

## READINGS FOR JULY 1

“He looked around to see who had done it.” (Mark 5:32)  
Sometimes our prayer life can feel a little like a gumball dispenser. We put a quarter in the slot, turn the handle, and expect a gumball to drop out. If we say our prayers, attend church, or do good works, we may think we automatically receive God’s grace. We put in the time, and God dispenses his grace.

But God wants so much more for us! He wants prayer to be a time when we have a personal encounter with him. Look at today’s story of the hemorrhaging woman. It wasn’t enough that she pushed through the crowds and touched Jesus. He wanted to touch her! He wanted to look into her eyes, listen to her story, and assure her personally that it really was her faith and trust in him that saved her.

In a sense, Jesus was just as persistent as this woman was. It didn’t matter that he was on his way to heal someone’s daughter. He still took the time to reach out to this lonely, desperate woman because she mattered to him just as much as the important, influential Jairus did.

God wants personal contact with us. It’s not enough for him to dispense healing and grace mechanically, as if from afar. He wants to see us, to touch us, and to assure us of his love. We don’t have to lower our expectations or reduce the Christian life to a matter of formulas and contracts. We were made for communion with God—and Jesus longs for communion with us!

So when you pray today, put aside your to-do list and reach out for Jesus. Push through whatever objections may rise up, and grab hold of his robe. Then don’t be surprised to find Jesus turning and looking at you with love. Don’t be surprised when he speaks words of healing, encouragement, and direction. He loves spending time with you!

*“Jesus, I believe that even now, you are looking for me, waiting for the opportunity to speak to me and touch my heart. Here I am, Lord!”*

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## THIS WEEK’S READINGS

**Sunday 1st** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 /  
2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15 / Mk 5:21-43  
**Monday 2nd** Am 2:6-10,13-16 /  
Mt 8:18-22  
**Tuesday 3rd** Eph 2:19-22 /  
St. Thomas Jn 20:24-29  
**Wednesday 4th** Am 5:14-15,21-24 /  
St. Elizabeth of Portugal Mt 8:28-34  
**Thursday 5th** Am 7:10-17 / Mt 9:1-8  
St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria  
**Friday 6th** Am 8:4-6,9-12 / Mt 9:9-13  
St. Maria Goretti  
**Saturday 7th** Am 9:11-15 /  
Mt 9:14-17

## CATHEDRAL CALENDAR July 1 – July 7

**SUNDAY 1**—A second collection for Cathedral maintenance is taken at all Masses.

**MONDAY 2**—The Parish Council meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.

**TUESDAY 3**—El Grupo de Oración en Español se reunirá a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

**WEDNESDAY 4**—Independence Day, a federal holiday. Masses are celebrated at 8am and 12:10pm only and there are no confessions.

**THURSDAY 5**—A screening of the sixth episode of the “Catholicism” series is held at 7pm in the North Conference Room, followed by a discussion.

**FRIDAY 6—First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** is held following the 12:10pm Mass till 5pm.

**SATURDAY 7—First Saturday Devotions** are held after the 12:10pm Mass, followed by Hospitality in the West Conference Room.

**SUNDAY 8**—The Cathedral Club meets at 1pm in the West Conference Room.

## WELCOME!

*If you are a visitor 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!*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, July 1

7:00am - Brandon Shieh (living)  
8:30am - Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ramirez (living)  
10am - Karen Dionne (living)  
11:30am - Madora de Hart Boudreaux  
1pm - Cristobal Fonseca  
5:30pm - Victoria Werbalis

### Monday, July 2

8am - Rosalie P. Gerber  
12:10pm - Dan Smith & Yasmin (living)  
5:30pm - Alicia & Esther Ortega

### Tuesday, July 3

8am - Ivan Urribarri, Jr.  
12:10 - Moises Lopez  
5:30pm - Jacques Delpi

### Wednesday, July 4

8am - Josephine Klug Kuhn  
12:10 - Intention of Fr. Kevin Regan

### Thursday, July 5

8am - Pacita Vitug  
12:10pm - Christiance Lake Sankale

### Friday, July 6

12:10pm - Elaine M. Sapienza

### Saturday, July 7

8am - Antonio Urribarri  
12:10pm - Faud & Leyla Kardosh  
5:30pm - Joseph & Elizabeth Conway

## READINGS FOR JULY 8

“They shall know that a prophet has been among them.” (Ezekiel 2:5)

We tend to think of a “prophet” as someone who forecasts the future. Of course, some Old Testament prophets did know the future. But being a prophet is a much broader call to proclaim the good news of what God has done, and what he is prepared to do. When you look at it that way, it’s clear that we are all called to be prophets.

Does this sound scary to you? Don’t worry. You have the same Spirit who empowered Ezekiel, Isaiah, Elijah, and all the others. You have all you need to become a prophetic voice in your home and community!

A word of caution, however: A prophet speaks God’s word, and that word comes from the Holy Spirit, not just from the prophet’s own thoughts and imaginings. So the best thing we can do is to open our hearts to the Holy Spirit more and more each day. As we learn how to do this, we’ll begin to hear him speaking to our hearts. We will feel him prompting us to speak to this or that person, and we will get a sense of what we should say—and what we should not say!

How can we tell if something is coming from the Holy Spirit? If the sense you are getting leads you to love Jesus more, to be more compassionate, or to be more courageous in evangelizing, it’s probably from the Spirit. If it leads to prideful self-reliance, inappropriate fear, or self-centered frustration, it’s probably from another source. And even if the “good” senses are coming from your own mind, they won’t hurt you. As Jesus promised, “By their fruits you will know them” (Matthew 7:16).

God doesn’t want to make it hard for us to become prophetic. We just have to step out in faith and test the results. We can light the way for others, telling them about the abundant life that God has in store for them. And we’ll actually be giving them a glimpse into the future! “Jesus, pour your Spirit on me so that I can proclaim your salvation.”

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## THE WEEK’S READINGS

**Sunday 8th** Ez 2:2-5/2 Cor 12:7-10 / Mk 6:1-6

**Monday 9th** Hos 2:16,17-18,21-22 / *St. Augustine Zhao Rong* Mt 9:18-26 and companions

**Tuesday 10th** Hos 8:4-7,11-13 / Mt 9:32-38

**Wednesday 11th** Hos 10:1-3,7-8,12 / *St. Benedict* Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday 12th** Hos 11:1-4,8-9 / Mt 10:7-15

**Friday 13th** Hos 14:2-10 / *St. Henry* Mt 10:16-23

**Saturday 14th** Is 6:1-8 / Mt 10:24-33  
*Bl. Kateri Tekakwitha*

**Sunday 15th** Am 7:12-15 / Eph 1:3-14 / Mk 6:7-13

## CATHEDRAL CALENDAR July 8 - July 15

**SUNDAY 8**—The Cathedral Club meets at 1pm in the West Conference Room.

**TUESDAY 10**—El Grupo de Oración en Español se reunirá a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

**WEDNESDAY 11**—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room.

**THURSDAY 12**—A screening of the seventh episode of the “Catholicism” series is held at 7pm in the North Conference Room, followed by a discussion.

**SUNDAY 15**—A speaker for the Christian Foundation for Children and the Aging speaks briefly at all Masses. A concert by members of our Schola Cantorum is held at 3pm in the Cathedral.

*To arrange a Mass intention, speak to our Rector’s receptionist. There is no fee but an offering is customary. Book early! Intentions are often reserved a month or more in advance so particular dates may be unavailable.*

## INDEPENDENCE DAY

Wednesday, **July 4** is Independence Day, a federal holiday. Masses will be celebrated at 8am and 12:10pm only. Following the Cathedral’s federal holiday schedule, there will be no confessions. Best wishes from Msgr. Jameson and the Cathedral staff for a relaxing and safe holiday!

## PRESERVING RELIGIOUS LIBERTY The Power of Prayer

Commit to praying daily for this intention.  
*See page 8.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, July 8

7am – James T. Walsh, Sr.  
8:30am – Mr. Zmuda (living)  
10am – Lisa Blankenship  
11:30am – Shirley Kusisto  
1pm – Prudencia & Deodato Rodriguez  
5:30pm – Frantiska Luskova & Family (living)

### Monday, July 9

8am – Jean Elias (living)  
12:10pm – Anne Eikeefe

### Tuesday, July 10

8am – Steven Matthew Pellerita

### Wednesday, July 11

12:10 – Delia Jorge  
5:30pm – Avelina Carpio

### Thursday, July 12

12:10pm – Peter Hans Na

### Friday, July 13

12:10pm – Mary Betzler  
5:30pm – Dominga McFadden (living)

### Saturday, July 14

5:30pm – Alice Holmes

### Sunday, July 15

7am – Josephine Klug Kuhn  
10am – Daniel Popeo  
11:30am – Gene M. Slavinsky  
1pm – Todos los difuntos  
5:30pm – Antonio Tenorio

## FAREWELL FROM FATHER REGAN

*My dear parishioners,*

*Since the weekend of June 3 when I announced that the Cardinal was sending me to a new parish in Gaithersburg, the greatest movement of my heart toward the Lord has been gratitude. I am so grateful to the Lord for three wonderful years as a priest at your Cathedral parish; for having been a part of your lives, celebrating the sacraments for and with you; for my call to be a priest and to give myself to the Lord through serving you; for your witness to the love of Jesus and the service of the Church and the world, especially those in need; for the love, kindness and affection that you have shown me, and for your patience with my human frailties and weaknesses; for your kind words and gifts throughout my time here and during my farewell; and for having shared in this office with Msgr. Jameson, the priests and the staff of the Cathedral.*



*As I move on within the Archdiocese in fulfillment of the promise of obedience that I made to the Cardinal four years ago, I will always look back at the Cathedral as my first home. One could say this because it is the Cathedral of Washington, but that is not the greatest reason. I say this because it truly has been my home, where we have walked together the paths of faith and holiness. It is the primary place in which the Lord has loved me through you and taught me to love him more deeply in service to you. The memory of my first home will never fade away.*

*I know that you are left in good hands; the hands of the Rector, the priests and the staff. I especially leave you in the hands of each other; please care for and watch over one another with the same spirit you have shown me. I leave you in the hands of God, for him to hold you as he always has, to show you his face and his providence on your journey to fullness of life with him.*

*As these are not always easy times to follow Christ and his Church that he has left us, please know that I will pray for you often. I will hold you up into the Heart of Jesus, the source of all peace and joy. I promise to offer a weekly Mass for your intentions and for those of all whom I have served.*

*Please continue to pray for me and my ministry. Pray that I will be a holy priest of Jesus Christ and will always be able to respond to his call to feed his sheep. Pray for me and my brother priests, that we might be responsive to the movements of the Holy Spirit. Please pray for those who may join us in the future as they respond to the call of Jesus to follow them in this particular way.*

*Thank you. God Bless you. I love you all.*

*Father Kevin Regan*

## YOUNG ADULTS

**C†YA for the Show - Monday, July 9 - Sunset - Crystal Screen (1851 S. Bell Street / Crystal City)** It's not summer in DC without going to see a free outdoor

movie. Hang out and watch the '90s rom com classic "Sleepless in Seattle" with the Cathedral Young Adults. Contact Eileen at [mckeowneileen@gmail.com](mailto:mckeowneileen@gmail.com) for details on meeting up for the show.

**Oktoberfest 2012 Planning Meeting - Wednesday, July 11 - 7 to 8:30pm - Cathedral East Conference Room**

Oktoberfest is an annual fundraiser hosted by the Cathedral Young Adults and St. Thomas Apostle Young Adults. Join us if you want to get involved in organizing this year's event! We will be discussing ideas for food, entertainment, decorations and more!

Contact Jillian at [jillian.mcmahon@gmail.com](mailto:jillian.mcmahon@gmail.com) for more information.

*Stay up to date with all of the Cathedral Young Adult events for the summer by checking out the website [stmatthewscathedral.org/cya](http://stmatthewscathedral.org/cya) and joining our Google group listserv, or liking our facebook page, [facebook.com/CYAdc](http://facebook.com/CYAdc).*

## FAITH FORMATION

### "CATHOLICISM" SCREENING AND DISCUSSION

Our screening and discussion of Father Robert Barron's acclaimed documentary, "Catholicism: Journey to the Heart of the Catholic Faith" continues the next two Thursdays, **July 5** and **July 12** from 7 to 8:30pm in the North Conference Room. The episode for July 5 is "A Body Both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church." The episode for July 12 is "Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven: The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist." Join us as we journey together in experiencing the beauty and richness of our Catholic faith.



## MUSIC

### WE HAVE MADE GREAT PROGRESS ON THE NEW HYMNAL DRIVE

More than 200 parishioners and friends have contributed to the purchase of more than 500 new hymnals. We still have a little less than half the distance to our final goal. Won't you help us reach it by **July 15**? Donation envelopes are in the pew racks throughout the Cathedral.

For each Pew Edition of the hymnal we are seeking a donation of \$20. You may donate as many hymnals as you like and may dedicate each hymnal to the memory of a loved one or in honor of your family or friends. A unique bookplate will be placed in each donated hymnal.

We also welcome gifts that will remain anonymous if you choose. Please consider how you might help us meet our goal.

### FALL 2012 SCHOLA CANTORUM VOLUNTEER OPENINGS

Did you know that as many as half or more of the members of the Cathedral's highly-acclaimed Schola Cantorum are volunteer parishioners and friends of the cathedral? For the coming liturgical season, there are a limited number of openings in all voice parts for experienced choral singers. Schola members sing for both the 10:00am (Latin) and 11:30am (English) Sunday Eucharists in one of the most rewarding acoustic settings in the Washington area. Because of the nature of the music (Gregorian chant, renaissance polyphony and later anthems), and the amount of repertoire each week, prospective singers must have significant adult choral experience, good sight-reading skills, and a pleasant, agile voice. The commitment of time and focused energy is significant, particularly at Christmas and Holy Week. Extra singing opportunities include Archdiocesan liturgies and civic and community functions (annual Red Mass, state funerals) and concerts. 2012 - 2013 Season: **August 29 - January 13 and February 6 - June 2.**

Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, 6:45 - 8:45pm in the weeks when the choir is singing.

If you have the appropriate experience and a desire to serve our Catholic parish community in this very special way, please write to the director, Tom Stehle, for more information at [tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org).

### PIANO NEEDED

After years of nearly daily use, the piano in the choir rehearsal room is on its last legs. If you have a grand piano that is in fine playing condition and holds a tuning well, or if know someone who might, please contact Tom Stehle at 202-587-5141 or [tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org).

## FAITH IN ACTION

### SUMMER DINNER FOR THE HOMELESS - THANK YOU!!!!

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Summer Dinner for our homeless friends sponsored by the Social Justice & Community Services Committee. Your ongoing, generous support through donations of delicious food, money and time in hosting the event allowed us to serve 65 very gracious guests. They felt very welcomed, and some claimed it was the best meal they ever had!

We hope you and others will join us when we host another biannual meal in the Fall.

### HOMELESS MINISTRY

On Mondays from 7:30 to 11am, 55-70 homeless adults come for prayer and Scripture lessons, light breakfast, toiletries, underclothing and bag lunches. To contribute breakfast food, to be dropped off in the West Conference Room by 7:30am on Mondays, contact Norma Canedo at [ncanedo@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:ncanedo@stmatthewscathedral.org). Items needed include packs of lunchmeat, loaves of bread, and individual servings of fruit and yogurt. Donors normally commit to bringing food every other Monday.

Please note that we no longer accept clothing donations or distribute clothing. We do distribute socks, underwear and toiletries purchased from Poor Box donations. You can help by giving to the Poor Box or sending donations to the Rectory. If you have questions, please contact the Homeless Ministry coordinator, James Walsh, at [jameswalsh1530@gmail.com](mailto:jameswalsh1530@gmail.com).

### UPDATE ON ESL SUMMER SEMESTER

Did you know that the Summer Semester of St. Matthew's ESL program is half-way completed?

Presently, we have 38 ESL students supported by 22 volunteers. Classes meet on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Of the 38 students:

- o 27 (or 71%) come from twelve countries in Latin America;
- o 5 come from four countries in Asia;
- o 5 come from three countries in Europe; and
- o 1 comes from one country in Africa.

Check our parish website for more information the program, including Spring Semester 2013. (Click on *English Language Classes* under the *Outreach* navigation tab.)

## PRESERVING RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

### PRAYER CAMPAIGN

Prayer is our most significant tool in the fight for freedom. Each time we engage in conversation with our Lord, He gifts us with the grace to become His witnesses in the world.

A "Minute to Win It!" campaign was begun in the Archdiocese on May 23, 2012 and will run through the Solemnity of Christ the King (November 25, 2012). Join the faithful from the Archdiocese of Washington each day at 3pm and pray for the protection of religious freedom. Take a minute out of your day and pray with us the following prayer:

*Loving Father,  
Thank you for the gift of life and for the freedom to love and worship You.  
Through the power of the Holy Spirit inspire us to be your witnesses. Grant us the courage to boldly and joyfully stand in protection of our freedom. In your mercy, guard our religious freedom so we may continue to live out our faith and transform the world in which we live. We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

## VOCATIONS

### CALLING ALL RUNNERS, WALKERS AND SUPPORTERS!

Once again, St. Matthew's will organize a team to take part in Run for Vocations, the yearly campaign that raises money for seminarians. Although the Marine Corps Marathon and 10km are

not until October, there are lots of related events and voluntary training

runs happening this summer. If you are interested in potentially running, walking or supporting, please email Krista at [kristatuomi@gmail.com](mailto:kristatuomi@gmail.com).



## NEWS AND NOTES

### BIWEEKLY BULLETINS IN JULY & AUGUST

St. Matthew's Sunday bulletin will be published biweekly (every other week) in July and August. The modified schedule begins with this edition, which covers the period from July 1 to July 14. Each bulletin will be available both weekends covered by that edition. For example, this edition will be available in the church today and on July 8.

The next bulletin edition will appear on Sunday, **July 15**.

*"In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host. . . . It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering." (Pope Benedict XVI)*

### FIRST FRIDAY AND FIRST SATURDAY

First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on **July 6** following the 12:10pm Mass until 5pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, located to the left of the sanctuary. All are welcome to come in and spend some time in adoration of Our Lord.

On Saturday, **July 7** all are welcome to participate in First Saturday Devotions led by Deacon Clayton Nickel after the 12:10pm Mass, followed by Hospitality in the West Conference Room.

### COME—LET US ADORE HIM!

You are invited to the Cathedral for our monthly evening of Eucharistic Adoration on Monday, **July 16** from 6 to 7pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during the hour.

### RECTORY HOURS AND SUMMER MASSES

The Rectory office hours for **July 9 through July 30** are as follows:

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

From Monday, **July 2** through and including Friday, **August 31**, there will be no 7am **weekday** Mass. The 7am weekday Mass will resume on Tuesday, **September 4**.

### PARISHIONER RECORD UPDATES

In preparation for the implementation of a new Information System, we are verifying and updating parishioner records. If you received a letter with a form enclosed, please help us by returning the completed form as soon as possible. We appreciate your cooperation!

### MASS TIMES AROUND THE WORLD!!

A free ministry for traveling Catholics provides Mass schedules at more than 22,000 churches nationwide and 82,000 churches outside the United States. Visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).

## NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Mis queridos feligreses:

Desde que anuncié el 3 de junio que el Cardenal me ha mandado a una nueva parroquia en Gaithersburg, mi corazón está lleno de gratitud hacia el Señor por haberme dado estos tres años maravillosos de sacerdote en su parroquia. Gratitud por haber sido parte de sus vidas. Gratitud por haber podido celebrar los sacramentos con ustedes, y para ustedes. Gratitud por mi llamada a ser sacerdote y haber podido entregarme al Señor por medio de servicio a ustedes. Gratitud por el testimonio que ustedes han sido para el amor a Dios, y el servicio a la iglesia, especialmente a aquellos en necesidad. Gratitud por el cariño y amistad que me han mostrado. Gratitud por la paciencia que han tenido conmigo en mis debilidades. Gratitud por las bellas palabras y regalos que me han dado a través del tiempo pasado aquí y en mi despedida. Gratitud de compartir en esta oficina con Mons. Jameson, sacerdotes y Personal de la Catedral.

En mi ida a donde el Cardenal me ha mandado para cumplir la promesa de obediencia que le hice a él hace cuatro años, siempre recordaré a la Catedral como mi primera casa. Uno puede decir esto, porque es la Catedral de Washington; sin embargo, esta no es la razón principal. Puedo decir esto porque ha sido mi casa y porque juntos hemos andado el camino de fe. Ha sido mi primera casa porque es el primer lugar donde el Señor me ha querido, a través de ustedes y me ha enseñado a amarle más profundamente en mi servicio a ustedes. Este sentimiento y memoria del primer lugar, es algo que nunca olvidaré.

Se que están en buenas manos; el Rector, sacerdotes y el Personal. Especialmente, les dejo en las manos y cuidado de cada uno. Les dejo en las manos de Dios.

Así como estos no son tiempos fáciles para seguir a Cristo y a Su Iglesia que Él nos dejó, sepan que rezaré por ustedes a menudo y les mantendré en

el Corazón de Jesús, que es la fuente de toda paz y alegría. Les prometo que ofreceré una misa semanal por las intenciones de aquellos con quienes he estado en la Catedral.

Por favor, continúen rezando por mí y mi ministerio. Que sea un buen sacerdote de Jesucristo y que siempre pueda responder a su llamada de cuidar su rebaño. Recen por mí y mis hermanos sacerdotes, y por aquellos que se unan en un futuro y respondan a la llamada de Jesús a seguirle.

Gracias, Dios les bendiga, les quiero a todos.

Padre Kevin Regan

### BOLETÍN QUINCENAL EN JULIO & AGOSTO

El boletín de la Catedral, será publicado quincenalmente (cada dos semanas) durante los meses de julio y agosto. Este horario, empezará con esta edición, la cual cubrirá el periodo del 1 de julio hasta el 14 de julio. Los boletines, estarán disponibles ambos fines de semana. Por ejemplo, el boletín de hoy, estará disponible en la iglesia hoy y el 8 de julio. La próxima edición del boletín se publicará el domingo **15 de julio**.

### ¡¡¡MUCHAS GRACIAS!!!

Muchas gracias a todos los que participaron en la cena de verano para las personas sin hogar de nuestra vecindad, auspiciado por el Comité de Justicia Social. Su donación de comida deliciosa, dinero y tiempo para organizar este evento nos permitió servir aproximadamente 65 personas - ¡Ellos se sintieron muy bien y algunos decían que era la mejor comida que habían tenido! Esperamos que usted y otros se unan a nosotros cuando tengamos la cena de otoño.

### CATEQUESIS

Las inscripciones para Catecumenado, Primera Comuni3n y Confirmaci3n ser3n el domingo **1 de julio**. Deben ir al sal3n de conferencias del Este de 10:30 de la mañana a 12:30 del mediodía y después de la misa de español de 1 de la tarde donde se les dar3n unos formularios para rellenar. Las clases empiezan a mitad de septiembre.

### DÍA DE LA INDEPENDENCIA

Este mi3rcoles **4 de julio** es el día de la Independencia, una fiesta federal. Las misas ser3n a las 8 de la mañana y 12:10 del mediodía. No hay confesiones en las fiestas federales.

### INTENCIONES DE MISAS

Se les recuerda a todas las personas que deseen ofrecer misas por sus difuntos, que tienen que reservarlas por lo menos con tres meses de antelaci3n debido a que solo tenemos una misa en español.

### HORARIO DE LA RECTORIA Y MISAS EN VERANO

Horario de la Rectoría durante el verano comenzando el **9 de julio hasta el 30 de julio**, es el siguiente:

Lunes-Jueves	9am-4:30pm
Viernes	9am-4pm
S3bado-Domingo	Cerrado

Comenzando el **2 de julio** hasta el viernes **31 de agosto**, no habr3 misa de 7 de la mañana. La misa de 7 resumir3 el martes, **4 de septiembre**.

### ADORACI3N AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO

Les invitamos el lunes **16 de julio** después de la misa de 5:30 de la tarde, a que se unan en adoraci3n al Santísimo, de 6 a 7 de la tarde. El Sacramento de Reconciliaci3n estar3 disponible durante la hora de la Adoraci3n.



**LAS LECTURAS 1 DE JULIO**

Los casos de la hija de Jairo, que estaba "dormida" y Jesús hizo revivir, y de la mujer enferma de hemorragias que tocó el manto de Jesús con fe y sanó, son dos de los milagros mejor conocidos de Cristo, pero los hemos escuchado tantas veces que quizá ya no despiertan en nosotros el mismo entusiasmo, ni nos hablan a lo profundo del corazón. Sin embargo, si meditamos en la maravilla de estas acciones, tendremos una idea totalmente nueva de lo muy transformadora que puede ser la acción de Dios en nuestra vida.

¿Qué hacemos cuando sufrimos de alguna enfermedad grave? Cuando sabemos de algún familiar o amigo que está enfermo o pasando por grandes sufrimientos, ¿nos sentimos desesperados y sin saber qué hacer? Tal vez no le pedimos al Señor que nos sane, ya que realmente no creemos que Él nos escuche porque no somos personas especiales.

Pero Jesús le dijo a Jairo: "No tengas miedo. Cree solamente" (Marcos 5,36). Nosotros tampoco hemos de pensar que Dios sea indiferente a nuestras oraciones, ni que nuestros pecados sean tan grandes que Dios no los pueda perdonar, ni que la enfermedad sea tan grave que Dios no la pueda curar. Es cierto que Dios decide si quiere sanarnos o no de un mal determinado, pero nosotros debemos actuar con fe y pedirle que ponga en acción su amor y su poder ilimitados, como Jesús lo demostró una y otra vez cuando recorría las calles de Tierra Santa.

Dios es absoluta bondad y ternura y no se desentiende de las súplicas de sus hijos. En realidad, nos dice que si nosotros, que somos pecadores, queremos dar lo mejor a nuestros hijos, cuánto más quiere Él concedernos todo lo que es bueno (Mateo 7,11). Confíemos, pues, en el amor de nuestro Padre y no dejemos

de orar pidiendo por nuestra salud física y emocional.

*"Señor y Salvador mío, me siento triste y desamparado. Por tu gran misericordia, Señor, sáname, te lo pido, para recobrar la salud y la alegría. Siempre confiaré en Ti, Señor, y daré testimonio de tu misericordia y fidelidad todos los días de mi vida."*

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**LAS LECTURAS 8 DE JULIO**

Después de recorrer gran parte de Galilea, Jesús regresó a su ciudad de Nazaret y el sábado fue a la sinagoga para enseñar. Como lo hacía en otros lugares, anunció la buena nueva de que el Reino de Dios había finalmente llegado al mundo. Como era de esperar, los vecinos del lugar se quedaron asombrados por su sabiduría y porque, además, ya habían oído de todos los milagros que había realizado en otros lugares y de cómo había dominado a fuerzas tan poderosas como el mar embravecido, los vientos tempestuosos, los demonios, la enfermedad y hasta la muerte misma.

Pero ¿por qué no aceptaban su poder sanador los vecinos que lo habían conocido por tantos años? Hasta Jesús "estaba asombrado porque aquella gente no creía en Él." ¿Cuál era la dificultad? ¿Por qué no podían aceptar que Dios actuara tan poderosamente a través de este joven, que todos conocían desde niño? La respuesta, al igual que en todos los otros casos, es la arrogancia y la dureza del corazón.

Jesús se alegra cuando reconocemos que Él es el Señor y que nosotros somos meros mortales pecadores. Cristo asumió el castigo que merecíamos nosotros por nuestras maldades y pecados y espera que cada uno acepte de todo corazón la vida que Él nos ofrece. Es cierto que es posible vivir sin entregarse al Señor, pero ¿qué tipo de vida es esa? Vacía e inútil. ¿Por qué? Porque no llegamos a conocer al Amor que nos creó y que nos sostiene hasta este mismo

día. Sin Cristo, permanecemos separados de la Vida que fue clavada en la cruz para librarnos de la esclavitud del Reino de las tinieblas.

En la Escritura leemos que todos los que creyeron en el amor poderoso de Cristo fueron sanados, librados y protegidos. Pidámosle nosotros también al Espíritu Santo que nos lleve a la verdad completa y nos conceda una fe firme.

*"Espíritu Santo, enséñanos a darnos cuenta de lo mucho que necesitamos creer y esperar en el amor de Dios. Perdona, Señor, nuestra incredulidad. Por tu gracia, capacítanos para aceptar sin reservas la vida plena que Jesús ganó para nosotros."*

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**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

- Domingo 1** Sab 1:13-15;2:23-24 / 2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15 / Mc 5:21-43
- Lunes 2** Am 2:6-10,13-16 / Mt 8:18-22
- Martes 3** Ef 2:19-22 / Jn 20:24-29  
*Santo Tomás*
- Miércoles 4** Am 5:14-15,21-24 / *Santa Isabel de Portugal* Mt 8:28-34
- Jueves 5** Am 7:10-17 / Mt 9:1-8  
*San Antonio María Zaccaria*
- Viernes 6** Am 8:4-6,9-12 / Mt 9:9-13  
*Santa María Goretti*
- Sábado 7** Am 9:11-15 / Mt 9:14-17
- Domingo 8** Ez 2:2-5 / 2 Cor 12:7-10 / Mc 6:1-6
- Lunes 9** Os 2:16,17-18,21-22 / *Santa Paulina del Corazón Agonizante de Jesús* Mt 9:18-26
- Martes 10** Os 8:4-7,11-13 / Mt 9:32-38
- Miércoles 11** Os 10:1-3,7-8,12 / *San Benito Abad* Mt 10:1-7
- Jueves 12** Os 11:1-4,8-9 / Mt 10:7-15
- Viernes 13** Os 14:2-10 / *Santa Teresa de los Andes* Mt 10:16-23
- Sábado 14** Is 6:1-8 / Mt 10:24-33  
*San Francisco Solano*
- Domingo 15** Am 7:12-15 / Ef 1:3-14 / Mc 6:7-13

## 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.

Please contact Heather Kinney at [hkinney@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:hkinney@stmatthewscathedral.org) to inquire about the RCIA process.

## CELEBRATING MARRIAGE

Couples who are interested in celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral are encouraged to visit the parish website to review our guidelines for weddings. The next step is to call the Rectory at 202-347-3215 and ask for the priest of your choice or the priest on duty, who can speak to you about marriage preparation and the possibility of scheduling your wedding ceremony at the Cathedral. Couples are expected to contact us at **least nine (9) months in advance** of the date on which they hope to celebrate their wedding.

## CELEBRATING BAPTISM

Parents who wish to have their child baptized at the Cathedral should contact the Baptismal Coordinator at the Rectory at [baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org) or 202-347-3215 x555. Parents are encouraged to make contact with us **at least six (6) months in advance** of a desired baptismal date, at which time they may ask for the priest of their choice to perform the Baptism. This early contact enables parents to be scheduled for the necessary sacramental formation session before the child’s baptism and allows time for sponsors to obtain letters from their parish pastor.

## EXPERIENCING THE CATHEDRAL – VISITS & TOURS

Individuals, families and groups from around the country and around the world visit the Cathedral to join us in prayer, at Mass or to celebrate Mass in one of our chapels. We invite you to plan a visit or pilgrimage to our Cathedral—all are welcome. Visitors are invited to schedule a guided tour or to take a self-guided tour using the color brochures available at the inside entrance to the Cathedral. Guided tours are given free of charge. Donations to the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle are always appreciated. To schedule a visit, pilgrimage or tour, contact us at 202-587-5143 or [mhurley@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:mhurley@stmatthewscathedral.org).

### *~Participate in the abundance of God~*

Consider remembering our Cathedral parish in your will.

For more information, call Msgr. Jameson.

## WELCOMING ALL

For wheelchair access to the Cathedral, enter the driveway to the parking garage next to the Cathedral. Ring the buzzer at the Conference Center door located at the bottom of the driveway to enter. Take the elevator up to the Cathedral level.

A sign language interpreter is present at the Sunday 11:30am Mass and at designated special liturgies throughout the year. An induction loop is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. Those desiring to take advantage of the induction loop should sit in pews B1, B3, A1 or A3 and switch their hearing aids to "T."

## REMEMBERING THE EXPERIENCE

St. Matthew's is pleased to offer a 48-page souvenir book on our beautiful Cathedral church by Richard Schmidt and Claudia Rousseau, with Joseph Carey, Nancy McKinley and Elizabeth Sullivan. It features the Cathedral's history, art and architecture with photographs by local photographer, Neil Greentree.

Also available are sets of note cards picturing the art of the Cathedral, boxed sets of Christmas cards featuring St. Matthew's Crèche, Christmas ornaments and CD recordings of the Schola Cantorum.

Items may be purchased in the Rectory or by contacting us at 202-347-3215 x517 or [gharrington@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:gharrington@stmatthewscathedral.org). Visa and MasterCard are accepted. Rectory hours are Monday to Thursday from 9am until 8pm and Friday through Sunday from 9am until 4pm unless otherwise noted.



*Life flows on in endless song. Still, the most irresistible and enduring music we return to again and again. It echoes within us our deepest emotions--love, despair, exaltation, reflection. How can we keep from singing?*

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Join members of the Cathedral's Schola Cantorum

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*For more information, please contact the Office of Music Ministry*

*at 202/587-5141 or [tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:tstehle@stmatthewscathedral.org)*

**CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
ST. MATTHEW'S CATHEDRAL  
2012-2013**



The Religious Education program at St. Matthew's Cathedral exists to provide sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation as well as ongoing faith formation for children who have received these sacraments. It strives to communicate the Good News of Jesus Christ in the context of the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church. The program presents the four fundamental themes of the Catechism of the Catholic Church – Creed, Sacraments, Morality, and Prayer – in such a way that the children of our parish begin to understand how to live the Gospel.

**When and where are classes held?**

*Classes are held weekly on Sunday mornings from 9:45 to 11am in the St. Matthew's Education Center located at 1726 N Street NW. It is expected that parents will attend a special class for them at the same time and that families will worship at the 11:30am Mass following class. Classes generally are not held on holiday weekends.*

**When do classes begin?**

*There will be a mandatory parent-teacher meeting Sunday, September 9, 2012 from 9:45 to 11am in the West Conference Room. Classes will begin Sunday, September 16, 2012 and conclude in May.*

**How do I register my child(ren)?**

*Complete the two-sided registration form (available in the Cathedral rectory and on the parish website), and attach your child's Baptism certificate (if new to the Religious Education program) and cash or check made payable to St. Matthew's Cathedral for \$50.00 per family. Financial assistance and/or a payment plan are available for those in need. Submit registration materials to the Director of Faith Formation in the Cathedral Rectory.*

**PRIORITY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JULY 27, 2012**

Questions about registration?

Contact Heather Kinney, Director of Faith Formation, at [hkinney@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:hkinney@stmatthewscathedral.org) or 202-347-3215, x530.

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**----- CALL FOR TEACHERS -----**

The success of our Children's Religious Education program is a result of the commitment of adult parishioners who generously give of their time and talent to help the children of our parish grow in their faith.

**Typical Teacher Commitment:**

- Initial meeting with program coordinator and/or Director of Faith Formation*
- Periodic teacher meetings throughout the year*
- Planning (approximately 1 hour per week)*
- Teaching (75 minutes per week)*
- Archdiocesan Child Protection Policy compliance*
  - Volunteer application and criminal background check (fingerprinting) – by September 1*
  - Virtus "Protecting God's Children" seminar – by November 1*

If you are interested in learning about teaching opportunities for the 2012-2013 year, please contact program coordinator Julie McLaughlin at [julieann.mclaughlin@gmail.com](mailto:julieann.mclaughlin@gmail.com).

# Your Talent for God's Purpose

Finding meaningful work, carrying out a successful job search, negotiating a proper work-life balance

St. Matthew's Cathedral, North Conference Room

**Mondays 7.00 – 8.30pm, Starts July 23, 2012!!**

Class 1  
23 July

When your unique skills + talents are matched to God's intent, very real things happen and there is unimaginable long term success.

"In all things God works for those who have been called according to his purpose." (Rom 8:28)

Class 2  
30 July

Test and assessments of skills, talents, core strengths, and weaknesses- and matching these to appropriate career paths – Part I

He "knit [you] together in [your] mother's womb." (Psalm 139:13)

Class 3  
6 August

Test and assessments of skills, talents, core strengths, and weaknesses- and matching these to appropriate career paths – Part II

Don't confuse learned skills (based on education + work experience) with natural (God-given) talent.

Class 4  
13 August

Seeking God's will + intent, through purposeful prayer; developing a spiritual practice that helps with good decision making.

"Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take." (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Class 5  
20 August

Seeking the counsel of appropriate human sources – parents, elders, spiritual directors, mentors at work.

"Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed." (Proverbs 15:22)

Class 6  
27 August

Help with resume reviews and job applications.

-Wrap up  
- Key takeaways

"For I know the plans I have for you.. plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)

***Where your unique talent meets the world's needs,  
therein lies your vocation.***

