

TODAY'S READINGS

R*emain in my love. (John 15:9)*
We engage in a spiritual battle every day. On the one side, there is “the world”—everything around us that is opposed to Jesus. There is “the flesh”—everything within us that is opposed to Jesus. And there is “Satan”—who is completely opposed to Jesus. These three will do anything to keep us from enjoying God’s love and sharing it with other people. On the other side, we have the Holy Spirit, the sacraments, the word of God, and one another.

The case can be made that the world is moving further away from God. Media bombards us from every angle. Materialism continues to grow unchecked. The world tells us that we can pick and choose which commandments to follow. Everything has become subjective and relative. Deception, greed, sexual immorality, selfishness, pride, and the like are commonplace.

In the midst of all these tempting and competing philosophies, Jesus is telling us, “Seek me first.” Who will we listen to?

This is why we have to make sure we are focusing on Jesus during our prayer and not doing these things simply out of routine. It’s why we have to be sure to spend time with members of our parish, praying together, sharing a meal together, or serving together. These practices will help us keep our minds focused on the high calling God has for us rather than on the ways of the world or our fallen nature or the devil. So let’s enjoy the media, but be sure to let in only what is good and wholesome. Let’s try to keep material things in the right perspective. Let’s try to find a balance between looking out for our comfort and taking care of the people around us. If we can do that, we’re sure to bear fruit.

Don’t be afraid to take up the spiritual battle today. It’s the least you can do in return for all that Jesus has done for you!

“Jesus, thank you for your friendship. Help me to remain in your love.”

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

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| Sunday 10 | Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 / 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Jn 15:9-17 |
| Monday 11 | Acts 16:11-15 / Jn 15:26-16:4 |
| Tuesday 12 | Acts 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11 |
| | <i>Sts. Nereus & Achilleus; St. Pancras</i> |
| Wednesday 13 | Acts 17:15,22-18:1 / Jn 16:12-15 |
| | <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i> |
| Thursday 14 | Acts 1:15-17,20-26 / Jn 15:9-17 |
| | <i>St. Matthias</i> |
| Friday 15 | Acts 18:9-18 / Jn 16:20-23 |
| | <i>St. Isidore</i> |
| Saturday 16 | Act 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23-28 |
| Sunday 17 | Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Mk 16:15-20 |

LECTURAS DE HOY

El amor es la vida y la fuerza del Evangelio. En la cruz, Cristo triunfó sobre el pecado y sobre Satanás, no porque lo mereciéramos nosotros, sino sencillamente porque Dios nos ama. Tan grande fue el amor del Padre que llegó incluso a entregar a su único Hijo, para que los pecadores pudiéramos vivir. “El amor que Dios nos tiene se ha manifestado en que envió al mundo a su Hijo unigénito... El amor consiste en esto: no en que nosotros hayamos amado a Dios, sino en que él nos amó primero” (1 Juan 4, 9-10).

Este es el mismo amor que Cristo está constantemente prodigando a sus discípulos, un amor en el cual podemos “permanecer”, descansando en la generosa provisión de Dios (Juan 15, 9), y él nos dice cómo: obedeciendo sus mandamientos, amándonos “como yo los he amado” (Juan 15, 12). Esta no es una manera de merecer el amor y la aprobación de Dios, sino más bien de conocer y experimentar su amor, a fin de poder compartirlo con familiares, amigos, compañeros de trabajo y en la comunidad parroquial.

Conocer la realidad del amor incondicional de Dios es de importancia vital para nuestra fe. De otro modo, podemos reducir el cristianismo nada más que a una serie de mandamientos y prohibiciones que hay que cumplir, y así terminamos aceptando un mensaje evangélico desprovisto de poder, y más bien basado en nuestra obediencia y no en el amor de Dios, que todo lo transforma. Pero Jesús quiere que su amor sea la base de nuestras obras; quiere misericordia, no sacrificio (Mateo 12, 7). Lo maravilloso que Dios ha hecho es que, mediante su cruz, nos ha librado del pecado, que había endurecido nuestro corazón y no nos dejaba ver su amor infinito. Pero hemos sido redimidos en Cristo, y gracias a eso podemos recibir el poder del Evangelio en nuestro ser.

“Espíritu Santo Consolador, que te derramas con poder sobre todos los que aceptan el amor del Padre, ayúdanos a recibirte con el corazón abierto. Ven, Espíritu Santo, y revélanos el amor de Dios, para que conozcamos hoy el poder del Evangelio en nuestra vida.”

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WELCOME!

Visitors to the Cathedral, we want you to know how welcome you are—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or from another parish here in Washington or across the river. Thank you for praying with us. Thank you also for your generosity, which helps us to celebrate our liturgies in a fitting and beautiful way, and to offer a wide range of services to needy people in the Washington, DC area. Enjoy your visit!

PARISH CALENDAR

May 10 – 17

- Sunday 10**—A Mother’s Day blessing is given at all Masses, and a Mother’s Day Drive is held. Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana. The Sacrament of First Eucharist is celebrated at the 11:30am Mass. Padre Rafael tendrá las confesiones después de la misa de 1 de la tarde. Always God’s Children meets in the West Conference Room at 3:30pm. The Cathedral Coffeehouse meets after the 5:30pm Mass in the West Conference Room.
- Monday 11**—The Book Club meets at 6:45pm in the West Conference Room. The Liturgy Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.
- Tuesday 12**—Legión de María se reúne a las 5:30 de la tarde hasta las 7 en el salón del Oeste. El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.
- Wednesday 13**—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room.
- Thursday 14**—The West Liberty University Choir sings at the 12:10pm Mass and presents the Fauré Requiem immediately after.
- Saturday 16**—The final session of Fr. Hurley’s study of the Acts of the Apostles is held at 10:30am in the East Conference Room. A Pentecost day retreat is given in the North Conference Room beginning at 10am.
- Sunday 17**—A second collection for Catholic Relief Services is taken at all Masses. Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana. The Cathedral Coffeehouse meets after the 5:30pm Mass in the West Conference Room.

NEWS AND NOTES

Always God’s Children – Always God’s Children, the Cathedral parish’s ministry to gay and lesbian persons and their family and friends, meets on Sunday, **May 10** at 3:30pm in the West Conference Room.

Come—Let Us Adore Him! – You are invited to the Cathedral for our monthly evening of Eucharistic Adoration on Monday, **May 18** from 6 to 7pm. Deacon Nickel will deliver a reflection on Scripture, and Fr. Rafael will hear confessions in English and Spanish during the hour.

Rectory Hours – The rectory hours this week are:
 Saturday and Sunday – Closed
 Monday - Wednesday – 9am to 4:30pm
 Thursday – 9am to 8pm
 Friday – 9am to 4pm

MUSIC



Make a gift towards completion of the Great Organ.

Completion of the Great Organ – See the May 5, 2015 *Washington Post* online article and *Post TV* video (article by Michael E. Ruane and photography by Ashleigh Joplin) on the Cathedral Music Ministries’ ongoing project of completing the Cathedral Great Organ, at <http://wapo.st/1OYQNUJ>.

West Liberty University Concert Choir – West Liberty University Concert Choir sings at our 12:10pm Mass on Thursday, **May 14**. In addition to two preludes, and two motets within the Mass, the choir from Wheeling, West Virginia, presents the Fauré Requiem right after Mass. Come for Mass or the concert or both as we welcome this acclaimed collegiate choir directed by Dr. Scott Glysson, accompanied by local organist David Lang. The post-Mass concert is free and open to the public.

Schola Cantorum Openings – There are a limited number of openings in the *Schola Cantorum* for **soprano, alto and bass** voice parts for experienced choral singers. Prospective singers must have significant adult choral experience, good sight-reading skills, and a pleasant, agile voice. The commitment of time and focused energy is significant, particularly at Christmas and during Holy Week. Rehearsals are Wednesdays, 6:45-8:45pm in weeks when the choir sings. If you have the appropriate experience and a desire to serve our parish community in this very special way, contact Tom Stehle, at tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org.

VOCATIONS



Br. Gabriel Torretta, O.P., a Dominican student brother assigned to St. Matthew's Cathedral, will be ordained to the priesthood on Friday, **May 22** at 9:30am at St. Dominic's

Church (630 E St SW). He will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Matthew's on Pentecost Sunday, **May 24** at 5:30pm. All are invited to both the ordination and the Thanksgiving Mass!

Br. Gabriel entered the Order of Preachers in 2008. At the Cathedral, Br. Gabriel has been involved in various sacramental duties, as well as assisting in an adult catechesis program and working with the Cathedral Young Adults, in particular, helping to run the Cathedral Coffeehouse evenings after the 5:30pm Sunday Mass. After his ordination, he will serve in Cincinnati, Ohio, as a parochial vicar at the Dominican parish of St. Gertrude.

Br. Gabriel thanks the parishioners, staff, and priests of St. Matthew's for their generosity and friendship over the last two years, and for the opportunity to pray and witness to the faith of Jesus Christ together. Please keep him and all seminarians in your prayers.

Ordination Anniversaries – During this ordination season, let us also remember in prayer our St. Matthew's rectory priests as they celebrate their anniversaries of ordination to the priesthood.

Msgr. Ron Jameson – May 18, 1968

Fr. Jack Hurley – May 29, 1982

Fr. Rafael Barbieri – June 15, 2013

Fr. Mel Ayala – June 19, 2010

Men's Discernment Dinner – A Men's Discernment Dinner, with Mass and time for informal discussion of the priesthood, will be held on Sunday, **May 17**, 5-8:30pm, at the St. John Paul II Seminary (Washington, DC). Participants should be single men, college age and up, who are practicing Catholics. To attend, contact Fr. Carter Griffin at 202-636-9020 or vocations@adw.org. Register at www.dcpriest.org. Questions on discernment to the priesthood? Contact Fr. Rafael Barbieri at 202-347-3215.

"A.D. The Bible

Continues" – Tune in for another inspiring episode of this 12-part NBC series, which the producers call a cross between *House of Cards* and *Game of Thrones*, on Sunday, **May 10**, 9pm on NBC4. In episode 6, as Saul persists in his persecution of the early Church, the apostles continue to spread the Gospel.



In his weekly YouTube video, *A Catholic Take on A.D. The Bible Continues*, Fr. Bill Byrne recaps this episode in which the apostles preach that the worship of God is seen no longer only in the temple, but in the assembly of the people. As he reminds us, "This is the Church—the hearts and minds of the people gathered together in the worship of God, and most importantly in the breaking of the bread—the Mass."

Subscribe to the WashArchdiocese YouTube channel for these videos, and support them with your comments!

YOUNG ADULTS

Cathedral Coffeehouse - Sunday, May 10 – following 5:30pm Mass – West Conference Room – Join Br. Gabriel, Br. Patrick, and other young adults after the 5:30pm Mass for Cathedral Coffeehouse. **In 20 minutes or less** we promise you'll learn something new and have a few laughs. This week's topic is *Science, The Church, & Other Black Holes*. Contact: stmattsyam@gmail.com

C†YA Spring Retreat: Finding God in All Things – Saturday, May 30 – Sunday, May 31 – Bellarmine Retreat Center (Waynesboro, PA) – There will be time for quiet prayer, group reflection, hiking, confession, Mass and making friends on this retreat. Fr. Carter Griffin of the Archdiocese of Washington will join us. Scholarships are available for those with financial need. Register [here \(http://goo.gl/PYPzex\)](http://goo.gl/PYPzex) by Friday, May 15. Contact Hannah at hannahrdell@gmail.com for more information or to get involved as a small group leader.

C†YA at the Northwest Center – Tuesday, May 12 – 6 to 8pm – Northwest Center (2702 Ontario Road NW / Columbia Heights) – The Center provides support and comprehensive care that enables women to deliver and care for healthy babies. We visit each month to sort donations or do odd jobs around the Center. To sign up, contact Natalie Committee at natalie.committee@gmail.com.

DC Catholic - Spring Theology on Tap – Spring series "Millennials and Marriage: Embracing 'I Do' When So Many Don't" ends with a talk on *"Is Lifelong Love Possible? Stories from 40 Years of Marriage."* Happy Hour from 6 to 7, Talk from 7 to 8 at [Buffalo Billiards](http://www.buffalobilliards.com) (1330 19th Street NW / Dupont Circle)

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo 10 He 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 / 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Jn 15:9-17
Lunes 11 He 16:11-15 / Jn 15:26-16:4
Martes 12 He 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11
San Nereo, San Aquiles; San Pancras
Miércoles 13 He 17:15-16,22-18:1 / Jn 16:12-15
Nuestra Señora de Fatima
Jueves 14 He 1:15-17,20-26 / Jn 15:9-17
San Matías Apóstol
Viernes 15 He 18:9-18 / Jn 16:20-23
San Isidro Labrador
Sábado 16 He 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23-28
Domingo 17 He 1:1-11 / Ef 1:17-23 / Mc 16:15-20

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA



Felicitaciones y oraciones – Diácono Kyle Ratuiste, un seminarista que fue asignado a la catedral de San Mateo durante los últimos dos años, volverá a su diócesis de Spokane, Washington, para ser ordenado sacerdote el viernes,

19 de junio por el obispo Thomas Daly, de Spokane. Diácono Kyle está estudiando su cuarto año de teología en la Universidad Teológica, y se graduará de la Universidad Católica de América con maestría común de la divinidad (M.Div) y bachillerato en teología Sagrada (S.T.B). Además de servir y predicar en varias misas en español el domingo, ha trabajado estrechamente con la comunidad hispana, dio clases de bautismos, celebro bautizos y preparó a parejas para el matrimonio. Diácono Kyle se graduó de la Universidad de Gonzaga y el Seminario de Bishop White en Spokane con títulos de filosofía y bioquímica. Ha organizado un campamento de vocaciones para su diócesis, ha sido tutor de química en la escuela secundaria Arzobispo Carroll y trabajó en el Hospital de la Universidad de Georgetown.

Diácono Kyle esta honrado y agradecido por la hospitalidad recibida, amistades hechas y las lecciones aprendidas durante sus dos años en la catedral de San Mateo. Por favor mantengan al diácono Kyle y todos nuestros seminaristas en sus oraciones.

Horario de la Rectoría –El horario de la rectoría está semana es el siguiente:

Sábado y domingo – Cerrado

Lunes a miércoles – 9:00 de la mañana a 4:30 de la tarde

Jueves – 9:00 de la mañana a 8:00 de la noche

Viernes – 9:00 de la mañana a 4:00 de la tarde

Colecta del día de las madres – El Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida hoy agradecidamente acepta su donación monetaria, así como artículos de bebé, para la colecta del día de las madres que beneficiara al centro del noroeste. Los cheques deben ser dirigidos a San Mateo con “Colecta del día de las madres” en la línea de nota y pueden ser entregadas a la rectoría o a la sacristía.

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento – Les invitamos el lunes **18 de mayo** después de la misa de 5:30 de la tarde, a que se unan en adoración al Santísimo, de 6 a 7 de la tarde. El Sacramento de Reconciliación estará disponible durante la hora de la adoración.

Formación en la Fe – Grupo de El grupo de Oración continúa con los temas de Formación en la Fe, durante el grupo de oración, los martes a las 7:00 de la tarde. Estos temas empiezan después del rosario a las 7:30 de la tarde. El tema para el **19 de mayo** será: El Sexto Mandamiento. El padre Avelino González será el invitado especial.

El Ministerio del Proyecto Raquel – ¿Sufre y tiene sentimientos no resueltos después de un aborto provocado? ¿Sientes que Dios nunca podrá perdonarte? ... ¿No puede usted perdonarse a sí misma? El Ministerio del Proyecto Raquel de la Arquidiócesis de Washington quiere ayudarte. Para más información comunícate con Luz Menjivar al 301-853-4565 o puede escribir al ProyectoRaquel@adw.org. ¡Absoluta Confidencialidad!

RESPECT LIFE

Mother's Day Drive – The Respect Life Ministry today gratefully accepts your monetary donations, as well as baby supplies, for the Mother's Day Drive, benefitting the Northwest Center. Checks should be payable to St. Matthew's Cathedral with “Mother's Day Drive” on the memo line and may be turned in to the rectory or sacristy. Questions? Contact Justin Silvers at stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com.

Having Unresolved Feelings after Abortion? – The Archdiocese of Washington's Project Rachel Ministry is forming support group on Wednesday mornings from 9 until 11am. New members may join until **May 13**. The location: Silver Spring/Takoma Park/Wheaton area; exact location is disclosed only to women who register. Contact Alma Maltez at 301-853-4565 or visit ProjectRachel@adw.org. All contacts are confidential.

MASS INTENTIONS

May 10 - 17

Sunday, May 10

7am – Maria M. Dos Santos
8:30am – Kathleen Kuhler
10am – James Hash
11:30am – Gwen Roherman
1pm – Maria Do Santos
5:30pm – Angelica De León

Monday, May 11

7am – Jose Uy
8am – Marikneli De León
(living)
12:10pm – Francisca Barahona
(living)
5:30pm – Lyman Wright

Tuesday, May 12

7am – Gerhard Lysek (living)
8am – Fausto R. Bautista, Jr.
12:10pm – Sr. Dorothy Anne
Owen, RSCJ
5:30pm – Thanksgiving

Wednesday, May 13

7am – Rene Angeles
8am – Gloria Molina
12:10pm – Ellma Rios
5:30pm – Isabel de Arce

Thursday, May 14

7am – Larry Sitek
8am – Charlene Kuintavella
(living)
12:10pm – Josephine Pearson
5:30pm – Maria Isabel Espinoza

Friday, May 15

7am – Terry Bork (living)
8am – Emilza Ordoñez (living)
12:10pm – Gabriel Sulbaras-
Solis

Saturday, May 16

8am – Msgr. Edward Buckley
12:10pm – Ronald Steffenser
5:30pm – Maria Tran

Sunday, May 17

7am – All Parishioners
8:30am – Antonio Balois
10am – Mr. & Mrs. Richard L.
Martin (living)
11:30am – Doreen & John
Greene
1pm – Francisco Puerta e hijo
5:30pm – Mary Bucci

Proclama de Matrimonio –
Gunther Gabbert y Fernanda
Maretto de Barros planean
casarse en la Parroquia de
Nuestra Señora del Rosario en
Campinas-SP, Brasil, el **20 de
mayo del 2015.**

Banns of Marriage – Gunther
Gabbert and Fernanda Maretto de
Barros plan to marry at Our Lady
of the Rosary Parish in Campinas-
SP, Brazil on **May 20 2015.**

FAITH FORMATION

First Eucharist – This weekend, six of
our children in Sunday Faith
Formation receive their First Holy
Eucharist during the 11:30am Mass.
May God bless them and their families.

Cathedral Book Club – The next
meeting of the Cathedral Book Club,
on Monday, **May 11** from 6:45 to 8pm
in the West Conference Room, will
focus on *Journey to the Sun: Junipero
Serra's Dream and the Founding of
California*. Last Fall at the Cathedral,
the author, Gregory Orfalea,
addressed a meeting of the Serra
Club, which is named for the book's
subject, Fr. Junipero Serra. Fr. Serra is
slated to be canonized by Pope
Francis when he visits Washington
this September. All are invited for this
timely book discussion.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for
Adults) Closing Mass and Pot Luck** –
Join us on Wednesday, **May 13** for the
5:30pm Mass and a pot luck dinner
following Mass in the North Conference
Room. This is the formal closing of the
Season of Mystagogy, a period for our
newly baptized, received and fully
initiated Catholics to deepen their faith.
All are invited to this Mass and closing
pot luck.

RCIA is an ongoing process of adults
who would like to explore our Catholic
faith. Please contact Theresa
Prymuszewski, Pastoral Associate for

Faith Formation, at 202-587-5139 or
tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedra.org.

Bible Study for the Easter Season –
Fr. Jack Hurley's final session on the
Acts of the Apostles, "From Corinth to
Rome," will be given on Saturday,
May 16 in the East Conference Room
from 10:30am to 11:45am. All are
welcome!

New Small Group Facilitators Wanted, and Seasoned Ones

Welcomed Back! – This summer St.
Matthew's will discuss, "Open to The
Holy Spirit" by our own Cardinal
Donald Wuerl. The small faith sharing
groups meet for six weeks starting the
week of **June 21**. Please contact Tricia
at Tricia.Schmittdc@gmail.com if you
are interested in serving as a small
group facilitator. It's fun and a great
way to meet new friends while
deepening your own faith. No prior
knowledge of the book or experience
of small group facilitating is needed.
Please join us for this wonderful
opportunity to open ourselves more
deeply to the Holy Spirit in our lives.

BAPTISM

Parents who wish to have their child
baptized at the Cathedral should
contact the Baptismal Coordinator at
baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org or
202-347-3215 x555. Parents are
encouraged to contact us **at least six
(6) months in advance** of a desired
baptismal date, and may ask for the
priest 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.

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 Cathedral rectory at 202-347-
3215 to ask about obtaining a letter.

ST. MATTHEW'S FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS

SENT FORTH BY THE SPIRIT: A PENTECOST RETREAT



*Join our Catholic adults
preparing for the Sacrament of
Confirmation as together we ready
ourselves to receive the gifts of the
Holy Spirit at the
Great Feast of Pentecost.
We will explore devotion to the
Holy Spirit through Scripture
reflection, Church teachings, and
personal and communal prayer,
notably the Novena to
the Holy Spirit.*

Saturday, May 16

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

North Conference Room

(12:10pm Mass available during our
lunch break)

Retreat Leader ~ Theresa Prymuszewski
Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation

Reservations accepted through

Monday, May 11

202.587.5139 (direct line) or

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175th Parish Anniversary News



Memories Wanted! – Your help is needed to mark the 175th Anniversary of the Parish of St. Matthew the Apostle, now the Cathedral Parish, and since 1939, the seat of the Archdiocese of Washington. **You are invited now and throughout 2015 to share stories and memories of how your Catholic faith has shaped your life, your faith and your family.**

Maybe you have a story of how your Catholic education has made a difference to your future, how you drew closer to

your faith because of your Cathedral involvement, or how Catholic Charities or a Cathedral program or ministry offered you help, hope, or the chance to serve others when you needed it. Share your favorite memories of parish festivals, volunteering, liturgies, social justice events, Christmas Masses and Easter mornings.

MILESTONES IN CATHEDRAL HISTORY

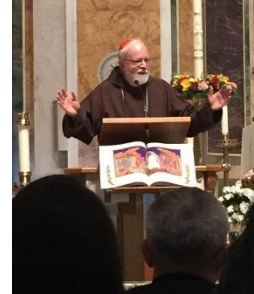
1908 – December 31: The old church property is sold, making possible continued construction of the new church on Rhode Island Avenue, NW.

The anniversary celebration of our parish is best marked by the inspirations, gratitude, joy, and power of faith. Your stories and those of your ancestors reflect how St. Matthew's had shared the joy of the Gospel in downtown Washington, DC for 175 years. **Check the website front page to read the featured and archived stories!**

Please email stories, in **250 words or less**, to reply@stmatthewscathedral.org, or mail them to Msgr. Ronald Jameson at Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle, 1725 Rhode Island Ave., NW Washington, DC 20036-3001. Please include the words "Anniversary Story" in the email heading or on the envelope.

Help St. Matthew's Discover its History! – The 175th Anniversary Publication Committee needs volunteer researchers, writers, and editors to assist with compiling and publishing a new history of St. Matthew's. Researchers are needed to visit libraries and archives in the DC area for research in May 2015, to supplement existing resources in the Cathedral Archives and help fill in the gaps in St. Matthew's parish history. Writers and editors are needed to help write and edit text in June and July 2015. Volunteers with access to library research databases are particularly needed as are those with extensive writing and editing experience. Training will be given to all volunteers. Please contact Dan Evans at 175thanniversary@stmatthewscathedral.org to volunteer.

Call for Cathedral Parish Life Photos – Do you have photos of your parents' or grandparents' wedding at St. Matthews? Photos of baptisms? Or of your family standing in front of the altar at Easter? The 175th Anniversary Publication Committee seeks historic photos of events at St. Matthew's for potential use in our anniversary documents. Please submit photos with the date and description of the event to Dan Evans at 175thanniversary@stmatthewscathedral.org or contact Dan at 202-587-5138. We can assist with scanning and copying your originals. All submissions will be become part of the Cathedral Archives.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH 175TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL EVENTS

- **Sunday, April 26, 3:00 pm**
Address by Cardinal Seán O'Malley, followed by a reception ****We hope you were able to attend! For more photos of Cardinal O'Malley's warm and inspiring address, check our Facebook page.****
- **Sunday, October 11, after all Masses**
Celebration of our many cultures, with traditional food, dress, music and dance
- **Saturday, October 17, 6:00 pm**
175th Anniversary Gala, with cocktails, dinner and dancing
- **Sunday, November 1, 12:00 noon (combining 11:30 am and 1:00 pm Masses)**
Bilingual Mass celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the founding of St. Matthew's Parish, with Cardinal Wuerl as Principal Celebrant, followed by a reception
- **Sunday, November 22, 7:30 pm**
175th Anniversary Concert, featuring the Schola Cantorum and Festival Singers
- **Sunday, December 13, 7:30 pm**
Lessons and Carols, a celebration of the Birth of Christ in Word and Song, featuring the Schola Cantorum

Times subject to change.

Watch for future



Looking for a convenient way to support our parish offertory?

Faith Direct is the innovative solution that allows you to support our parish using electronic funds transfer from either a credit card or bank account. It is a hassle-free, simple solution for today's busy families.

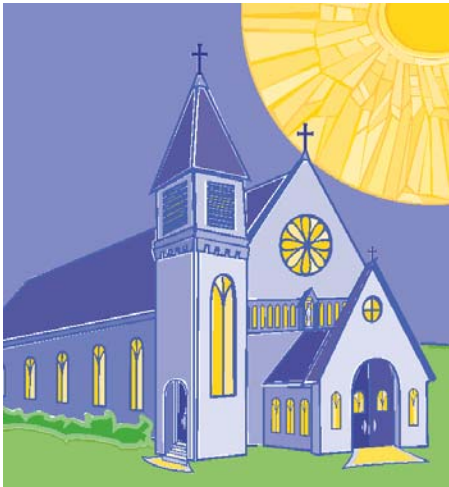
Sign up using the enrollment form on the other side or go online to www.faithdirect.net and use our parish code **DC284** to enroll today!



How does Faith Direct work?

Faith Direct is a secure system that works directly with your bank or credit card—much the same as other direct payments you may have set up for utility bills or mortgage payments.

When do transactions take place?



Transactions take place once per month on the 4th or the next business day. The total amount of your gifts for that current month (both offertory & second/special collections) will be debited in one monthly total. The Cathedral will receive the funds 4 business days later.

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

Yes, by calling *Faith Direct* at 1-866-507-8757 (toll free) by emailing info@faithdirect.net, or by logging in to your account through www.faithdirect.net.

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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To enroll online, use code
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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.

Organ Completion Fund: Weekly Gift: \$ _____ Monthly Gift: \$ _____ One-Time: Gift \$ _____

| 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"/> Ash Wednesday | \$ _____ | March | <input type="checkbox"/> All Saints Day | \$ _____ | November |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Churches in the Developing World | \$ _____ | March | <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.



Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle
English as a Second Language Program
Programa de Inglés como Segundo Idioma



The English as a Second Language (ESL) Program forms part of the Cathedral's Social Justice & Community Services Ministries. This all-volunteer program provides English language instruction to adults (ages 18 and up) during three semesters each year: Fall, Spring, and Summer. Language instruction is provided at Level 1 (Beginner) through Level 5 (Advanced) and classes are held at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. The following is information regarding the upcoming Summer Semester.

**Summer Semester of
English Conversation Classes**

The 10-week Summer Semester will extend from **June 9 to August 13**. During this period, classes will be held Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:30pm, with optional tutoring from 6:00pm to 6:30pm. Language instruction will be provided at Level 1 (Beginner) through Level 5 (Advanced). Students may register in person, **starting June 4, between 6:00pm and 8:00pm**, at St. Matthew's Education Center. At registration, each student will be assessed to determine the appropriate class level in which he/she will be placed. Student registrations will be accepted until July 1. The cost of the 10-week semester is \$25.

For more information, visit the Cathedral website and click on "English Language Classes" under the "Social Justice" tab, or contact Peter Bihl at stmattsesl@gmail.com.

El Programa de Inglés como Segundo Idioma (ESL, por sus siglas en inglés) forma parte de los Ministerios de Justicia Social & Servicios Comunitarios de la Catedral. Es un programa de voluntariado que proporciona enseñanza del idioma inglés para adultos (de 18 años de edad en adelante) durante tres semestres al año: Otoño, Primavera y Verano. Las clases de inglés se imparten desde el Nivel 1 (principiante) hasta el Nivel 5 (avanzado) en el Centro de Educación de San Mateo (St. Matthew's Education Center), que está ubicado en 1726 N Street, NW. Lo siguiente es información sobre el semestre de verano.

**Semestre de verano de las
clases de conversación en inglés**

El Semestre de verano, con una duración de 10 semanas, empezará el **9 de junio a 13 de agosto de 2015**. Durante este periodo las clases se llevarán a cabo los martes, miércoles y jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 de la tarde, con la opción de tutoría de 6:00 a 6:30. Las clases serán impartidas desde el Nivel 1 (principiante) hasta el Nivel 5 (avanzado). Los estudiantes pueden inscribirse en persona **a partir del 4 de junio, de las 6:00 a las 8:00 de la tarde** en el St. Matthew's Education Center (Centro de Educación de San Mateo), 1726 N St., NW. Durante la inscripción a cada estudiante se le hará un examen para determinar cuál es su nivel de clase más apropiado. Se aceptarán inscripciones hasta el 1 de julio. El costo del semestre es de \$25.

Para más información, visite a la página de web de la Catedral y haga clic a la frase "Clases de Inglés" bajo la ficha de "Social Justice", o póngase en contacto con Peter Bihl al stmattsesl@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed for ESL Program: Teachers, Tutors, & Persons of Hospitality

We are looking for volunteers to serve as teachers, tutors, and persons of hospitality **one night per week** (Tuesday, or Wednesday) in the Summer Semester of the ESL Program. Please see above for more details.

While volunteers are not required to have formal training in teaching English as a second language, we expect their native language to be English and that they have at least one university diploma. Classes for the Summer Semester are conversation based and will be taught in English only. If you are not comfortable teaching a class on your own, we can pair you with a more experienced teacher. There will be a volunteer orientation on the evening of June 3.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Peter Bihl at stmattsesl@gmail.com.



Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle **Spanish as a Second Language Program**



The Social Justice & Community Services Ministry provides the Spanish as a Second Language (SSL) Program, an all-volunteer program that offers Spanish language instruction to adults (ages 18 and up) during three semesters each year: Fall, Spring, and Summer. Language instruction is provided at Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3. Classes are held at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. While the SSL Program seeks to provide Spanish language instruction to persons engaged in serving their brothers and sisters in our parish community, as well as in other Hispanic communities of the Washington, DC metropolitan area, the program also accepts students who are interested in learning Spanish solely for their personal enrichment.

Summer Semester of Spanish Conversation Classes

The 10-week summer semester will run from **June 9 to August 13, 2015**. During this period, classes will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Language instruction will be provided at Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3. Students registering for Level 2 and Level 3 instruction must have the prior approval of the Level 2 lead instructor. Priority registration, which takes place during the first week, will be given to those students who are parishioners of St. Matthew's and currently involved in a ministry. Students for both levels may register in person, **starting Thursday, June 4, between 6:00pm and 8:00pm**, at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. The cost of the 10-week semester is \$50. For more information, please contact Peter Bihl at stmatsssl@gmail.com.

Volunteer Teachers Needed for SSL Program

We are looking for volunteers to serve as teachers **one night per week** (Tuesday or Wednesday) in the Summer Semester of the SSL Program, which will run from June 9 to August 13, 2015. Please see above for details.

While volunteers are not required to have formal training in teaching Spanish as a second language, we expect their native language to be Spanish. Also, volunteers are expected to have at least one university degree. Classes will be taught in Spanish only. If you are not comfortable teaching a class on your own, we can pair you with a more experienced teacher. Volunteer orientation will be held on the evening of June 3.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Peter Bihl at stmatsssl@gmail.com.

Se Solicita Maestros Voluntarios Para el Programa SSL

Buscamos voluntarios para servir como maestros **una noche por semana** (martes o miércoles) durante el Semestre de Verano del Programa SSL que se impartirá del 9 de junio al 13 de agosto. Por favor mire arriba para más detalles.

No es un requisito que los voluntarios tengan una capacitación formal como maestros de español como segundo idioma, sin embargo esperamos que la lengua materna de los voluntarios sea el español. Además, se espera que los voluntarios tengan por mínimo un título universitario. Las clases serán impartidas sólo en español. Si usted no se siente a gusto dando la clase por sí solo podemos acomodarlo junto con otro maestro con más experiencia. Habrá un día de orientación para voluntarios la tarde del 3 de junio. Si usted está interesado en participar como voluntario por favor póngase en contacto con Peter Bihl al stmatsssl@gmail.com.