

TODAY'S READINGS

Peter ... began to rebuke him. (Mark 8:32)
Peter has a striking insight and dares to express it to Jesus. "You are the Messiah!" he affirms. In Matthew's account, Jesus calls Simon "blessed" for being open to divine revelation (Matthew 16:13-19, 17). However, Jesus doesn't let Peter bask in this moment. Right away, he begins to describe what being God's Anointed means: suffering and death for Jesus, and for his followers as well.

Peter's reaction is swift and understandable: horror. Jesus in turn rebukes him for thinking like a human being rather than thinking like God. Peter has begun to see things from God's perspective, and that should change everything.

Next, Jesus calls Peter to leadership. But Peter has to understand that leading doesn't mean lording it over others but laying down his life for them (Mark 10:42-45). He can't be a leader like this based on his own strength and wisdom. He must lay these things at Christ's feet and receive God's gifts of a new heart, a new mind, and a new way of life.

One way of taking up our cross is to put aside our natural but fallen ways of thinking and ask God to help us see things as he does. The obvious example here is that suffering and death aren't the ultimate evil; far worse are sin and failure to do God's will.

What other ways of thinking might you need to adjust? Perhaps the judgment that this (career or security) is very important or that (taking care of home and children or keeping church laws) is not so important. Perhaps the commonsense but inadequate approach is that I can't love others unless I first love myself; that my needs, then the needs of my family, come before the claims of the poor; or that material needs are more fundamental than spiritual ones.

Spend a few moments today asking God to show you one way in which you need to change your mind so that you can make room for his way of thinking.

"Father, open up to me the riches of your wisdom. I want to see everything and everyone as you see them."

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 13	Is 50:4-9 / Jas 2:14-18 / Mk 8:27-35
Monday 14 <i>The Exaltation of the Cross</i>	Nm 21:4-9 / Phil 2:6-11 / Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday 15 <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	1 Tm 3:1-13 / Jn 19:25-27
Wednesday 16 <i>Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian</i>	1 Tm 3:14-16 / Lk 7:31-35
Thursday 17 <i>St. Robert Bellarmine</i>	1 Tm 4:12-16 / Lk 7:36-50
Friday 18	1 Tm 6:2-12 / Lk 8:1-3
Saturday 19 <i>St. Januarius</i>	1 Tm 6:13-16 / Lk 8:4-15
Sunday 20 <i>St. Matthew (Observed)</i>	Wis 2:12,17-20 / Jas 3:16-4:3 / Mk 9:30-37

CATHEDRAL TOUR SUNDAY

September 13
2:30 to 5:00pm



Welcome, All!

*Guided tours for individuals & groups
No reservations needed*

*Our trained Cathedral Tour Guides,
including several Cathedral Young
Adults, will acquaint you with the
Cathedral's history, art and
architecture and answer your
questions.*

PARISH CALENDAR

September 13 - 20

Sunday 13—A second collection for the Catholic University of America is taken at all Masses.

The Health & Wellness Fair is held in the North and East Conference Rooms from 9:30am to 3:30pm.

Guided tours of the Cathedral are offered from 2:30 to 5pm.

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

Monday 14—The Cathedral Book Club meets at 6:45pm in the West Conference Room

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

Tuesday 15—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.

The Faith Formation Committee meets at 6:45pm in the Quinn Conference Room.

Thursday 17—A Catholic Business Network Breakfast is held from 8 to 9:30am in the Great Hall.

The Knights of Columbus meet at 7:30pm in the West Conference Room.

Sunday 20—Feast of St. Matthew (Observed). Hospitality receptions are held in the North Conference Room following all Masses except the 7am.

EVENTS

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 on Sunday, **September 13** at 3:30pm in the West Conference Room.

Benefit Concert for St. Matthew's Homeless Ministry – Support our parish's ministry to the homeless by joining us on Saturday, **September 19** at 8pm for a Benefit Concert at Tree House Lounge (1006 Florida Ave, Northeast Washington DC) featuring the music of Flea Bops, Virginia and the Blue Dots, and the Highballers. Admission is \$10 at the door; proceeds benefit St. Matthew's Homeless Ministry.

The Feast of St. Matthew – Next Sunday, **September 20**, our parish family observes the Feast of St. Matthew, apostle and evangelist, and patron saint of civil servants. Jesus' calling of Matthew to discipleship, which will be the subject of the Gospel reading at next weekend's 11:30am and 1pm Masses, is depicted in the mural in the west transept of the Cathedral entitled *The Calling of St. Matthew* (below). In the mural scene, Christ



calls St. Matthew (detail, above right), who appears astounded by the Master's words. St. Peter, with his keys, stands to the left of Christ. On either side of the central figures are a man and a woman. The couple on the left looks scornfully at the scene, while the other stands by in veneration. The setting is a portico beyond which are the Lake of Galilee and the distant hills. Above, a choir of six angels offers incense. Take a moment and take a look!



St. Matthew, pray for us!

Hospitality for the Feast of St. Matthew the Apostle – Hospitality is back! Next Sunday, **September 20**, we'll have information on the teachings of Pope Francis in addition to our usual smiling volunteers, good conversation, and snacks. Join us in celebration of our parish patronal feast day, meet others within our Church and learn more about

parish activities, all in the North Conference Room after all Masses except the 7am Mass. Questions? Email us at StMattsHospitality@gmail.com. We hope to see you!

Monthly Eucharistic Holy Hour (Rescheduled) – Our Eucharistic Holy Hour for September is rescheduled to Monday, **September 28**, from 6 to 7pm with confessions in English and Spanish available during the hour.

Red Mass – The 63rd Annual Red Mass will be held at the Cathedral on Sunday, **October 4** at 10am. The John Carroll Society hosts the Red Mass for its members and guests, including many government officials with attendant security. It is open to the public, but attendance is very high. If you normally attend the 10am Mass, you may wish to attend another Mass that weekend. **The 8:30am Mass is cancelled that day.** If you plan to attend the Red Mass, please arrive early as the fire marshal will not allow entry once the Cathedral is filled to capacity. Thank you for helping us extend the Cathedral's hospitality for this celebration.

Help Raise Money for Seminarians – Run for Vocations supports vocations by raising funds to assist seminarians with unanticipated expenses. Laypeople, religious and clergy from around the Archdiocese of Washington team up for the Marine Corps Marathon/10K in October. Are you interested in running with or offering a donation in support of the St. Matthew's Team? Email Justin Silvers at just1justin@yahoo.com.

NEWS & NOTES

Cathedral and Rectory Schedule Changes During Papal Visit – On Tuesday, **September 22**, the Cathedral will close after the 12:10pm Mass in preparation for a Mid-Prayer Service with Pope Francis and the U. S. bishops to be held in the Cathedral the next day. The Rectory offices will close at 4:30pm. On Wednesday, **September 23**, the Cathedral will be closed to the public all day for a Mid-Prayer Service with Pope Francis and the U. S. bishops. No Masses or Confessions are scheduled. The Rectory offices will be closed all day.

Archdiocese Eliminate Fees for Annulment – The Archdiocese of Washington recently announced the elimination of all fees for the annulment process. The decision comes in anticipation of the Jubilee of Mercy announced by Pope Francis to begin on **December 8, 2015**, and as we prepare to welcome our Holy Father to Washington. Earlier this year, Pope Francis indicated the importance of tribunals assisting those who wish to return to the sacraments, commenting, "How I wish all marriage proceedings were free of charge!"

FAITH FORMATION

For more information or to follow up on items below, contact Theresa Prymuszewski, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation, at 202-587-5139 or tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org.

Sunday Children's Faith Formation – A Welcome Assembly for parents, guardians, catechists and children will be held on Sunday, **September 13** at 9:45am in the West Conference Room. All catechetical sessions begin Sunday. Registration forms were mailed to all registered parishioners who have children of catechetical age.

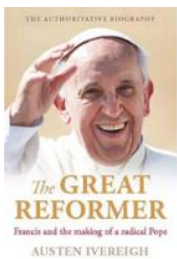
Spiritual Direction – St. Matthew's provides and refers interested persons to qualified spiritual directors.

RCIA – RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is an ongoing process for adults who would like to explore our Catholic faith. Newcomers are always welcome! RCIA meets on Wednesdays, 7–9pm, in the North Conference Room.

RCIA Call for Team Members and Interested Seekers – 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? If so, please call Theresa Prymuszewski (contact info above).

PREPARING FOR POPE FRANCIS

Walk with Francis – You are invited to help welcome Pope Francis to the Archdiocese of Washington by committing to follow his example of faith and service. We are challenging local individuals and organizations to take the pledge to *Walk with Francis* by choosing to pray or serve or act in a new way to advance his mission and ministry in the next year. Visit www.walkwithfrancis.org to take the pledge online.



Cathedral Book Club – The Book Club will meet on Monday, **September 14** from 6:45 to 8pm in the West Conference Room to discuss a biography of Pope Francis by Austen Ivereigh entitled *The Great Reformer: Francis and the Making of a Radical Pope*. Now is the time to learn more about our eagerly awaited September visitor!

Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter, ***Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home***, is now available online. Search by the title or [click here to read *Laudato Si'* \(en español\)](#).

Fall Small Faith-Sharing Group Leaders – Are you interested in co-leading a small faith-sharing group this Fall? We will read and discuss the Papal encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common*

Home. "Praise be to you, my Lord" reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. We need your help now to form the small faith-sharing groups. If you are interested in serving as a small group leader this Fall, please call Tricia Schmitt at Tricia.schmittdc@gmail.com.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

5th Centenary Celebration of the Birth of St. Teresa of Avila – All are welcome to "Living the Teresian Spirituality in Our World Today," 9am to 3:30pm on **September 19** at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. Speakers will be Fr. Kieran Kavanaugh OCD, Fr. Marc Foley OCD, and Ken Vaughan OCDS. Free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.stteresa500celebration.wordpress.com.

Volunteer with Street Sense – Street Sense, an organization that provides economic opportunities for individuals experiencing homelessness, needs "On Call" volunteers to help staff a new Drop-in Center. Volunteers would be called in to cover a weekday shift from 1:30pm to 4:30pm. Contact: Rachael at 202-347-2006 ext 10 or Rachael@streetsense.org.

Sirva como voluntario con Street Sense – *Street Sense* provee oportunidades económicas a individuos que están experimentando la falta de vivienda. La organización busca voluntarios que puedan ayudar en su nuevo Centro cuando un miembro del personal no pueda hacerse presente. Lo llamarían para cubrir un turno, en la tarde de 1:30 a 4:30 de la tarde, lunes a viernes. Póngase en contacto con Rachael al 202-347-2006 ext 10 o Rachael@streetsense.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter – In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us with the words, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." Are you living out the gospel in your marriage? Learn how God is calling you to live out your vocation. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is **November 6-8** in Rockville, MD. For more information and to apply online visit welovematrimony.org, call [301-541-7007](tel:301-541-7007), or email applications@welovematrimony.org.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Habiendo llegado a la ciudad de Cesarea de Filipo, el Señor les preguntó a sus discípulos quién creían ellos que era él. San Pedro, iluminado por Dios, exclamó: “Tú eres el Cristo.” Pero cuando el Señor explicó que su misión mesiánica significaba sufrimiento y muerte, Pedro trató de disuadirlo de seguir adelante. Así, a pesar de que su confesión anterior había sido inspirada por Dios, Pedro no había llegado aún a un entendimiento claro de la Persona y la misión de Cristo.

La confesión de San Pedro marca un punto crucial en el Evangelio de San Marcos. Anteriormente, presentaba a Jesús como predicador popular y sanador compasivo, pero a partir de este momento, la sombra de la cruz empezó a proyectarse sobre todos los acontecimientos. Tres veces predijo Jesús su pasión y su muerte (Marcos 8, 31; 9, 31; 10, 32-34), y en cada una se identificó como el Hijo del hombre (haciendo referencia a la figura celestial descrita en Daniel 7, 13).

El Hijo del hombre, en el libro de Daniel, es a la vez un hombre celestial y una figura que representa al pueblo de Dios (Daniel 7, 18. 27). Jesús usó este título no sólo para indicar que debía sufrir, sino también que esta es la senda que todos sus seguidores estamos llamados a seguir.

El Hijo del hombre es también otra figura del Antiguo Testamento, la del Siervo Sufriente de Isaías. Este siervo se mantuvo firme como una roca, ofreció sus espaldas para que lo azotaran y cargó con la maldad de todos nosotros (Isaías 50, 6. 7; 53, 6). Jesús es el verdadero Siervo Sufriente, pero nosotros también somos servidores, si aceptamos y seguimos la senda de su pasión. Pero, el mensaje de Jesús no habla solamente de pasión y muerte; porque, si seguimos sus pasos hasta la cruz, también tendremos parte en su gloriosa resurrección.

“Amado Señor, fortalece mi fe para que yo sea capaz de seguirte hasta las últimas consecuencias, de manera que, siendo fiel y obediente, tenga también parte en tu recompensa junto al Padre.”

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NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar – Se les recuerda a todos los padres de familia que las clases de Catequesis, comienzan el **20 de septiembre** a las 10:00 de la mañana en el salón de conferencia del Norte; como también la reunión con los padres. ¡Esperamos verlos!

Caminemos con Francisco – El Papa Francisco está llegando a la Arquidiócesis de Washington y les invitamos a ser parte del viaje haciendo un compromiso. Estamos pidiendo a cada uno y a organizaciones, a hacer el compromiso de caminar con Francisco y elegir: orar, servir o actuar de una manera nueva para avanzar en su misión y Ministerio en el año próximo. Visite www.walkwithfrancis.org para hacer un compromiso en la página digital.

Grupo Pequeño de Líderes en el Otoño – ¿Estaría interesado en dirigir un grupo pequeño de fe compartida este otoño? Leeremos y discutiremos la Encíclica Papal “Laudato Si’, en el cuidado de nuestra casa en común.” LAUDATO SI’, mi’ Signore” - “Gracias a ti, mi Señor” nos recuerda que nuestra casa es como una hermana con quien compartimos nuestra vida y una madre maravillosa que abre sus brazos para abrazarnos. Necesitamos su ayuda para formar pequeños grupos de fe, compartida. Puede ponerse en contacto con: tricia.schmittdec@gmail.com si está interesada en servir como líder de un grupo pequeño este otoño.

Cambio de Horario de la Catedral y la Rectoría durante la Visita del Papa – El martes **22 de septiembre**, la Catedral se cerrará después de la misa de 12:10 del mediodía en preparación para un Servicio de Oración al mediodía con el Papa Francisco y los obispos de Estados Unidos que se celebrará en la Catedral el día siguiente. Las oficinas de la rectoría cerrarán las 4:30 de la tarde. El miércoles, **23 de septiembre**, la Catedral estará cerrada al público durante todo el día para el Servicio de Oración al mediodía con el Papa Francisco y los obispos de Estados Unidos. No habrá misas ni confesiones ese día. Las oficinas de rectoría estarán cerradas todo el día.

La Hora Santa Mensual al Santísimo Sacramento – Nuestra Hora Santa al Santísimo Sacramento mensual de septiembre fue cambiada para el lunes **28 de septiembre** de 6:00 a 7:00 de la tarde, habrá confesiones en inglés y español durante la hora.

Ayude a Recaudar Fondos para los Seminaristas – *Run for Vocations* o Carrera por las Vocaciones es un ministerio de 16 años que apoya a las vocaciones recaudando fondos para ayudar a seminaristas con gastos inesperados. Laicos, religiosos y clérigos de toda la Arquidiócesis de Washington participan en *Run for Vocations* que es parte del Maratón de la Infantería Marina/10K. ¿Está interesado en correr con el equipo de San Mateo o apoyarlo con donaciones monetarias? Mandé mensaje a Justin Silvers a just1justin@yahoo.com.

MASS INTENTIONS

September 13 – 20

Sunday, September 13

7am – Moen Family (living)
8:30am – Joseph Carl Bruncsak
10am – Mary Kiley Jennison
11:30am – All Parishioners
1pm – Special Intention
5:30pm – Robert Cunningham

Monday, September 14

7am – Special Intention
8am – Paul O'Brien
12:10pm – Sam & Angelina
Novaky
5:30pm – Nina Lewis

Tuesday, September 15

7am – Special Intention
8am – Boyet Bautista
12:10pm – Yasmin Sanchez
(living)
5:30pm – Fr. John Dakes (living)

Wednesday, September 16

7am – Terry Bork (living)
8am – Special Intention
12:10pm – Ronald Steffensen
5:30pm – Christopher Casey

Thursday, September 17

7am – Special Intention
8am – Maria Teresa Santiago
Arevalo (living)
12:10pm – John M. Gaunt
5:30pm – Barbara Iannacone

Friday, September 18

7am – Firoo Ohoi
8am – Special Intention
12:10pm – Bill Welsh
5:30pm – Special Intention JA & V
(living)

Saturday, September 19

8am – Joseph Dawsen
12:10pm – Special Intention
5:30pm – Mary M. Savinski

Sunday, September 20

7am – All Parishioners
8:30am – Julian Raymond Sparrow
10am – John & Jane Gagat
11:30am – Jacob Timothy
Jacobsen
1pm – Special Intention
5:30pm – Julio Cesar Villatoro

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo 13 Is 50:4-9 / San 2:14-18 /
Mc 8:27-35

Lunes 14 Nú 21:4-9 / Fe 2:6-11 /
La Exaltación Jn 3:13-17
de la santa Cruz

Martes 15 1 Tm 3:1-13 / Jn 19:25-27
Nuestra Señora Virgen, la Dolores

Miércoles 16 1 Tm 3:14-16 / Lc 7:31-35
San Cornelio y San Cipriano

Jueves 17 1 Tm 4:12-16 / Lc 7:36-50
San Roberto Belarmino

Viernes 18 1 Tim 6:2-12 / Lc 8:1-3

Sábado 19 1 Tim 6:13-16 / Lc 8:4-15
San Jenaro

Domingo 20 Sa 2:12,17-20 /
San 3:16—4:3 / Mc 9:30-37

La Arquidiócesis Elimina Pagos por Anulaciones – La Arquidiócesis

de Washington anunció recientemente, la eliminación de cualquier gasto para el procedimiento de anulaciones. La decisión viene en anticipación del Jubileo de Misericordia anunciado por el Papa Francisco que empieza el **8 de diciembre**, en preparación de la venida del Santo Padre a Washington en septiembre. En un comunicado a primeros de año, el Papa Francisco indicó la importancia de los tribunales que ayudan a aquellos que desean volver a los sacramentos, comentando: “¿Cómo desearía que todos los procedimientos de matrimonio fueran libre de todo gasto!”

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.

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

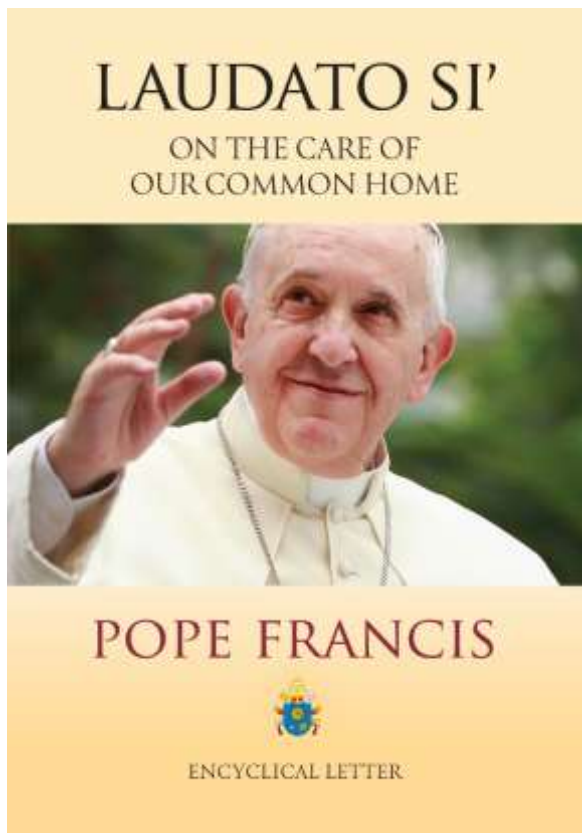
Parents who wish to have their child baptized at the Cathedral should contact the Baptismal Coordinator at 202-347-3215 X555 or baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org. Parents are encouraged to contact us **at least six (6) months in advance** of a desired baptismal date, and may ask for the priest of their choice to perform the Baptism. Early contact allows parents to be scheduled for the necessary sacramental formation session and godparents to obtain letters from their pastor.

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

*St. Matthew's Faith Formation and
Social Justice Committees present*



Small Faith-Sharing Groups **on *Laudato Si': On the Care of Our Common Home*** **by His Holiness Pope Francis**



- ❖ Have you wanted to learn more about Pope Francis' vision for the Church?
- ❖ Are you looking to explore your faith in a new or different way?
- ❖ How can we act as a parish to take care of our common home?
- ❖ Would you like to discuss the Pope's new Encyclical, *Laudato Si'* with other Catholics?

Please join us for one of our upcoming small faith-sharing groups!
We will read and reflect on *Laudato Si'* over six weeks starting the second week in October.
These peer-led, small group discussions will allow you to connect more deeply with your
faith and enliven your experiences in daily life.

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

You can download the Encyclical for free at:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html

Please RSVP by no later than October 1st

175th Parish Anniversary News



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

- **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.*



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.



MILESTONES IN CATHEDRAL HISTORY

1923 – Completion of façade
and front steps

others when you needed it. Share your favorite memories of parish festivals, volunteering, liturgies, social justice events, Christmas Masses and Easter mornings.

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 for a link 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, with "Anniversary Story" in the email heading or on the envelope.

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 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



Monsignor W. Ronald Jameson
and the Staff of the Cathedral Parish of
St. Matthew the Apostle
cordially invite you to

St. Matthew's 175th Anniversary Gala

Saturday, October 17, 2015

Cocktails 6:00 pm

Dinner 7:00 pm

Dancing

National Press Club

Ballroom, 13th Floor

529 14th St. NW

Washington, DC

For directions and parking information, visit <https://www.press.org/about/visit-us>.

Semiformal attire

\$175 per person

Please reply by October 2, using the form on the reverse.

St. Matthew's 175th Anniversary Gala

Yes! I/we accept your invitation to the St. Matthew's 175th Anniversary Gala on October 17.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Number of guests: _____ at \$175 each, total \$_____

For those interested in reserving a table: 10 seats per table

Check enclosed for \$_____ (payable to St. Matthew's Cathedral)

Credit card: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Amount: \$_____

Name on card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration date: _____ Security Code: _____

Signature: _____

To reserve your seats at the Gala, please complete this form and return it to the Rectory Office:

175th Anniversary Gala
Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle
1725 Rhode Island Avenue NW
Washington DC 20036

[You also may reserve seats online by clicking here.](#)

Please reply by October 2.



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 fall semester.

**Fall Semester of
English as a Second Language Classes**

The 10-week fall semester will extend from **September 29 to December 17, 2015**. During this period, classes will be held Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 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 September 17, 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. **The cost of the 10-week semester is \$40.**

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 otoño.

**Semestre de otoño de las
clases de inglés como segundo idioma**

El Semestre de otoño, con una duración de 10 semanas, empezará el **29 de septiembre al 17 de diciembre 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 17 de septiembre, 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. **El costo del semestre de 10 semanas es \$40.**

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, Wednesday, or Thursday) in the fall 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 fall semester are to be taught only in English. 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 September 16 at 6:30pm.

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.

Fall Semester of Spanish as a Second Language Classes

The 10-week fall semester will run from **September 29 to December 17, 2015**. During this period, classes will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 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 of the semester, will be given to those students who are parishioners of St. Matthew's and currently involved in a ministry. Students for all levels may register in person, **starting Thursday, September 17, between 6:00pm and 8:00pm**, at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. The cost of the 10-week semester is \$80. For more information, please contact Peter Bihl at

stmattsssl@gmail.com.

Volunteer Teachers Needed for SSL Program

We are looking for volunteers to serve as teachers **one night per week** (Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday) in the Fall Semester of the SSL Program, which will run from September 29 to December 17, 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 September 16 at 6:30pm.

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

Se Solicita Maestros Voluntarios Para el Programa SSL

Buscamos voluntarios para servir como maestros **una noche por semana** (martes, miércoles jueves) durante el Semestre de Otoño del Programa SSL que se impartirá del 29 de septiembre al 17 de diciembre. 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 el 16 de septiembre a las 6:30 de la tarde. Si usted está interesado en participar como voluntario por favor póngase en contacto con Peter Bihl al stmattsssl@gmail.com.



175TH ANNIVERSARY

CATHEDRAL OF ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE
Sharing the Joy of the Gospel in Our Nation's Capital for 175 Years

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This year the community of St. Matthew's Cathedral is celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the founding of the parish.

Because of your steadfast support, St. Matthew's is a spiritual home to Catholics throughout the Washington area. The Cathedral attracts visitors from around the world, of all faith traditions. People come here to pray, to be inspired by sacred music, to spend a few quiet minutes with our Lord, to receive the sacraments. Couples come to marry and to baptize their children. Grieving families come to mourn loved ones. Homeless men and women come for sanctuary and assistance. Without your support, St. Matthew's would not be able to serve the physical and spiritual needs of our community.

From its beginning at 15th and H Streets NW, through its move to Rhode Island Avenue, NW after 1893 and its designation as the Cathedral of the new Archdiocese of Washington in 1939, St. Matthew's has played a central role in the Catholic life of Washington, DC. World leaders crowded the Cathedral for the funeral of President John F. Kennedy. Pope John Paul II celebrated Mass at the Cathedral. U. S. Supreme Court justices and other leaders of the legal community gather each year on the Sunday before the first Monday in October for the Red Mass. Later this year Pope Francis will visit the Cathedral to pray with the U.S. Bishops.

Every day you impact many lives through your gifts of time, talent and treasure. You are a critical part of the life of St. Matthew's Cathedral Parish. I thank you for all you have done to support our ministry.

To recognize and celebrate all the living stones of our community, we are hosting many special Anniversary events. Already, the inaugural event in January brought together Washington area faith communities for a beautiful Choral Vespers and Ecumenical Prayer Service. In April, Cardinal Seán O'Malley gave a wonderful talk remembering his years of service as a young priest at St. Matthew's and the impact our parish had on his life. In June, we held a special dinner for our homeless neighbors.

Additional important events are still ahead: a multicultural celebration on October 11, a Gala on October 17, a special 175th Anniversary Mass and Reception on November 1, a major concert on November 22 and Advent Lessons and Carols on December 13. All this, **and** we must continue our ongoing ministries of social justice, music, faith formation, hospitality, and other efforts.

I write now to invite you to participate in our Celebration in a very special way: as a financial patron.

Will you invest in the future of St. Matthew's and serve as a 175th Anniversary Host (\$10,000 gift), a Benefactor (\$5,000 gift), a Patron (\$2,500 gift), a Sustainer (\$1,000 gift), a Sponsor (\$500 gift) or a Friend (\$250 gift) for our 175th Anniversary Celebration?

A gift at the Host, Benefactor or Patron level is recognized with reserved seats at the Gala on October 17 as described in the enclosed Reply Form. The Gala, which will be held in the Ballroom of the National Press Club, will feature a cocktail reception, sit-down dinner and live music with dancing. It will be great fun and a wonderful opportunity to build our St. Matthew's community!

Your leadership gift will make our 175th Anniversary celebration possible, while continuing our outreach to people in spiritual and material need throughout the Washington area.

I am so excited about this 175th Anniversary celebration. It celebrates not only our parish heritage, but also our graced growth into a vibrant, diverse community that is alive in Christ's love. It secures our future ability to bring that love and care to others here in the heart of Washington, DC.

Please read over the enclosed Reply Form and prayerfully consider what part you will play in this milestone celebration. Feel free to call me if you have any questions or want to discuss any aspect of your support.

I look forward to seeing you soon and hope you will participate in our historic 175th Anniversary Celebration!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson
Rector

P.S. I hope you will consider making a special gift in this anniversary year by completing the enclosed Reply Form. God bless you for all you do in our community.



175TH ANNIVERSARY

CATHEDRAL OF ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE
Sharing the Joy of the Gospel in Our Nation's Capital for 175 Years

Mis queridos feligreses y amigos:

Este año la comunidad de la Catedral de San Mateo celebra el 175 aniversario de la fundación de la parroquia.

Debido a su apoyo constante, San Mateo es una casa espiritual para los católicos a través del área de Washington. La Catedral atrae visitantes de todo el mundo, de todas las tradiciones de fe. La gente viene aquí a rezar, inspirados por la música sagrada, pasar unos minutos en silencio con el Señor, recibir los sacramentos. Parejas vienen a casarse, bautizar a sus hijos. Familias en dolor vienen a celebrar funerales por sus familiares. Personas sin hogar, vienen para recibir ayuda. Sin su apoyo, San Mateo no podría servir las necesidades físicas y espirituales de nuestra comunidad.

Desde su comienzo en las calles 15 y H en el noroeste, y a través de su movida a la Avenida de Rhode Island, después de su designación como la Catedral de la nueva Arquidiócesis de Washington en 1939, San Mateo ha jugado un papel central en la vida católica de Washington DC. Líderes del mundo vinieron a la Catedral para el funeral del Presidente John F. Kennedy. El Papa Juan Pablo II, celebró misa en la Catedral. Líderes de la Corte Suprema se reúnen cada año en el domingo antes del primer lunes de octubre para la Misa Roja. Más tarde, el Papa Francisco visitará la Catedral para rezar con los Obispos de los Estados Unidos.

Cada día ustedes hacen un gran impacto en muchas vidas a través de sus regalos de tiempo, talento y tesoro. Son una parte esencial de la vida de la parroquia de San Mateo. Les agradezco todo lo que están haciendo para apoyar nuestro ministerio.

Para reconocer y celebrar todas las piedras vivientes de nuestra comunidad, estamos auspiciando muchos eventos especiales del aniversario. El evento inaugural en enero, reunió a las comunidades de fe de Washington, para un servicio de Oración Ecuménico y servicio Coral de Vísperas. En abril, el Cardenal Seán O'Malley nos habló de sus años como sacerdote en San Mateo y el impacto de nuestra parroquia que tuvo en su vida. En junio tuvimos una comida especial para nuestros vecinos sin hogar.

Tendremos más eventos importantes: una celebración multicultural el 11 de octubre, una Gala el 17 de octubre, una Misa de Aniversario especial y recepción el 1 de noviembre, un gran concierto el 22 de noviembre, y Villancicos de Adviento el 13 de diciembre. Todo esto, y también debemos continuar con nuestros ministerios de justicia social, música, formación de fe, hospitalidad y otros esfuerzos.

Les escribo ahora, para invitarles a participar en nuestra celebración de una forma muy especial como benefactor financiero.

¿Invertirían en el futuro de San Mateo y servirían como anfitrión/a en el 175 Aniversario (\$10,000 de regalo), como benefactor/a con (\$5,000 de regalo), como patrocinador o protector (\$2,500 de regalo), como soporte o apoyo (\$1,000 de regalo), como contribuyente constante (\$500 de regalo), o como amigo (\$250 de regalo), para nuestro 175 aniversario de celebración?

Un regalo a nivel de Anfitrión, Benefactor, o Protector, es reconocido con asientos reservados en la Gala el 17 de octubre, como se describe en la hoja adjunta para que la manden de vuelta. La Gala se ofrecerá en el Ball Room del Club Nacional de Prensa; la recepción consistirá en un cóctel, una cena y música viva con baile. Será de gran diversión y una ¡gran oportunidad de construir nuestra comunidad de San Mateo!

Su regalo hará que nuestro 175 aniversario de celebración sea posible, al mismo tiempo que continuamos nuestro alcance a las necesidades espirituales y materiales de mucha gente a través del área de Washington.

Estoy muy contento con la celebración del 175 aniversario. No solo celebra el patrimonio de nuestra parroquia, pero también, el crecimiento en una comunidad vibrante y diversa que está viva en el amor de Cristo. Asegura nuestra futura capacidad de proporcionar el amor y el cuidado a otros aquí, en el corazón de Washington, DC.

Por favor, lean la hoja adjunta a esta carta y en oración, consideren cual es la parte que desean participar en esta celebración milenaria. No duden en llamarme si tienen alguna pregunta o quieren discutir algún aspecto de su apoyo financiero.

Espero verles pronto y también espero ¡que participen en nuestra celebración histórica del 175 aniversario!

Suyo en Cristo



Rev. Mons. W. Ronald Jameson
Rector

PD. Espero que consideren el hacer un regalo especial en este aniversario, completando la hoja adjunta con la carta. Dios les bendiga por todo lo que hacen en nuestra comunidad.



175TH PARISH ANNIVERSARY

CATHEDRAL OF ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

- October 11 Multicultural Celebration with traditional food, dress, music and dance, and presentations from many countries
- October 17 Gala with cocktails, dinner and dancing at the National Press Club
- November 1 Bilingual Mass with Cardinal Wuerl as Principal Celebrant
Reception at the Madison Hotel
- November 22 175th Anniversary Concert featuring the *Schola Cantorum* and Festival Singers
- December 13 Lessons and Carols featuring the *Schola Cantorum*

Yes, I/we will support St. Matthew's 175th Anniversary Celebration by serving as a:

- 175th Anniversary Host**
\$10,000 contribution – You will receive recognition in the Gala and Anniversary Concert programs, a table for ten at the **Gala**, special recognition at the Gala, and ten tickets for the **November 1 Reception**. This contribution has a tax-deductible value of \$8,050.
- Benefactor**
\$5,000 contribution – You will receive recognition in the Gala and Anniversary Concert programs, four seats at the **Gala**, special recognition at the Gala, and eight tickets for the **November 1 Reception**. This contribution has a tax-deductible value of \$4,140.
- Patron**
\$2,500 contribution – You will receive recognition in the Gala and Anniversary Concert programs, two seats at the **Gala**, special recognition at the Gala, and eight tickets for the **November 1 Reception**. This contribution has a tax-deductible value of \$1,990.
- Sustainer**
\$1,000 contribution – You will receive recognition in the Gala and Anniversary Concert programs, and six tickets for the **November 1 Reception**. This contribution has a tax-deductible value of \$880.
- Sponsor**
\$500 contribution – You will receive recognition in the Gala and Anniversary Concert programs, and four tickets for the **November 1 Reception**. This contribution has a tax-deductible value of \$420.
- Friend**
\$250 contribution – You will receive recognition in the Gala and Anniversary Concert programs, and two tickets for the **November 1 Reception**. This contribution has a tax-deductible value of \$210.
- Good Neighbor**
I am unable to contribute at the levels described above, but I would like to make a contribution of \$_____ to assist in the 175th Anniversary Celebration.

(Please complete all information on the reverse.)

(In the near future there will be an opportunity to buy additional tickets for the **Gala** and the **November 1 Reception**.)

St. Matthew's 175th Parish Anniversary Donor Reply Form

Please complete this entire form so that we can be sure to have the correct information. Thank you!

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

(Please print clearly. E-mail will be our primary means of contacting you.)

Individual or Company Name as it should appear in the programs:

You may make your contribution by check or credit card.

Check for \$ _____ enclosed. (Please make your check payable to
St. Matthew's Cathedral)

Credit card: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Amount \$ _____

Name on card: _____

Card Number: _____

Expiry Date: ___/___ Security Code: _____

Signature: _____

Please return this form in the enclosed envelope to:

St. Matthew's 175th Anniversary Celebration
Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle
1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20036

You may also make your contribution online.

Please go to the parish website at <http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/> and click on
"Supporting Our 175th Anniversary Celebration."

If you have any questions, please feel free to call
Pam Erwin or Dan Evans at 202-347-3215.

Thank you, and God bless you!



I75 ANIVERSARIO DE LA PARROQUIA

CATEDRAL DE SAN MATEO APÓSTOL

11 de octubre	Celebración Multicultural con comidas tradicionales, trajes típicos, música y bailes y presentaciones de muchos países
17 de octubre	Gala con cócteles, cena y baile en el Club Nacional de Prensa
1 de noviembre	Misa bilingüe con el Cardenal Wuerl como celebrante principal Recepción en el hotel Madison
22 de noviembre	Concierto del 175 aniversario, presentando a la <i>Schola Cantorum</i> y Festival Singers
13 de diciembre	Villancicos en Adviento, presentando a la <i>Schola Cantorum</i>

Si, apoyaré en la celebración del 175 aniversario de San Mateo, sirviendo como:

Anfitrión/a en el 175 aniversario

\$10,000 de contribución – será reconocido en los programas de la Gala y Aniversario del Concierto, será reconocido especialmente en **la Gala**, una mesa para diez en la Gala, y diez entradas para **la Recepción el 1 de noviembre**. Tiene una deducción de impuestos de \$8,500

Benefactor

\$5,000 de contribución – será reconocido en los programas de la Gala y Aniversario del Concierto, cuatro asientos en **la Gala** y reconocido especialmente en la Gala, y ocho entradas para **la recepción del 1 de noviembre**. Tiene una deducción de impuestos de \$4,140

Patrocinador/Protector

\$2,500 de contribución – será reconocido en los programas de la Gala y Aniversario del Concierto, dos asientos en **la Gala**, reconocido especialmente en la Gala y ocho entradas para **la Recepción del 1 de noviembre**. Tiene una deducción de impuestos de \$1,990.

Apoyar

\$1,000 de contribución – será reconocido en los programas de la Gala y Aniversario del Concierto, y seis entradas para **la Recepción del 1 de noviembre**. Tiene una deducción de impuestos de \$880.

Contribuyente

\$500 de contribución – será reconocido en los programas de la Gala y Aniversario del Concierto, y cuatro entradas para **la Recepción del 1 de noviembre**. Deducción de impuestos de \$420.

Amigo

\$250 de contribución – será reconocido en los programas de **la Gala** y Aniversario del Concierto, y dos entradas para **la Recepción del 1 de noviembre**. Deducción de impuestos de \$210.

Buen Amigo

No puedo contribuir a los niveles que se describen arriba, pero me gustaría hacer una contribución de \$_____ para ayudar en la celebración del 175 aniversario.

(Por favor, rellene toda la información en la parte de atrás).
(En un futuro habrá más oportunidades para comprar más entradas para la Gala y la Recepción del 1 de noviembre.)

Formulario de Respuesta para Donación del 175 Aniversario de San Mateo

Por favor, complete el formulario entero para que nos aseguremos que tiene la información correcta. ¡Gracias!

Nombre(s): _____

Dirección: _____

Ciudad: _____ Estado: _____ Código Postal: _____

Teléfono: _____

Correo electrónico: _____

(Por favor, escriba claramente, será nuestra forma de contacto con ustedes.)

Nombre de la persona o compañía como deba ir en el programa:

Puede hacer su contribución por medio de cheque o tarjeta de crédito.

Cheque por \$ _____ adjunto. (Haga el cheque a nombre de
St. Matthew's Cathedral)

Tarjeta de crédito: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Cantidad \$ _____

Nombre en la tarjeta: _____

Número de tarjeta: _____

Tiempo de Expiración: ____/____ Código de seguridad: _____

Firma: _____

Por favor, regrese el formulario en el sobre a:
Celebración del 175 Aniversario de San Mateo
Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle
1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20036

También pueden hacer su contribución en la página digital:
<http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/>
y haga un clic en: **“Support the 175th Anniversary Celebration.”**

Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor llame a Pam Erwin o Dan Evans al 202-347-3215.

¡Muchas gracias, y que Dios les bendiga!