

## TODAY'S READINGS

**T**hey were all filled with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:4)  
Today we celebrate that great day when the Holy Spirit came upon Mary and the apostles. The power of God was on display in a dramatic way as three thousand people accepted the gospel, repented, were baptized, and joined the Church.

What followed was an exciting and continuous display of God's power. People came together for prayer and the Eucharist. Many were healed of sicknesses or delivered from demons. Some felt compelled to care for the poor, and others, to proclaim the gospel abroad. Despite tensions from within and persecution from without, the Church continued to grow, all because the Spirit was at work.

Not long after today's events, a "second Pentecost" occurred, this time to a group of Gentiles in Caesarea (Acts 10:44-48). Once again, Peter preached the gospel, the Holy Spirit was poured out, and many were converted. The people who had come with Peter—all faithful Jews—"were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles" (10:45). Then when Paul ventured out on his missionary journeys, the same thing happened: the gospel was preached, the Spirit was released, people were changed, and the Church grew.

You have the Holy Spirit no less than Peter and Paul and the apostles did. This same Spirit wants to help you draw close to Jesus, and he wants to make you into his instrument of salvation. So take some time today to accept the challenge. Ask him to guide you in the truth. Ask him to take from what is Jesus' and make it known to you (John 16:13-14). And then try your best to follow the apostles' example by looking for opportunities to share the good news so that the Spirit can touch more and more people.

*"Come, Holy Spirit, and fill me with your love. Send your fire, and renew the face of the earth."*

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## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

<b>Sunday 8</b>	Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13 /
<i>Pentecost</i>	Jn 20:19-23
<b>Monday 9</b>	1 Kgs 17:1-6 / Mt 5:1-12
<i>St. Ephrem</i>	
<b>Tuesday 10</b>	1 Kgs 17:7-16 / Mt 5:13-16
<b>Wednesday 11</b>	Acts 11:21-26; 13:1-3 / Mt 5:17-19
<i>St. Barnabas</i>	
<b>Thursday 12</b>	1 Kgs 18:41-46 / Mt 5:20-26
<b>Friday 13</b>	1 Kgs 19:9,11-16 / Mt 5:27-32
<i>St. Anthony of Padua</i>	
<b>Saturday 14</b>	1 Kgs 19:19-21 / Mt 5:33-37
<b>Sunday 15</b>	Ex 34:4-6,8-9 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 /
<i>Most Holy Trinity</i>	Jn 3:16-18

## LECTURAS DE HOY

**D**e una homilía de san León Magno (c. 400-461)  
"Si no me voy' Jesús dijo a sus apóstoles, 'no vendrá a ustedes el Paráclito; en cambio, si me voy, yo se lo enviaré' (Juan 16, 7). 'No se alejen de Jerusalén. Aguarden aquí a que se cumpla la promesa de mi Padre, de la que ya les he hablado: Juan bautizó con agua; dentro de pocos días ustedes serán bautizados con el Espíritu Santo' (Hechos 1, 4-5).

"Estas fueron las últimas palabras del Señor a sus discípulos... No que el Espíritu fuera a comenzar su trabajo entre los hombres sólo después de que Jesús hubiese retornado al Padre, porque ya estaba actuando en el mundo desde el amanecer de la creación. El pueblo de Dios no iba a experimentar una presencia hasta entonces desconocida del Espíritu Santo, sino que los que ya le pertenecían conocerían una efusión más abundante; no una primera recepción de sus dones, sino una mayor plenitud.

"Pentecostés es la culminación de la obra de nuestra salvación, aquel poderoso plan de la misericordia de Dios que se originó mucho tiempo atrás, cuando el Señor empezó recién a formar un pueblo para sí. ¡Cuántas señales misteriosas se descubren en esta fiesta, en la que se unen el antiguo y el nuevo designio divino, enseñándonos que la Ley de Moisés fue el heraldo de la gracia de Cristo, en la cual encontraría su cumplimiento!

"El perenne mensaje del Evangelio es que el Señor ha salvado a su pueblo; ha derrotado al pecado y a la muerte y nos ha dado una vida nueva como hijos adoptivos de Dios. Y porque somos hijos suyos, Dios ha enviado al Espíritu de su Hijo a nuestros corazones, para que clamemos, '¡Abba, Padre!' (Gálatas 4, 6). Ahora bien, donde está el Espíritu del Señor, ahí hay libertad (2 Corintios 3, 17). ¡Ya no somos esclavos, sino libres!"

*"Padre eterno, te doy gracias por haberme hecho libre y darme parte en la salvación. Te pido una nueva infusión de tu Espíritu para rechazar al enemigo, arrepentirme constantemente de mis faltas y declarar sin temor que Jesús es mi Señor y Salvador."*

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## VOCATIONS

### *Holy Hours for Ordinandi*

**St. Matthew's Monthly Eucharistic Holy Hour** – On Monday, **June 16** from 6 to 7pm (following the 5:30pm Mass) the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the main altar for adoration. The hour will be dedicated to prayers for the seven deacons of the Archdiocese of Washington who will be ordained to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ on Saturday, June 21, including our own parishioner, **Kenneth J. Gill**. Deacon Clayton Nickel will preside, reflecting upon the passage in John 21:1-19. Fr. Rafael will be available for confessions in English and Spanish during the hour. Come, adore, ask for and share in the graces that our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament seeks to give you!

**Archdiocesan Holy Hour with Solemn Vespers** - On Friday, **June 20**, the Archdiocesan Office of Priest Vocations will hold a Holy Hour with Solemn Vespers for the Ordinandi at 7pm in the Cathedral. All are invited to join the Ordinandi and their families and friends in prayer. The parking garage next to the Cathedral will remain open for the Holy Hour.

**St. Matthew's Parishioner Among the 2014 Ordinandi – Kenneth J. Gill**, a St. Matthew's parishioner will be ordained to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ by Donald Cardinal Wuerl at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday, **June 21** at 10am. Originally from Melbourne, Florida, Ken has lived and worked in Washington, DC since 1987, most recently as Director of Business Development with Parsons Corp. In the fall of 2009 Ken entered priestly formation at Blessed John XXIII National Seminary in Weston, Massachusetts.



At St. Matthew's, Ken was a server, lector, and RCIA sponsor. He participated in the parish pilgrimages to the Holy Land (2007) and Rome/Assisi (2008), which played an important role in helping him discern his calling to the priesthood. Ken has had summer parish assignments at Jesus the Divine Word in Huntingtown, Maryland, St. Joseph's in Largo, Maryland, and St. Bernadette's in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Ken wishes to thank all of the parishioners at St. Matthew's past and present who have helped him on this journey, especially through their prayers. He keeps the parish in his daily prayers, and he looks forward to sharing the joy of ordination with our St. Matthew's family. All are welcome to the ordination and to Fr. Gill's First Mass, which he will celebrate at St. Matthew's on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, Sunday, **June 22** at 11:30am.

## WELCOME!

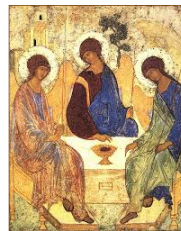
*Visitors to the Cathedral, we want you to know how welcome you are—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or from another parish here in the Archdiocese or across the river. Thank you for praying with us. Thank you for your generosity, which helps us to celebrate 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!*

**Summer Dinner for the Homeless** – The Social Justice & Community Services Committee will host a dinner for our homeless friends on Sunday, **June 29** at 3pm. Contact Paulin Leonida at [impaulina@gmail.com](mailto:impaulina@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.

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



**The Most Holy Trinity: God as Lover, Loved and Love** – *Next Sunday, June 15, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. The words of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI remind us that encounter with Christ blossoms into an experience of intimacy among the persons of the Trinity.*

“Thanks to the Holy Spirit, who helps us understand Jesus' words and guides us to the whole truth . . . , believers can experience, so to speak, the intimacy of God himself, discovering that he is not infinite solitude but communion of light and love, life given and received in an eternal dialogue between the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit—Lover, Loved and Love, to echo St. Augustine, . .

Those who encounter Christ and enter into a friendly relationship with him welcome into their hearts Trinitarian Communion itself, in accordance with Jesus' promise to his disciples: ‘If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him’ (Jn 14:23).”  
(*Benedict XVI, Angelus, Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, Sunday, 11 June 2006*)

## FAITH IN ACTION

### Adult English Conversation Classes –

When? June 3 to August 6, 2014 (ten weeks)  
Tuesday and Wednesday evenings  
from 6:30 to 8:30pm

Where? St. Matthew's Education Center  
1726 N Street, NW

How much? \$25

Students may register, in person, from **June 3 to June 18**, from 6pm to 8pm, at St. Matthew's Education Center. Language instruction is provided at Level 1 (Beginner) through Level 5 (Advanced). For more information or to inquire about volunteering as a teacher, visit

<http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach/clases-de-ingles-english-language-classes>

or contact Dan Horning at [stmattsesl@gmail.com](mailto:stmattsesl@gmail.com).

**Volunteers for ESL Program** – We are looking for volunteers to serve as teachers and tutors **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. The volunteer teachers should also have at least one college degree. 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. To volunteer, contact Dan Horning at [stmattsesl@gmail.com](mailto:stmattsesl@gmail.com).

**Spanish Adult 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 Levels 1 and 2. Students registering for Level 2 instruction must have the prior approval of the Level 2 lead instructor. Priority in registration will be given to parishioners of St. Matthew who are currently involved in a ministry. Students for both levels may register in person (until class limits are met) between 6pm and 8pm 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 Independence Day. For more information, contact Dan Horning at [stmattsesl@gmail.com](mailto:stmattsesl@gmail.com).

**Breaking Open the Word & BYO Buffet Night!** – Join us on Wednesday, **June 11** for a spirited discussion of the readings from Pentecost Sunday (copies provided). We will meet at 6:30pm in the West Conference Room (accessible from St. Matthew's Court on the Cathedral's west side) to greet and share food and drink first. All are invited, but not required, to bring something to share. Contact: Nathan Krieg at [ntkrieg@gmail.com](mailto:ntkrieg@gmail.com).

Breaking Open the Word is an informal discussion of the readings for the *upcoming* Sunday (the June 11 meeting is an exception.). No expertise is needed. BOW normally meets on Wednesdays at 7pm in the West Conference Room. The first BOW of every month (and the **June 11** meeting) are BYO Buffet nights, and begin at 6:30pm instead of 7pm.

## YOUNG ADULTS

**Volunteering at the Northwest Center – Tuesday, June 10 – 6 to 8pm – Northwest Center (2702 Ontario Road NW / Columbia Heights)** – Support a great organization that provides comprehensive care to pregnant women and babies! Each month, we help with odd jobs like sorting donations, cleaning, painting, or yard work. Contact for sign-up: Natalie at [natalie.committee@gmail.com](mailto:natalie.committee@gmail.com)

**Christ in the City: Young Adult Mass – Thursday, June 12 – 6pm (adoration & confessions) / 7pm (Mass) – Immaculate Conception (N Street at 8th Street NW / Mt. Vernon Square)** – Come together with young adults from across the Archdiocese for prayer, worship, and fellowship! Contact: Jonathan at [dccatholic@adw.org](mailto:dccatholic@adw.org)

**Wine and Wisdom – Monday, June 16 – 7 to 8:30pm – East Conference Room** – All young women are invited to attend our faith sharing group for a discussion on this month's topic, sisterhood. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, email [wineandwisdom.stmatthews@gmail.com](mailto:wineandwisdom.stmatthews@gmail.com)

**Ordination Celebration: Holy Hour & Happy Hour – Friday, June 20 – 7pm holy hour at the Cathedral, followed by happy hour at Buffalo Billiards (1330 19th Street NW / Dupont)** – In lieu of our bimonthly happy hour, we will celebrate the upcoming ordinations of local seminarians with prayer, confessions, and adoration. Afterward, we'll head to nearby Buffalo Billiards for a happy hour with young adults from parishes across the city. Contact: Carolyn at [cwait.10@gmail.com](mailto:cwait.10@gmail.com)

*Stay up to date with Cathedral Young Adult events by checking out our website, [www.stmatthewscathedral.org/cya](http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/cya), and joining our listserv. To learn more, email [stmattsyam@gmail.com](mailto:stmattsyam@gmail.com).*



## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

<b>Domingo 8</b> <i>Pentecostés</i>	He 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13 / Jn 20:19-23
<b>Lunes 9</b> <i>San Efrén</i>	1 Re 17:1-6 / Mt 5:1-12
<b>Martes 10</b>	1 Re 17:7-16 / Mt 5:13-16
<b>Miércoles 11</b> <i>San Bernabé</i>	He 11:21-26; 13:1-3 / Mt 5:17-19
<b>Jueves 12</b>	1 Re 18:41-46 / Mt 5:20-26
<b>Viernes 13</b> <i>San Antonio de Padua</i>	1 Re 19:9,11-16 / Mt 5:27-32
<b>Sábado 14</b>	1 Re 19:19-21 / Mt 5:33-37
<b>Domingo 15</b> <i>La Santísima Trinidad</i>	Éx 34:4-6,8-9 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 / Jn 3:16-18

## NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

**Primera Comunión** – El domingo **15 de junio**, los niños de nuestra comunidad hispana recibieron su Primera Comunión, durante la misa de 1 de la tarde. ¡Oremos por ellos, para que continúen en su camino de fe como miembros de la Iglesia Católica y por sus padres también!

**Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento** – Les invitamos el lunes **16 de junio** 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 en inglés y español.

**Clases de Conversación en Inglés para Adultos** –

¿Cuándo? 3 de junio al 6 de agosto (diez semanas)  
Los martes y miércoles de 6:30 a 8:30 de la noche

¿Dónde? St. Matthew's Education Center  
(Centro de Educación de San Mateo)  
1726 calle N, NW, Washington, DC

¿Cuánto? \$25

Los estudiantes podrán matricularse en persona, del **3 de junio al 18 de junio**, entre las 6:00 y las 8:00 de la noche, en el *St. Matthew's Education Center*. Las clases de inglés serán impartidas desde el Nivel 1 (principiante) hasta el Nivel 5 (avanzado). Los estudiantes se podrán registrar hasta el 18 de junio. Para más información sobre registración y voluntariado, por favor visite:

<http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/%20outreach/clases-de-ingles> o póngase en contacto con Dan Horning al [stmattsssl@gmail.com](mailto:stmattsssl@gmail.com).

**Voluntarios para el Programa de Español para Adultos** – Buscamos voluntarios para servir como maestros o tutores una noche por la semana (martes o miércoles) durante el Semestre de Verano del programa de español como segunda lengua que se impartirá del **3 de junio al 6 de agosto**. 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](mailto:stmattsssl@gmail.com) o llame a la rectoría y pregunte por el padre Rafael o Norma Canedo.

**Cenas para las Personas sin Hogar en Verano** – El comité de Justicia Social y Servicio Comunitario está auspiciando una cena para nuestros amigos sin hogar, el domingo **29 de junio**, a las 3:00 de la tarde. Si desea ayudar en diferentes aspectos de la cena, puede llamar a Paulin Leonida al 703-714-9704 o [lmmapaulina@gmail.com](mailto:lmmapaulina@gmail.com) o a la rectoría 202-347-3215.

Estas son las diferentes maneras para ayudar:

- Preparar las mesas, servir y proveer hospitalidad a nuestros invitados
- Comprar alimentos para la cena o cocinar un plato para la cena
- Dar una donación monetaria para la cena o suplementos

Estas cenas bianuales, son de gran éxito gracias a ¡USTEDES! Esperamos oír de ustedes.

**¿Habla Español? ¡Estamos Buscando Voluntarios!** – El Northwest Center está buscando una persona voluntaria que hable español (tanto fluente como efectivo) para el programa de embarazo y seguimiento de las personas que asisten al centro. Los voluntarios pro-vida tendrían entrenamiento para hacer consejería en el centro y servirían de apoyo a las mujeres embarazadas que hablan español y familias que son referidas para informarles sobre recursos de la comunidad así como asistencia material. Estamos buscando voluntarios quienes puedan comprometerse una vez a la semana o cada dos semanas de servicio, algún tiempo disponible de lunes a viernes dentro del horario de 9:00 de la mañana a 5:00 de la tarde. Si está interesado, por favor contacte Jenny Ginsberg a [jenny@northwestcenter.net](mailto:jenny@northwestcenter.net) o llamar al 202-483-7008.

## MASS INTENTIONS

June 8 – 15

### Sunday, June 8

7am – Isaiah Guyman Martin, Jr.  
8:30am – Ivan Urribarri  
10am – Donald Winter  
11:30am – Josiane Kwaou  
1pm – Miembros de la familia  
Mayta  
5:30pm – Daniel De Boyace

### Monday, June 9

7am – Emma Damasco (living)  
8am – Janis Securelee  
12:10pm – Carrie Bradshaw  
5:30pm – Mickey Loughrey

### Tuesday, June 10

7am – Joseph Kue  
8am – Marie Securelee  
12:10pm – Raymond J. Mechak  
5:30pm – Deceased from all  
wars

### Wednesday, June 11

7am – Sam Masimila  
8am – Barbara Burtlee  
12:10pm – Klaus Schaefer  
5:30pm – Mr. Juanito  
Almendrala

### Thursday, June 12

7am – Carmelo Nieves  
8am – Mary Burtlee  
12:10pm – Lucia Tavares  
(living)  
5:30pm – Nate Kramer (living)

### Friday, June 13

7am – Luciano Damasco  
8am – Laura Burtlee  
12:10pm – Lydia J. Luna  
5:30pm – Thanksgiving

### Saturday, June 14

8am – Fr. Kevin Regan (living)  
12:10pm – H. Ann Reidy  
5:30pm – Fr. Dan Leary (living)

### Sunday, June 15

7am – Brooksie, Myrtle & Bessie  
Banks  
8:30am – All Parishioners  
10am – Augustino Tran-Tri  
11:30am – Mary C. Wason  
1pm – Francisco De León  
5:30pm – Jacinto Mendez  
Santos

## PARISH CALENDAR

June 8 – 15

### SUNDAY 8—Pentecost

Las clases de Primera Comunión y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.

**Cardinal Wuerl** celebrates the Archdiocesan Synod Closing Mass at 11:30am.

The Cathedral Club meets at 1pm in the West Conference Room.

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

**MONDAY 9**—The Liturgy Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.

**TUESDAY 10**—El grupo de Oración se reúne 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**—Legión de María se reunirá a las 6:30 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Este.

**SATURDAY 14**—**Cardinal Wuerl** celebrates a Mass of Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate at 3pm.

### SUNDAY 15—Most Holy Trinity

La Primera Comunión de los niños de la comunidad Hispana se celebrará durante la misa de la 1 de la tarde. A blessing of fathers is given at all Masses.

## 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 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.

## NEWS AND NOTES

**Always God's Children** – Always God's Children, St. Matthew's ministry to gay and lesbian persons and their families and friends, will meet Sunday, **June 8** at 3:30pm in the West Conference Room.

**FaithQuest Pilgrimage** – Where is the oldest church in the archdiocese? Where can you find a relic of the true cross? Who is Saint John Neumann? Find the answers and more on a FaithQuest Pilgrimage—visit up to 25 sites around the archdiocese, including the Cathedral, 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 main entrance (near the St. Francis Chapel). Visit 8 or more sites between June 7 and September 7 and receive an invitation to the closing ceremony at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land. For more information, visit [www.adw.org/faithquest](http://www.adw.org/faithquest).

## BAPTISM

Parents who wish to have their child baptized at the Cathedral should contact the Baptismal Coordinator at [baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org) or 202-347-3215 x555. 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 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.



# 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!**

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:fatima735@msn.com) or 202-347-3215.*

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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*
  - 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](mailto: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.

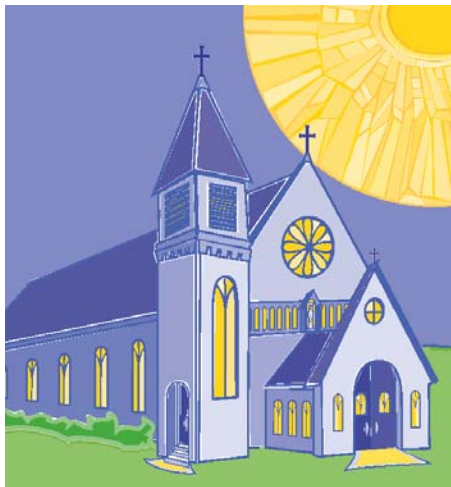
Sign up using the enrollment form on the other side or go online to [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our parish code **DC284** to enroll today!

**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 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:info@faithdirect.net), or by logging in to your account through [www.faithdirect.net](http://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](mailto:info@faithdirect.net),  
or contact Pam Erwin at the Rectory at 202-347-3215 x537 or  
[perwin@stmatthewscathedral.org](mailto:perwin@stmatthewscathedral.org).



# E-GIVING ENROLLMENT FORM



Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle  
1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW  
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To enroll online, use code  
below or scan here: →

DC284



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

*\* 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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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