## **TODAY'S READINGS**

#### am with you always. (Matthew 28:20)

What do these four images have in common: 1) water, ice, and steam; 2) three keys on a piano played together as a chord; 3) a three-leaf clover; and 4) two eyes on a person's head? If you guessed that these images have been used to describe the Holy Trinity, you're right! These images are far from perfect, but each of them tells us something about the Church's definition of the Trinity as three divine Persons in one God.

While we may have to use these inexact images to explain the Trinity, we don't have to use them to describe how God's love—these three Persons—wells up in our hearts. The Father is always reaching out to us. His love is there for us whether we are apart from him, like the prodigal son, or whether we are there with him, like the son's older brother. Jesus showed the extent of his love by the way he gave his life for us at Calvary and by the way he constantly gives us himself to us in the Eucharist.

The Holy Spirit shows us his love by the way he teaches us and comforts us and guides us toward heaven. He is constantly filling us with God's power to live holy lives.

Spend some time today praying about the Trinity. Ask the Father to fill you with his creative, parental love. Ask Jesus to fill you with the love poured out on his cross. Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you with the love of a Comforter and Advocate.

As you pray, look into your heart. See if you are being filled with Trinitarian love. See if you are getting a glimpse of the glory and humility and grace of the Trinity. See if you can sense a release of this grace as it draws you closer to God. Our God promised to be with us always. May we all come to know this truth more deeply!

"Lord, open the floodgates of heaven. I want to see you and feel your love."

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## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

<b>Sunday 31</b> The Most Ho	Dt 4:32-34,39-40 / Rom 8:14-17 / Mt 28:16-20				
Monday 1	Tb 1:3; 2:1-8 / Mk 12:1-12				
St. Justin					
Tuesday 2	Tb 2:9-14 / Mk 12:13-17				
Sts. Marcellinus and Peter					
Wednesday 3	Tb 3:1-11,16-17 / Mk 12:18-27				
St. Charles Lwanga and companions					
Thursday 4	Tb 6:10-11; 7:1,9-17; 8:4-9 / Mk 12:28-34				
Friday 5	Tb 11:5-17 / Mk 12:35-37				
St. Boniface					
Saturday 6	Tb 12:1,5-15,20 / Mk 12:38-44				
St. Norbert					
<b>Sunday 7</b> Ex 24:3-8 / Heb 9:11-15 / Mk 14:12-16,22-26					
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ					

### **LECTURAS DE HOY**

#### **G**loria al Padre, al Hijo y al Espíritu Santo!

En este domingo, la Iglesia honra a la Santísima Trinidad, no para tratar de explicar el misterio como si fuera posible hacerlo con una fórmula científica, sino para celebrar el hecho de que Dios, que es incomprensible para la mente humana, ha decidido darse a conocer a su creación. ¡Y qué fulgurante es la luz de esta revelación! Vemos a un Padre celestial que comunica la vida y el amor divinos a su Hijo eterno; vemos al Hijo que corresponde a ese amor demostrando una total obediencia y fidelidad, y luego vemos que el amor mutuo entre el Padre y el Hijo es tan perfecto, intenso y poderoso que de él procede otra Persona divina, el Espíritu Santo.

Lo maravilloso es que estas verdades inefables se hayan revelado, no como suponían los filósofos humanos, sino como lo quiso Dios, que les tendió la mano a hombres y mujeres pecadores por medio de su Hijo Jesucristo. Cuando anduvo por la tierra, Jesús nos dio a conocer el amor de Dios en acción. Clavado en la cruz, nos libró del pecado y abrió los portales del cielo para que entráramos por ellos. Ahora, resucitado y glorioso, Cristo nos envía su Espíritu Santo para llenarnos del calor de su amor y del conocimiento de la verdad. Este es el tipo de revelación que el Señor quiere concedernos, porque así puede sanar nuestras heridas, infundirnos esperanza y llevarnos a la comunión con Dios.

En su oración privada y en la Misa de hoy, piense con atención en la Santísima Trinidad, para contemplar el misterio del amor eterno del Padre y del Hijo. Pídale al Espíritu Santo que lo vaya introduciendo cada vez más profundamente en la vida de Dios. Finalmente, imitemos a nuestro Salvador amando a Dios como Padre nuestro y hagámonos el compromiso de hacer su voluntad durante toda la vida.

"Santísima Trinidad, Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo, Dios Trino y Uno, te ruego que me permitas conocerte hoy de un modo nuevo y profundo. Permíteme experimentar tu amor y enséñame a disponer el corazón para corresponder a tu amor con todo mi cariño y fidelidad."

Escogida con el permiso de *La Palabra Entre Nosotros*, Vol. 34, Número 4: Pascua 2015.

## **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 31 – June 7

#### Sunday 31—The Most Holy Trinity

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

**Obispo Dorsonville** celebrará las Confirmaciones de los jóvenes de la comunidad hispana durante la misa de español a la 1 de la tarde.

- **Monday 1** The Parish Council meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.
- **Tuesday 2**—Legión de María se reúne a las 5:30 de la tarde hasta las 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 3**—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room. A faith sharing facilitators meeting is held at 7pm in the North Conference Room.
- Friday 5—First Friday Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held after the 12:10pm Mass till 5pm.
- **Saturday 6—First Saturday Devotions** are held after the 12:10pm Mass, followed by Hospitality in the West Conference Room.
- Sunday 7—The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

A second collection for Cathedral maintenance is taken at all Masses. La Primera Comunión de los niños de la comunidad Hispana se celebrará durante la misa de la 1 de la tarde. The Corpus Christi Eucharistic procession is

held after the 1pm Mass.

# **NEWS AND NOTES**

**Collection for Those Suffering in Nepal** – A 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck Nepal last month, claiming thousands of lives. Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of our brothers and sisters affected by the earthquake. Please join with the Catholic community across the U. S. in responding through a special collection for the work of Catholic Relief Services in Nepal this weekend, **May 30-31**.



**Farewell to Sunday Celebrants** – We bid a fond and grateful farewell to two Sunday Mass celebrants at St. Matthew's. Oblate Father Edward Ogden, who also celebrated many daily Masses and confession hours with us, will be the new pastor and chaplain at St. Thomas More Oratory at the University of Delaware in Newark. Dominican Father Leo Checkai, a regular 10am Latin Mass celebrant, will take up a teaching post at Providence College in Providence, RI in the fall. Our thanks to both for their faithful assistance and presence with us.

Please keep Fr. Ogden and Fr. Checkai in your prayers.

**Corpus Christi Procession** – Sunday, **June 7** is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. All are invited to join in procession of the Blessed Sacrament in the streets of Washington following the 1pm Mass, concluding with benediction on returning to the Cathedral. This centuries-old tradition is a beautiful expression of our faith in the Eucharist and a powerful witness to our Catholic identity visible to our neighbors.

*Schola Cantorum* **Openings** – There are a limited number of openings in the *Schola Cantorum* for soprano, alto and bass voice parts for experienced 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 when the choir sings. If you have the appropriate experience and a desire to serve our community in this very special way, contact Tom Stehle, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy and Director of Music Ministries, at <u>tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org</u>.

Schola Cantorum Summer Hiatus – Sunday, June 7 is the last Sunday of the season for the *Schola Cantorum*. The choir is comprised of auditioned Cathedral volunteers and dedicated professionals who strive to bring about the finest sacred music within the liturgical setting and rituals for which they were conceived. We are grateful for their service and look forward to their return on Sunday, September 13 at the 10am and 11:30am Masses. Stay tuned for news about their exciting fall season!

## **CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2015**



Have You Pledged? – Parishioners were asked in February during our Cardinal's Appeal Commitment Weekend and our Follow-up Weekend 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 we are to reach the goals for our parish set for this appeal. **You may pick up a pledge envelope at 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.

# **FAITH IN ACTION**

**Mother's Day Drive – Thank you!** – The Respect Life Ministry thanks all who donated money or baby supplies (over 100 baby items collected) for the Northwest Center. For more information on our parish's Respect Life Ministry, contact Justin Silvers at <u>stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com</u>. Thank you!

#### Adult English Conversation Classes -

When?June 9 to August 13, 2015 (10 weeks)<br/>Tuesday and Wednesday evenings<br/>from 6:30 to 8:30 pmWhere?St. Matthew's Education Center<br/>1726 N Street, NW

**How much?** \$25



Students may register in person beginning Thursday, **June 4** from 6 to 8pm at St. Matthew's Education Center. At registration, each student is assessed

to determine the appropriate class level in which he/she will be placed. Language instruction is provided at Level 1 (Beginner) through Level 5 (Advanced). Student registrations will be accepted until July 1. For more information, visit http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach/cla ses-de-ingles-english-language-classes or contact Peter Bihl at stmattsesl@gmail.com.

Summer Semester of Spanish Conversation Classes for Adults – The 11-week fall semester will run from June 9 to August 13. During this period, classes will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 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 are currently involved in a ministry. Students for both levels may register, in person, starting Thursday, June 4, between 6 and 8pm, at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. The cost of the 11-week semester is \$50. For more information, contact Peter Bihl at stmattsssl@gmail.com.

## **FAITH FORMATION**

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 <u>Tricia.Schmittdc@gmail.com</u> 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.

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 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.

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

**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

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

<b>Domingo 31</b> La Santísima Trinia	Dt 4:32-34,39-40 / Rom 8:14-17 / lad Mt 28:16-20				
Lunes 1	Tob 1:3; 2:1-8 / Mc 12:1-12				
San Justino, mártir					
Martes 2	Tob 2:9-14 / Mc 12:13-17				
Santos Marcelino y Pedro mártires					
Miércoles 3	Tob 3:1-11,16-17 / Mc 12:18-27				
San Carlos Langa y compañeros, mártires					
Jueves 4 Tob 6:10	)-11; 7:1,9-17; 8:4-9 / Mc 12:28-34				
Viernes 5	Tob 11:5-17 / Mc 12:35-37				
San Bonifacio					
Sábado 6	Tob 12:1,5-15,20 / Mc 12:38-44				
San Norberto, obisp	0				
Domingo 7	Ex 24:3-8 / Heb 9:11-1				
El Santísimo Cuerpo	<i>by</i> Mc 14:12-16,22-26				
Sangre de Cristo					

# **NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA**

**Colecta para los que sufren en Nepal** – Un terremoto de 7.8 grados de magnitud, sacudió a Nepal el mes pasado, causando miles de muertos. Nuestra Iglesia lamenta el terrible sufrimiento de nuestros hermanos y hermanas afectadas por el terremoto. Por favor únase a la comunidad católica a través de los E. E. U. U. en una colecta especial para el trabajo de Catholic Relief Services en Nepal este fin de semana, **30-31 de mayo**.

**Felicidades** – Felicitamos a todos los de la comunidad hispana quienes recibieron el Sacramento de la confirmación el domingo pasado ellos son *Carolina Acosta, José G. Beltrán, Blanca Callejas, Teresa Callejas, David Ferrufino, María Flora, Ernesto Gordilla, Yessica Hernández, Edwin López, Hilda Molina, Andy Merino, Marcos Pacheco, Traisy Primitivo, Luis Romero y Melany L. Sánchez.* ¡Oremos por ellos, para que continúen en su camino de fe como miembros de la Iglesia Católica!

**Colecta del día de las madres – ¡Gracias! –** El Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida quisiera agradecerles por su donación monetaria o artículos de bebe (más de 100 artículos de bebe) para el Centro Northwest. Para más información sobre el Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida de nuestra parroquia, póngase en contacto con Justin Silvers a: <u>stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com</u>. ¡Muchas gracias!

**Primer Viernes y Primer Sábado** – Primer viernes de Exposición y Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento se celebrará después de la misa 12:10 del mediodía hasta

5:00 de la tarde el viernes **5 de junio** en la Capilla del Santísimo Sacramento. Todos son bienvenidos a adorar a nuestro Señor. El sábado **6 de junio** todos son bienvenidos a las devociones del primer sábado después de la misa de 12:10 mediodía, seguida de hospitalidad en el salón de conferencia del Oeste.

**Primera Comunión** – El domingo **7 de junio**, los niños de nuestra comunidad hispana recibirán su Primera Comunión, durante la misa de 1 de la tarde. ¡Oremos por ellos, para que continúen en su camino de fe como miembros de la Iglesia Católica y por sus padres también!



**Procesión de Corpus Christi** – El domingo **7 de junio** es la Solemnidad del Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo. Únase a nosotros este día en celebración con la procesión del Santísimo Sacramento por las calles de Washington. Esta tradición de varios siglos es una bella expresión de nuestra fe en la Eucaristía

y nos hace testigos de nuestra identidad católica en nuestra vecindad. La procesión será después de la misa de la 1 de la tarde, concluyendo con adoración al Santísimo, al volver a la iglesia. Únase a nosotros!

Noticias de la Oficina de Música – El domingo 7 de junio es el último de la temporada para el coro Schola Cantorum. Esperamos que su música haya levantado el espíritu de todos. El coro regresará el domingo 13 de Septiembre con su horario regular. Esté pendiente de los nuevos eventos musicales para este otoño.

#### Clases de Conversación en Ingles para Adultos -

9 de junio al 13 de agosto (diez semanas)
Los martes y miércoles de 6:30 a 8:30
de la noche
St. Matthew's Education Center
(Centro de Educación de San Mateo)
1726 calle N, NW, Washington, DC

#### ¿Cuánto? \$25

Los estudiantes pueden matricularse en persona, el jueves **4 de junio** entre las 6:00 y las 8:00 de la noche, en el St. Matthew's Education Center. Durante las matriculas, cada estudiante recibirá un breve examen para determinar cuál es el nivel de clases más apropiado para él/ella. Las clases de inglés serán impartidas desde el Nivel 1 (principiante) hasta el Nivel 5 (avanzado). Los estudiantes se podrán registrar hasta el 1 de julio. Para más información, visite

<u>http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach</u> <u>/clases-de-ingles-english-language-classes</u> o póngase en contacto con Peter Bihl al <u>stmattsesl@gmail.com</u>.

## MASS INTENTIONS May 31 – June 7

Sunday, May 31 7am – All Parishioners 8:30am – James Lee Wagner 10am – Sam Arcuri 11:30am – Paul Laxalt (living) 1pm – Jóse Luis Carrillo 5:30pm – Eugene Doherty

Monday, June 1 7am – Araque & Sastre family (living) 8am – Fr. Patrick Driscoll (living) 12:10pm – Gerhard Lyser (living) 5:30pm – Laan Prom Lousewies van der Tuesday, June 2

8am – Jesús Borjas 12:10pm – Susana Jacob 5:30pm – Lucila Sotelo (living)

Wednesday, June 3 7am – Gloria Ayala (living) 8am – Joe & Ludy Green (living) 12:10pm – Moises Lopez

**Thursday, June 4** 7am – Michael Barahona (living) 8am – Ida Morales 5:30pm – Melba Malka

**Friday, June 5** 8am – Yvonne J. Florendo 12:10pm – Ernesto B. Agcaoili 5:30 – Ken Hahn

**Saturday, June 6** 12:10pm – Ken Hahn 5:30pm – Carlos Sepulveda

#### Sunday, June 7

7am – All Parishioners
8:30am – Jessica Chambers
10am – Ms. Susan A. Crawford (living)
11:30am – Ilsia De León (living)
1pm – Juan Vera
5:30pm – Fr. David Weke (living)



**Campaña del Cardenal 2015 – ¿**Se ha comprometido? Durante el fin de semana de la Petición del Cardenal y nuestro seguimiento se les pidió

a todos los feligreses a considerar y responder a la Petición del Cardenal este año con el tema "Buscando primero el Reino de Dios." (Mateo 6:33) A las familias que aún no han hecho un compromiso, les pedimos por favor hacerlo ahora. Su participación es necesaria para que la Catedral de San Mateo puede alcanzar su meta este año. Si usted necesita un sobre de compromiso puede pasar a la rectoría o llamar a la rectoría y pedir que se le mande por correo. Gracias por considerar esta propuesta en oración y por su generosa respuesta. Para aquellos que se han comprometido, gracias por su apoyo y generosidad.

### 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 <u>baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org</u> 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.

## **YOUNG ADULTS**

C†YA at the Northwest Center – Tuesday, June 9 – 6 to 8pm – Northwest Center (2702 Ontario Road NW / Columbia Heights) – The Northwest Center provides support and comprehensive care that enables women to deliver and care for healthy babies. The Cathedral Young Adults get together each month to sort donations or do odd jobs around the Center. Email stmattsyam@gmail.com for more information and to sign up.

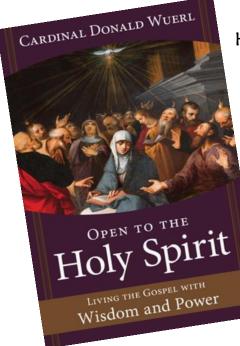
C†YA / STAY for Happy Hour -Friday, June 19 - 6 to 9pm - <u>The</u> Madhatter (1319 Connecticut Avenue / Dupont Circle) - Join us for the ever popular C†YA / STAY happy hour! Feel free to bring friends or coworkers, or just come on your own to meet other young Catholics in DC at this joint happy hour with St. Thomas Apostle Young Adults (STAY). We have the mezzanine level reserved. Please come up the stairs at the back left of the Madhatter when you arrive; we'll be at the top of the steps. Contact <a href="mailto:stmattsyam@gmail.com">stmattsyam@gmail.com</a> with questions.

DC Catholic Summer Theology on TAPTalks – This series begins July 7 – Have an idea for a TED-inspired talk? Submit your idea at http://www.adw.org/tot/. 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 <u>Tricia.Schmittdc@gmail.com</u> for more information. **RSVP by June 6**<sup>th</sup>

**CATHEDRAL OF ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE** 1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20036 Metro: Red Line to Farragut North (L Street Exit) or Dupont Circle (South Exit) *voice* 202.347.3215 *fax* 202.347.7184 *web* <u>www.stmatthewscathedral.org</u>

## 175th Parish Anniversary News



**Memories Wanted!** – Your help is needed to mark the 175<sup>th</sup> 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 1910 – 1913: Construction of the nave and dome of the Cathedral begins after the sale of the old church property is completed. 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 <u>reply@stmatthewscathedral.org</u>, 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 175<sup>th</sup> 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 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 <u>175thanniversary@stmatthewscathedral.org</u> to volunteer.



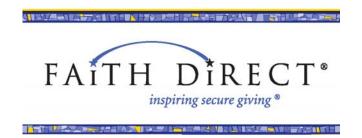
**Call for Cathedral Parish Life Photos** – Do you have photos of your parents' or grandparents' wedding at St. Matthews? Photos of baptisms? Or of your family standing in front of the altar at Easter? The 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Publication Committee seeks historic photos of events at St. Matthew's for potential use in our anniversary documents. Please submit photos with the date and description of the event to Dan Evans at

<u>175thanniversary@stmatthewscathedral.org</u> 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* 175<sup>th</sup> 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 175<sup>th</sup> 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
   175<sup>th</sup> 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.



# 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.

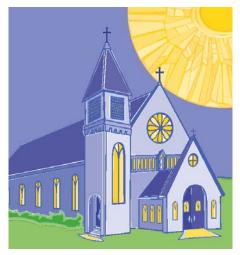
Sign up using the enrollment form on the other side or go online to <u>www.faithdirect.net</u> and use our parish code **DC284** to enroll today!



#### 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>info@faithdirect.net</u>, or contact Pam Erwin at the Rectory at 202-347-3215 x537 or <u>perwin@stmatthewscathedral.org</u>.

# **E-GIVING ENROLLMENT FORM**



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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: Uweekly Gift: Monthly Gift: One-Time: Gift

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

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:						
<ul> <li>Name as I/we would like it to appear on Offertory Cards:</li> <li>I do not wish to receive Offertory Cards to place in the collection basket as a sign of my electronic generation.</li> </ul>						
If you choose to enroll by mail, you can contact Faith Direct at 1-866-507-8757 {toll-free} to set up on	nline access to your account.					
<i>For Bank Account Debit:</i> Please return this <u>completed form and a voided check</u> to <i>Faith Direct</i> Enrollment. <i>For Credit/Debit Card:</i> Please <u>complete the following</u> UISA MasterCard American Express Discover						
Credit/Debit Card #: Exp	piration Date:					
If you have any questions about the Faith Direct program, please contact us at 1-866-507-8757 {toll free	ee} or info@faithdirect.net.					