#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

oses at once bowed down to the ground in worship. (Exodus 34:6, 8)
The Holy Trinity. Three persons in one God. Really, it's too much for our minds to handle. The greatest theologians and philosophers in history have had to acknowledge their inadequacy in the face of such an awesome mystery. And maybe that's the point. God isn't something to be dissected and understood; he is some One to be worshipped and adored.

Look at Moses in today's first reading. God gave him a glimpse of his glory, and it moved Moses to bow to the ground and worship. God proclaimed his name and revealed his nature: merciful, gracious, slow to anger, rich in kindness and fidelity. It was just one little glimpse of divine mercy and kindness—Moses saw only God's back—but it was enough to bring Moses to his knees in humble adoration (Exodus 33:22-23).

Today at Mass, all of God's attributes will be on display—if we have the eyes to see. At the Penitential Rite, his mercy will flow freely. In the Liturgy of the Word, God will speak to us and reveal his love and faithfulness. In the Eucharist, his glory will shine as he comes to us in the form of bread and wine—and we are brought into that glory as we receive him.

Try to sense God's presence in these ways. Contemplate his love, his mercy, and his glory. And as you're contemplating them, look for the Spirit to give you more insight, deeper healing, and more love. Then, like Moses, bow down before him in worship. Thank him for his faithfulness; praise him for being slow to anger; honor him for his kindness. Truly, we serve an awesome, merciful God!

"Lord, you are so far beyond my understanding! Expand my capacity to know you as I worship you today. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I love you!"

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#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 15	Ex 34:4-6,8-9 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 /
The Most Holy Trinity	Jn 3:16-18
Monday 16	1 Kgs 21:1-16 / Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday 17	1 Kgs 21:17-29 / Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday 18	2 Kgs 2:1,6-14 / Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Thursday 19	Sir 48:1-14 / Mt 6:7-15
St. Romuald	
Friday 20	2 Kgs 11:1-4,9-18,20 / Mt 6:19-23
Saturday 21	2 Chr 24:17-25 / Mt 6:24-34
St. Aloysius Gonzaga	
Sunday 22	Dt 8:2-3,14-16 / 1 Cor 10:16-17 /

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

In 6:51-58

#### LECTURAS DE HOY

uando pensamos en la Santísima Trinidad nos damos cuenta de lo limitada que es la mente humana, ya que es imposible explicar cómo puede haber tres Personas en un solo Dios. Pero esto es lo que el Señor Jesucristo, la Sagrada Escritura y la Iglesia nos han enseñado desde el principio.

Dios siempre se ha revelado a su pueblo como un Dios "compasivo y clemente, paciente, misericordioso y fiel" (Éxodo 34, 6), y un Dios que tanto amó al mundo que "entregó a su Hijo único, para que todo el que crea en él no perezca, sino que tenga vida eterna" (Juan 3,16).

El Dios de la Santísima Trinidad, Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo, ama profundamente a toda la humanidad

que él mismo creó, pero quiere compartir personalmente su amor con cada uno de sus hijos. Pese a que a menudo somos gente muy "terca", Dios perdona nuestros pecados y nos adopta como hijos suyos (Éxodo 34,8-9). Este amor infinito es el que comunica vida al mundo y sostiene nuestra vida; es el amor que el Señor quiere que experimentemos personalmente cada uno de nosotros.

Dios es misericordioso y generoso en extremo al prodigarnos su amor, pero al hacerlo, nos pide que lo imitemos en ese amor, es decir, que así también amemos nosotros. Nuestro amor al prójimo no debe ser sólo de palabra, sino manifestarse de modo práctico, en acciones concretas. San Pablo nos da ejemplos útiles al respecto: "Tengan un mismo sentir y vivan en paz... Salúdense unos a otros con un beso santo" (2 Corintios 13, 12).

Dios, que tanto nos ama, nos capacita para amar; nos da fuerzas para superar las ofensas y calumnias contra nuestra dignidad y para invocar su poder sanador en las relaciones personales heridas o destruidas; con su amor podemos responder a todos con amor.

"¡Oh, Santísima Trinidad! Tú eres un mar sin fondo en el que, cuanto más me hundo, más te encuentro; cuanto más te encuentro, más te busco, y cuanto más te busco más te deseo. Cómo ansío llegar un día a contemplar la luz inefable de tu excelsa pureza y tu eterna omnipotencia."

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#### HIGHLIGHTS

**St. Matthew's Monthly Eucharistic Holy Hour for Our Ordinandi** – All are welcome Monday, **June 16** from 6 to 7pm, when the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the main altar for adoration. The hour will be dedicated to prayers for the seven men who will be ordained to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ for the Church of Washington on Saturday, June 21. Deacon Clayton Nickel will preside, reflecting upon John 21:1-19. Fr. Rafael will be available for confessions in English and Spanish during the hour.

Note – The Archdiocesan Holy Hour with Vespers for the Ordinandi will be held in the Cathedral later in the week; see the insert.



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 thanks 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.



Corpus Christi Procession – Sunday, June 22 is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. All are invited to join in procession of the Blessed Sacrament in the streets of Washington following the 1pm Mass, concluding with benediction on returning to the Cathedral. This centuries-old tradition is a beautiful expression of our faith in the Eucharist and a powerful witness to our Catholic identity visible to our neighbors.

**Schola Cantorum Summer Hiatus –** Sunday, **June 22** is the last Sunday of the season for the Schola Cantorum. We sincerely hope they have lifted your spirits and touched your souls. They will return on Sunday, September 7, at the 10am and 11:30am Masses. Stay tuned for news about their exciting fall season! Happy Summer!

#### **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!

## **PARISH CALENDAR**

**June 15 - 22** 

#### **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

MONDAY 16—A Eucharistic Holy Hour for our Ordinandi is held in the Cathedral from 6 to 7pm, with confessions available in English and Spanish.

Wine and Wisdom meets at 7pm in the East Conference Room.

TUESDAY 17—The Faith Formation Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room. El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

**WEDNESDAY 18**—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room.

THURSDAY 19—Legión de María se reunirá a las 6:30 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Este.
The Knights of Columbus meet at 7:30pm in the West Conference Room.

**FRIDAY 20**—An Archdiocesan Holy Hour and Solemn Vespers is held at 7pm in the Cathedral.

# SUNDAY 22—The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Fr. Ken Gill serves at his first Mass as a priest at 11:30am.
The Corpus Christi Eucharistic

procession is held after the 1pm Mass.

#### **FAITH IN ACTION**

#### **Adult English Conversation Classes -**

When? **June 3 to August 6, 2014** (10 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 on Tuesday or Wednesday evenings from 6 to 8pm, at St. Matthew's Education Center. Registration ends June 18. Language instruction is provided at Level 1 (Beginner) through Level 5 (Advanced). For more information, please visit:

http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach/classes-de-ingles-english-language-classes or contact Dan Horning at <a href="mailto:stmattsesl@gmail.com">stmattsesl@gmail.com</a>.

Volunteers for ESL Program – We need volunteers to serve as hospitality ministers and tutors one night per week (Tuesday or Wednesday evenings) in the summer semester of the English as a Second Language Program. To volunteer, please contact Dan Horning at <a href="mailto:stmattsesl@gmail.com">stmattsesl@gmail.com</a>.

**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 <a href="mailto:lmpaulina@gmail.com">lmpaulina@gmail.com</a> 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.

Northwest Pregnancy Center – Do you speak Spanish? The Northwest Center is seeking Spanish-speaking (both fluent and proficient) volunteers for the pregnancy center's Step Up program. Prolife volunteers undergo counseling training and assist Spanish-speaking pregnant women and families through referrals to community resources and material assistance. If interested, please contact Jenny Ginsberg at <a href="mailto:jenny@northwestcenter.net">jenny@northwestcenter.net</a> or 202-483-7008.

#### YOUNG ADULTS

Wine and Wisdom – Monday, June 16 – 7 to 8:30pm – East Conference Room – All young women are invited to our faith sharing group for a discussion on this month's topic, sisterhood. For questions or to RSVP, email <a href="mailto:wineandwisdom.stmatthews@gmail.com">wineandwisdom.stmatthews@gmail.com</a>.

Ordination Celebration: Holy Hour & Happy Hour – Friday, June 20 – 7pm Holy Hour (Cathedral), then happy hour at Buffalo Billiards (1330 19th St., NW / Dupont) – We will celebrate the upcoming ordinations of local seminarians with prayer, confessions, and adoration, then head to nearby Buffalo Billiards for a happy hour with young adults from parishes across the city. Contact: Carolyn at <a href="mailto:cewait.10@gmail.com">cewait.10@gmail.com</a>

C†YA for Supper – Thursday, June 26 – Time & Location TBA – All young adults are invited to join us for one of our monthly suppers! Save the date! Contact: Mark at <a href="mailto:06korovae@cardinalmail.cua.edu">06korovae@cardinalmail.cua.edu</a>

Stay up to date with Cathedral Young Adult events by checking out our website,

<u>www.stmatthewscathedral.org/cya</u>, and joining our listserv. To learn more, email <u>stmattsyam@gmail.com</u>.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

Interested in Becoming Catholic? - "The RCIA, which stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a process through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church. It includes several stages marked by study, prayer and rites at Mass. Participants in the RCIA are known as catechumens. They undergo a process of conversion as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist. The RCIA process follows the ancient practice of the Church and was restored by the Second Vatican Council as the normal way adults prepare for baptism. In 1974 the Rite for Christian Initiation for Adults was formally approved for use in the United States" (www.usccb.org). The RCIA also is for adults baptized in other Christian traditions who wish to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist in the Catholic Church and for adults who were baptized in the Catholic Church and wish to complete their initiation.

RCIA sessions will be held Wednesdays from 7 to 9pm in the North Conference Room, beginning this Wednesday, **June 18**. Ring the black doorbell (not the white one) at the entrance to the St. Matthew's Conference Center, which is the glass-and-iron door at the base of the driveway leading into the public parking garage next to the Cathedral. Please contact Heather Kinney at

hkinney@stmatthewscathedral.org with questions.

#### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

 Domingo 15
 Éx 34:4-6,8-9 / 2 Cor 13:11-13 /

 La Santísima Trinidad
 Jn 3:16-18

 Lunes 16
 1 Re 21:1-16 / Mt 5:38-42

 Martes 17
 1 Re 21:17-29 / Mt 5:43-48

 Miércoles 18
 2 Re 2:1,6-14 / Mt 6:1-6,16-18

 Jueves 19
 Sir 48:1-14 / Mt 6:7-15

San Rumualdo

 Viernes 20
 2 Re 11:1-4,9-18,20 / Mt 6:19-23

 Sábado 21
 2 Crón 24:17-25 / Mt 6:24-34

San Luis Gonzaga

**Domingo** 22 Deut 8:2-3,14-16 / 1 Cor 10:16-17 / *El Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo* Jn 6:51-58

### **NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA**

**Primera Comunión** – Hoy los niños de la comunidad hispana recibirán su Primera Comunión, durante la misa de 1 de la tarde ellos son:

Karen Aparicio ♦ Emely Cabezas ♦ Giselle Casarrubias

- ♦ Henry Casarrubias
   ♦ Perla Crespo
   ♦ Rubí Crespo
   ♦ Giselle Flora
   ♦ Maria Flora
   ♦ Noel Flores
- ♦ Ricardo Flores ♦ Jose Gonzalez ♦ Rony Granados
- ♦ David Larios ♦ Brian Nava ♦ Melany Sanchez ¡Oremos por ellos, para que continúen en su camino de fe como miembros de la Iglesia Católica.

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento – Usted está invitado a la Catedral para nuestra noche mensual de la Adoración al Santísimo este lunes, **16 de junio** de 6:00 a 7:00 de la tarde. La hora estará dedicada a la oración para los siete diáconos de la Arquidiócesis de Washington, que serán ordenados al sacerdocio de Jesucristo el sábado **21 de junio**. El Sacramento de Reconciliación estará disponible durante la hora de la adoración en inglés y español.

Hora Santa Arquidiocesana con Vísperas Solemnes – El viernes 20 de junio, la Oficina de Vocaciones de la Arquidiócesis celebrará en la Catedral una Hora Santa con Vísperas solemnes de los Ordinandi a las 7:00 de la tarde. Todos están invitados a unirse a los Ordinandi, sus familias y amigos en oración. El aparcamiento a lado de la catedral permanecerá abierto durante esa hora.

**Procesión de Corpus Christi** – El domingo **22 de junio** es la Solemnidad del Santísimo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo. Únase a nosotros este día en celebración con la procesión del Santísimo Sacramento por las calles de Washington. Esta tradición de varios siglos es una bella expresión de nuestra fe en la Eucaristía y nos hace testigos de nuestra identidad católica en nuestra

vecindad. La procesión será después de la misa de la 1 de la tarde, concluyendo con adoración al Santísimo, al volver a la iglesia. ¡Por favor, únase a nosotros!

Clases de Conversación en Ingles para Adultos -

¿Cuándo? **3 de junio al 6 de agosto** (10 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 los martes y miércoles entre las 6 y las 8 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, por favor visite:

http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/outreach/clase s-de-ingles o póngase en contacto con Dan Horning al stmattsesl@gmail.com.

Voluntarios para el Programa de Español para

Adultos – Buscamos voluntarios que puedan servir como ministros de hospitalidad o como tutores una noche por la semana (martes o miércoles por la tarde) durante el semestre de verano del programa de español como segunda lengua que se impartirá del 3 de junio al 6 de agosto. Si usted está interesado en participar como voluntario, por favor póngase en contacto con Dan Horning al <a href="mailto:stmattsssl@gmail.com">stmattsssl@gmail.com</a>.

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 <a href="mailto:lmapaulina@gmail.com">lmapaulina@gmail.com</a> 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.

**Grupo de Oración –** El grupo de oración se reúne los martes a la 7:00 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste. El objetivo del grupo es profundizar nuestra fe por medio de las Sagradas Escrituras.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**June 15 – 22** 

#### 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

#### Monday, June 16

7am – Josef Hlavka 8am – Jennie Clemente 12:10pm – Gordon Lukehart (living) 5:30pm – Ronald Steffensen

#### Tuesday, June 17

7am – John Beutgen 8am – Electra Capalbo 12:10pm – James Daley 5:30pm – Deacon Domingo Tan

#### Wednesday, June 18

7am – Terry Bork (living) 8am – Mary Lillian Danks 12:10pm – Jorge Chale Cuellar 5:30pm – Schoenstatt Movement (living)

#### Thursday, June 19

7am – Harry Sauer 8am – Leo A. Lapuz 12:10pm – Jaime 5:30pm – All Saints

#### Friday, June 20

7am - Rosario Corredera 8am - Daniel Lukehart (living) 12:10pm - Josefina Anderson del Castillo 5:30pm - Enza Maddoloni (living)

#### Saturday, June 21

8am – Maria Maciel 12:10pm – Isabel Varo de Arce 5:30pm – Angélica De León

#### Sunday, June 22

7am – Dr. Loreto Lorenzo 8:30am – William "Bill" Garrity 10am – Mai Nguyen 11:30am – Seymour Jack Hirsch 1pm – Angel Luis Irene 5:30pm – All Parishioners

#### **BAPTISM**

Parents who wish to have their child baptized at the Cathedral should contact the Baptismal Coordinator at <a href="mailto:baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org">baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org</a> 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.

#### **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**



Faith Quest Pilgrimage Includes 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 answers to these questions and more on a Faith Quest 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 <a href="https://www.adw.org/faithquest">www.adw.org/faithquest</a>.

**Prayer 101: Summer Series at Epiphany –** Want to go deeper in your experience of prayer? Epiphany Catholic Church (2712 Dumbarton Street, NW, Washington, DC) offers Wednesday night talks highlighting classic teachings on prayer that will help you to grow in your spiritual life. Seminarian Matthew J. Fish will deliver the talks at 7pm on **June 18, 25 and July 2, 9**. All are welcome.

Holy Land Festival – All are welcome to the Holy Land Festival on July 12 from 11 am to 5pm at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land (1400 Quincy Street NE, Washington, DC), featuring exhibits, vendors, Mediterranean food for sale, speakers, videos and tours of the Holy Land shrines, catacombs and monastery gardens, with a closing Mass at 5 pm. The festival is a stop on this summer's *Faith Quest*. For details, visit myfranciscan.org/holylandfestival or contact Tony Bosnick at 301-853-5340 or <a href="mailto:abpsmool@adw.org">abpsmool@adw.org</a>.

# Pray for our

# Prelimandi

Archdiocese of Washington Priest Ordination Class of 2014



Rev. Mr. Tony D'Souza



Rev. Mr. Timothy Daniel



Rev. Mr. Kenneth Gill



Rev. Mr. Cezary Kozubek



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Rev. Mr. Charles Luckett Rev. Mr. Aaron Qureshi



Rev. Mr. Christopher Seith

You are invited to join those being ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Washington at a

# EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR WITH SOLEMN VESPERS

In Thanksgiving to God

Friday, June 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Cathedral of Saint Matthew the Apostle 1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington De

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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.

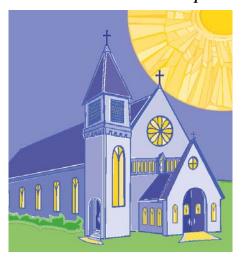
Sign up using the enrollment form on the other side or go online to <a href="www.faithdirect.net">www.faithdirect.net</a> and use our parish code **DC284** to enroll today!



#### 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, 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 <a href="mailto:info@faithdirect.net">info@faithdirect.net</a>, or contact Pam Erwin at the Rectory at 202-347-3215 x537 or <a href="mailto:perwin@stmatthewscathedral.org">perwin@stmatthewscathedral.org</a>.

# **E-GIVING ENROLLMENT FORM**



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