Today’s Readings

When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, ‘Do not weep.’ (Luke 7:13)

Vulnerable, destitute, defenseless—the situation of a widow in ancient times could be heartbreaking. Without a husband to protect and provide for her, a widow faced danger and poverty. This is why throughout the Hebrew Scriptures, God reminded his people to go out of their way to look after widows. A widow’s great comfort, of course, was a son if she had one. Filling the role of provider and protector in the place of his father, a son could guarantee safety and security. But what would happen if a widow’s only son died?

We meet two such widows in today’s readings. Staying in the house of a widow, Elijah begged God to bring life back to her son. And in the Gospel reading, Jesus interrupted a funeral procession to bring a young man back to life and give him back to his widowed mother. The reaction after each miracle was enthusiastic and hopeful: surely God was with his people! He had come to help the weakest and most vulnerable!

Whether or not we are widows, these readings tell us something important about God. Have you ever felt vulnerable or defenseless? Have you ever felt powerless in the face of circumstances outside your control? God cares! He who raised up the widow and orphan cares for you! He looks on you with compassion and says, “Do not weep” (Luke 7:13).

God’s heart is moved when he sees you in a difficult situation. In fact, when you can’t rely on your own powers or abilities, he can draw you even closer to his side. So let God care for you today. Let him into the situations where you feel the least in control: an illness, a job loss, the challenge of starting over after the loss of a spouse or child. Ask your Father to walk with you, put his arm around you, and take care of you.

“Lord, in my vulnerability, I ask you to come close to me and show me your love. I trust in your protection!”

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Las Lecturas de Hoy

Indudablemente, el futuro de la viuda se veía sombrío. En la antigua sociedad hebrea, el hecho de que una viuda perdiera a su único hijo significaba que ella quedaba desamparada, sin ninguna fuente de sustento. ¿Triste porvenir le esperaba? Por eso, al observar el cortejo fúnebre, Jesús sintió compasión y lástima de la mujer e intervino de un modo milagroso.

La compasión de Jesús por la viuda no fue un puro sentimentalismo que lo movió a pasar por alto la ley según la cual el que tocara un cadáver quedaba ritualmente impuro (v. Números 19,11), sino una fe auténtica, al punto de que puso la mano sobre el féretro y dijo: “Joven, yo te lo mando: ¡Levántate!” El muerto revivió, se incorporó y comenzó a hablar. Todos quedaron sobrecogidos de pavor y prorrumpieron en alabanzas a Dios, diciendo: “Un gran profeta ha surgido entre nosotros. Dios ha visitado a su pueblo” (Lucas 7, 14.16).

Al hacer revivir al joven, Jesús repitió lo que Elías había hecho siglos antes cuando devolvió la vida al hijo muerto de una viuda (1 Reyes 17,17-24). ¡Cómo no iba a pensar la gente que un gran profeta había surgido entre ellos! Estos hechos llevaban a la gente a preguntarse quién era Jesús, porque unos pensaban que era Juan el Bautista o el profeta Elías u otro de los antiguos profetas de Israel (Lucas 9,19). Por eso Jesús preguntó: “Y ustedes, ¿quién dicen que soy yo?” (Lucas 9,20).

Es importante que nosotros mismos nos hagamos esta pregunta, porque Dios desea darnos un espíritu de sabiduría y revelación, para que lleguemos a tener un conocimiento vivo y personal de Jesús. Pero ¿cómo podemos lograrlo? Es preciso orar y pedirle a Dios que nos ayude a entender mejor el misterio de Cristo y la esperanza que tenemos en él.

“Padre glorio, concédenos el espíritu de sabiduría y revelación para que podamos conocer mejor a Jesús, tu Hijo amado. Te pedimos que ilumines los ojos de nuestro corazón a fin de que conozcamos la esperanza a la que nos has llamado y la riqueza de la gloriosa herencia que ofreces a tus santos.”

LATIN MASS BOOK UPDATE

Our Latin Mass. The celebration of the 10am Sunday Mass in Latin is a long uninterrupted tradition here at St. Matthew's Cathedral. We provide one of a very few Latin Masses in the Ordinary Form in the tri-state area and even among cathedrals in the United States. One of the hallmarks of our celebration is the active participation of the assembly in the spoken and chanted responses and hymn-singing. We intend to continue that tradition of active and engaged participation in the Latin Mass indefinitely.

A New Ordo Missae. The Ordo Missae, the green Latin Mass booklets in the pews that have served us so well, are in need of revision and replacement. Many have been lost and others are in poor physical condition. The new editions will be slightly larger to improve legibility with larger and more readable typeface. They will also be durable and handsome.

Since the last edition, there have been newly revised English translations which will be included. In that time, we also have introduced another setting of the Gloria which will be included. We also intend to expand the booklet to include the variable prefaces to the Eucharistic Prayer, and other ritual elements not currently in the present edition.

How to Help. The cost of the preparation and printing of the books will exceed $3,000. We know that this Mass is cherished by those who attend regularly. How can you help?

Please consider making a contribution by using the pink envelope in the pew rack and CLEARLY marking the envelope with “Latin Mass Book” as well as using the memo line in the same way on personal checks.

You also may send a check directly to the rectory with a note or indication on the check of its intended purpose.

We expect to have the new Ordo Missae booklets in the pews before the start of the new Schola Cantorum season, and perhaps as early as August. Any money received in excess of the need will be devoted to the purchase of choral music for the 10am Mass.

Thank you for your assistance.

MARRIAGE MATTERS

JustMarried – Are you recently married (within 3 years) and interested in meeting other newly married parishioners for fellowship and service projects? Please join members of St. Matthew's "JustMarried" group for dinner the second Sunday of each month after the 5:30 Mass (next meeting: September 8th) or for fellowship and service projects, including the opportunity throughout the summer to volunteer at Thomas House on Sundays at 11:30am. If you are interested in finding out more about the group, please contact the Cathedral or email justmarried.stmatthews@gmail.com.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - The Lord is truly our rock, our fortress and our deliverer; He continues to touch us and heal us through his love and compassion. Open your heart and rest in the arms of Jesus, allow His love to strengthen, renew and rekindle your marriage relationship. Sign up today to attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in the Archdiocese of Washington on September 13-15. For more information and to apply online, visit our website at welovematrimony.org, call 301-541-7007, or email wwme@whalenfamily.com.

PARISH CALENDAR

SUNDAY 9—The Cathedral Club meets at 1pm in the West Conference Room.
MONDAY 10—The Book Club meets at 6:45pm in the West Conference Room.
The Liturgy Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.
The “Your Talent for God’s Purpose” series continues at 7pm in the North Conference Room.
TUESDAY 11—El Grupo de oración continúa con las reflexiones en este Año de la Fe a las 7:00 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.
WEDNESDAY 12—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room.
THURSDAY 13—Legión de María se reunirá a las 6:30 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Este.
SUNDAY 16—A Blessing of Fathers is given at all Masses.
YOUNG ADULTS

Christ in the City – Thursday, June 13 – 7:30 to 8:30pm – St. Patrick’s Catholic Church (610 10th St NW / Metro Center) The Archdiocese hosts this monthly holy hour for young adults. The evening includes adoration, a reflection, the opportunity for confession, and the opportunity to socialize afterward. Stop by for a few minutes or stay the entire evening!

C†YA for Happy Hour / STAY Happy (Hour) Friday, June 21 – 6 to 8pm – Madhatter – 2nd floor (1319 Connecticut Avenue NW / Farragut North) We’re partnering with the young adults at St. Thomas for another fun happy hour! Bring your coworkers and friends, or just come on your own and meet other young Catholics in DC. Contact Sarah zick.sarah@gmail.com if you have questions.

Volunteering with the Little Sisters of the Poor – Saturday, June 22 – 2:15 to 4pm – LSoP Jeanne Jugan Residence (4200 Harewood Road NE / Brookland-CUA) Join the Cathedral Young Adults to serve lunch and visit the elderly who live in this community and nursing home. Only five volunteers can serve, so sign up now! Contact Natalie jones.natalie.a@gmail.com if you’re interested in helping.

BOOK CLUB

A Tale of Two Cities – St. Matthew’s Book Club will meet on Monday, June 10 to discuss Charles Dickens’ classic novel, A Tale of Two Cities. Set during the French Revolution in London and Paris, it follows the plight of the French peasantry in the time before the revolution, and depicts the brutality of the events that transpired after the revolution. The novel contains numerous themes about love, morality, and forgiveness. The discussion begins at 6:45pm in the West Conference Room, and all are welcome. Contact: Paul Zummo at pzummo@gmail.com.

Let Us Know of Those in Need.

FAITH IN ACTION

SUMMER DINNER FOR THE HOMELESS – The Social Justice & Community Services Committee will host a dinner for our homeless friends on Sunday, June 23. Contact Paulin Leonida at lmapaulina@gmail.com or 703-714-9704 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.

ADULT ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLASSES
When? June 4 – August 7 (10 weeks)
- Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30pm
Where? St. Matthew’s Education Center
1726 N Street, NW, Washington, DC
Focus? Conversing in English
Cost? $25
Students may register in person on Tuesdays or Wednesdays, beginning on June 4, between 6:30pm and 8:30pm, at St. Matthew’s Education Center. Registrations will be accepted until June 18. For more information on the upcoming semester or to learn about volunteer opportunities, contact Krista Cox at stmattsesl@gmail.com.

ADULT SPANISH CONVERSATION CLASSES
When? June 4 – August 7 (10 weeks)
- Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 6:30 - 8:30pm
Where? St. Matthew’s Education Center (address above)
Focus? Conversing in Spanish, Level 1 only
Cost? $50
Students may register in person on Tuesdays or Wednesdays, beginning on June 4, between 6:30pm and 8:30pm, at St. Matthew’s Education Center. Students may register until classes are filled, as class size is limited to 15 students. For more information on the upcoming semester or to learn about volunteer opportunities, contact Krista Cox at stmattsssl@gmail.com.

MINISTRY TO SICK, SENIORS, AND HOMEBOUND – St. Matthew’s Ministry to the Sick, Seniors and Homebound, in conjunction with our Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, works to provide home and assisted living visits with Communion and companionship to seniors, the sick and homebound of our parish. A dozen residents of Thomas House (the Residence at Thomas Circle) typically attend the Sunday Communion Service with Deacon Work. Two additional residents receive visits because they are unable to attend the service. Another three homebound parishioners are visited in their homes.

If you know of anyone who is in need of this service or if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Mary Coogan at sm.homebound@gmail.com.
NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Domingo 9 1 Re 17:17-24 / Gál 1:11-19 / Lc 7:11-17
Lunes 10 2 Cor 1:1-7 / Mt 5:1-12
Martes 11 He 11:21-26; 13:1-3 / Mt 5:13-16
  San Bernabé Apóstol
Miércoles 12 2 Cor 3:4-11 / Mc 5:17-19
Jueves 13 2 Cor 3:15-4:1; 3-6 / Mt 5:20-26
  San Antonio de Padua
Viernes 14 2 Cor 4:7-15 / Mt 5:27-32
Sábado 15 2 Cor 5:14-21 / Gál 2:16-21 / Lc 7:36-8:3

¡FELICIDADES! – Felicitamos a los niños de la comunidad hispana quienes recibieron su Primera Comunión el domingo pasado: ellos son:
José Beltrán ♦ Nelson O. Briones ♦ María Cabezón ♦ María Casarrubias ♦ Jennifer Cruz ♦ David Ferrufino ♦ Wendy García ♦ Margaret C. Guilarte ♦ Perla Méndez ♦ Andy Merino ♦ Crescencio Pineda ♦ Catherine G. Rubi ♦ Nathan Sorto ♦ Michael Tacaba ♦ José Zavala

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CENA PARA LAS PERSONAS SIN HOGAR EN VERANO – Los comités de Justicia Social y Servicios Comunitarios, están auspiciando una cena para las personas sin hogar de nuestra vecindad, el domingo 23 de junio. Si desea ayudar en diferentes aspectos de la cena, puede llamar a Paulín Leonida al 757-846-7643 o lmapaulina@gmail.com o a la rectoría 202-347-3215. Formas de ayudar:
- Preparar las mesas, servir y proveer hospitalidad a nuestros invitados
- Comprar alimentos para la cena o cocinar para la cena
- Dar una donación monetaria para la cena o suplementos
Estas cenas anuales, son de gran éxito ¡gracias a USTEDES! Espero oír de ustedes.

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ARCHIDOCESEAN NEWS

FAITH QUEST PILGRIMAGE INCLUDES OUR CATHEDRAL – Where is the oldest church in the archdiocese? Where can you find a relic of the true cross? Who is Saint John Neumann? Find these answers and more archdiocesan history on a Faith Quest Pilgrimage. Visit more than 20 sites around the archdiocese that tell the story of our faith. Register, receive a passport and at each visit stamp your passport. St. Matthew’s passport stamp is on top of the large display case at the Cathedral main entrance (near the St. Francis Chapel). If you visit more than 8 sites, you will be invited to a celebration at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land on July 20. For more information, visit www.adw.org/faithquest or call 301-853-5337.
MASS INTENTIONS
June 9 – June 16

**Sunday, June 9**
7am – Jean Cudney
8:30am – All Parishioners
10am – Ruth Mary Schubert
11:30am – Frantiska Lyskova (living)
1pm – Lillian Palacios
5:30pm – Richard Hinkle

**Monday, June 10**
7am – Edith Grace Keyes
8am – Kenneth J. Gill (living)
12:10pm – Pete Taylor
5:30pm – Eileen K. Atienza

**Tuesday, June 11**
7am – Yolene Opont (living)
8am – Emmacula Opont (living)
12:10pm – Our Lady of Guadalupe
5:30pm – Rey Carbonco

**Wednesday, June 12**
7am – Poor Clares
8am – William "Bill" Garrity (living)
12:10pm – Thomas Feld
5:30pm – Fortunata Palomino (living)

**Thursday, June 13**
7am – Terry Bork (living)
8am – Jean Dhimy Dubois Egalite (living)
12:10pm – Thomas Brian Roach
5:30pm – Linda Opont (living)

**Friday, June 14**
8am – Jean Di Salle
12:10pm – Father Dan Leary (living)
5:30pm – Jeanne Marie Coppola (living)

**Saturday, June 15**
8am – Brooksie, Myrtle & Bessie Banks
12:10pm – Thomas Gallen
5:30pm – All Parishioners

**Sunday, June 16**
7am – John Kekeh
8:30am – Esther Mendez
10am – Anna M. Bizjak
11:30am – John Merck
1pm – Agradecimiento a la Virgen de Guadalupe
5:30pm – Twee Nguyen & family (living)

MARITAL INTENTIONS

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.

BAPTISM

Parents who wish to have their child baptized at the Cathedral should contact the Baptismal Coordinator at the Rectory at 202-347-3215 x555 or baptism@stmathewscathedral.org. 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.

GIFT ITEMS

St. Matthew’s is pleased to offer a 48-page souvenir book on our beautiful Cathedral church, featuring the Cathedral’s history, art and architecture vividly portrayed through photographs by local photographer, Neil Greentree.

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

Items may be purchased in the Rectory or by contacting us at 202-347-3215 x517 or gharrington@stmathewscathedral.org. Visa and MasterCard are accepted. Normal Rectory hours are Monday through Thursday from 9am until 8pm and Friday through Sunday from 9am until 4pm.

YEAR OF FAITH PILGRIMAGE

“Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to invite you to make a special ‘Year of Faith’ pilgrimage to the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle, the mother church of the Archdiocese of Washington. The Cathedral is one of nine pilgrimage churches designated by the Archdiocese of Washington during the ‘Year of Faith.’ As the seat of the Archdiocese, the Cathedral plays an important role in the life of the Archdiocese and our Nation’s capital. While the archbishop’s chair in the sanctuary is a distinguishing feature, there is so much more to see and experience! . . ” (Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson, Cathedral Rector, in his letter to Friends, found on the Cathedral website)

Visitors are invited to schedule a guided tour of the Cathedral 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 and may be given to your tour guide or our Rectory receptionist. To schedule a guided tour, contact us at 202-587-5143 or mhurley@stmathewscathedral.org.
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you:

Interested in becoming Catholic?

A Catholic who wishes to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

Then RCIA is for you!

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process for adults who desire to explore the Catholic faith and to become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church. The goal of the RCIA process is full, conscious, and active participation in the Catholic way of life. RCIA helps adults to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, become familiar with Catholic teachings and practices, and get to know the faith community in preparation for making the conscious choice to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

If you are interested in learning more and/or beginning RCIA, please plan to attend:

**WHAT:** RCIA KICKOFF SESSION  
**TIME:** 7PM TO 9PM  
**DATE:** WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19  
**PLACE:** NORTH CONFERENCE ROOM  
(accessible through the glass-and-iron door at the base of the driveway leading into the public parking garage next to the Cathedral)

*No RSVP required!*

*Beginning with this kickoff session, RCIA will meet weekly every Wednesday.*

Contact: Heather Kinney, Director of Faith Formation (hkinney@stmatthewscathedral.org)

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Join the Cathedral Young Adults and young adults from all over the Archdiocese of Washington for a night at the Nationals Ballpark!

Arizona Diamondbacks

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Washington Nationals

Wednesday, June 26 @ 7:05pm

Tickets are $22 each

Buy your ticket after 5:30pm mass:
Sunday 6/2
Sunday 6/9
Sunday 6/16

Contact Jillian McMahon (jillian.mcmahon@gmail.com) for information on purchasing tickets in the C†YA group
Looking for a convenient way to support our parish offertory?

*Faith Direct* is the innovative solution that allows you to support our parish using electronic funds transfer from either a credit card or bank account. It is a hassle-free, simple solution for today’s busy families.

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

**ENROLL TODAY!**

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*Faith Direct* is a secure system that works directly with your bank or credit card—much the same as other direct payments you may have set up for utility bills or mortgage payments.

*When do transactions take place?*

Transactions take place once per month on the 4th or the next business day. The total amount of your gifts for that current month (both offertory & second/special collections) will be debited in one monthly total. The Cathedral will receive the funds 4 business days later.

*Can I stop, increase, or decrease my payment at any time?*

Yes, by calling *Faith Direct* at 1-866-507-8757 (toll free) by emailing info@faithdirect.net, or by logging in to your account through www.faithdirect.net.

*How does the Cathedral benefit from my participation with Faith Direct?*

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### E-Giving Enrollment Form

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Weekly Offertory contribution: $ __________

(Note: Total contribution amount will be debited on the 4th of the month or the next business day. The total amount will be determined by the number of Sundays in the month. Some months have 5 Sundays.)

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**Signature:**

Name(s): (please print) ____________ Date: ____________

City/State/Zip Code: ________________________________

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

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

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

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

**For Credit Card Debit:** Please complete the following...

- ☐ VISA
- ☐ MasterCard
- ☐ American Express
- ☐ Discover

Credit Card #: ________________________________ Expiration Date: ____________

Print Name as Appears on Card: ________________________________

Signature: ________________________________

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