

TODAY'S READINGS

T*his is my body (Mark 14:22)*
Wouldn't it be great if you could just pick up the phone and call God and ask him anything you want? Not to ask him to give you gifts, but to ask him for answers to the mysteries of life. Maybe you could ask why there is suffering in the world. Maybe you would ask something silly, like why there are fleas or whether the chicken or the egg came first. Or maybe you would want to know the secret to a peaceful life. Wouldn't you love to ask God?

Well, you can—but not with a phone call! Today, we celebrate the fact that Jesus has made himself—body, blood, soul, and divinity—available to us in the form of bread and wine. In the Eucharist, he is always with us, “until the end of the age” (Matthew 28:20). No matter where we go, he is with us: in towering cathedrals or run-down prisons, in ornate golden chalices and in the palms of sinners' hands.

From the time of the Last Supper until today, Jesus “disdains no dwelling, but consents to come like a guest to any heart, even one that is defiled” (St. Thomas Aquinas). He comes to transform us just as the Host is transformed; not in outward appearance but in our inner lives.

No, you can't call God on the phone, but you can visit him in person. Just to sit in Jesus' presence with a quieted heart can do wonders. There, in the still of adoration, he may give you a sense of peace or whisper a new thought, insight, or idea to your heart.

Will you go to him? Even if you can spend only five minutes, it's worth it. That's five minutes with your King! So go; he is waiting just for you.

“We adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, here and in all your churches throughout the world, and we bless you, for by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.” (St. Francis of Assisi)

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 7 Ex 24:3-8 / Heb 9:11-15 / Mk 14:12-16,22-26

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Monday 8 2 Cor 1:1-7 / Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday 9 2 Cor 1:18-22 / Mt 5:13-16

St. Ephrem

Wednesday 10 2 Cor 3:4-11 / Mt 5:17-19

Thursday 11 Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3 / Mt 5:20-26

St. Barnabas

Friday 12 Ho 11:1,3-4,8-9 / Eph 3:8-12,14-19 / Mt 5:33-37

The Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday 13 2 Cor 5:14-21 / Lk 2:41-51

The Immaculate Heart of Mary

Domingo 14 Ez 17:22-24 / 2 Cor 5:6-10 / Mk 4:26-34

LECTURAS DE HOY

Hoy, fiesta del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo, celebramos la esencia misma de lo que significa ser hijos de Dios: nuestra Nueva Alianza con Dios sellada con la Sangre preciosa de Cristo. Por el hecho de que Jesús se ofreció como sacrificio vivo para redimir al género humano, ahora podemos reconciliarnos con nuestro Padre celestial e invitarlo a que haga

su morada en nuestro corazón. Esta es la alianza que celebramos cada vez que nos congregamos para recibir el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo en la Sagrada Eucaristía.

Durante miles de años, el pueblo del Antiguo Testamento entendía que la vida estaba

contenida en la sangre. Cuando los hijos de Israel entraron en una alianza con Yahvé en el Monte Sinaí, Moisés ratificó la alianza rociando la sangre de un toro sacrificado sobre la gente y sobre el altar (Éxodo 24, 3-8). El pueblo había aceptado a Yahvé como su Dios y la alianza entre ambos quedó sellada con sangre. Así, Dios y su pueblo quedaron unidos con un lazo de vida.

De un modo similar—pero mucho más eficaz—Jesús estableció la Nueva Alianza ofreciendo su propia sangre como sacrificio expiatorio por nuestros pecados (Hebreos 9, 11-15). La sangre de toros y carneros ya no era suficiente. Sólo la sangre vivificante del eterno Hijo de Dios hecho carne pudo restaurar la relación que durante siglos Dios había deseado establecer con su pueblo.

Esta es la maravilla del don del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús en la Sagrada Eucaristía. Ya no simplemente nos comprometemos a vivir según la ley de Dios, sino que recibimos al Señor mismo, cuando comemos su Cuerpo y bebemos su Sangre. Esta es la alianza que Dios había deseado desde antiguo establecer con su pueblo. Ahora, gracias a Cristo, que entregó su Cuerpo y su Sangre, todos los creyentes podemos entrar en una relación íntima y eterna con Dios expresada en la Nueva Alianza.

“Padre celestial, cada vez que recibo el Cuerpo y la Sangre de Jesús con el corazón agradecido y humilde, tu presencia crece más en mí. Por tu Espíritu Santo, revélame, Señor, las promesas que has querido darme en virtud de esta Nueva Alianza.”

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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

June 7 - 14

Sunday 7—The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

A second collection for Cathedral maintenance is taken at all Masses. La Primera Comunion 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.

Monday 8—The Liturgy Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.

Tuesday 9—Legión de María se reúne a las 5:30 de la tarde hasta las en el salón del Oeste.

The Faith Formation Committee meets at 6:45pm at the Rectory. El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

Wednesday 10—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room.

Saturday 13—Cardinal Wuerl celebrates a Mass of Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate at 10am.

Sunday 14—Hospitality receptions are held after the 8:30am, 10am, 11:30am 1pm and 5:30pm Masses. Always God's Children meets in the West Conference Room at 3:30pm.

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 Tricia.Schmittdc@gmail.com if you would like to serve as a small group facilitator. It's fun and a great way to meet new friends while deepening your faith. No prior knowledge of the book or experience of 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. 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).

NEWS AND NOTES

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!

Schola Cantorum Openings – A limited number of openings in the *Schola Cantorum* remain for **soprano, alto and bass** voice parts for experienced choral singers. Contact: Tom Stehle, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy and Director of Music Ministries, at tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org.

Hospitality Sunday – Hospitality receptions will be held next Sunday, **June 14** after the 8:30am, 10am, 11:30am and 1pm Masses. Volunteers will be on hand to welcome and introduce newcomers. If you have been here a while, help us connect with new parishioners at this last hospitality event before the summer break! All are welcome also to the hospitality event to be hosted by the Young Adults after that evening's 5:30pm Mass. Questions? Email us at StMattsHospitality@gmail.com.

Always God's Children – Always God's Children, the Cathedral parish's ministry to gay and lesbian persons and their family and friends, will meet next Sunday, **June 14** at 3:30pm in the West Conference Room.

FAITH IN ACTION

Adult English Conversation Classes –

When? June 9 to August 13, 2015 (10 weeks), Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Where? St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW

How much? \$25

Students may register in person on class nights from 6 to 8pm at St. Matthew's Education Center until July 1. 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). For more information, visit

<http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach/classes-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**. Classes are Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Language instruction is 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. Students may register in person on class nights between 6 and 8pm at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. The cost of the semester is \$50. For more information, contact Peter Bihl at stmattsssl@gmail.com.

Summer Dinner for the Homeless –

The Social Justice & Community Services Committee will host a dinner for our homeless friends on Sunday, **June 28** at 3pm. Contact Paulin Leonida at 703-931-0407 or imapaulina@gmail.com

to help with any of the following:

- Set up, serve, and provide hospitality to our guests
- Make or purchase food for the dinner
- Give a monetary donation towards food and supplies

These biannual dinners are a huge success because of YOU! We look forward to hearing from you.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY



Celebrate “the living face of the Father’s mercy,” and the “Mother of Mercy!” – Friday, **June**

12 is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, followed by the memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Virgin Mary on Saturday, **June 13**. During this month of June in which we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus, from which God’s mercy flows, Pope Francis’ prayer for the **Jubilee Year of Mercy**, below, is especially appropriate. In his Jubilee announcement in March 2015, Pope Francis calls Jesus Christ “the living face of the Father’s mercy.” In his Jubilee Prayer, Mary is invoked as “Mother of Mercy.”

Announcement of the Jubilee Year –

“I have decided to announce an Extraordinary Jubilee which has at its centre the mercy of God. It will be a Holy Year of Mercy. We want to live in the light of the word of the Lord: ‘Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful’ (cf. Lk 6:36). And this especially applies to confessors! So much mercy!

This Holy Year will commence on the next Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception [December 8, 2015] and will conclude on Sunday, 20 November 2016, the Solemnity of

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe and living face of the Father’s mercy.” (Pope Francis, March 13, 2015)

Prayer of Pope Francis for Jubilee Year of Mercy –

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman:

“If you knew the gift of God!”

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo 7	Ex 24:3-8 / Heb 9:11-15 / Mc 14:12-16,22-26
<i>El Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo</i>	
Lunes 8	2 Co 1:1-7 / Mt 5:1-12
Martes 9	2 Co 1:18-22 / Mt 5:13-16
<i>San Efrén</i>	
Miércoles 10	2 Co 3:4-11 / Mt 5:17-19
Jueves 11	He 11:21-26; 13:1-3 / Mt 5:20-26
<i>San Bernabé</i>	
Friday 12	Ho 11:1,3-4,8-9 / Ef 3:8-12,14-19 / Mt 5:33-37
<i>El Sagrado Corazón de Jesús</i>	
Saturday 13	2 Co 5:14-21 / Lc 2:41-51
<i>El Corazón Inmaculado de María</i>	
Domingo 14	Ez 17:22-24 / 2 Co 5:6-10 / Mc 4:26-34

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Primera Comunión – Hoy domingo **7 de junio**, los niños de nuestra comunidad hispana reciben su Primera Comunión, durante la misa de 1 de la tarde ellos son: *Denia Alcoser, Belinda Alcoser Gonzalez, Jasmin Casarrubias, Susana Caridad Chege, Cintia Julitza Garcia Palacios, Emely Isabel Garcia Palacios, Victor Manuel Gomez, Daniel Hernandez Yanez, Alex Lopez, Neidelyn Karina Mendoza Florian, Juliana Mendoza, Sandra Nava, Venessa Nava Merino, Grace Isabella Nawn, Gregory Joseph Nawn, Jonathan Palacios Tapia, Tracy Pineda, Maria Magdalena Tapia Cassarrubias, David Leonardo Turcio, Maria Yanez Hernandez, Christopher Joel Alvarado, Jason German Yanez Alvarado, Carlos Yanez Hernandez.* ¡Oremos por ellos, para que continúen en su camino de fe como miembros de la Iglesia Católica y por sus padres también!



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



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!

Clases de Conversación en Ingles para Adultos –

¿Cuándo? 9 de junio al 13 de agosto (diez semanas)
Los martes y miércoles de 6:30 a 8:30 de la noche

¿Dónde? 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 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

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

Cenas para las Personas sin Hogar en Verano – El comité de Justicia Social y Servicio Comunitario está auspiciando una cena para nuestros amigos sin hogar, el domingo **28 de junio**, a las 3:00 de la tarde. Si desea ayudar en diferentes aspectos de la cena, puede llamar a Paulin Leonida al 703-931-0407 o

imapaulina@gmail.com o a la rectoría 202-347-3215.

Estas son las diferentes maneras para ayudar:

- Preparar las mesas, servir y proveer hospitalidad a nuestros invitados
- Comprar alimentos para la cena o cocinar un plato para la cena
- Dar una donación monetaria para la cena o suplementos

Estas cenas bianuales, son de gran éxito gracias a ¡USTEDES! Esperamos oír de ustedes.

MASS INTENTIONS

June 7 – 14

Sunday, June 7

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

Monday, June 8

7am – Juan A. Fuentes (living)
 8am – Sonia Amaya (living)
 12:10pm – Hilda Fuentes (living)
 5:30pm – Gabriel A. Fuentes

Tuesday, June 9

7am – Maria del Carmen Soto
 8am – Gordon Lukehart (living)
 12:10pm – Gerhard Lysek (living)
 5:30pm – Marta D. Soc

Wednesday, June 10

7am – Gabriel A. Fuentes
 8am – Maria del Carmen Soto
 12:10pm – Antonin Wiszczor

Thursday, June 11

7am – Joseph Beau Biden
 8am – Maria Del Carmen Soto
 12:10pm – Marta D. Soc
 5:30pm – Gabriel A. Fuentes

Friday, June 12

7am – Gabriel A. Fuentes
 8am – Lucia Tavares (living)
 12:10pm – Virginia Lee
 5:30 – Aleksandra Antczak

Saturday, June 13

8am – Maria del Carmen Soto
 12:10pm – Gabriel A. Fuentes
 5:30pm – Marta D. Soc

Sunday, June 14

7am – Fr. Kevin Regan (living)
 8:30am – Fr. Dan Leary (living)
 10am – Cess Bellenger
 11:30am – Ruth Vera
 1pm – Francisco & Angelica De León
 5:30pm – All Parishioners

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. To those who have pledged, thank you for your support and generosity.

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.

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 – The Madhatter (1319 Connecticut Avenue / Dupont Circle) – Join us for the ever popular C+YA / STAY happy hour! Bring friends or coworkers, or come on your own to meet other young Catholics at this joint happy hour with St. Thomas Apostle Young Adults (STAY). We have the mezzanine level reserved; we'll be at the top of the steps at the back left. Contact stmattsyam@gmail.com 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/>.

Hospitality Committee

June 2015

“Whenever we encounter another person in love, we learn something new about God.”

— Pope Francis

The Feast of Corpus Christi Procession on June 7th

Come join your fellow parishioners and other celebrants for a special procession celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi. This unique event emphasizes the joy of the institution of the Eucharist, and will begin in front of the Cathedral immediately after the 1:00 pm Hispanic Mass.

Our last hospitality event of the season is June 14th!!

Please help us bring “warmth and sunshine” to all the visitors to St. Matthew’s, our new parishioners and long timers, too.

When would you like to help?
Choose one time slot or several.
The more, the merrier!

Please email us if you can volunteer:
StMattsHospitality@gmail.com



Blue Skies are here, again!

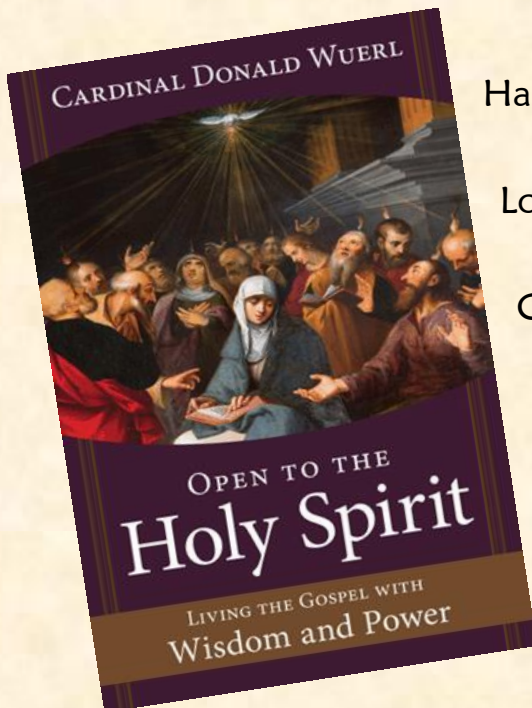
ST. MATTHEW'S FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS
SMALL FAITH-SHARING GROUPS



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.

Sign up Now

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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.

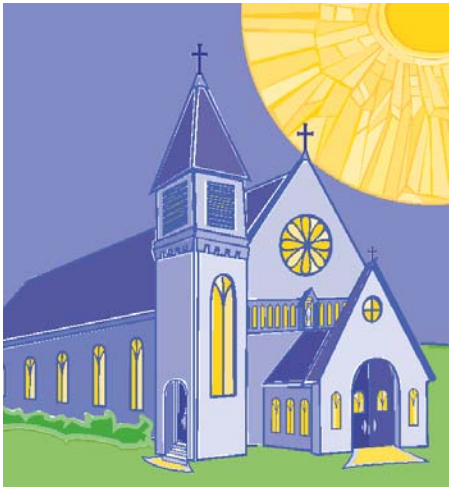
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How does Faith Direct work?

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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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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 #: _____

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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: _____

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Pray *for our* Ordinandi.

Archdiocese of Washington Priest Ordination Class of 2015

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HOUR FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE
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TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND CONSECRATED LIFE.

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

MONDAY, JUNE 15

CATHEDRAL OF

ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

6 TO 7pm

DEACON NICKEL PRESIDING
CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE IN
ENGLISH AND SPANISH

*You are also invited to join those being ordained
to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Washington at a*

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

In Thanksgiving to God

Friday, June 19, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
7500 Pearl Street, Bethesda, MD 20814

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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

1911 – December 11: Clergy moved into the new rectory on Rhode Island Avenue, NW.

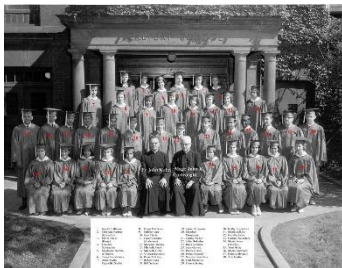
The anniversary celebration of our parish is best marked by the inspirations, gratitude, joy, and power of faith. Your stories and those of your ancestors reflect how St. Matthew's had shared the joy of the Gospel in downtown Washington, DC for 175 years. **Check the website front page to read the**

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 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 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.*