

TODAY'S READINGS

In a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 1:5)
Doesn't it strike you as odd that Jesus would say this just before he ascended into heaven? Here he is, about to take up his throne as Lord of all creation, and he's talking about something else! Why not talk about the glory that is about to come to him instead? These must be important words, then!

So what is this baptism in the Spirit that Jesus talked about, and why is it so important? We know that people involved in the Charismatic Renewal use the term, but it can't be limited to just one renewal movement, can it?

No, baptism in the Spirit is a grace that anyone can receive.

Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, the preacher to the papal household, often says that it may not be a sacrament, but it is related to Baptism and Confirmation. It's an experience in which we feel Jesus' love in a deep way, and we begin to feel the graces of our Baptism and Confirmation in a new and deeper way. It's as if they were released in our lives more fully, and we find new power to live out the gospel and to share our faith with the people around us. It's the kind of grace that Peter and the other apostles experienced on Pentecost—and it's meant for all of us!

This release of the Spirit in our lives is the "promise of the Father" that Jesus made possible for us when he died and rose and ascended (Acts 1:4). It's the heritage of every believer in the Lord: the ability to live by the power of the Spirit and not just by human intellect and willpower.

Pentecost is only a week away. Let's spend this time asking the Lord to bless us with a new Pentecost by releasing his Spirit in our lives. Let's ask the Spirit to set us on fire, as he did for the apostles. May we all be eager, gracious receivers of this magnificent promise of the Father!

"Holy Spirit, come and set us on fire for you and for your Church!"

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EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR
Monday, May 18 ~ 6 to 7pm
Confessions in English
and Spanish

LECTURAS DE HOY

Jesús se preparaba para volver al Padre. En esta plegaria final, el Señor encomienda a sus discípulos al cuidado del Padre. ¡Qué momento más bienaventurado y significativo! Había estado con ellos durante

tres años, protegiéndolos, enseñándoles, formándolos y amándolos. El Padre se los había dado y ahora él se los devolvía al Padre. ¿Cómo iba a protegerlos el Padre? Del

modo más glorioso imaginable, confiándolos al Espíritu Santo, que él enviaría no sólo a los que estaban reunidos en el aposento alto, sino a todos los que quisieran pedirlo y recibirlo.

Ahora aguardamos de nuevo la venida del Espíritu Santo, que el Padre derramará sobre todos los creyentes con gran plenitud. Podemos conocer algo de la obra del Espíritu, pero siempre nos queda mucho más por recibir, porque Dios no se cansa jamás de hacer el bien por su pueblo. Siempre está dispuesto a derramar una mayor porción de gracia y poder sobre todos aquellos que le buscan.

Jesús oró pidiendo que, por la fuerza del Espíritu Santo, el Padre nos protegiera del maligno y que su propio gozo se cumpliera en nuestra vida. Por el mismo Espíritu, podemos conocer la verdad y dejar que esa verdad nos guarde para Cristo; podemos experimentar la unidad de unos con otros, esa unidad que hay entre Jesús y el Padre; amar como Dios ama y presenciar la gradual desaparición de la tentación y el pecado.

Todos estos dones maravillosos —y otros parecidos— son nuestros, porque el Espíritu ha venido a hacernos entrar en la vida misma de Dios: "En esto conocemos que permanecemos en él, y él en nosotros: en que nos ha dado su Espíritu" (1 Juan 4, 13). Mientras esperamos el glorioso día de Pentecostés, oremos con gran esperanza y entusiasmo:

"Padre, derrama tu Espíritu Santo para unirnos contigo y tu amado Hijo Jesús y, por su gran poder, envíanos al mundo a predicar y renovar la faz de la tierra."

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 17 Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Mk 16:15-20

Monday 18 Acts 19:1-8 / Jn 16:29-33

St. John I

Tuesday 19 Acts 20:17-27 / Jn 17:1-11

Wednesday 20 Acts 20:28-38 / Jn 17:11-19

St. Bernardine of Siena

Thursday 21 Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 / Jn 17:20-26

St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions

Friday 22 Acts 25:13-21 / Jn 21:15-19

St. Rita of Cascia

Saturday 23 Act 28:16-20,30-31 / Jn 21:20-25

Sunday 24 Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13 / Jn 20:19-23

Pentecost Sunday

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 17 - 24

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.

Monday 18—A Eucharistic Holy Hour is held in the Cathedral from 6 to 7pm, with confessions in English and Spanish.

Wine and Wisdom meets at 7pm in the East Conference Room.

Tuesday 19—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 20—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room.

Saturday 23—A Rosary for Life is prayed after the 8am Mass in procession to Planned Parenthood.

Sunday 24—Pentecost

Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.

Bishop Holley confers the Sacrament of Confirmation at a 3pm Mass in the Cathedral.

Fr. Gabriel Torretta, OP celebrates a Mass of Thanksgiving at 5:30pm.

PREPARING FOR PENTECOST

In his 2014 Pentecost Sunday homily, Pope Francis shared the following thoughts on remembering “in the Spirit.”

“The Holy Spirit reminds us... of everything that Jesus said. He is the living memory of the Church. And while he helps us to remember, he helps us understand the Lord’s words.

... The Spirit of truth and charity reminds us of everything that Christ said, he makes us enter ever more deeply into the meaning



Window in Cathedral Baptistry

of his words. We all have this experience: one moment, in any situation, there is an idea and then another links it with a passage of Scripture... It is the Holy Spirit that leads us down this road, the road of the living

memory of the Church. And this solicits a response from us. The more

generous our response, the more Jesus’ words become life in us, become attitudes, choices, deeds, witness. In substance, the Holy Spirit reminds us of the commandment of love and calls us to live it.”

Confirmation – On Pentecost Sunday, **May 24**, Bishop Holley celebrates a special Mass at 3pm in the Cathedral. Catholics from around the Archdiocese of Washington will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, including 24 people who have been prepared for the sacrament at St. Matthew’s. Let us celebrate with them this final step in their initiation and keep them in our prayers.

NEWS AND NOTES

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 a Scripture reading, and Fr. Rafael will hear confessions in English and Spanish during the hour.

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.

Memorial Day – Monday, **May 25**, is Memorial Day, a federal holiday. Masses will be celebrated at 8am and 12:10pm only. Following the Cathedral’s federal holiday schedule, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be celebrated.

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

CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2015



Have You Pledged? – Parishioners were asked during our Cardinal's Appeal Commitment Weekend (February 7-8) and our Follow-up Weekend (February 14-15) to prayerfully consider and respond to this year's Cardinal's Appeal campaign, bearing the theme "Seek first the kingdom of God."

(Matthew 6:33) To those households that have not yet made a pledge, we ask that you please do so now. Your participation is needed if St. Matthew's is to reach the

goals for our parish set for this appeal. **If you need a pledge envelope, you may pick one up from the rectory or call the rectory to ask that one be mailed to you.**

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response. For those who have pledged, thank you for your support and generosity.

RESPECT LIFE

Join the Respect Life Ministry – *"Caring for life from the beginning to the end. What a simple thing, what a beautiful thing... So, go forth and don't be dis-couraged. Care for life. It's worth it."* —Pope Francis

This month's rosary procession to the abortion clinic, Planned Parenthood, will take place on Saturday, **May 23**, at 8:30am, following the 8am Mass. To participate, please gather at the main entrance of the Cathedral. For more information on service opportunities and involvement with the Respect Life Ministry, contact Justin Silvers at stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com.

YOUNG ADULTS

Wine and Wisdom – Monday, May 18 - 7 to 8:30 pm - **East Conference Room** – Wine and Wisdom is a discussion and faith-sharing group for young women. Our conversations are intended to help form, encourage, strengthen, and prepare us to be the women that God has designed us to be. This month's topic is **Women Saints**. For more information or to RSVP, email wineandwisdom.stmatthews@gmail.com

Cathedral Coffeehouse – Sunday, May 17 – 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 **Sheep Go to Heaven, Goats Go to Hell**. Contact: stmattsyam@gmail.com

C+YA for Supper – Thursday, May 28 – 6:30pm - **Ted's Bulletin -14th Street (1818 14th Street NW / U Street)** – Young adults and fellow foodies are invited to join us, and to bring friends or coworkers as we head to the DC staple Ted's Bulletin on 14th Street for comfort food and their famous milkshakes! Sign up [here](http://goo.gl/T0B7Wa) (<http://goo.gl/T0B7Wa>) by Monday, May 25. Email Hannah at hannahrdell@gmail.com for more information.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo 17 He 1:1-11 / Ef 1:17-23 / Mc 16:15-20
Lunes 18 He 19:1-8 / Jn 16:29-33
San Juan I
Martes 19 He 20:17-27 / Jn 17:1-11
Miércoles 20 He 20:28-38 / Jn 17:11-19
San Bernardino de Siena
Jueves 21 He 22:30; 23:6-11 / Jn 17:20-26
San Cristóbal Magallanes y compañeros
Viernes 22 He 25:13-21 / Jn 21:15-19
Santa Rita de Cascia
Sábado 23 He 28:16-20,30-31 / Jn 21:20-25
Domingo 24 He 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13 /
Pentecostés Jn 20:19-23

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

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.

Únase al Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida – *“Sentir cariño hacia la vida desde el principio hasta el fin. Qué cosa tan simple, que cosa tan hermosa... De este modo, vayan adelante y no se desanimen. Sientan cariño por la vida. Vale la pena.”*
 – Papa Francisco

La procesión mensual del rosario a la clínica de aborto, *Planned Parenthood*, será el **sábado 23 de mayo**, a las 8:30 de la mañana, después de la misa de las 8:00 de la mañana. Para participar, reúnanse en la entrada central de la catedral. Para más información sobre oportunidades de servicio y participación en el Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida, póngase en contacto con Justin Silvers al stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com. También puede llamar a la rectoría al 202-347-3215.

Próximamente – El lunes **25 de mayo**, es el Día de Conmemoración, fiesta federal. La Catedral abrirá a las 7:30 de la mañana y cerrará a las 1:00 de la tarde. Las misas serán a las 8:00 de la mañana y 12:10 del mediodía. No habrá confesiones ese día. La rectoría estará cerrada.

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

FAITH FORMATION

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) CALL FOR TEAM MEMBERS – Would you like to learn more about your faith by sharing it with others? Would you like to be part of a team of other Catholics who help others to learn more about the Catholic faith as a sponsor, sponsor coordinator, Wednesday evening presenter, or hospitality coordinator? RCIA is an ongoing process for adults who would like to explore our Catholic faith. Please contact Theresa Prymuszewski, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation, at 202-587-5139 or tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org.

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. Please see the insert in today’s bulletin, and contact Tricia Schmitt 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.

Spiritual Direction – St. Matthew’s provides and refers interested person to qualified spiritual directors. Contact Theresa Prymuszewski (contact info above).

Catholic Business Network of Washington D.C.

(CBN-D.C.) – Please join CBN-D.C. for a breakfast networking reception Thursday, **May 28**, 8-9:30am in the Great Hall of St. Matthew’s Rectory. The guest speaker will be Tom Murphy of EagleBank. CBN-D.C. is an independent nonprofit organization bringing together businesses and individual professionals to create valuable networking opportunities through monthly receptions and an annual gala. All funds raised go to support 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

May 17 - 24

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

Monday, May 18

7am – John Altmiller (living)
 8am – Jun Porciuncula
 12:10pm – Jose Uy
 5:30pm – Mercedes Rodríguez

Tuesday, May 19

7am – Andres Maciel
 8am – Viro Smith (living)
 12:10pm – K. Dhillon (living)
 5:30pm – Alison Winkler (living)

Wednesday, May 20

7am – Anunciacion Globio Balois
 8am – Georgetown Visitation Community (living)
 12:10pm – Gerard A. Panaro
 5:30pm – Joanne Smolich

Thursday, May 21

7am – Jun & Tessie Porciuncula
 40th Wedding Anniversary
 8am – Orestes Izaguirre
 12:10pm – Leroy Joseph Carbo
 5:30pm – Policarpio Tumanpos

Friday, May 22

7am – Leo F. Szynal
 8am – Alice Garcia
 12:10pm – Gerhard Lysek (living)
 5:30pm – Robert Griffin

Saturday, May 23

8am – Florencia Alde Cernal
 12:10pm – Bernadette Nugent
 5:30pm – Alfonso Araque

Sunday, May 24

7am – Gloria Cardona
 8:30am – All Parishioners
 10am – Mr. & Mrs. John P. Crawford
 11:30am – George Tenety
 1pm – Maria Mejia
 5:30pm – Charles Marciano

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.**

MARRIAGE

Couples who are interested in celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral are encouraged to visit the parish website to review our guidelines for weddings. The next step is to call the Rectory 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.

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.

WELCOMING ALL

For wheelchair access, enter the driveway to the parking garage next to the Cathedral. Ring the

door buzzer at the bottom of the driveway to enter. Take the elevator up to the Cathedral level.

A sign language interpreter is present at the Sunday 11:30am Mass and at special liturgies throughout the year. An induction loop is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. Those desiring to take advantage of the induction loop should sit in pews B1, B3, A1 or A3 and switch their hearing aids to "T."

CATHEDRAL GIFTS

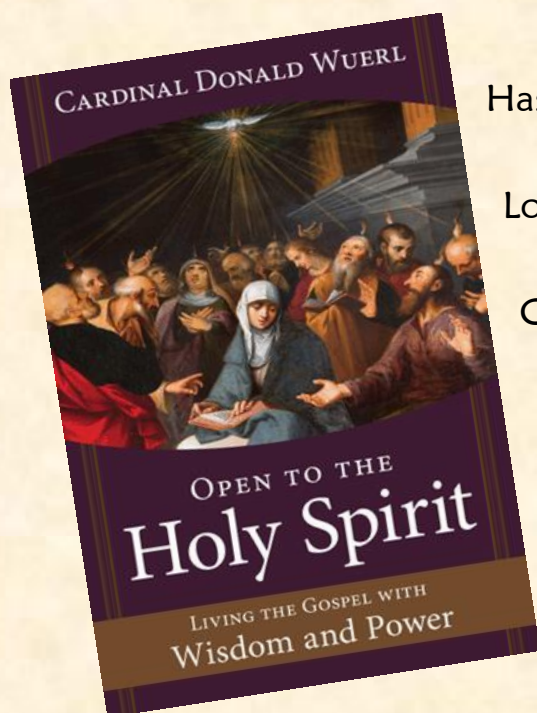
St. Matthew's is pleased to offer a 48-page souvenir book on our beautiful Cathedral church featuring the Cathedral's history, art and architecture with photographs by local photographer, Neil Greentree. Also available are sets of note cards picturing the art of the Cathedral, boxed sets of Christmas cards featuring St. Matthew's Crèche, Christmas ornaments and CD recordings of the Schola Cantorum. Items may be purchased in the Rectory or by contacting us at 202-347-3215 x517 or gharrington@stmatthewscathedral.org. Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

ST. MATTHEW'S FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS
SMALL FAITH-SHARING GROUPS



on
Open to the Holy Spirit
by
Donald Cardinal Wuerl

We need to invoke the Holy Spirit constantly. . . . It is like being plunged into the deep and not knowing what we will find.
—Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*



Has the Holy Spirit made a difference in your life?

Looked to him for comfort?

Called on him in prayer today, last year, ever?

If you have yet to tap into this wellspring of life, or if you have but want to go deeper, please join us for our small faith-sharing groups to understand how we can call on the Holy Spirit in our lives.

We will read and reflect on *Open to the Holy Spirit* over six weeks starting **June 21, 2015**. These peer-led, small group discussions will allow you to connect more deeply with your faith, reinvigorate your own spirit, and enliven your experiences in daily life.

Please contact Tricia Schmitt at Tricia.Schmittdc@gmail.com for more information.

RSVP by June 6th

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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

1909 – January 3: Fr. Edward L. Buckley celebrates the last Mass at the old church at 15th and H Streets, 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 during 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
- **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 announcements.*



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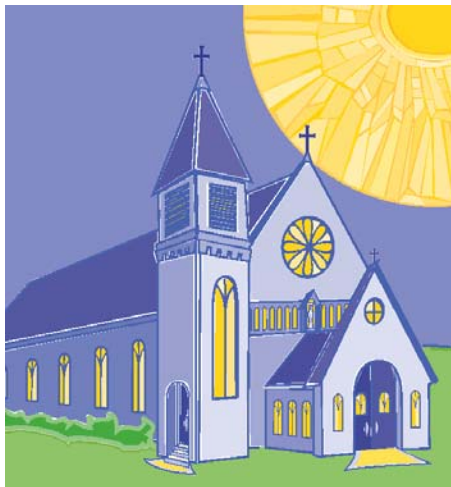
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Process my gifts on the: 4th *or* 15th of the month *(please check only one box)*

"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 \$ _____

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<input type="checkbox"/> Easter Flowers	\$ _____	March/April	<input type="checkbox"/> Immaculate Conception	\$ _____	December
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<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.

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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.