

TODAY'S READINGS

If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate. (Exodus 22:26)

Do you have children? If so, you've probably thought about what you would do if one of them fell on hard times. Maybe you've found yourself in this position already! You'd do everything you could to help, wouldn't you? Even if the hardship is your child's own doing, you would still want to bend over backwards to help out.

That's the message behind today's first reading and Gospel reading. They both tell us that every human being is a member of God's family. We are all beloved of our Father, and we are all brothers and sisters to each other. It doesn't matter whether we are well behaved or "black sheep" of his family. He loves us deeply and longs to care for us, simply because we are his. This is why he has a special love for the poor. It breaks his heart to see these children of his go without the basic necessities of food, clothing, and shelter.

Jesus tells us that the two greatest commandments are to love God with all our hearts and to love one another as ourselves. These are very challenging commands, precisely because they are so encompassing. He didn't say, "Love God when it's convenient" or "Love only the people who agree with you." No, we are all one family: rich or poor, old or young, educated or illiterate, Christian, Muslim, Jewish, or atheist. Whoever we are, whatever we did or didn't do, even whether or not we believe in God, everyone deserves to be treated with equal dignity. Everyone deserves to be cared for and lifted up out of any poverty that holds them bound.

Jesus didn't discriminate in his offer of healing and restoration. Like the farmer who sowed his seeds on all types of soil, he wants us to do the same.

"Jesus, I praise you for your generosity. Give me the same concern for the poor and needy around me. Lord, help me to open my heart and my hands to them!"

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 26 Ex 22:20-26 / 1 Thes 1:5-10 / Mt 22:34-40

Monday 27 Eph 4:32—5:8 / Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday 28 Eph 2:19-22 / Lk 6:12-16

St. Simon & St. Jude

Wednesday 29 Eph 6:1-9 / Lk 13:22-30

Thursday 30 Eph 6:10-20 / Lk 13:31-35

Friday 31 Phi 1:1-11 / Lk 14:1-6

Saturday 1 Rev 7:2-4,9-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-3 / Mt 5:1-12

All Saints

Sunday 2 Wis 3:1-9 / Rom 5:5-11 / Jn 6:37-40

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

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!

YOUNG ADULTS

DCCatholic Fall Theology on Tap: "Things to Know by 30" – Tuesdays, November 4 to December 9 – 6 to 7pm (happy hour) / 7 to 8pm (talk) – Buffalo Billiards 1330 19th Street NW / Dupont Circle

C†YA for a Discussion: Who Is God? – First Thursday of the month (next: November 6) – 7pm – Uptown Tap House (3412 Connecticut Avenue, NW / Cleveland Park) – 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. You don't need an art history or theology degree to attend, but if you want to learn more about the creed we say every week at Mass and how its words apply in many aspects of our lives, consider attending one of these fun and thought-provoking get-togethers. Contact: Mike at m.oween810@gmail.com

C†YA at Mass - Sundays – 5:30pm – Cathedral (meet in section by the choir) – Don't sit alone at Mass! Instead, celebrate with other young adult parishioners. Join us in the first few rows on the right of the nave, in front of the pulpit near the choir – look for the "reserved" signs on the pews – then meet everyone after Mass! Contact: stmattsyam@gmail.com

Stay up to date with all of the Cathedral Young Adult events—check out www.stmatthewscathedral.org/cya, and join our listserv. To learn more, email stmattsyam@gmail.com.

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 2. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before bedtime on Saturday, November 1.

NEWS AND NOTES

World Priest Day – Today is World Priest Day, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter in conjunction with the Serra Club's Priesthood Sunday. Let us pray for all priests, especially those who serve us here at St. Matthew's!

Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask your blessing on our brothers whom you have called to the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Lord Jesus, we ask that you support them with your presence and fill them with grace to serve you faithfully. Gracious Spirit, unite us in service with those whom you have called. Open our hearts to encourage our brothers and sons to pursue your calling, and open their hearts to hear your call to this most Holy Sacrament. Amen.

Thank You – Fr. Rafael Barbieri, Msgr. Ronald Jameson and the members of the Hispanic Committee wish to thank everyone who attended or otherwise supported the parish Hispanic Heritage celebration. It was a great success! ¡Muchas gracias!

Retired Priest Collection – On Sunday, **November 2**, our second collection will be for the Retired Priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. Please use the second collection envelopes that were mailed to you or the special envelopes in the pews. Our monthly second collection for Church Improvements will be taken on **November 9**.

November Remembrance – Next month we remember our deceased loved ones in a special way. In the pews are donation envelopes on which you may write the names of deceased relatives and friends. These can be given to the sacristan or placed in the collection basket. Your loved ones will be remembered at Mass each day of the month. The envelopes will be placed on the altar in the Wedding Chapel.

SPECIAL LITURGIES & EVENTS

Ministry Fair and PPC Elections on Hospitality Sunday – All are invited to our annual Ministry Fair next Sunday, **November 2** in the North Conference Room after each Mass, when we will celebrate and educate parishioners and friends on the ministries and activities of the parish. Come and enjoy refreshments courtesy of the Hospitality Committee, learn about the good work being done at St. Matthew's, and find ways to use your particular talents to get involved! While you're there, **cast your vote in the Parish Pastoral Council election (see the slate of candidates in this bulletin).**

All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day – On Saturday, **November 1**, we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints (not



a Holy Day of Obligation this year). **Cardinal Wuerl** will celebrate the 12:10pm Mass on All Saints' Day. On All Souls' Day, Sunday, **November 2**, **Cardinal Gerhard Muller**, Prefect for the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, will celebrate the 11:30am Mass.

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 will be invited into the sanctuary for the blessing and will return to their seats afterward. Couples who plan to attend are asked to send an email to Reply@stmatthewscathedral.org.

PARISH CALENDAR October 26 – November 2

Sunday 26—Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.

Cardinal Wuerl celebrates the White Mass at 11:30am and a Young Adult Mass at 3pm.

Monday 27—The Social Justice & Community Services Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.

Tuesday 28—The second lecture of the Fall series is given at 7pm in the North Conference Room. El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

Wednesday 29—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Rm.

Thursday 30—Legión de María se reúne a las 6:30 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Este. The Book Club meets in the East Conference Room at 6:45pm.

Saturday 1—All Saints' Day Fr. Hurley's Bible study is held at 10:30am in the East Conference Room.

Cardinal Wuerl celebrates the 12:10pm Mass (no First Saturday devotions).

The Vigil Mass for **All Souls' Day** is celebrated at 5:30pm.

Sunday 2—All Souls' Day A second collection for Archdiocesan Priests' Retirement is taken at all Masses. Hospitality receptions, the Ministry Fair and Parish Pastoral Council elections are held in the North Conference Room following all Masses except the 7am Mass. Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.

Cardinal Gerhard Muller celebrates the 11:30am Mass. A Concert of Remembrance is given at 7:30pm in the Cathedral.

FAITH FORMATION

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL
EVANGELII GAUDIUM



Fall Lecture Series – Join us for our Fall lecture series, *The Joy of the Gospel: Living as Missionary Disciples in Today's World*. The Joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Pope Francis in *Evangelii Gaudium* 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. Lectures will be given at 7pm in the North Conference Room and are free and open to the public.

October 28: *How Can We Be Evangelizers in the Church and Care for the Poor?*

Rev. Frank De Siano, CSP

November 4: *How Can We Enliven our Own Missionary Zeal as Individuals and as a Parish?*

Very Rev. James J. Greenfield, OSFS

Breaking Open the Word, An Informal Scripture Discussion – Next Sunday we will hear in the second reading, "But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8) Join us Wednesday, **October 29** at 7pm in the West Conference Room to share how this and the other readings for next Sunday help us to become more aware of God's love for us in our daily 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."

Bible Study on the Book of Revelation – The first session of Fr. Hurley's Bible study on the Book of Revelation will be held Saturday, **November 1** from 10:30 to 11:45am in the East Conference Room. This session will focus on the Introduction and Seven Letters. Bring a Bible, and consider staying for our 12:10pm Mass afterward.

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 men and women are going forward in the RCIA process, and sponsors are still needed. To learn more, contact Theresa Prymuszewski at 202-587-5139 or tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org.

FAITH IN ACTION

Lunchmakers Needed – Our Homeless Ministry needs volunteers to provide bagged lunches for the guests of our Monday morning program. Each volunteer prepares 15 lunches and delivers them to the Cathedral on Sunday or Monday morning to be distributed as a take-away meal. To help monthly, every other month, or as a one-time service, please contact Thomas Lynch at tlynch@ironpointpartners.com.

Sponsors Needed for Christmas Gift Drive – Last year through our Christmas Adopt-A-Family program we provided gifts for 56 families in our community, 80 guests from our Homeless Ministry, and four homes of the L'Arche Community, which serves adults with intellectual disabilities. With your help we can repeat that success! If your company, group of friends, or family is interested in sponsoring a family in need, please contact Fr. Rafael or Norma Canedo at 202-347-3215 or socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org.

SOME Trot for Hunger – A St. Matthew's team will start Thanksgiving Day by raising funds for So Others Might Eat (SOME) in the 13th annual Trot for Hunger! SOME provides food, clothing, medical and mental health services, job training and affordable housing for the homeless and poor. Visit www.some.org and register for "Cathedral of St. Matthew." When: **November 27**, 9am - 5k walk/run, 8:30am - kids' fun run. Where: Freedom Plaza (PA Ave. & 14th St. NW) Registration: \$30 - timed run, \$25 - untimed run (through October 27). Additional donations are appreciated to reach our goal of \$750! Team leader Leah Rochelle will contact registrants with race details by November 25. Join us for the 10am Mass after the race! Contact: Leah at lsrochelle@gmail.com

Volunteering at Catholic Charities – Find out about opportunities to volunteer one evening a week from November through April at one of Catholic Charities' emergency shelters. Visit www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/Become-a-Volunteer or email volunteer@CatholicCharitiesdc.org.

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Agradecimiento – El padre Rafael, Monseñor Jameson, y los miembros del comité hispano, quieren agradecer a todas las personas que contribuyeron con comidas típicas, tiempo y contribución de dinero y también prestando sus artículos de diferentes países para exhibirlos en la fiesta de la Herencia Hispana, para que fuese un gran éxito. ¡Muchas gracias a los padres del Catecismo por su gran apoyo! Bendiciones *Padre Rafael y Monseñor Jameson.*



Felicidades en el Día Mundial del Sacerdocio – Hoy **26 de Octubre** se celebra el Día Mundial del Sacerdocio, patrocinado por la organización, Encuentro Matrimonial en unión con el Club Serra. Este es un día para las familias celebrar y honrar a sus sacerdotes y una oportunidad para los feligreses el agradecer, confirmar y compartir su cariño y apoyo a todos nuestros sacerdotes.

Día de Todos los Santos y Día de Todas las Almas – El sábado, **1 de noviembre**, celebramos la Solemnidad de Todos los Santos, el **Cardenal Wuerl** celebrará la misa de 12:10 del mediodía. En el día de Todas las Almas, el domingo, **2 de noviembre**, **Cardenal Gerhard Muller**, Prefecto de la Congregación para la Doctrina de la Fe, celebrará la misa de 11:30 de la mañana.

Cambio de Hora – El próximo domingo **2 de noviembre**, es el día que se cambia la hora, recuerde de cambiar una hora hacia atrás la noche anterior o sea el sábado **1 de noviembre**.

Sobres para las Ánimas – Los católicos, recordamos a nuestros seres difuntos de una forma especial en el mes de noviembre. Cada día durante el mes de noviembre se ofrecerá una misa especial por todos los difuntos. Sobres especiales para poner los nombres de sus seres queridos para que sean recordados en nuestra misa especial durante el mes de noviembre, los encontrarán en los bancos de la Catedral. Estos sobres se pondrán en el altar de la Capilla Nupcial.

Primer Sábado – El sábado, **1 de noviembre**, no habrá las devociones a la Virgen después de la misa.

Colecta para los Sacerdote Retirado – El domingo, **2 de noviembre** la segunda colecta será para los sacerdotes retirados de la Arquidiócesis de Washington. Por favor utilice los sobres de la segunda colecta que fueron enviados a usted, o utilice los sobres especiales en los bancos. Nuestra segunda colecta mensual para las mejoras de la iglesia será el **9 de noviembre**.

Se necesitan voluntarios para preparar almuerzos para el Ministerio de Personas Sin Hogar – Se buscan voluntarios para el Ministerio para las Personas Sin Hogar que puedan proveer almuerzos para nuestros invitados que vienen cada lunes para desayuno, una bolsa de almuerzo, una discusión sobre el Evangelio y otros servicios. Cada voluntario prepara 15 bolsas de almuerzo en su hogar y los trae a la catedral el domingo o lunes por la mañana para que sean distribuidos a nuestros invitados para que puedan comerlo más tarde en el día. Si pueden proveer almuerzos cada mes, cada dos meses o solo una vez, por favor mande un mensaje a Thomas Lynch al tlynch@ironpointpartners.com o llame a la rectoría.

Programa Navideño de Adopte-Una-Familia – La Catedral se está preparando para nuestro programa navideño de Adopte-Una-Familia. El año pasado pudimos proveer regalos para 56 familias de la comunidad, 80 invitados de nuestro Ministerio para las Personas Sin Hogar y se recogieron regalos para miembros de los hogares de la Comunidad de L'Arche. Si su compañía, grupo de amigos o familia están interesados en "adoptar" a una familia en necesidad, por favor póngase en contacto con el padre Rafael o Norma Canedo al 202-347-3215 o socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org.

LECTURAS DE HOY

A veces el gran mandamiento de amar a Dios sobre las todas las cosas causa cierto temor, porque pensamos que, para cumplirlo, hay que estar constantemente realizando actos heroicos de virtud y perfección, y sabemos que rara vez somos capaces de hacer cosas grandes y virtuosas. Pero, en realidad, esta forma de pensar impide experimentar el verdadero sentido del gran mandamiento de Cristo.

La vida con Dios es principalmente un constante diálogo de amor. Por ejemplo, la Escritura dice que Moisés era amigo de Dios (Éxodo 33, 11). Durante toda su vida, Moisés llegó a tener una gran intimidad con el Señor. Nosotros también debemos acercarnos a Dios como a un amigo, con la seguridad que nos da la fe en la muerte redentora de Cristo y su resurrección. Dios es nuestro amigo; él nos fortalece y nos guía cada vez que lo “visitamos” en la oración, en la meditación bíblica y en la Santa Misa.

Piense en la forma en que usted se relaciona con sus amigos y seres queridos. Usted les demuestra aprecio o cariño, les pide sus opiniones, busca su consejo e incluso les pide disculpas si los llega a desairar. Esta es la manera de tener comunión con el Padre. Como sucede con cualquier amistad que dure muchos años, mientras más tiempo le dediquemos a Dios, más tiempo desearíamos estar en su presencia.

¿Se considera usted feliz? Dele gracias a Dios por todas las bendiciones con que él lo ha favorecido. ¿Tiene obstáculos en la vida? Pídale al Señor que le muestre cómo ha de tratar de resolver cada dificultad. ¿Siente que lo han ofendido? Pídale a Cristo que le enseñe a perdonar a quienes lo hayan perjudicado y a reconciliarse con ellos. ¿Tiene alguna necesidad física o espiritual? Invoque al Médico Divino para que le restaure la salud. ¿Ha cometido algún pecado? ¡Corra a los brazos de su Padre misericordioso en la confesión sacramental y reciba su amor purificador y una vida nueva!

“Padre celestial, enséñame a recibir tu amor incondicional e infinito. Ayúdame a entrar en tu presencia y dialogar contigo. Quiero que seas parte de cada momento de mi vida.”

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo 26	Éx 22:20-26 / 1 Tes 1:5-10 / Mt 22:34-40
Lunes 27	Ef 4:32—5:8 / Lc 13:10-17
Martes 28	Ef 2:19-22 / Lc 6:12-16
<i>San Simón y San Judas</i>	
Miércoles 29	Ef 6:1-9 / Lc 13:22-30
Jueves 30	Ef 6:10-20 / Lc 13:31-35
Viernes 31	Fil 1:1-11 / Lc 14:1-6
Sábado 1	Apoc 7:2-4,9-14 / 1 Jn 3:1-3 / Mt 5:1-12
<i>Todos los Santos</i>	
Domingo 2	Sab 3:1-9 / 1 Cor 15:51-57 / Jn 11:17-27
<i>Conmemoración de todos los fieles difuntos</i>	

MASS INTENTIONS**October 26 – November 2****Sunday, October 26**

5:30pm (October 25 vigil) – Amanda Spence (living)

7am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Rosa Borjas de Urribarri

10am – David M. Barrett

11:30am – Margaret & Paul Kemp (living)

1pm – Alicia Montes de Oca

5:30pm – Fajun He

Monday, October 27

7am – Kym Butler (living)

8am – Isabel Fiestas

12:10pm – Ethel Stolte

5:30pm – Helen & Vincent Sheehy (living)

Tuesday, October 28

8am – Judka & Bolints Demeczky

12:10pm – Venustianus Punsalan

5:30pm – Arminda Aguirre

Wednesday, October 29

7am – June A. Neely

8am – Mai Le (living)

12:10pm – Robert Ronda

5:30pm – Wilhelmina (Billie) Fabrizio

Thursday, October 30

7am – Jose Maria & Ligia Urribarri

8am – Brian A. Governale

12:10pm – Alicia Ortega de Reyes

5:30pm – Laci & Erica Demeczky

Friday, October 31

7am – Jeanne Roemer

12:10pm – Erlinda Carandang

5:30pm – Ronald A. Ahern

Saturday, November 1

8am – Plummer Harrington, Sr.

12:10pm – Mr. Thanh Le

5:30pm – All Souls

Sunday, November 2

7am – All Souls

8:30am – Irinea Vical

10am – Olechowski & Niemira Families

11:30am – Mrs. Nhat-Thahn Vu

1pm – Marcelino & Isabel de Arce

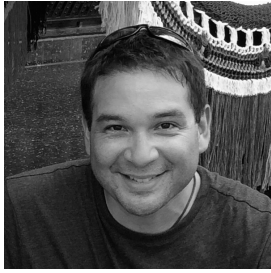
5:30pm – Cookie Harris



CATHEDRAL OF ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE
Parish Pastoral Council Election

SLATE OF CANDIDATES FOR THE 2014 PARISH COUNCIL YEAR

 <p align="center">Susan Aspey</p>	<p>My name is Susan Aspey, and I'm interested in serving on the Parish Pastoral Council as a way of contributing to the church's mission in our parish and the larger Washington, D.C., faith community. I've been a member of St. Matthew's off and on for about 10 years. Since returning to Washington, I've been struck by how the Cathedral embraces the local community and all of the people who call the DuPont Circle area home. I have served the parish both as a lector and helping the Eucharistic ministers. I'm an active supporter of the Consortium of Catholic Academies and recently joined the Catholic Business Network of DC. Having worked for many years on education issues, I'm very eager to support learning opportunities for needy children, particularly those who do not receive any exposure to faith at home.</p>
 <p align="center">Patricia Boehme</p>	<p>Since returning from overseas in 2010, St. Matthew's Cathedral has offered a welcoming spiritual family. In thanksgiving, during the past year on the Social Justice committee I've assisted in the preparation of various protocol manuals and participated in a wide variety of service activities. Tuesday evening prayer and reflection in Spanish has deepened my contemplative life, and involvement in interfaith groups has contributed to building bridges between St. Matthew's and the broader community. Understanding that we are all the hands and feet of Our Lord in our communities, hopefully my continuing efforts to reach out will enhance current relationships within St. Matthew's, and encourage new partnerships among other parishes.</p>
 <p align="center">Claudia Campos</p>	<p>I am the Chief Programs Officer and Mental Health Director at Nueva Vida, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides support to Latino Families whose lives are affected by cancer in the Washington, DC, Baltimore and Richmond metropolitan areas. I am in charge of leading, planning, coordinating, monitoring and evaluating the implementation of all programs and activities in our three offices, including patient navigation, outreach services and survivorship and mental health support, which includes individual counseling, support groups, stress reduction activities, psycho-educational workshops, and national peer-support program. I hold a Masters' degree with Magna Cum Laude distinction in Clinical Psychology and Mental Health and currently am a PhD Candidate of Clinical Psychology and Mental Health. I have experience in managing and facilitating multidisciplinary and multicultural groups at national and international levels in topics like psycho-oncology, sexuality, gender studies, women and empowerment, HIV/AIDS, management of anxiety, pain, depression, Laughter Yoga, and resilience. I strive to enhance the lives of the Latino Families who are in real need of medical and emotional support.</p>
 <p align="center">Kevin Crouch</p>	<p>After 22 years at the Cathedral as a lector, EMC, and weekday parishioner, I would like to become more involved with the place that has brought me so much joy and solace. I have seen many changes during my time at St. Matthew's and I would like to be a part of the next major opportunities on the horizon.</p>
 <p align="center">Dan Evans</p>	<p>St. Matthew's has been my spiritual home since I joined the Church through the RCIA program in the early 1990s. Over the years I have been an altar server, eucharistic minister, ad hoc lector and Christmas/Easter decorator. I am a current member of the Parish Council, and have served on the Social Justice, Faith Formation and Stewardship committees. At the end of November I will retire from the government as a tax lawyer and project manager, and will have plenty of free time to devote to St. Matthew's. I especially look forward to helping with the 175th Anniversary celebration next year.</p>



Wilfredo Gaitán

We have attended Mass at Saint Matthews since we moved to Washington, DC in 2004. Despite moving to Virginia, we continue to go to Mass at Saint Matthews and both our sons have been baptized there and our older one is attending faith formation classes preparing for his first communion. Saint Matthews is located in the middle of the bustling streets of Washington, DC yet it offers the peace and repose in the middle of an urban area. I am privileged to serve as a lector and it further fostered that sense of belonging and community which our family sought and my goal as a member of the council is to continue the outreach to the community and assist with projects and special events to fulfill the mission of the church.



Greg Gross

A life-long Catholic, I have been a formal member of St. Matthew's Parish for the last three years and serve as one of our Lectors. I currently work as a business consultant, after having served for many years in senior executive positions at the Defense Department, the U.S. Senate and the American Red Cross--and at international organizations in Europe before that. I care deeply about our wonderful parish community--and the unique role St. Matthew's plays in the life of the Archdiocese. Our parish community is extraordinarily diverse and rich in spirit--with so many faith activities--and blessed with our beautiful Cathedral. Meeting the unique demands on our parish as the Mother Church of the Archdiocese while ensuring that the spiritual needs of parishioners are met is quite a challenge. If chosen to serve on the Parish Council, I will do everything I can to assist Msgr. Jameson in ensuring that St. Matthew's is a truly welcoming spiritual home for parishioners and visitors alike, and has the resources it needs to serve its many missions.



Claudia Melgar

I joined St. Matthew's Cathedral in May 2014, and I have been an active Catholic member since December 2013. I service monthly as a parish's lector. In addition to my active involvement as a lector I help Sister Virgen Oyente every Sunday in the first communion class of about 10 children. I participated during the St. Matthew's Hispanic Heritage luncheon, and I have also attended the Tuesday evening reflection group for Hispanic Adults at St. Matthew's. I attend on monthly basis Young Adult Professional Women spiritual reflection meetings at the Yuma Study Center in Washington D.C., and I also participate at the L'Arche USA organization, Washington, D.C. helping people with intellectual disabilities.

I currently work at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission as a Contract Specialist. I have held the current position for 4 years. I received a Bachelor's in Business Administration, from the University of Maryland University College. In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with her family and friends, traveling and reading.



Fabiana Perera

Service is very important to me. I try to always look for opportunities to help my community in any way I can. In my seven years living in Washington, DC, I have had the opportunity to serve in a few organizations that help the Hispanic community and organizations that help students. These have been important to me because being a student and being Hispanic are important parts of who I am. In applying to be a member of the parish council at St Matthews I am looking for an opportunity to serve my church community. This is important to be because being Catholic is the most important part of my identity. I am a very energetic, very organized and very positive person. I would love to contribute these qualities to my church.



Sarah Ruskowski

My name is Sarah Ruskowski and I am originally from the Midwest. After graduating from Notre Dame, I moved to DC. For the last three years, I have worked with adults with disabilities with an organization called L'Arche. I am a member of the core team for the Cathedral Young Adults, a lector, and spent a year teaching religious education



Milton Seanz

I began attending the Parish of St. Matthew the Apostle Cathedral in July 2011, participating in the activities of the Hispanic Ministry since March 2012. I am currently serving as Lectors Coordinator and catechist of adults, among other community activities always looking to serve God in the best as possible way through the members of this parish.



Simone Seym

I am a Professor of German, and Performing and Cinematic Arts at UMBC and the Goethe-Institut in Washington, D.C. I am a parishioner at St. Matthew's Cathedral since October 2011, when my husband, Deacon Clayton Nickel, was assigned to the Cathedral. The warmth, the beauty, and the joyful faith of St. Matthew's Cathedral has made it my spiritual home ever since. I serve twice a month as a lector at the 8:30 and 10:00 mass, I help as an EMC and Sponsor for RCIA as needed, and participate in church and social justice activities. As a member of the Parish Pastoral Council, I shall faithfully communicate your voice, thoughts, suggestions, needs and wishes to the Rector of the Cathedral, and contribute to the mission of St. Matthew's.



David and Margy Willis

We are eager to serve as Parish Council Members for St. Matthew's Cathedral, building on our experiences from two previous terms as Parish councils members from our years in Portland, Oregon. We were Parish Council members at St. John Fisher Catholic Church in SW Portland, while our children were in their Catholic elementary school years. Later, we were chosen as members for the Parish Council of St. Mary's Cathedral, where we were active parish members and Eucharistic ministers for over a decade. During those years, our work with those Councils focused on community building, youth engagement, budget management, remodel planning and adult education. Now that we have relocated to Washington, DC, we yearn to bring our best thinking, years of previous experience, new love for St. Matthew's, and a focused determination to address our most urgent Parish challenges that include our budget shortfall, a renewed effort for expanded communication, important community building and the expansion of Catholic social teaching. Together, we will bring our gifts, talents and gratitude to serve you and our collective hopes for our Parish today and into the future.



Daniel Zazueta

I am originally from San Jose, California. I moved to Washington after graduating from law school in 2010. I currently work as a trial attorney for the U.S. Department of Energy. My wife Mattie and I are parishioners at St. Matthew's Cathedral. We prepared for the sacrament of marriage with Fr. Rafael Barbieri prior to our wedding in June. Prior to studying law I was a high school Spanish teacher. Last spring I volunteered to teach Spanish St. Matthew's Spanish as a Second Language class. In my spare time I play with a Mexican folk music group called Los Gallos Negros.

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St. Matthew's Cathedral Adopt-A-Family Program Thanksgiving Drive 2014

The Cathedral's Social Justice and Community Services committee is collecting grocery store gift cards to distribute to families who are in need this Thanksgiving.

We invite all parishioners to donate in two ways:

1) Purchase a **\$25.00 Safeway gift card** and turn in to the volunteers who will be at the main entrance of the Cathedral during every Mass the weekends of **November 1 & 2 and November 8 & 9.**

2) You may also make a **financial contribution** of any amount and drop it in the same baskets those two weekends. Checks are welcome! Please make checks payable to St. Matthew's Cathedral (add "Adopt-A-Family Thanksgiving" on the note line) and place it in the attached envelope. Financial contributions can also be sent directly to the rectory.

We would like to receive donations no later than **November 16** so that the families may receive their gift cards before Thanksgiving. Any donations that we receive above what is needed at this time will be used to provide emergency assistance to families in need throughout the year.

Please be as generous as possible, as there is a great need among many families in our parish community. Thank you very much for your generosity and support!

For more information, please contact Fr. Rafael Barbieri or Norma Canedo at socialjustice@stmatthewscathedral.org or call the rectory at 202-347-3215.

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Mt. 25:40)