

TODAY'S READINGS

He got up and followed him. (Matthew 9:9)
Matthew was one of those Jews who worked for the Roman occupation forces in Palestine. Often corrupt and unjust, tax collectors were known to cheat their own people, lining their pockets with the extra money they collected. Regarded as a traitor by his fellow Jews, Matthew was placed in the same category as prostitutes and other public sinners.

But all of this changed when Matthew answered Jesus' call. Over time, he underwent a profound conversion and became a powerful evangelist. He devoted himself to bringing the gospel message to the same Jews he had once alienated and scandalized. Even today, his preaching continues to touch hearts though the Gospel that bears his name.

It's interesting that today's Gospel reading pairs Matthew with the Pharisees who, though more faithful to Judaism, nonetheless struggled to accept Jesus' teachings. Jesus knew how devoted they were, but he still urged them to go further by stretching their conception of mercy and compassion. In a sense, Jesus was issuing the same call to the Pharisees as he did to Matthew: "Follow me" (Matthew 9:9).

Clearly, holiness is not just a choice that we make one time, such as when we are confirmed or decide to attend Mass regularly. If Jesus was urging even the religious leaders to deepen their faith, why should we think he wouldn't be calling us farther along?

There is no end to the call to holiness—at least not in this life. That's not because we're so hopelessly sinful. No, the call never ends because our lives keep changing. A young man starting out in life will face different challenges than a much older man facing retirement. A mother of young children will have a different path of holiness than a grandmother living by herself in a nursing home. Matthew's decision to follow Jesus as a new disciple was far different from his decision to follow Jesus as a Spirit-filled apostle—or as a wise pastor for that matter.

How is Jesus calling you to follow him? What are the next step he is asking you to take along the path to holiness?

"Lord, I want to follow you with the same passion as Matthew did. Let my life be a witness to you."

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Monday 22	Prv 3:27-34 / Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday 23	Prv 21:1-6,10-13 / Lk 8:19-21 <i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina</i>
Wednesday 24	Prv 30:5-9 / Lk 9:1-6
Thursday 25	Eccl 1:2-11 / Lk 9:7-9
Friday 26	Eccl 3:1-11 / Lk 9:18-22 <i>Sts. Cosmas & Damian</i>
Saturday 27	Eccl 11:9—12:8 / Lk 9:43-45 <i>St. Vincent de Paul</i>
Sunday 28	Ez 18:25-28 / Phil 2:1-11 / Mt 21:28-32

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 the Archdiocese 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

September 21 - 28

Sunday 21—Solemnity of St. Matthew the Apostle, the Cathedral's patronal feast day

Cardinal Wuerl celebrates a Mass for the 75th Anniversary of the Archdiocese of Washington at 11:30am.

La Misa en español comienza a la 1:30 de la tarde.

Tuesday 23—El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

Thursday 24—Legión de María se reúne a las 6:30 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Este.

The Respect Life Committee meets at 6:45pm in the West Conference Room.

Saturday 27—A Rosary for Life is prayed after the 8am Mass in procession to the Planned Parenthood facility on 16th Street, NW.

The Little Sisters of the Poor accept donations after the 5:30pm Vigil Mass.

Sunday 28—Hospitality receptions are held in the North Conference Room following all Masses except the 7am and 5:30pm Masses.

The Little Sisters of the Poor accept donations after all Masses.

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

NEWS AND NOTES

The Feast of Saint Matthew – Today, Sunday, **September 21**, is the Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist, and patron saint of civil servants. Jesus' calling of Matthew to discipleship, which is the subject of the Gospel reading at all Masses, is depicted in the mural in the west transept of the Cathedral entitled *The Calling of St. Matthew*. In the mural scene, Christ calls St. Matthew, 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!*

Manifesting the Kingdom Award – On Sunday, **September 28**, the Social Justice & Community Services Committee will receive the "Manifesting the Kingdom" Award at the 11:30am Mass. Msgr. Jameson will present the award on behalf of Cardinal Wuerl, in recognition of the exceptional service to the Church of Washington rendered by the committee's members.

Little Sisters of The Poor – The Little Sisters of the Poor will visit us next weekend, **September 27-28**, to ask our help with their mission of caring for the elderly poor. The Sisters will be at the door of the Cathedral after each Mass to accept voluntary gifts of support. Thank you for your kindness to them. *As Little Sisters of the Poor, we care for the elderly poor in the spirit of humble service which we have received from Jeanne Jugan. We welcome the elderly as we would Jesus Christ himself and serve them with love and respect until death.* (Mission Statement of the Little Sisters of the Poor)

Hospitality Sunday – *We're back!* The Hospitality Committee will host hospitality after the **8:30am, 10am, 11:30am and 1pm Masses on September 28** in the North Conference Room, with snacks, beverages, family activities, parish volunteers, our parish "gift shop," and a volunteer from the Capital Area Food Bank. Please join us to meet your fellow parishioners and learn about upcoming parish events. All visitors and parishioners are welcome. Interested in helping with future events? We are always in need of more smiling faces! Contact stmattshospitality@gmail.com.

Red Mass – The 62nd Annual Red Mass will be held at the Cathedral on Sunday, **October 5** 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.

Rectory Hours – The Rectory office hours for **September 6** through **October 1** are as follows:

Monday–Thursday: 9am – 4:30pm Friday: 9am – 4pm
Saturday–Sunday: Closed

VOCATIONS

Bake Sale for Vocations – Run for Vocations is a 16-year-old ministry that supports vocations by raising funds to assist seminarians with unanticipated expenses. Laypeople, religious and clergy from around the Archdiocese of Washington team up to Run for Vocations in October's Marine Corps Marathon/10K. Participating parishioners will hold a bake sale after every Mass in front of the Cathedral on Sunday, **September 28** to raise funds for our parish's team. Are you interested in running or offering a donation in support of the St. Matthew's Team? Email Justin Silvers at just1justin@yahoo.com.

Day of Prayer for Women Discerning a Religious Vocation – On Saturday, **September 27**, a day of prayer for women discerning a religious vocation will be held from 9am to 3:15pm at the Washington Retreat House (4000 Harewood Rd., NE). The day will include Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, opportunity for confession, quiet prayer time, and Mass with religious sisters. Reflections will be led by Fr. Luke Mary Fletcher, CFR, Fr. Dominic Langevin, OP, and Sr. Mary Rose Beck, SV. The event is free; breakfast and lunch will be provided. **RSVP by September 22.** Contact: Sr. Mary Dolora Keating, RSM at 301-853-4576 or keatingsmd@adw.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter – The Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend helps your marriage to be a sign for the world! The next WWME weekends are **October 3-5** (Rockville, MD); **November 7-9** (Germantown, MD); and **November 14-16** (Herndon, VA). For more information or to apply, visit www.wwme.org, call 301-541-7007, or email applications@welovematrimony.org.

FAITH FORMATION

Interested in Becoming Catholic? – “The RCIA, which stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a process through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church. It includes several stages marked by study, prayer and rites at Mass. Participants in the RCIA are known as catechumens. They undergo a process of conversion as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist. The RCIA process follows the ancient practice of the Church and was restored by the Second Vatican Council as the normal way adults prepare for baptism. In 1974 the Rite for Christian Initiation for Adults was formally approved for use in the United States” (www.usccb.org). The RCIA also is for adults baptized in other Christian traditions who wish to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist in the Catholic Church and for adults who were baptized in the Catholic Church and wish to complete their initiation. To inquire about the RCIA process, please email stmfaith@gmail.com or call 202-347-3215 to leave a message (*email preferred*).

Grow in Your Faith! Be an RCIA Sponsor! – Are you looking for a way to grow in your faith? Consider being an RCIA sponsor, and share your faith with someone who is discerning full initiation in the Catholic Church. A sponsor is a companion, a representative of the faith community who models how to live the faith in daily life, meets with the person s/he is sponsoring to discuss their faith journeys, prays for that person, and participates in the stages and rituals of the RCIA process. Fifteen to twenty women and men began the RCIA process this summer. Each needs a sponsor. To learn more, please email stmfaith@gmail.com or call 202-347-3215 to leave a message (*email preferred*).

Bible Study At Georgetown Epiphany Catholic Church – Are you interested in exploring your faith with other women? Would you like to see how the Scriptures apply to your everyday life? If so, join *Walking with Purpose*, a weekly Catholic women's Bible study. Come for an introductory talk, "Starfish on the Beach--Seeing the Fingerprints of the Father's Love in our Daily Lives," on Wednesday, **September 24** from 7 to 8:30pm or Thursday, **September 25** from 9 to 10:45am in the Parish Hall at Georgetown Epiphany Catholic Church (2712 Dumbarton Street, NW). For questions or to RSVP, email Melissa Overmyer or Biz Blee at WWP.Epiphany@gmail.com. For more information, visit www.walkingwithpurpose.com. WWP will meet Wednesdays from 7 to 8:30pm and Thursdays from 9 to 10:45am. Childcare may be offered. Registration forms are available at the Cathedral entrance, in the rectory, and on St. Matthew's parish website.

FAITH IN ACTION

Adult English Conversation Classes –

When? **September 16 to December 11** (13 weeks), Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 6:30 to 8:30pm
Where? St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW
How much? \$40
 Students may register in person on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30pm, at St. Matthew's Education Center. Student registrations will be accepted until **October 7**. At registration, each student will be assessed to determine the appropriate class level. Language instruction is provided at Level 1 (Beginner) through Level 5 (Advanced). For more information, visit www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach/esl or contact Dan Horning at stmattsesl@gmail.com.

Spanish Class for Adults –

When? **September 16 to December 11** (13 weeks), Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 6:30 to 8:30pm
Where? St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW
Level? Language instruction is provided at Levels 1 and 2

How much? \$80

Students must register in person during class nights between 6 and 8pm, at St. Matthew's Education Center. Priority registration is reserved for St. Matthew's parishioners, particularly those currently involved in a ministry. For more information, visit www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach/spanish-language-classes-0 or contact Dan Horning at stmattsssl@gmail.com.

Monthly Rosary Procession for Life – This month's rosary procession to the abortion clinic, Planned Parenthood, will take place on Saturday, **September 27**, after the 8am Mass. To participate, please gather inside the main entrance of the Cathedral. For more information on service opportunities and involvement with the Respect Life Ministry, contact Justin Silvers at stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com. **Life Facts: By the third month, a child's face is well-formed and is 3 to 4 inches long. By month 5, the child's fingerprints are already formed.*

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo 21	Is 91:1-3,6,8-9 / Eph 4:1-7,11-13 / <i>San Mateo Apóstol</i>	Mt 9:9-13
Lunes 22		Pro 3:27-34 / Lc 8:16-18
Martes 23	<i>San Pio de Pietrelcina</i>	Pro 21:1-6,10-13 / Lc 8:19-21
Miércoles 24		Pro 30:5-9 / Lc 9:1-6
Jueves 25		Ec 1:2-11 / Lc 9:7-9
Viernes 26	<i>San Cosme y San Damián</i>	Ec 3:1-11 / Lc 9:18-22
Sábado 27	<i>San Vicente de Paúl</i>	Ec 11:9—12:8 / Lc 9:43-45
Domingo 28		Ez 18:25-28 / Fil 2:1-11 / Mt 21:28-32

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

La Fiesta de San Mateo – Hoy, **21 de Septiembre**, es la fiesta de San Mateo, Apóstol y Evangelista, santo patrón de los empleados del gobierno, la cual celebramos solemnemente este año. La llamada de Jesús a Mateo al discipulado, el cual es el tema del Evangelio por la fiesta de San Mateo, se puede ver en el mural en la parte derecha de la Catedral mirando al órgano en la parte de arriba y cuyo título es: *La llamada de San Mateo*. En la escena del mural, Cristo llama a San Mateo, el cual se le ve aturcido por las palabras del Maestro. San Pedro, con sus llaves, está a la izquierda de Cristo. En ambos lados de las figuras centrales están un hombre y una mujer. La pareja de la izquierda, se ven con desdén o insolencia en la escena, mientras que la otra está mirando con veneración. El lugar es un pórtico en el Lago de Galilea y en la distancia se ve una colina. Arriba, un coro de seis ángeles ofrecen incienso. ¡Tome un momento y mírelo!

San Mateo, ruega por nosotros!

Clases de Inglés para Adultos –

¿Cuándo? **16 de septiembre al 11 de diciembre** (13 semanas), los martes, miércoles y jueves de 6:30 a 8:30 de la noche

¿Dónde? St. Matthew's Education Center (Centro de Educación de San Mateo), 1726 N Street, NW

Cuánto? \$40

Los estudiantes podrán matricularse en persona los martes, miércoles y jueves, empezando el 16 de septiembre entre las 6:00 y las 8:00 de la noche, en St. Matthew's Education Center. Los estudiantes podrán inscribirse hasta el **7 de octubre**. Cada estudiante recibirá un breve examen para determinar cuál es el nivel de clases más apropiado. Las clases de inglés serán impartidas desde el Nivel 1 (principiante) hasta el Nivel 5 (avanzado). Para más información, visite:

www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach/clases-de-ingles o póngase en contacto con Dan Horning al stmattses@gmail.com.



Procesión mensual del rosario por la vida – La procesión mensual del rosario a la clínica de aborto, Planned Parenthood, será el **sábado 27** de septiembre, después de la misa de las

8 de la mañana. Para participar por favor encuétranos en la entrada central dentro de la catedral. Para más información sobre el Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida, póngase en contacto con Justin Silvers al stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com. Para español, llame a la rectoría al 202-347-3215.

**Hechos sobre la vida: Al tercer mes, la cara del niño está bien formada y es 3 a 4 pulgadas de larga. Al quinto mes, las huellas del niño ya están formadas.*

Catequesis catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar –

Se les recuerda a todos los padres de familia que las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar comienzan el **28 de septiembre** a las 11:00 de la mañana en el salón de conferencia del Oeste.



Venta de pasteles por las

Vocaciones – *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. Feligreses que participarán en este evento tendrán una venta de pasteles en frente de la catedral el domingo **28 de septiembre**. Las donaciones serán parte de la recaudación de fondos para el equipo de nuestra parroquia. ¿Está interesado en correr con el equipo de San Mateo o apoyarlo con donaciones monetarias? Mande un mensaje a Justin Silvers a just1justin@yahoo.com o llame a la rectoría.

Las Hermanas de los Pobres Nos Visitan –

Las hermanas de los Pobres, visitarán la Catedral el próximo fin de semana, **27-28 de septiembre** para aceptar donaciones después de todas las misas en las puertas de la Catedral. Agradecerán cualquier ayuda que usted pueda ofrecer a ellas.

Horario de la Rectoría - Comenzando el **6 de septiembre** hasta el **1 de octubre** el horario de la rectoría es el siguiente:

Lunes-Jueves: 9am – 4:30pm Viernes: 9am – 4pm
Sábado-Domingo: Cerrado

MASS INTENTIONS**September 21 – 28****Sunday, September 21**

7am – All Parishioners
 8:30am – Kurt Packard & Gloria Mora (living)
 10am – Simon Heathcote
 11:30am – Mary Wade (living)
 1pm – María Antonia Prieto
 5:30pm – Adotevi Viderot

Monday, September 22

7am – Ester Mendez
 8am – Jean Hannaway
 12:10pm – Eppie Carroll
 5:30pm – Olga de Montaña

Tuesday, September 23

7am – Herminio Roque (living)
 8am – Marie Aline Wickey Milleret
 12:10pm – Rodolfo Karaan, Jr. (living)
 5:30pm – Lina Padilla (living)

Wednesday, September 24

7am – Brooksie, Myrtle & Bessie Banks
 8am – Radzinski Women
 12:10pm – Sylvia G. Ponitoski
 5:30 – Bill Simpson (living)

Thursday, September 25

7am – David Sterling (living)
 8am – Elizabeth Parker (living)
 12:10pm – Juan Saul Lozano
 5:30pm – Rene Nsonde

Friday, September 26

7am – Special Intention
 8am – Dr. Natividad P. de Guzman
 12:10pm – Barbara Illuzzi (living)
 5:30pm – David Griego

Saturday, September 27

8am – David Kennedy
 12:10pm – S. Sheikh (living)
 5:30pm – All Parishioners

Sunday, September 28

7am – Renee Mahoney
 8:30am – Mickey Stolte
 10am – Howard H. Baker, Jr.
 11:30am – Father Thomas Danek
 1pm – Mauricio Trujillo (living)
 5:30pm – Dessources Ernst

LECTURAS DE HOY

Levi era cobrador de impuestos. Todos sabían que exigía a sus connacionales judíos más impuestos de lo que disponía la ley, y se llenaba los bolsillos con el sobrante. Por eso era despreciado por su propia gente y seguramente era un hombre amargado y solitario, huraño y desconfiado.

Pero un día llegó Jesús a su mundo. Mirándolo con amor, simplemente le dijo "Sígueme". ¿Qué fue lo que Leví vio en Jesús que lo llevó a dejarlo todo y seguirlo? A partir de entonces, Leví que ahora empezó a llamarse Mateo, encontraba a alguien que le demostraba bondad, aceptación incondicional y amor sincero. Nada había hecho él para merecer el favor de Cristo, sin embargo, el Señor lo llamaba.

El hecho de que Jesús deseara cenar en casa de Mateo también fue algo increíble: Señal de salvación para unos, escándalo para otros. En los días de Cristo, sentarse a la mesa con alguien era indicación de una amistad sincera. Los fariseos evitaban el trato con los pecadores para no contaminarse, de modo que cenar con un publicano era especialmente escandaloso.

Pero Jesús no dudó en poner en juego su reputación por amor a Mateo. Éste que rendía culto al dinero y lo hacía a costa de los demás, tenía a hora la oportunidad a conocer al único Dios verdadero, pero los fariseos no entendían ese tipo de amor. Viendo su confusión, Jesús les dijo: "Vayan y aprendan el significado de estas palabras: 'Lo que quiero es que sean compasivos, y no que ofrezcan sacrificios.' Pues yo no he venido a llamar a los justos, sino a los pecadores" (Mateo 9:13).

Ninguno de nosotros es digno del reino de Dios; todos necesitamos ser perdonados. Hasta los fariseos "justos" necesitan la misericordia de Dios para entrar en el Reino. A veces los "justos" tienen el corazón más duro que los "injustos" (v. Mateo 21:31); sin embargo, el Señor ofrece la salvación a todos por igual. ¿Cómo vamos a responderle al Señor? ¿Aceptamos su invitación a cenar con Él, o nos abstenemos porque tenemos nuestra propia idea de lo que es justo o recto?

"Señor Jesús, no somos dignos de servirte, pero nos sentimos sumamente honrados de que Tú desees nuestra compañía. Por eso, te recibimos con el corazón abierto y aceptamos la tierna y poderosa acción de tu amor para nuestra salvación."

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YOUNG ADULTS

C†YA for Supper – Thursday, September 25 – 7pm - Sette Osteria (1666 Connecticut Avenue / Dupont Circle) – All young adults, friends, coworkers, and fellow foodies are invited to enjoy traditional Italian dishes together at Sette Osteria in Dupont Circle. RSVP at <http://goo.gl/5fdBQk> by September 22. Contact: Sean at jsm243@gmail.com



Inter-parish Kickball Tournament – Saturday, September 27 – 1pm – National Mall (23rd & Constitution / Foggy Bottom) – The Archdiocesan-wide young adult kickball tournament returns. Join us for a day of fellowship and friendly competition. Lunch will be served. To play on St. Matthew's team or if you have questions, email stmattsyam@gmail.com.

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Stop Modern Slavery Walkfest

A walk uniting the movement
to end human trafficking

Saturday, October 4, 2014

Proceeds will go to
10 locally based anti-trafficking organizations

About the Respect Life Ministry

The Cathedral of St Matthew the Apostle's Respect Life Ministry provides the parishioners, visitors and residents of Washington, DC with educational outreach, prayer, pastoral care and other activities to witness and promote the dignity of all human life at every stage and condition.

To get involved, please contact Justin Silvers at
stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com.

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**Caminata para Poner al Alto la
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Una caminata que une el movimiento
contra el tráfico humano

Sábado 4 de octubre del 2014

Los fondos beneficiarán a **10 organizaciones
locales que trabajan contra el tráfico humano.**

Sobre el Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida

El Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida de la Catedral de San Mateo el Apóstol ofrece a los feligreses, visitantes y residentes de Washington, DC con información educacional, oración, cuidado pastoral y otras actividades para testiguar y promover la dignidad de toda vida humana en cada etapa y condición.

Para involucrarse, por favor póngase en contacto con Justin Silvers al stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com o llame a la rectoría (202) 347-3215.

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11:30 AM

Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle

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Principal Celebrant & Homilist

HIS EMINENCE

DONALD CARDINAL WUERL, *Archbishop of Washington*

Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson, *Rector*

The Archdiocese's Department of Special Needs Ministries will host this annual liturgy, which honors the gifts of all persons who are Deaf, persons with disabilities or those with mental health challenges. This Mass has the color designation of white, because through their baptism, all Catholics become members of the Body of Christ and are equal in dignity in the sight of God.

Guests are encouraged to wear white
as a sign of their baptismal introduction into the Church.
The liturgy will be ASL Interpreted, Wheelchair Accessible,
Low Gluten Hosts Available on Request

Metro: Farragut North/Red Line

Parking available on the street and in the Cathedral garage (\$5/car)
Ample parking available at Colonial Garage across the street from the Cathedral (\$10 per car)

For more information, contact the Department of Special Needs Ministries
at **301-853-4560** or **specialneedsministry@adw.org**

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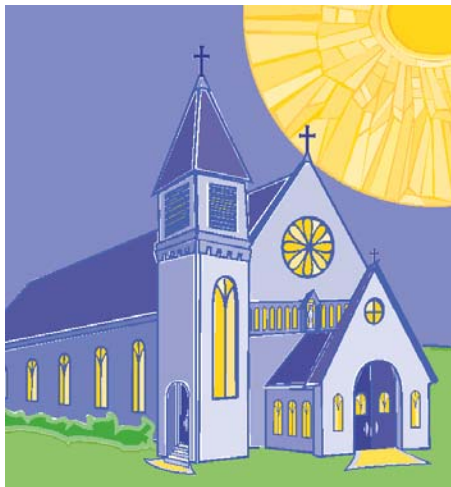
Sign up using the enrollment form on the other side or go online to www.faithdirect.net and use our parish code **DC284** to enroll today!

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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 #: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Name as I/we would like it to appear on Offertory Cards: _____

I do not wish to receive Offertory Cards to place in the collection basket as a sign of my electronic giving.

If you choose to enroll by mail, you can contact Faith Direct at 1-866-507-8757 {toll-free} to set up online access to your account.

For Bank Account Debit: Please return this completed form and a voided check to Faith Direct Enrollment.

For Credit/Debit Card: Please complete the following... VISA MasterCard American Express Discover

Credit/Debit Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

If you have any questions about the Faith Direct program, please contact us at 1-866-507-8757 {toll free} or info@faithdirect.net.