry, resentful, or bitter, take those feelings to the Lord and ask him to help you.

Love everyone. Seek what is best and just for everyone. Seek the Lord each day, and he will help you "let the peace of Christ control your hearts" in every situation (Colossians 3:15).

"Lord, help me to hold on to your peace at all times and in every situation."

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This Week's Readings

Sunday 8	Acts 4:32-35 / 1 Jn 5:1-6 / Jn 20:19-31 <i>Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday</i>
Monday 9	Is 7:10-14; 8:10 / Heb 10:4-10 / Lk 1:26-38 <i>Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord</i>
Tuesday 10	Acts 4:32-37 / Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday 11	Acts 5:17-26 / Jn 3:16-21 <i>St. Stanislaus</i>
Thursday 12	Acts 5:27-33 / Jn 3:31-36
Friday 13	Acts 5:34-42 / Jn 6:1-15 <i>St. Martin</i>
Saturday 14	Acts 6:1-7 / Jn 6:16-21
Sunday 15	Acts 3-15,17-19 / 1 Jn 2:1-5a / Lk 24:35-48

Parish Calendar

April 8 - 15

Sunday 8—Sunday of Divine Mercy

A second collection for Cathedral maintenance is taken at all Masses. Hospitality receptions are held after the 8:30am, 10am, and 11:30am Masses in the North Conference Room.

Children's Faith Formation classes meet at 9:45am at St. Matthew's Education Center. Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11 de la mañana.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration following the 1pm Mass, and the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** is prayed in English and Spanish at 2:30pm.

Always God's Children meets in the West Conference Room at 3:30pm.

Cathedral Coffeehouse meets after the 5:30pm Mass in the West Conference Room.

Monday 9—The Parish Council meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.

Tuesday 10—El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

Wednesday 11—A Mystagogy dinner and lecture are held in the North Conference Room beginning at 6:30pm.

Sacred Page, Sunday Scripture Reflections, meets in the West Conference Room at 7pm.

Saturday 14—A Bible study on "Wisdom in the Old Testament" meets at 10:30am in the East Conference Room.

Sunday 15—Children's Faith Formation classes meet at 9:45am at St. Matthew's Education Center.

Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11 de la mañana.

A blessing of engaged couples is given at the 11:30am Mass.

Cathedral Coffeehouse meets after the 5:30pm Mass in the West Conference Room.

Jubilarian Mass – The 2018 Jubilarian celebration of marriage honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held Sunday, **June 17** at 2pm at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. **Cardinal Wuerl** will preside. Call 202-587-5143 to register from St. Matthew's by Monday, **April 16**.

News and Notes

Thank You from the Rector – On behalf of the entire parish community, I want to express my sincere appreciation to the volunteers who decorated the Cathedral for Easter, the lectors, hospitality ministers, servers, Eucharistic ministers, musicians, sacristans, RCIA sponsors, parish staff, priests, deacons, and all who contributed time and talent to the Cathedral during Holy Week and Easter. Please be assured of my gratitude and best wishes for a very blessed Easter season.
—*Msgr. Jameson*

Divine Mercy Devotions – *Jesus is Divine Mercy in person.* (Pope Benedict XVI) – Join your parish family for Divine Mercy Devotions in the Cathedral today, Divine Mercy Sunday, **April 8**. Come for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy (alternating in Spanish and English) at 2:30pm, concluding with Benediction.

Cathedral Coffeehouse is Back! – Join the Cathedral Young Adults for [Cathedral Coffeehouse](#) tonight, Sunday, **April 8**. It's "Catholic Cranium" game night with Franciscan Friar Manny Vasconcelos, after the 5:30pm Mass in the West Conference Room.

Register Now for "Easter Stories" Women's Retreat – Women parishioners and friends are invited to St. Matthew's annual [Women's Retreat](#), **April 13 - 15** at the Washington Retreat House (see registration form in this bulletin). **Mail your registration by Monday, April 9 to [Erin Cromer](#), Retreat Promoter!** Accept the invitation; come away with the Risen Lord!

Blessing of Engaged Couples – On Sunday, **April 15**, couples who are being married at the Cathedral or are receiving marriage preparation at St. Matthew's are invited to receive a blessing at the 11:30am Mass. To participate, email reply@stmatthewscathedral.org.

Holiday Schedule – On Monday, **April 16**, DC Emancipation Day, the rectory office will be closed. The Cathedral will open at 7:30am and close at 1pm, Masses will be celebrated at 8am and 12:10pm, and there will be no Confessions.

Lector Training – An orientation and training session for prospective lectors will be held Saturday, **April 28** in the West Conference Room, 9:30am - 1pm. We welcome registered parishioners and "weekday parishioners"—those who work downtown and attend weekday Masses here. Attendees will be asked to audition in the Cathedral at a later date. Candidates

who become lectors are asked to commit to serve at least twice monthly. To register, call the rectory office at 202-347-3215 x517 by Monday, April 23.

Catholic Business Network of Washington DC Networking Reception – Join the Catholic Business Network of Washington D.C. (CBN-D.C.) for an evening reception Tuesday, **April 24**, 5:30 - 7:30pm, at Baker & Hostetler LLP, 1050 Connecticut Avenue NW #1110. CBN-D.C. is an independent nonprofit organization bringing together businesses and professionals to create valuable business and networking opportunities through monthly events and an annual gala. All fundraising benefits students in need at Catholic schools in Washington D.C. For more information or to register, visit www.cbndc.org or contact Justin Silvers at 202-957-5188 or jsilvers@cbndc.org.

Pope Francis' April Prayer Intention – Please pray for Pope Francis' **April** intention, that economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

Recruiting New K of C Members – The Knights of Columbus (DCKnights.org) are recruiting new members through the local council at St. Matthew's. In addition to offering the order's insurance benefits, they seek to support members in parish life through service and fraternal activities. Candidates must be men aged 18 or older. Contact: Alex Sabo at Alexgsabo@yahoo.com

Outreach

Simple Lenten Meals – Thank you! – The Social Justice Committee thanks all who took part in this year's Simple Lenten Meals. Together we raised money for organizations that promote the values found in Catholic Social Teaching: Jesuit Refugee Service, Horton's Kids, Interfaith Power & Light, Northwest Center, and Catholic Legal Immigration Network. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus, Hispanic Ministry, RCIA Catechumens, and Cathedral Young Adults for preparing and serving the meals. If you have questions about these organizations, please contact Mary Budarz at socialjusticestmatthew@gmail.com.

Save the Date – Onsite Registry of Bone Marrow Donors – The Social Justice Committee invites you to consider registering to be a marrow donor. We will host [Be The Match](#) on Sunday, **April 22** after all Masses in the North Conference Room. Adults ages 18-44 are encouraged to stop by, complete a contact form and get a cheek swab. For more details, visit bethematch.org or email Diana Milton at diana.j.milton@gmail.com.

Faith Formation

Returning and Inactive Catholics – Welcome! – If you are a Catholic who has been away, we invite you to be an active part of us again. Landings is an 8-week series that offers “a safe place to land,” a place for listening and being heard, a place for asking questions and reconnecting with the faith. Contact: Theresa Prymuszewski (contact info at bottom right)

“Wisdom in the Old Testament” – Join our Saturday Bible Study with Fr. Jack Hurley on **April 14**, when the discussion will focus on the “Book of Wisdom,” one of the most learned Books of Scripture, originating in the Jewish community living in cosmopolitan Alexandria. We meet at 10:30am in the East Conference Room. Please bring your Bible.

“Just Call Me Jerzy,” Blessed Jerzy Popieluszko, Priest and Martyr (1947-1984) – All are welcome on Sunday, **April 22** as Judith Kelly introduces us to the life and witness of this humble priest, Blessed Jerzy Popieluszko, the subject of her recent book. The [1pm talk and book signing](#) will be held after the 11:30am Mass in the East Conference Room.

New Small Faith Sharing Groups – A new small group series is forming, using the RENEW International series, “Longing for the Holy: Spirituality for Everyday Life” with **Fr. Ronald Rolheiser**. Four groups will meet—one on Sundays before the 5:30pm Mass, one on Monday evenings, one on Wednesday evenings, and one on a weekday after the 12:10pm Mass. Contact Theresa Prymuszewski (contact info at bottom right) for information or to register for a group.

Adult Confirmation – Register by April 16 – Each spring during the Easter season, St. Matthew’s offers adult Confirmation preparation for active, baptized Catholics who already have received their First Eucharist. [Registration packets](#) for 2018 are available in the rectory office, on the parish website, or by clicking [here](#). Completed packets for spring 2018 Confirmation are due by Monday, **April 16**. Contact: Theresa Prymuszewski (contact info at right)

New Parishioner Registration ~ Welcome!

If you attend Mass at the Cathedral, we invite you to register as a parishioner so we can welcome you properly, learn about any special needs and interests, and keep you informed of our worship opportunities and activities. We invite you to consider becoming involved in our various organizations, committees and other aspects of parish life. Register by clicking [here](#) or visiting the parish website (www.stmatthewscathedral.org) and clicking the *Join Us* tab (choose *Register as a Parishioner*). You also may register at the rectory office.

Celebrating the Sacraments

For our Mass and Confessions schedule, see the bulletin front cover or click [here](#).

Baptism

Parents who wish to have their child baptized at the Cathedral should contact the Baptismal Coordinator at baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org. Parents should contact us at least six (6) months in advance of a desired baptismal date, and may ask for the priest or deacon of their choice to perform the Baptism. Early contact allows parents to be scheduled for the necessary sacramental formation session and godparents to obtain letters from their pastor. For more information, click [here](#) or go to the *Sacraments* tab on the parish website front page (choose *Baptism*).

If you are a registered parishioner at St. Matthew’s and need a letter of good standing in order to be a godparent for a baptism to be celebrated at another parish, please call the rectory office at 202-347-3215 to ask about obtaining a letter.

Marriage

Couples who are interested in celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral are encouraged to click [here](#) or go to the *Sacraments* tab on the parish website front page (choose *Marriage*, then choose *Weddings*) to review our guidelines for weddings. The next step is to call the rectory office at 202-347-3215 and ask for the priest of your choice or the priest on duty, who can speak to you about marriage preparation and the possibility of scheduling your wedding at the Cathedral. Couples are expected to contact us at least nine (9) months in advance of the date on which they hope to celebrate their wedding.

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

Sunday Children’s Faith Formation classes include preparation for the reception of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. For more information on classes, click [here](#) or go to the *Faith Formation* tab on the parish website front page (choose *Children’s Sacramental Preparation/Religious Education*). Registration packets for classes beginning in the fall of 2018 are now available at the rectory office and can be downloaded by clicking [here](#).

Adult Confirmation

See announcement at bottom left.

Rite of Christian Initiation

Are you an unbaptized adult who would like to become Catholic, an adult baptized in another Christian denomination who wishes to profess your faith as a Catholic Christian, or a baptized adult Catholic who would like to complete your initiation in the Catholic Church? We invite you to inquire about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. RCIA is an ongoing process of conversion and faith formation for adults who would like to explore our Catholic faith and prepare for the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. For more information, see the flier in this bulletin, click [here](#) or go to the *Faith Formation* tab on the parish website front page (choose *Adult Initiation Process (RCIA)*).

Contact Theresa Prymuszewski, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation, at 202-587-5139 or tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org for more information.

Lecturas de Hoy

El Señor le pidió a Santa Faustina Kowalska que se instituyera una fiesta dedicada a la Divina Misericordia y se celebrara el domingo después de la Pascua.

Los textos litúrgicos de ese día, el Segundo Domingo de Pascua, se refieren a la institución del Sacramento de la Penitencia, el Tribunal de la Divina Misericordia.

La fiesta fue incorporada al calendario litúrgico por el Papa San Juan Pablo II en el año jubilar 2000, con motivo de la canonización de Santa Faustina.

¿En qué consiste esta fiesta? Lo explicó el mismo Señor a Santa Faustina: “Deseo que la Fiesta de la Misericordia sea un refugio y amparo para todas las almas y, especialmente, para los pobres pecadores. Ese día están abiertas las entrañas de mi Misericordia. Derramo un mar de gracias sobre las almas que se acerquen al manantial de mi Misericordia. El alma que se confiese y reciba la Santa Comunión obtendrá el perdón total de las culpas y de las penas” (Diario 699).

En este mensaje, el Señor nos pide que tengamos plena confianza en la Misericordia de Dios, y que seamos compasivos con el prójimo en lo que decimos y hacemos... “porque la fe sin obras, por fuerte que sea, es inútil” (Diario, 742).

Con el fin de celebrar apropiadamente esta festividad, se recomienda rezar la Coronilla y la Novena a la Divina Misericordia, que comenzó el Viernes Santo; confesarse —para lo cual es indispensable realizar primero un completo examen de conciencia— y recibir la santa Comunión el día de la Fiesta de la Divina Misericordia.

Sobre esta fiesta le dijo el Señor a Santa Faustina: “Quiero que la imagen sea bendecida solemnemente el primer domingo después de Pascua y que se le venere públicamente para que cada alma pueda saber de ella” (Diario 300, 341).

“Oh Dios Eterno, en quien la misericordia es infinita y el tesoro de compasión inagotable, vuelve a nosotros tu mirada bondadosa y aumenta tu misericordia en nosotros, para que en momentos difíciles no nos desesperemos ni nos desalentemos, sino que, con gran confianza, nos sometamos a tu santa voluntad, que es el amor y la misericordia misma.”

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Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo 8 <i>Domingo de la Divina Misericordia</i>	He 4:32-35 / 1 Jn 5:1-6 / Jn 20:19-31
Lunes 9 <i>La Anunciación del Señor</i>	Is 7:10-14 / Heb 10:4-10 / Lc 1:26-38
Martes 10	He 4:32-37 / Jn 3:7-15
Miércoles 11 <i>San Estanislao</i>	He 5:17-26 / Jn 3:16-21
Jueves 12	He 5:27-33 / Jn 3:31-36
Viernes 13 <i>San Martín</i>	He 5:34-42 / Jn 6:1-15
Sábado 14	He 6:1-7 / Jn 6:16-21
Domingo 15	He 3:13-15, 17-19 / 1 Jn 2:1-5 / Jn 24:35-49

Intenciones de Misas

Mass Intentions

April 8 – 15

Sunday, April 8

5:30pm Vigil (April 7) Rita T. Zelonis
7am – All Parishioners
8:30am – John F. Kenna
10am – Alex Arshinkoff
11:30am – Dr. Eduardo Brito-Mieles
1pm – Anaie Garcia
5:30pm – Isabel Fisher

Monday, April 9

7am – Jorge E. Díaz Caceres
8am – Nieves Serapio
12:10pm – Trinidad Catanza (living)
5:30pm – Rafaela V. de Seminario

Tuesday, April 10

7am – Kathryn Jedlicka
8am – May Samy (living)
12:10pm – Elaine Hall
5:30pm – Gemma Alducente Hemley

Wednesday, April 11

7am – Joan Harper (living)
8am – Francisco Jacob (living)
12:10pm – Ann Marks (living)
5:30pm – Joshua Chae (living)

Thursday, April 12

7am – Julio Perez
8am – Jose & Belinda Barahona (living)
12:10pm – Leopaldo Bautista
5:30pm – Martin Fazio

Friday, April 13

7am – Capt. Andreas O’Keeffe
8am – Pam Erwin (living)
12:10pm – Santiago Paez
5:30pm – Manuel B. Zurbano

Saturday, April 14

12:10pm – Patricia Fisher
5:30pm – James M. Power

Sunday, April 15

7am – All Parishioners
8:30am – Mary Lil Walsh
10am – Karl August Gulde
11:30am – Helen “Pat” McQueney
1pm – Daniela Gonzalez (living)
5:30pm – Arlene Jackson

Se les recuerda a todas las personas que deseen ofrecer misas por sus difuntos, que tienen que reservarlas por lo menos con tres meses de antelación debido a que solo tenemos una misa en español.

To arrange a Mass intention, speak to our rectory receptionist. There is no fee but an offering is customary.

Intentions are reserved in advance so particular dates may be unavailable.

Noticias de la Parroquia



Domingo de la Divina Misericordia – *Jesucristo es la misericordia divina en persona.* (Papa Benedicto XVI) Únase a su familia parroquial para la devoción de la Divina Misericordia en la Catedral, este domingo **8 de abril** a las 2:30 de la tarde. Venga a la Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento y la recitación de la coronilla (alternando en español e inglés), concluyendo con la Bendición.

¡ ¡ ¡ **Gracias !!!** – En nombre de toda la comunidad parroquial, quiero expresar mi más sincero agradecimiento a los voluntarios que ayudaron a decorar la Catedral: lectores, ujieres, monaguillos, ministros de la Eucaristía, músicos, sacristanes, padrinos del RICA, el personal de la Catedral, sacerdotes, diáconos y a todos los que contribuyeron con su tiempo y talento durante la Semana Santa y Pascua. Su esfuerzo hizo una gran diferencia. Estoy muy agradecido y les deseo una feliz época de Pascua.

—*Monseñor Jameson*

Cenas Simples de Cuaresma – ¡**Gracias!** – El comité de Justicia Social quisiera agradecerles a todos quienes participaron en las Cenas Simples de Cuaresma. Juntos pudimos recaudar fondos para organizaciones que promueven valores que se encuentran en la Enseñanza Católica Social: Servicios de Refugios Jesuita, Horton's Kids, Interfaith Power & Light, Centro Northwest y Red Católica Legal de Inmigración. Reconocemos especialmente a los grupos de la Catedral: los Caballeros de Colón, Ministerio Hispano, Catecúmenos de RICA y los Jóvenes Adultos de la Catedral por preparar y servir las cenas. Si tiene preguntas sobre las organizaciones que invitamos, puede comunicarse con Norma Canedo en la rectoría al 202-347-3215.

Clases de Confirmación para Adultos – Se ofrecerán clases de preparación para el sacramento de la Confirmación para adultos activos, bautizados católicos que ya han recibido su primera comunión. Las clases serán los domingos **abril 15, 22, 29 y mayo 6**. Las clases serán de 10:50 de la mañana a 12:30 del mediodía en el salón del Norte, excepto mayo 6 salón Quinn entrar por la rectoría. Registros **Abril 8** de 9:00 de la mañana a 10:30 de la mañana salón del Este, o haciendo una cita de lunes a jueves después de la semana Santa. Las personas interesadas deben llamar a Fatima Aybar al 202-347-2315 x541. Deben tener el certificado de bautizo vigente.

Próximamente – El lunes **16 de abril**, día de Emancipación del Distrito de Columbia; las oficinas de la rectoría estarán cerradas. La Catedral abrirá a las 7:30 de la mañana y cerrará a la 1:00 de la tarde. Se celebrarán las misas de 8:00 de la mañana y 12:10 del mediodía; no habrá confesiones.

Misa de Jubileo Matrimonial – **El Cardenal Wuerl** estará presidiendo la misa anual de Jubileo Matrimonial para conmemorar a las parejas que están celebrando 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 o más años de matrimonio el domingo **17 de junio** en la Basílica de la Inmaculada Concepción a las 2:00 de la tarde. Para registrarse llame a la rectoría al 202-347-3215, a más tardar el lunes **16 de abril**.

Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial – El Fin de Semana del Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial es una experiencia enriquecedora que todo matrimonio merece dárselo. La fecha de los próximos Fines de Semana son **14 y 15 de abril; 2 y 3 de junio**. El cupo es limitado por favor inscríbanse con tiempo. Para inscribirse, llamar a Baltazar y Gloria Ortiz al 301-879-4411, o a Cipriano y Mayra Vera al 301-335-7798.

Guarde la fecha – Inscripción para ser Donante de Médula Ósea – El comité de Justicia Social les invita a considerar el inscribirse para ser un posible donante de médula ósea. La Catedral será anfitriona de *Be The Match* el domingo, **22 de abril**. Se les anima a adultos de 18 a 44 años a inscribirse. La inscripción toma 10 minutos y consiste de llenar un formulario de contacto y una muestra de algodón de la mejilla. Para más detalles, visite bethematch.org. También puede comunicarse con Norma Canedo (información en la parte de arriba).

Grupo de Oración – El grupo de oración se reúne los martes a la 7:00 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste. El objetivo del grupo es profundizar nuestra fe por medio de las Sagradas Escrituras. Para más información pueden llamar a Fatima al 202-347-3215 x541.

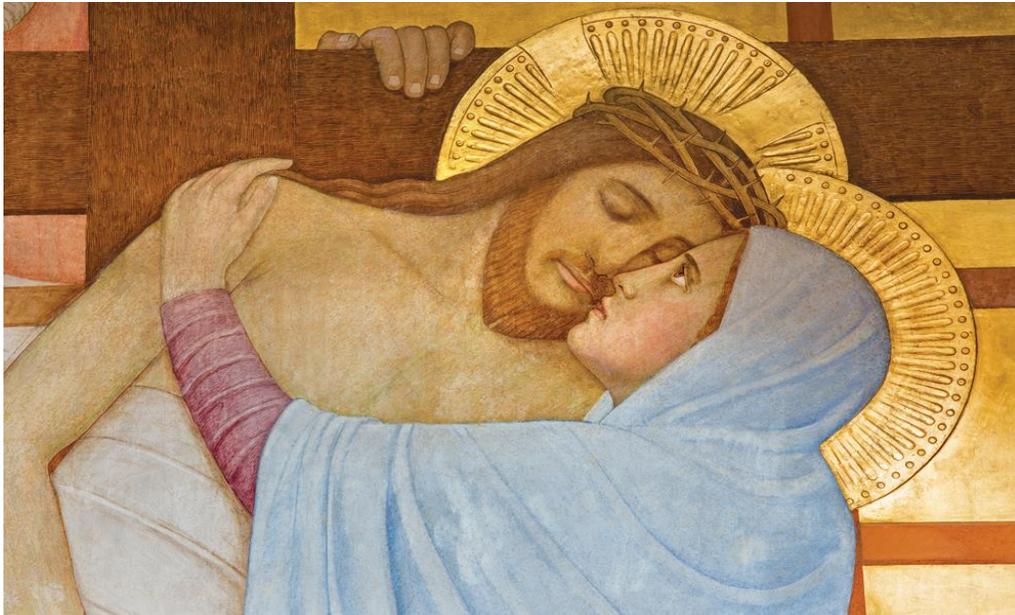
Intenciones de Oración – Por favor únase en oración en todo el mundo por las intenciones del **Papa Francisco** este mes: para que los economistas tengan el coraje de rechazar cualquier economía de exclusión y saber cómo abrir nuevos caminos.

ST. MATTHEW'S WOMEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

April 13th-15th, 2018

Still time to register!

All Women Parishioners and Friends are Welcome



Washington Retreat House

4000 Harewood Road, NE | Washington, DC 20017-1595

~ *Easter Stories* ~

Check-in at Washington Retreat House is Friday, April 13th at 5:30PM (earlier or later arrival is fine also), followed by dinner at 6:30PM. The retreat ends around 12Noon on Sunday, April 15th.

To reserve your place, mail your registration and deposit to Erin Cromer, St. Matthew's Retreat Promoter, by Monday, April 9 and contact her at 202-580-9728 or emcromer3@gmail.com to let her know to expect you.

A non-refundable \$25 deposit is required, with the balance due upon arrival.

St. Matthew's Women's Retreat Registration Form

MAIL TO: Erin Cromer
P O Box 21590
Washington, DC 20009
202-580-9728

Please make _____ reservation(s) for the Weekend Retreat to be held April 13th-15th, 2018 at the Washington Retreat House. **The offering is \$185.00.** I understand that a \$25.00 non-refundable deposit will hold my reservation. **Checks should be made payable to: Washington Retreat House**

Name: _____

Parish: _____

Address: _____

City, State, & Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

RESURRECTION AND LIFE: A MYSTAGOGY ON THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

The Easter season is a time to savor the mysteries of Christian initiation and to experience them at ever-deepening levels. How do we understand what God has done for us in the sacraments of new life? What are their lasting effects and enduring promises? Come and explore the Christian mysteries “so deep, we cannot see the end of them.”



Rita Ferrone is a recognized leader in the ministries of Christian Initiation in the U.S. She is the author of several books, practical guidelines, and resources for parishes, including *Foundations in Faith*, and *Living the Eucharist*, and is a frequent speaker at conferences and workshops. She also comments regularly on international church affairs at *Commonweal* magazine, and blogs at Pray Tell.

WHEN:

April 11, 2018

Dinner at 6:30pm

Program at 7:00-8:00pm

WHERE:

St. Matthew's Cathedral

1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW

1½ blocks from the Farragut North Metrorail red line station, North Conference Room. Accessed through the parking garage

Reservations are necessary for ordering dinner. Please RSVP to Theresa Prymuszewski, 202-587-5139 or tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org by **Monday, April 9**.

All are invited to this event, free of charge. For more information, please contact Theresa Prymuszewski, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation at: tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org or at 202-587-5139



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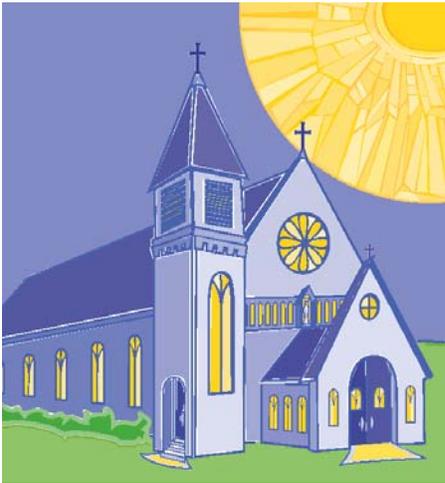
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Can I stop, increase, or decrease my payment at any time?

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How does the Cathedral benefit from my participation with Faith Direct?

The Cathedral will see a substantial increase in net revenue, a decrease in administrative costs, and a clearer picture of cash flow for their needs.

If you have any questions about the *Faith Direct* program, please call 1-866-507-8757 {toll free} or send an email to info@faithdirect.net, or contact Pam Erwin at the Rectory at 202-347-3215 x537 or perwin@stmatthewscathedral.org.

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Process my gifts on the: 4th *or* 15th of the month *(please check only one box)*

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (Peter 4:10)

Weekly Offertory Gift: \$ _____

*(Note: The total amount will be determined by the number of
Sundays in the month. Some months have 5 Sundays.)*

You may also choose to give to the following second and special collections as part of the regular monthly transaction.

COLLECTION	AMOUNT	MONTH	COLLECTION	AMOUNT	MONTH
<input type="checkbox"/> Cathedral Maintenance	\$ _____	Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Holy Father	\$ _____	June
<input type="checkbox"/> Music Ministry	\$ _____	Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Communications & Human Development	\$ _____	August
<input type="checkbox"/> Poor Box/Outreach	\$ _____	Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Assumption	\$ _____	August
<input type="checkbox"/> Solemnity of Mary	\$ _____	January	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic University	\$ _____	September
<input type="checkbox"/> Church Missions within the US	\$ _____	January	<input type="checkbox"/> Propagation of the Faith/ World Missions	\$ _____	October
<input type="checkbox"/> Churches in the Developing World	\$ _____	February	<input type="checkbox"/> All Saints Day	\$ _____	November
<input type="checkbox"/> Ash Wednesday	\$ _____	February	<input type="checkbox"/> All Souls Day *	\$ _____	November
<input type="checkbox"/> Holy Thursday	\$ _____	March/April	<input type="checkbox"/> Archdiocesan Priests' Retirement	\$ _____	November
<input type="checkbox"/> Holy Land	\$ _____	March/April	<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ _____	December
<input type="checkbox"/> Easter Flowers	\$ _____	March/April	<input type="checkbox"/> Immaculate Conception	\$ _____	December
<input type="checkbox"/> Easter Sunday (In addition to regular Sunday gift)	\$ _____	March/April	<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas Flowers	\$ _____	December
<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Relief Services	\$ _____	May	<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas	\$ _____	December

* Please call the church at 202-347-3215 with the names of your intentions for this collection.

I would like to enroll in the Faith Direct program for the benefit of the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle. I understand that my total monthly contribution amount will be transferred directly from my checking account or credit card as stated above, a record of my gifts will appear on my bank or credit card statement, and my transfers will begin on the 4th or next business day of the month following my enrollment. I understand that I can increase, decrease, or suspend my giving by contacting Faith Direct toll free at 1-866-507-8757.

{All gifts provided to your Church originating as Automated Clearing House transactions comply with US law.}

Signature: X _____ Date: _____

Name(s): (please print) _____

Street Address: _____

Church Envelope #: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Name as I/we would like it to appear on Offertory Cards: _____

I do not wish to receive Offertory Cards to place in the collection basket as a sign of my electronic giving.

If you choose to enroll by mail, you can contact Faith Direct at 1-866-507-8757 {toll-free} to set up online access to your account.

For Bank Account Debit: Please return this completed form and a voided check to Faith Direct Enrollment.

For Credit/Debit Card: Please complete the following... VISA MasterCard American Express Discover

Credit/Debit Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

If you have any questions about the Faith Direct program, please contact us at 1-866-507-8757 {toll free} or info@faithdirect.net.