

TODAY'S READINGS

Cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. (Matthew 22:13)

How crowded is heaven? How about hell? Theologians have debated this question for centuries. Some have taught that everyone (or almost everyone) will get to heaven. Others have argued that only a few will be saved. Who is right?

No one really knows. Whatever the answer is, today's Gospel reading makes one thing clear: heaven isn't a matter of who is worthy or unworthy. It's a matter of who accepts God's invitation and who rejects it.

Throughout the Gospels, we see Jesus using exaggeration to make his point. He doesn't really want us to cut off our hands or pluck out our eyes (Matthew 5:29-30). He is doing a similar thing in today's passage by telling such an extreme story. But there is always a point to these exaggerations: we will all face a final judgment, and it's risky to remain indifferent or to treat his invitation lightly.

Where do you stand? Have you done your own risk-reward analysis? Take some time today to think about it. Whether you believe heaven is for the few or the many, the risk of being kept away from it is too great to ignore.

The good news is that none of us has to take that risk! God didn't mean for it to be hard for us to accept his invitation to eternal life. He hasn't set out a daunting obstacle course for us to master before he will admit us to heaven. All he wants us to do is to believe that Jesus has saved us and to try our best to follow him.

So when you wake up every day, tell the Lord, "Jesus, I believe you are my Savior and Lord. I accept your invitation. I don't want anything to keep me away from you today." And every evening before you go to sleep, tell him, "Lord, I'm sorry for the ways I failed you. Give me your grace to do better tomorrow." It's that simple.

"Jesus, I accept your invitation. I want to be with you both now and forever."

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 12	Is 25:6-10 / Phil 4:12-14,19-20 / Mt 22:1-14
Monday 13	Gal 4:22-24,26-27,31—5:1 / Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday 14	Gal 5:1-6 / Lk 11:37-41
<i>St. Callistus I</i>	
Wednesday 15	Gal 5:18-25 / Lk 11:42-46
<i>St. Teresa of Jesus</i>	
Thursday 16	Eph 1:1-10 / Lk 11:47-54
<i>St. Hedwig / St. Margaret Mary Alacoque</i>	
Friday 17	Eph 1:11-14 / Lk 12:1-7
<i>St. Ignatius of Antioch</i>	
Saturday 18	2 Tm 4:10-17 / Lk 10:1-9
<i>St. Luke</i>	
Sunday 19	Is 45:1,4-6 / 1 Thes 1:1-5 / Mt 22:15-21

PARISH CALENDAR

October 12 - 19

Sunday 12—Hispanic Heritage receptions are held in the North Conference Room after the 8:30am, 10am, 11:30am & 1pm Masses.



Las clases de Catequesis,

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

The Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming is held at the 11:30am Mass.

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

Monday 13—Columbus Day, a federal holiday. Masses are at 8am and 12:10pm with no Confessions. The parish offices are closed.

Tuesday 14—The Faith Formation Committee meets at 6:45pm in the North Conference Room.

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

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

Wednesday 5—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Rm.

Thursday 16—Legión de María se reúne a las 6:30 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Este.

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

Saturday 18—The Collinsville (IL) Chorale sings at the 5:30pm Mass.

Sunday 19—A second collection for World Missions/Propagation of the Faith is taken at all Masses.

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

The fall dinner for our homeless neighbors is held at 3pm.

"Mary's gaze!" – October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Pope Francis tells us that we are to contemplate the mysteries of the Holy Rosary "simply and lovingly," gazing at Jesus as Mary did "at all the moments of his life—joyful, luminous, sorrowful, glorious." (Pope Francis, October 12, 2013)."

FAITH IN ACTION

Fall Feast for the Homeless – The Social Justice & Community Services Committee will host a dinner for our homeless friends on Sunday, **October 19** at 3pm. Contact Paulin Leonida at 703-717-9704 or lmapaulina@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!

Just Faith Program – Do you want to transform your community through love and service—and be willing to change in the process? Do you want to explore the preferential option for the poor and vulnerable with your fellow parishioners? If so, then the Social Justice & Community Services ministry invites you to participate in Just Faith. Just Faith focuses on the Gospel's call to compassion, justice, and peace in a world scarred by the domestic and global crisis of poverty. Meeting weekly for 24 sessions, small groups of parishioners will explore the challenges of following Jesus through readings, prayer, and community engagement. We will meet on Sundays at 6:30pm in the West Conference Room, beginning **October 26**. For more information, please email Franz Kuo and Tyler Martin at stmattsadvocacy@gmail.com.

Support Seminarians – 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, including from St. Matthew's, will team up to Run for Vocations in the **October 26** Marine Corps Marathon/10K. Are you interested in running or offering a donation in support of the St. Matthew's Team? Email Justin Silvers at just1justin@yahoo.com.

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!

NEWS AND NOTES

Greetings! – Greetings, I am Theresa Prymuszewski, the Director of Faith Formation at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle. I look forward to getting to know you, our parish family, and all who visit our Cathedral parish. You are welcome to reach me by phone at 202-587-5139 or by email at tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org. I look forward to hearing from you!

Follow Msgr. Jameson on Twitter! – Msgr. Jameson is tweeting at msgrjameson. Follow him for news and events, spiritual guidance and facts about St. Matthew's and environs. Later this year, look for a bulletin quiz based on his tweets. The first five people to email the correct answers will win a Starbucks card and a public nod from Msgr.! Stay tuned.

Parish Council Elections – Are you interested in getting more involved in the life of the parish? Consider serving on the Parish Pastoral Council, which advises and assists Msgr. Jameson on parish ministries, programs and other activities. The Council is composed of 18 voting members who participate in strategic planning as well as the hands-on work of the parish. Whether you are a longstanding or new member of our parish, council service is a great way to participate in and shape the life of our parish community. To be considered, send an email to stmatthewsppc@gmail.com, providing your contact information and telling us something about yourself (e.g., years of being Catholic, your spiritual journey, what you do for a living, current/past ministry involvement for St. Matthew's or another parish, etc...) For more information, visit www.stmatthewscathedral.org/about/parishcouncil.

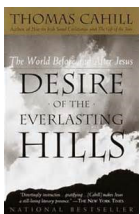
Organ Recital by Paul Hardy at Franciscan Monastery – Cathedral organist Paul Hardy will present music of Buxtehude, Bach and Bridge as part of the *Music at the Monastery* series at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land (1400 Quincy Street, NE) today, Sunday, **October 12** at 4pm. All are welcome.

Always God's Children – Always God's Children, the Cathedral parish's ministry to gay and lesbian Catholics and their families and friends, meets this afternoon Sunday, **October 12** at 3:30pm in the West Conference Room.

FAITH FORMATION

RCIA Rite of Acceptance and Welcoming – Today Sunday, **October 12**, at the 11:30am Mass, we celebrate the Rite of Acceptance and Welcoming with several women and men who have been discerning joining the Catholic Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Those who are unbaptized will enter into the Order of Catechumens in the Rite of Acceptance. Baptized Christians seeking to join the Church and receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist and baptized Catholics seeking to complete their sacramental initiation will be acknowledged in the Rite of Welcoming. In both rites, participants will publicly state their intention to grow in faith and learn more about the Catholic way of life. In turn, the Church, through the assembly gathered, pledges its prayers and support for the catechumens and candidates throughout the RCIA journey.

Breaking Open the Word, An Informal Scripture Discussion – Next Sunday we will hear in the second reading, "For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the holy Spirit" (1 Ths. 1:5). Join us on Wednesday, **October 15** at 7pm in the West Conference Room to share how this and the other readings for next Sunday lead us to awareness of the Spirit working in our lives. Copies of the readings will be provided. Contact: Nathan at ntkrieg@gmail.com.



Book Club – Join St. Matthew's Book Club on Thursday, **October 30** in the West Conference Room, 6:45 to 8pm, to discuss the national bestseller, *Desire of the Everlasting Hills: The World Before and After Jesus*, by Thomas Cahill. This unique background on the life of Jesus has been

described as Cahill's "most compelling historical narrative yet." The well-known author has been described as a "marvelous storyteller who makes Jesus and those who wrote about him very much alive."

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 contact Theresa Prymuszewski at 202-587-5139 or tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org.

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 contact Theresa Prymuszewski at 202-587-5139 or tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org.

UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS

Visiting Choir – The Collinsville (IL) Chorale, under the direction of Andy Waggoner, will provide choral accompaniment to the 5:30pm Mass on Saturday **October 18**. This St. Louis, MO area-based ensemble will sing a selection of gospel music and spirituals as an extended prelude, as well as within the Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration – All are invited to the parish's monthly Eucharistic Holy Hour on Monday, **October 20** from 6 to 7pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during the hour. Deacon James Garcia will preside and give a short reflection.

Blessing of Engaged Couples – On Sunday, **November 16**, Msgr. Jameson and other St. Matthew's clergy will confer a blessing of engaged couples at the 11:30am Mass. All engaged couples are invited to receive the blessing. After the homily, the couples present will be invited into the sanctuary for the blessing, and will return to their seats afterward. Couples who plan to attend are asked to please notify us by sending an email to Reply@stmatthewscathedral.org.

LECTURAS DE HOY

¿Qué significa prepararse para la fiesta de bodas que habrá al final de los tiempos? ¿Qué tipo de “traje” hemos de llevar para el banquete de bodas del Cordero de Dios?

Antes que nada, tenemos que responder positivamente a la invitación de Jesús. No te equivoques, querido hermano: Tu Padre celestial te ama sin medida y quiere que tú seas su invitado especial en el banquete final. Dios anhela que todos se salven y lleguen al conocimiento salvífico de su Hijo (1 Timoteo 2,4). Cuando el Espíritu Santo se mueva en tu corazón, especialmente al comienzo de tu caminar con Cristo, ¡dale la bienvenida! No permitas que ninguna distracción ni atractivo del mundo te impida responder a la gracia de la llamada de Dios. Deja de lado cualquier cosa que te desvíe la atención y entra en el banquete de inmediato.

Segundo, cerciérate de estar bien preparado para la ocasión. No seas como el hombre que respondió a la invitación, pero no llevaba la vestimenta debida, es decir, no se dedicó a seguir fielmente a Jesús día tras día. Mantente revestido de la sangre del Cordero. Acércate a Cristo cada día en la oración y en la meditación de su palabra. En tu oración diaria pídele al Espíritu Santo que te ayude a examinar tus pensamientos y acciones. Cuídate de no ser sólo oidor de la Palabra de Dios, sino hacedor también (Santiago 1,22).

El Espíritu Santo te está esperando todos los días para llenarte de su amor y su gracia hasta el día final, cuando tomes tu lugar en la mesa del banquete con Jesús. Cada día, el Padre te está invitando a integrarte al banquete de bodas de su Hijo. Ahora mismo, ya hay santos que están con él en el agasajo, y allí hay un lugar especial reservado para ti. ¡Qué espléndido festín va a ser ése! Ese día, verás al Señor tal como es y estarás con él para siempre compartiendo su gloria. ¡Responde ahora mismo! Y no te olvides de ir vestido adecuadamente.

“Señor, Espíritu Santo, haznos puros e irreprochables delante de Dios. Ayúdanos, Señor, a estar bien preparados para el banquete.”

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo 12	Is 25:6-10 / Fil 4:12-14,19-20 / Mt 22:1-14
Lunes 13	Gá 4:22-24,26-27,31—5:1 / Lc 11:29-32
Martes 14	Gá 5:1-6 / Lc 11:37-41
<i>San Calixto I</i>	
Miércoles 15	Gá 5:18-25 / Lc 11:42-46
<i>Santa Teresa de Jesús</i>	
Jueves 16	Ef 1:1-10 / Lc 11:47-54
<i>Santa Eduvigis & Santa Margarita María Alcoque</i>	
Viernes 17	Ef 1:11-14 / Lc 12:1-7
<i>San Ignacio de Antioquía</i>	
Sábado 18	2 Tim 4:10-17 / Lc 10:1-9
<i>San Lucas</i>	
Domingo 19	Is 45:1,4-6 / 1 Tes 1:1-5 / Mt 22:15-21

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Celebremos Nuestra Herencia Hispana – El padre Rafael Barbieri y el comité Hispano de la Catedral de San Mateo, les invita cordialmente a la celebración de nuestra Herencia Hispana, el **domingo 12 de octubre**. Tendremos comida típica, música y algunos bailes culturales, después de las misas de 8:30, 10 y 11:30 de la mañana y la de 1 de la tarde.

Día de Cristóbal Colón – Este lunes **13 de octubre**. La Catedral abrirá a las 7:30 de la mañana y cerrará a la 1:00 de la tarde. Las misas serán a las 8:00 y 12:10 del mediodía. No habrá confesiones ese día. La rectoría estará cerrada.

Cena de otoño para personas sin hogar – El comité de Justicia Social y Servicio Comunitario está auspiciando una cena para nuestros amigos sin hogar, el **domingo 19 de octubre**, a las 3 de la tarde. Si desea ayudar en diferentes aspectos de la cena, puede llamar a Paulin Leonida al 703-717-9704 o imapaulina@gmail.com. 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 cada seis meses, son de gran éxito gracias a ¡USTEDES! Esperamos oír de ustedes.

Siga a Monseñor Jameson! – Monseñor Jameson ahora está en Twitter en [msgrjameson](https://twitter.com/msgrjameson). Sígalos para noticias, eventos, guía espiritual, y también hechos históricos acerca de San Mateo y sus alrededores. Busque en el boletín en unos pocos meses, un concurso basado en sus tweets. Las primeras cinco personas, que manden un correo electrónico con las respuestas correctas, ganará una tarjeta de Starbucks y serán premiados por Monseñor públicamente. ¡Mantente atento!

MÁS NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

¡Saludos!– *Saludos, soy Theresa Prymuszewski la Directora de Formación en la Fe de la Catedral de San Mateo Apóstol. Estoy deseando conocer a nuestra familia parroquial y todos los que visitan nuestra Catedral. Me pueden llamar al 202-587-5139 o por correo electrónico: tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org. ¡Espero oír de ustedes!*

Formación de Fe – Grupo de Oración – El grupo de Oración continúa con los temas de Formación en la Fe, durante el grupo de oración, los martes a las 7 de la tarde. Estos temas empiezan después del rosario a las 7:30 de la tarde. El tema para el **21 de octubre** será: La Comunidad Humana: La persona y la sociedad. William Pineda será el invitado especial.

Apoye a 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 la cual se llevará a cabo este mes, el **26 de octubre**. ¿Está interesado en correr con el equipo de San Mateo o apoyarlo con donaciones mone-tarias? Mande un mensaje a Justin Silvers a just1justin@yahoo.com o llame a la rectoría.

YOUNG ADULTS

C†YA at the Northwest Center – Monthly on the 2nd Tuesday (next: October 14) – 6 to 8pm – Northwest Center - (2702 Ontario Road NW / Columbia Heights) – The Center provides support and comprehensive care that enables women to deliver and care for healthy babies. Each month we assist with odd jobs. Come once or come every month! Contact: Natalie Committee at natalie.committee@gmail.com

C†YA for a Discussion: Who Is God? – Monthly on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays (next: October 16) – 7 to 8:30pm – North Conference Room – Join us as we seek fresh answers to the most fundamental question: Who is God? On the first Thursday of the month, we meet at a restaurant for a discussion over drinks, and on the third Thursday, at the Cathedral to discuss how a work of art illuminates the mystery at hand. Contact: Mike at m.oween810@gmail.com

C†YA for Supper- Thursday, October 23 – 7pm – Scion Restaurant (2100 P Street NW / Dupont Circle) – All young adults, friends, and fellow foodies are welcome to join us for one of our monthly suppers! This month we'll dine at the neighborhood favorite, Scion. RSVP at <http://goo.gl/5fdBQk> by Monday, October 20. Contact: Erin at ecurran7@gmail.com

Annual Young Adult Mass with Cardinal Wuerl - Sunday, October 26 – 3pm – St. Matthew's Cathedral – Young Adults (college-aged through 30s) across the Archdiocese are invited to our Young Adult Mass with Cardinal Wuerl. After Mass, join us for an after-party at Buffalo Billiards Bar (3 blocks away) with a FREE concert with Marie Miller! (Valid 21+ ID required). Register at DCCatholic.eventbrite.com.

Volunteer Cantor Auditions – Confident singers with the experience and skill to lead the assembly's song at the 5:30pm Saturday vigil or 8:30am Sunday Masses are encouraged to contact Tom Stehle at tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org to discuss the possibility of an audition leading to training as a cantor. Prior experience as a cantor is helpful but not required.

MASS INTENTIONS

October 12 – 19

Sunday, October 12

7am – Marie Ribuul
8:30am – All Parishioners
10am – Mariam Argueta Sanchez
11:30am – Special Intention
1pm – Modesta Castro
5:30pm – Dos-Santos

Monday, October 13

8am – Paul Duval
12:10pm – Grace Calis

Tuesday, October 14

7am – Victor
8am – Edmund F. Smith
12:10pm – Elaine Boylan
5:30pm – Martiniana Fulgueras

Wednesday, October 15

7am – Donna Stoyas (living)
8am – Mae Le (living)
12:10pm – Elaine Collins
5:30 – Henriette Dharmajara (living)

Thursday, October 16

7am – Alfonso & Ana de Araque (living)
8am – Pureza de Jesus
12:10pm – Ronald Steffenser
5:30pm – Clarrissa Harrington

Friday, October 17

7am – Terry Bork (living)
12:10pm – Ethan Alperstein
5:30pm – Jimmy Dacanay

Saturday, October 18

5:30pm – Movement of Schoenstatt

Sunday, October 19

7am – Annmarie Spence (living)
8:30am – Raymond W. Carpenter
10am – All Parishioners
11:30am – Steven Pulman
1pm – Carolina Urribarri
5:30pm – Leo A. Lapuz



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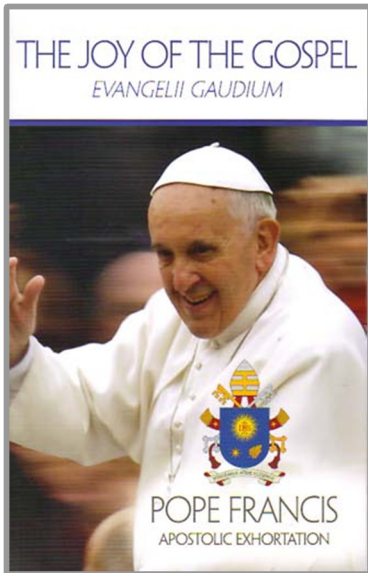
Fall Lecture Series *Evangelii Gaudium* *The Joy of the Gospel*

The Joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness, and loneliness. With Christ, joy is constantly born anew. In this Exhortation, Pope Francis encourages us to embark upon a new chapter of evangelization marked by this joy, while pointing out new paths for the Church’s journey in years to come.

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THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL: LIVING AS MISSIONARY DISCIPLES IN TODAY’S WORLD

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Tuesday, OCTOBER 21

How can we know Jesus better and share his message?

Rev. Drew Christiansen, S.J. (Society of Jesus, Jesuit)

Tuesday, OCTOBER 28

How can we be evangelizers in the Church and care for the poor?

Rev. Frank De Siano, C.S.P. (Community of St. Paul)

Tuesday, NOVEMBER 4

How can we enliven our own missionary zeal as individuals and as a parish?

Very Rev. James J. Greenfield, O.S.F.S. (Oblates of St. Francis de Sales)

All lectures will be given at 7PM in the North Conference Room.

Lectures are free and open to the public. Join us for any or all. No RSVP necessary. Questions? Email Tricia Schmitt at Tricia.schmittdc@gmail.com, or contact Theresa Prymuszewski at 202-587-5139 or tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org.

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Principal Celebrant & Homilist

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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,
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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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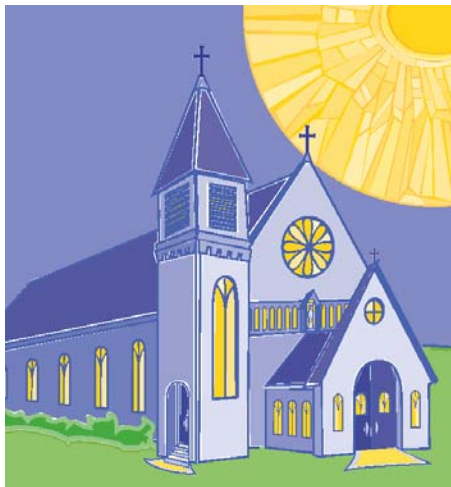
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How does Faith Direct work?

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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?

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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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"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: _____

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Credit/Debit Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

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