

TODAY'S READINGS

Come to him ... and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house. (1 Peter 2:4, 5)

Beloved, come to me. I am the cornerstone, Jesus. My arms are wide open to receive you. I have chosen you and called you by name. You are precious in my sight—far more valuable than diamonds or gold. I know what you're going through. I know so well what it means to be worn down around the edges, chipped, cracked, and even broken. I was rejected by the very stones I created. But now I am the chief stone in the master plan of my Father the architect. And I invite you to come to me and rest beside me, the cornerstone.

I have fashioned you as a strong, living stone; let me fill you with my strength. Let me join you to your brothers and sisters so that together you can become a spiritual house. You are meant to be the place where my glory dwells. So I am refining you, polishing you, and shaping you. Let me complete this work so that you fit snugly next to the other stones in my house. I want to give you a gleaming finish so that you will be a brilliant reflection of my glory. I want to turn you into a monument of my loving kindness for all to see.

I have laid you, my living stone, in the place where you are. You have a special job in the plans of the Master Builder. As you rely on me, the cornerstone, you'll find the strength to tell the world how I have called you out of darkness and into my light. Tell everyone how I have restored you and have given you a purpose. And show them that they are also precious to me. Remember that someone else came and told you about me. You rest on their shoulders. Now those whom you touch will be laid upon your shoulders as I continue to build my house.

So come to me, and proclaim my greatness.

"Lord, thank you for fashioning me as a precious stone in your house!"

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

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| Sunday 18 | Acts 6:1-7 / 1 Pt 2:4-9 / Jn 14:1-12 |
| Monday 19 | Acts 14:5-18 / Jn 14:21-26 |
| Tuesday 20 | Acts 14:19-28 / Jn 14:27-31 |
| <i>St. Bernardine of Siena</i> | |
| Wednesday 21 | Acts 15:1-6 / Jn 15:1-8 |
| <i>St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions</i> | |
| Thursday 22 | Acts 15:7-21 / Jn 15:9-11 |
| <i>St. Rita of Cascia</i> | |
| Friday 23 | Acts 15:22-31 / Jn 15:12-17 |
| Saturday 24 | Acts 16:1-10 / Jn 15:18-21 |
| Sunday 25 | Acts 8:5-8,14-17 / 1 Pt 3:15-18 / Jn 14:15-21 |

LECTURAS DE HOY

¿Quién de nosotros está libre de dificultades y problemas? ¿Quién no percibe los urgentes problemas que piden solución en su comunidad? ¿Qué hombre o mujer puede quedarse impávido ante las calamidades de nuestros días?

Por ello nos asombra que Jesús les haya dicho a sus discípulos que no se turbara su corazón, a lo cual el Señor mismo nos responde: "Crean en Dios; crean también en mí" (Juan 14,1). Generalmente nos dejamos dominar por la duda y la inseguridad, porque nos falta fe en Cristo; en realidad no creemos que Dios pueda modificar aquello que nos causa miedo e inquietud.

Así sucedía con santo Tomás Apóstol. Por un lado, a Jesús le llamaba "Señor", dando a entender que tenía gran fe en él, pero se advierte por su pregunta que aun cuando reconocía a Jesús como Señor, seguía sintiéndose turbado. No debe sorprendernos, pues, que a veces nosotros también nos sintamos angustiados a pesar de creer en el señorío de Cristo.

En lugar de desanimarnos por la aparente fragilidad de nuestra fe, lo que debemos hacer es aplicar la solución que Jesús nos ofrece: Creer, es decir, poner la confianza en Dios. Eso es lo que el Señor quiere que hagamos: que nos fiemos de él tanto como para abandonarnos en sus manos.

"Acérquense al Señor Jesús, la piedra viva, rechazada por los hombres, pero escogida y preciosa a los ojos de Dios" (1 Pedro 2, 4). Es preciso saber que el Señor tiene poder sobre todas las situaciones y dificultades. A medida que desarrollemos una relación viva y dinámica con Cristo, nuestra fe crecerá. Y al fiarnos de él más y más, poco a poco podremos entregarle todas las situaciones de la vida.

Los problemas y tribulaciones que nos acosan, cualesquiera que sean, se reducirán y desaparecerán frente a nuestra fe y confianza en Jesús, y aprenderemos a experimentar la paz y el gozo que él quiso darnos cuando dijo: "No se turbe su corazón."

"Señor mío Jesucristo, te alabo y te bendigo porque en ti me siento seguro. Te entrego toda mi vida, mis bienes, mi voluntad y todo lo que tengo, porque sé que puedo confiar en ti."

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NEWS AND NOTES

Congratulations! – Congratulations to eleven children of our parish – Abigail, Matthew, Mary, Curran, Lucy, Anaruby, George, Vivian, Sebastian, Michael and Natalia – who celebrated their First Holy Communion at the 11:30am Mass on Sunday, **May 11**. May they always feel the love and presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ in their lives and share that love with others.

Come—Let Us Adore Him! – You are invited to the Cathedral for our monthly evening of Eucharistic Adoration this Monday, **May 19** from 6 to 7pm. Deacon James Garcia will deliver a reflection on the theme “Master, to whom shall we go?,” focusing on the passage from John 6:60-69. Confessions will be available (in English only) during the hour.

Memorial Day – Monday, **May 26**, is Memorial Day, a federal holiday. Masses will be celebrated at 8am and 12:10pm only. Following the Cathedral’s federal holiday schedule, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be celebrated.

Interested in Becoming a Lector? – An orientation and training session for those wishing to become lectors at the Cathedral will be held Saturday, **May 31** in the West Conference Room from 9:30am until 1pm. We welcome the participation of both registered parishioners and our “weekday parishioners”—members of other parishes who work in the downtown area and attend weekday Masses at the Cathedral. Those attending also will be asked to audition in the Cathedral at a later date. Lectors are asked to commit to reading at Mass at least twice each month. To register, call the Rectory at 202-347-3215 x517 by Wednesday, **May 28**. We look forward to seeing you.

FAITH FORMATION

Small Faith-Sharing Groups around “The Joy of the Gospel” By Pope Francis – Have you been thinking about reading the first apostolic exhortation of Pope Francis but are not sure where to start? Would you like to discuss the Pope’s message with other Catholics? Are you looking to explore your faith in a new or different way? If so, then join one of our upcoming small faith-sharing groups! We will read and reflect on “The Joy of the Gospel” over six weeks starting the first week in June. These peer-led, small group discussions will allow you to connect more deeply with your faith, reinvigorate your own spirit, and enliven your experiences in daily life. We will have a signup table after Mass on Sunday, **May 18**. The cost of the book is \$10 per participant. Contact Tricia Schmitt at Tricia.Schmittdc@gmail.com for more information.

WELCOME!

Visitors to the Cathedral, we want you to know how welcome you are—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or from another parish here in the Archdiocese or across the river. Thank you for praying with us. Thank you also for your generosity, which helps us to celebrate our liturgies in a fitting and beautiful way, and to offer a wide range of services to needy people in the Washington, DC area. Enjoy your visit!

PARISH CALENDAR

May 18- 25

- SUNDAY 18**—A second collection for Catholic Relief Services is taken at all Masses.
Cardinal Tagle, Archbishop of Manila, celebrates the 10am Mass in English.
 Las clases de Primera Comunión y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.
Obispo González celebrará las Confirmaciones de los jóvenes de la comunidad hispana durante la misa de español a la 1 de la tarde.
- MONDAY 19**—A Eucharistic Holy Hour is held in the Cathedral from 6 to 7pm, with confessions available (in English only).
 Wine and Wisdom meets at 7pm in the East Conference Room.
- TUESDAY 20**—The Faith Formation Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.
 El grupo de Oración comienza a las 7 de la tarde con el rosario, y a continuación el taller de Oración y Vida en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.
- WEDNESDAY 21**—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room.
- THURSDAY 22**—Legión de María se reunirá a las 6:30 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Este.
 The Respect Life Committee meets in the West Conference Room at 6:45pm.
- SATURDAY 24**—A Rosary for Life is prayed after the 8am Mass in procession to the Planned Parenthood facility on 16th Street, NW.
 Fr. Sebastian White, O.P. celebrates his First Mass of Thanksgiving at 5:30pm.
- SUNDAY 25**—Las clases de Primera Comunión y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.

VOCATIONS



Br. Sebastian White, O.P., who has been assisting at St. Matthew's since the fall of 2012, will be ordained to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ on **May 23, 2014** at 9:30am at St. Dominic's in Washington, DC.

Br. Sebastian grew up in Maine. Though he was baptized in the Catholic Church as an infant, he was brought up in a protestant community. In 2004, shortly after graduating from college, he was received into full communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. He then spent four years in Austria, studying at the International Theological Institute and working for Franciscan University of Steubenville. He discovered the grace of his religious vocation by spending time with the Dominican friars in Vienna, and joined the Dominicans of the Province of St. Joseph in 2008.

While at St. Matthew's, Br. Sebastian has been serving at Mass, preaching, preparing couples for marriage, and baptizing children. Father Sebastian's celebration of his first Mass of Thanksgiving will be here at the Cathedral on Saturday, **May 24, 2014** at 5:30pm. All are welcome.



Deacon Jimmy Hsu, CSP, who has worked at St. Matthew's for the past two years, will be ordained to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ on Saturday, **May 24, 2014** at 10am at the Church of Saint Paul the Apostle in New York City.

In addition to serving as deacon at Sunday masses, Deacon Jimmy has worked with the Cathedral Young Adults at the 5:30pm Sunday Mass. He also has been involved in preparing couples for marriage and serving in the Monday morning homeless ministry. Deacon Jimmy coordinated the Cathedral's small group faith sharing process, *Awakening Faith*.

Deacon Jimmy came from Plano, TX, and met the Paulists while attending the University of Texas at Austin studying computer science. Drawn to the priesthood, he changed his studies and graduated from UT with a philosophy degree, entering the Paulist community in 2008. He is very grateful for the opportunity to serve at St. Matthew's and to encounter so many here in this parish. After ordination, he will be assigned to a Paulist ministry in the U. S.

All are welcome to Deacon Jimmy's Ordination Mass, and to his celebration of a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Matthew's on Sunday, **June 1, 2014** at 5:30pm.



Misa del 50º Aniversario de Monseñor Francisco González, S.F. – La Arquidiócesis de Washington les invita cordialmente a la misa bilingüe en acción de gracias que se realizará el sábado **24 de mayo**, a las 5:15 de la tarde, en la Basílica del

Santuario Nacional de la Inmaculada Concepción en conmemoración de los 50 años de sacerdocio y los 75 años de vida de Monseñor Francisco González, S.F. Obispo Auxiliar de Washington. Se invita a los fieles de la Arquidiócesis y al público en general a participar de esta santa Misa. Seguidamente habrá una recepción en el Memorial Hall de la Basílica.

Ordination Anniversaries – During this ordination season, let us also remember in prayer our St. Matthew's rectory priests as they celebrate their anniversaries of ordination to the priesthood.

Msgr. Jameson – May 18, 1968

Fr. Jack Hurley – May 29, 1982

Fr. Rafael Barbieri – June 15, 2013

Fr. Mel Ayala – June 19, 2010



At left, an historic gathering of the current director, and several former directors, of the Office of Worship for the Archdiocese of Washington (from left, Fr.

Walter Tappey, Msgr. Ron Jameson (founding director), Fr. Mel Ayala (current director), Fr. Mark Knestout and Msgr. James Watkins). The photo was taken at the reception following last Sunday's Jubilee Mass for the priests of the Archdiocese.

The Catholic Business Network of Washington D.C. (CBN-D.C.) is an independent organization bringing together businesses and professionals to create valuable networking opportunities through monthly events and an annual gala. All fundraising benefits Washington, DC Catholic schools.

Join us for a networking breakfast Thursday, **May 22**, 8-9:30am in the Great Hall of the Rectory. Register at www.cbndc.org or contact Justin Silvers at 202-957-5188 or jsilvers@cbndc.org.

YOUNG ADULTS

Wine and Wisdom – Monday, May 19 – 7 - 8:30pm – East Conference Room – All young women are invited to attend our faith sharing group for a discussion on this month’s topic, spiritual motherhood. For questions or to RSVP: wineandwisdom.stmatthews@gmail.com

Save the Date: C†YA for a Scavenger Hunt – Saturday, May 31 – Details TBA – It’s almost time for our fourth annual scavenger hunt! It will begin in the early afternoon and wrap up with a happy hour and awards. You can form your own team or join one. Contact: Natalie at natalieloureiro@gmail.com

C†YA at the Catholic Charities Youth Transitional Program – Saturday, June 7 – 10am to 12:30pm – 801 East Men's Shelter (2700 MLK Blvd. SE / Anacostia) – The Catholic Charities Youth Transitional Program is a residential rehab program for young men ages 18-24. Join us for a rewarding morning of fun activities and facilitated interaction designed to help the guys develop valuable social and professional skills. You can take the Metro and/or buses to the shelter, but we will do our best to coordinate carpools. Contact: Jonathan at jgunner418@hotmail.com for questions or to sign up

C†YA at Mass Weekly on Sundays – 5:30pm – Cathedral (meet in section near front 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. Contact: Lara at lara.ericson@gmail.com

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

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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| Domingo 18 | He 6:1-7 / 1 Pe 2:4-9 / Jn 14:1-12 |
| Lunes 19 | He 14:5-18 / Jn 14:21-26 |
| Martes 20 | He 14:19-28 / Jn 14:27-31 |
| <i>San Bernardino de Siena</i> | |
| Miércoles 21 | He 15:1-6 / Jn 15:1-8 |
| <i>San Cristóbal Magallanes y compañeros</i> | |
| Jueves 22 | He 15:7-21 / Jn 15:9-11 |
| <i>Santa Rita de Casia</i> | |
| Viernes 23 | He 15:22-31 / Jn 15:12-17 |
| Sábado 24 | He 16:1-10 / Jn 15:18-21 |
| Domingo 25 | He 8:5-8,14-17 / 1 Pe 3:15-18 / Jn 14:15-21 |

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Confirmación de los Jóvenes – Únase este domingo **18 de mayo** a nuestra comunidad cuando nuestros jóvenes recibirán el Sacramento de la Confirmación, que será impartido por el **Obispo Francisco González**. ¡Oremos por ellos, para que continúen en su camino de fe como miembros de la Iglesia Católica!

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento – Les invitamos el lunes **19 de mayo** después de la misa de 5:30 de la tarde, a que se unan en adoración al Santísimo, de 6 a 7 de la tarde. El Sacramento de Reconciliación estará disponible durante la hora de la adoración (solo en Inglés).

Procesión del Rosario por la Vida – “A todos los miembros de la Iglesia, las personas de la vida y por la vida, les hago este urgente llamamiento, que juntos podamos ofrecer a este mundo nuevos signos de esperanza, y trabajar para asegurar que crezcan la justicia y solidaridad y que se pueda afirmar una nueva cultura de vida humana, para la construcción de una autentica civilización de la verdad y el amor”. — Santo Papa Juan Pablo II, *Evangelium Vitae*, 6
La procesión mensual del rosario por la Vida a Planned Parenthood, la clínica de aborto, será el sábado **24 de mayo**, después de la misa de las 8:00 de la mañana. Para participar por favor encuétranos dentro de la Catedral en la entrada central. Para más información sobre oportunidades de servicio con el Ministerio de Respeto a la Vida, póngase en contacto con Justin Silvers al stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com. Para español, llame a la rectoría y pregunte por el padre Rafael o Norma Canedo.

Próximamente – El lunes **26 de mayo**, es el Día de Conmemoración, fiesta federal. La Catedral abrirá a las 7:30 de la mañana y cerrará a la 1:00 de la tarde. Las misas serán a las 8:00 de la mañana y 12:10 del mediodía. No habrá confesiones ese día. La rectoría estará cerrada.

Taller de Oración y Vida – Continúa el taller de Oración y Vida. Un método creado por el padre Ignacio Larrañaga. Aprende a entrar en íntima relación con nuestro Señor Jesucristo, desde los primeros pasos hasta las alturas de la contemplación. Profundiza tu vida de fe, libérate de miedos y angustias y encuentra la paz en medio de las dificultades de la vida diaria. El taller es gratuito y comienza con el rosario. 7:00 de la noche y a continuación el taller. El taller se ofrece en el salón de conferencias del Oeste los martes (donde se reúne el Grupo de Oración).

MASS INTENTIONS**May 18–25****Sunday, May 18**

7am – Alfonso & Ana de Araque
(living)
8:30am – John Donato
10am – All Parishioners
11:30am – Thomas Patrick Melady
1pm – Salvador Mendez & Maria del
Carmen Melgar
5:30pm – Schoenstatt Movement

Monday, May 19

7am – Leo Anthony Lapuz
8am – Andres Maciel
12:10pm – Brian Pereira
5:30pm – Boyd Hamilton

Tuesday, May 20

7am – Colleen Kotras (living)
8am – Special Intention
12:10pm – Dorothy Hamilton (living)
5:30pm – Carolyn Garner (living)

Wednesday, May 21

7am – Joe Chang (living)
8am – Fr. Alejandro Díaz (living)
12:10pm – Bonifacio Yap, Jr.
5:30pm – Purificación Fernández

Thursday, May 22

7am – Fausto & Ricardina Rios
8am – Thanksgiving Alex Barahona
(living)
12:10pm – Loretto Wagner
5:30pm – Mrs. Stebbins (living)

Friday, May 23

7am – Tracy Marshall
8am – Thanksgiving
12:10pm – Sandra McCarthy
5:30pm – Ellma Rios

Saturday, May 24

8am – Schoenstatt Movement
12:10pm – Betty Glickent
5:30pm – John French Boehme

Sunday, May 25

7am – Elizabeth Kealy
8:30am – Maureen Anderson
10am – Claire & Jim Murphy
11:30am – All Parishioners
1pm – Francisco Puerta e hijo
5:30pm – John Fawcett

To arrange a Mass intention, speak to our receptionist in the Rectory. There is no fee but an offering is customary. Intentions are reserved in advance so particular dates may be unavailable.

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 antelación debido a que solo tenemos una misa en español.

RESPECT LIFE

Rosary Procession for Life – “To all the members of the Church, the people of life and for life, I make this most urgent appeal, that together we may offer this world of ours new signs of hope, and work to ensure that justice and solidarity will increase and that a new culture of human life will be affirmed, for the building of an authentic civilization of truth and love.” — Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*, 6

This month’s rosary for life procession to the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic will take place on Saturday, **May 24**, after the 8am Mass. Please gather inside at the main entrance of the Cathedral to participate. For more information on service opportunities and involvement with the Respect Life Ministry, please contact Justin Silvers at stmatthewsrespectlife@yahoo.com.

WELCOMING ALL

For wheelchair access, enter the driveway to the parking garage next to the Cathedral. Ring the door buzzer 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 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."

CELEBRATING BAPTISM

Parents who wish to have their child baptized at the Cathedral should contact the Baptismal Coordinator at 202-347-3215 x555 or baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org. Parents are encouraged to contact us **at least six (6) months in advance** of a desired baptismal date, and may ask for the priest of their choice to perform the Baptism. Early contact allows parents to be scheduled for the necessary sacramental formation session and godparents to obtain letters from their parish pastor.

If you are a registered parishioner at St. Matthew’s and need a letter of good standing in order to be a godparent for a baptism to be celebrated at another parish, please call the Cathedral rectory at 202-347-3215 to ask about obtaining a letter.

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.



Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle
English as a Second Language Program
Programa de Inglés como Segundo Idioma



The English as a Second Language (ESL) Program forms part of the Cathedral's Social Justice & Community Services Ministries.

This all-volunteer program provides English language instruction to adults (ages 18 and up) during three semesters each year: Fall, Spring and Summer. Language instruction is provided at Level I (Beginner) through Level 5 (Advanced) and classes are held at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. The following is information regarding the upcoming Summer Semester which focuses on conversation.

**Summer Semester of
English Conversation Classes**

The 10-week Summer Semester will extend from *June 3 to August 6*. During this period, classes will be held Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, with optional tutoring from 6:00 to 6:30pm. The focus will be on conversing in English. Language instruction will be provided at Level I (Beginner) through Level 5 (Advanced). Students may register, in person, starting May 28, between 6:30 and 8:30pm, at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. At registration, each student will be assessed to determine the appropriate class level in which he/she will be placed. Student registrations will be accepted until June 25. The cost of the 10-week semester is \$25. There will be no classes the week of July 1 in observance of Independence Day.

For more information, please visit the Cathedral website and click on "English Language Classes" under the "Social Justice" tab, or contact Dan Horning at stmattsesl@gmail.com.

El Programa de Inglés como Segundo Idioma (ESL, por sus siglas en inglés) forma parte de los Ministerios de Justicia Social & Servicios Comunitarios de la Catedral. Es un programa de voluntariado que proporciona enseñanza del idioma inglés para adultos (de 18 años de edad en adelante) durante tres semestres al año: Otoño, Primavera y Verano. Las clases de inglés se imparten desde el Nivel I (principiante) hasta el Nivel 5 (avanzado) en el Centro de Educación de San Mateo (St. Matthew's Education Center), que está ubicado en 1726 N Street, NW. Lo siguiente es información sobre el semestre de Verano que se aproxima y que se enfoca en conversación.

**Semestre de Verano de las
Clases de Conversación en Inglés**

El Semestre de Verano, con una duración de 10 semanas, será del *3 de junio al 6 de agosto*. Durante este periodo las clases se llevarán a cabo los martes y miércoles por la tarde de 6:30 a 8:30pm, con la opción de tutoría de 6:00 a 6:30pm. El enfoque será la conversación en inglés. Las clases serán impartidas desde el Nivel I (principiante) hasta el Nivel 5 (avanzado). Los estudiantes pueden inscribirse en persona a partir del 28 de mayo, de las 6:30 a las 8:30pm en el St. Matthew's Education Center (Centro de Educación de San Mateo), 1726 N St., NW. Durante la inscripción a cada estudiante se le hará un examen para determinar cuál es su nivel de clase más apropiado. Se aceptará la inscripción de estudiantes hasta el 25 de junio. El costo del semestre, con duración de 10 semanas, es de \$25. No habrá clases la semana del 1 de julio por la observación del Día de la Independencia.

Para más información, por favor visite a la página de web de la Catedral y haga clic a la frase "Clases de Inglés" bajo la ficha de "Social Justice", o póngase en contacto con Dan Horning al stmattsesl@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed for ESL Program: Teachers, Tutors & Persons of Hospitality

We are looking for volunteers to serve as teachers, tutors, and persons of hospitality **one night per week** (Tuesday or Wednesday) in the Summer Semester of the ESL Program. Please see above for more details.

While volunteers are not required to have formal training in teaching English as a second language, we expect their native language to be English. Classes for the Summer Semester are conversation based and will be taught in English only. If you are not comfortable teaching a class on your own, we can pair you with a more experienced teacher. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Dan Horning at stmattsesl@gmail.com.



Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle **Spanish as a Second Language Program**



The Social Justice & Community Services Ministry provides the Spanish as a Second Language (SSL) Program, an all-volunteer program that offers Spanish language instruction to adults (ages 18 and up) during three semesters each year: Fall, Spring and Summer. Language instruction is provided at Level 1 and Level 2, classes are held at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. While the SSL Program seeks to provide Spanish language instruction to persons engaged in serving their brothers and sisters in our parish community as well as in other Hispanic communities of the Washington, DC metropolitan area, the program also accepts students who are interested in learning Spanish solely for their personal enrichment.

Summer Semester of Spanish Conversation Classes

The 10-week Summer semester will extend from **June 3** to **August 6**. During this period, classes will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Language instruction will be provided at Level I and Level 2. Students registering for Level 2 instruction must have the prior approval of the Level 2 lead instructor and priority registration which takes place during the first week will be given to those students who are parishioners of St. Matthew and currently involved in a ministry. Students for both levels may register, in person, starting Wednesday, May 28, between 6:30 and 8:00pm, at St. Matthew's Education Center, 1726 N Street, NW. The cost of the 10-week semester is \$50. There will be no classes the week of July 1 in observance of the Independence Day Holiday. For more information, please contact Dan Horning at stmattsssl@gmail.com.

Volunteer Teachers Needed for SSL Program

We are looking for volunteers to serve as teachers **one night per week** (Tuesday or Wednesday) in the Summer Semester of the SSL Program, which will extend from June 3 to August 6. Please see above for details.

While volunteers are not required to have formal training in teaching Spanish as a second language, we expect their native language to be Spanish. Also, volunteers are expected to have at least one university degree. Classes will be taught in Spanish only. If you are not comfortable teaching a class on your own, we can pair you with a more experienced teacher.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Dan Horning at stmattsssl@gmail.com.

Se Solicita Maestros Voluntarios Para el Programa SSL

Buscamos voluntarios para servir como maestros **una noche por semana** (martes o miércoles) durante el Semestre de Verano del Programa SSL que se impartirá del 3 de junio al 6 de agosto. Por favor mire arriba para más detalles.

No es un requisito que los voluntarios tengan una capacitación formal como maestros de español como segundo idioma, sin embargo esperamos que la lengua materna de los voluntarios sea el español. Además, se espera que los voluntarios tengan por mínimo un título universitario. Las clases serán impartidas sólo en español. Si usted no se siente a gusto dando la clase por sí solo podemos acomodarlo junto con otro maestro con más experiencia.

Si usted está interesado en participar como voluntario por favor póngase en contacto con Dan Horning al stmattsssl@gmail.com.



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 11

PLACE: NORTH CONFERENCE ROOM

(accessible through the glass-and-iron door at the base of the driveway
leading into the public parking garage to the right of the front of 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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***** **PRIORITY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2014** *****

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION -- ST. MATTHEW'S CATHEDRAL -- 2014-2015



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 either the 8:30am Mass before class or 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 7, 2014 from 9:45 to 11am in the North Conference Room. Classes will begin Sunday, September 14, 2014 and conclude in late May 2015.

How do I register my child(ren)?

Complete the two-sided registration form (available at the Cathedral entrance, in the 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.

Questions about registration?

Contact Heather Kinney, Director of Faith Formation, at hkinney@stmatthewscathedral.org or 202-347-3215 x530.

For information about children's religious education in Spanish, contact Fatima Aybar, Coordinator of Spanish Faith Formation, at fatima735@msn.com or 202-347-3215.

----- 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*
 - Virtus "Protecting God's Children" seminar*

If you are interested in learning about teaching opportunities for the 2014-2015 year, please contact program coordinator Julie McLaughlin at julieann.mclaughlin@gmail.com.



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.

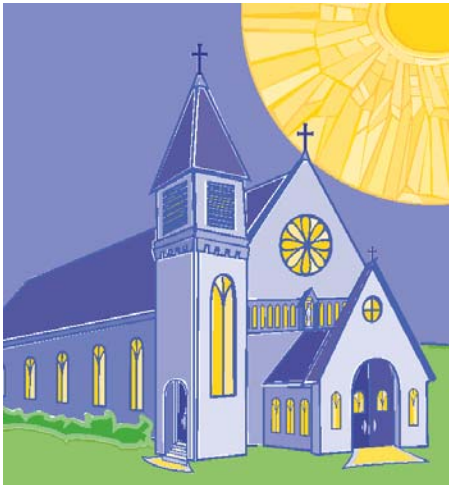
Sign up using the enrollment form on the other side or go online to www.faithdirect.net and use our parish code **DC284** to enroll today!

ENROLL TODAY!

How does Faith Direct work?

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?

The Cathedral will see a substantial increase in net revenue, a decrease in administrative costs, and a clearer picture of cash flow for their needs.

If you have any questions about the *Faith Direct* program, please call 1-866-507-8757 {toll free} or send an email to info@faithdirect.net, or contact Pam Erwin at the Rectory at 202-347-3215 x537 or perwin@stmatthewscathedral.org.

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To enroll online, use code
below or scan here: →

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Process my gifts on the: 4th *or* 15th of the month (please check only one box)

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (Peter 4:10)

Weekly Offertory Gift: \$ _____

(Note: The total amount will be determined by the number of
Sundays in the month. Some months have 5 Sundays.)

You may also choose to give to the following second and special collections as part of the regular monthly transaction.

Organ Completion Fund: Weekly Gift: \$ _____ Monthly Gift: \$ _____ One-Time: Gift \$ _____

| COLLECTION | AMOUNT | MONTH | COLLECTION | AMOUNT | MONTH |
|--|----------|-------------|---|----------|-----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cathedral Maintenance | \$ _____ | Monthly | <input type="checkbox"/> Holy Father | \$ _____ | June |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music Ministry | \$ _____ | Monthly | <input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Communications & Human Development | \$ _____ | August |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poor Box/Outreach | \$ _____ | Monthly | <input type="checkbox"/> Assumption | \$ _____ | August |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solemnity of Mary | \$ _____ | January | <input type="checkbox"/> Catholic University | \$ _____ | September |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Church Missions within the US | \$ _____ | January | <input type="checkbox"/> Propagation of the Faith/ World Missions | \$ _____ | October |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ash Wednesday | \$ _____ | March | <input type="checkbox"/> All Saints Day | \$ _____ | November |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Churches in the Developing World | \$ _____ | March | <input type="checkbox"/> All Souls Day * | \$ _____ | November |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Holy Thursday | \$ _____ | March/April | <input type="checkbox"/> Archdiocesan Priests' Retirement | \$ _____ | November |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Holy Land | \$ _____ | March/April | <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Fund for Religious | \$ _____ | December |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easter Flowers | \$ _____ | March/April | <input type="checkbox"/> Immaculate Conception | \$ _____ | December |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Easter Sunday (In addition to regular Sunday gift) | \$ _____ | March/April | <input type="checkbox"/> Christmas Flowers | \$ _____ | December |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Relief Services | \$ _____ | May | <input type="checkbox"/> Christmas | \$ _____ | December |

* Please call the church at 202-347-3215 with the names of your intentions for this collection.

I would like to enroll in the Faith Direct program for the benefit of the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle. I understand that my total monthly contribution amount will be transferred directly from my checking account or credit card as stated above, a record of my gifts will appear on my bank or credit card statement, and my transfers will begin on the 4th or next business day of the month following my enrollment. I understand that I can increase, decrease, or suspend my giving by contacting Faith Direct toll free at 1-866-507-8757.

{All gifts provided to your Church originating as Automated Clearing House transactions comply with US law.}

Signature: X _____ Date: _____

Name(s): (please print) _____

Street Address: _____

Church Envelope #: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

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

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

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

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

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

Credit/Debit Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

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