

TODAY'S READINGS

The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. (2 Timothy 4:18)

Wait a minute! This passage sounds a lot like today's psalm: "The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them" (Psalm 34:8). It shouldn't surprise us, though. One thing Paul became very good at was taking a truth from Scripture and reworking it so that it reflected his experience. This is precisely what he did in today's passage. Reflecting on his many years of preaching the gospel, he knew that even then, as his life was drawing to a close, God would continue to fulfill the promise proclaimed in this psalm.

Of course, this is not a magic formula. We can't make God do something just by saying the right words. But it's a very effective technique that saints through the ages have used to lift their hearts and minds to God.

Try this experiment. Take a Scripture verse that touches on something you're experiencing, and then proclaim it throughout the day.

Does the beauty of the sunrise take your breath away? "The heavens declare the glory of God!" (Psalm 19:1). Going to confession? "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his mercy endures forever!" (Psalm 136:1). Looking for motivation? "I have the strength for everything through him who empowers me!" (Philippians 4:13). Preparing to take your spouse on a date? "They are no longer two, but one flesh" (Matthew 19:6). The possibilities are as broad and deep as the Scriptures themselves!

Proclaiming Scripture in this way can provide a springboard for meditation. It can draw your attention upward to heaven. It can give you a new perspective and lift your attitude. Most of all, it can help reshape your thoughts and bring you more in line with the mind of God.

"Heavenly Father, thank you for your word! Help me to proclaim it through my day so that I can keep my mind and heart close to you!"

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday 29 Acts 12:1-11 / 2 Tm 4:6-8,17-18 / Mt 16:13-19

Sts. Peter and Paul

Monday 30 Am 2:6-10,13-16 / Mt 8:18-22

The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Tuesday 1 Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12 / Mt 8:23-27

Blessed Junipero Serra

Wednesday 2 Am 5:14-15,21-24 / Mt 8:28-34

Thursday 3 Eph 2:19-22 / Jn 20:24-29

St. Thomas

Friday 4 Am 8:4-6,9-12 / Mt 9:9-13

Saturday 5 Am 9:11-15 / Mt 9:14-17

St. Anthony Zaccaria & St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Sunday 6 Zec 9:9-10 / Rom 8:9,11-13 / Mt 11:25-30

LECTURAS DE HOY

San Pedro y san Pablo fueron los pilares principales de la evangelización en la Iglesia primitiva. Ambos proclamaron el Evangelio de la salvación y ambos trabajaron para establecer iglesias locales. Lo más importante fue que los dos se dedicaron de corazón a trabajar en la formación espiritual del Cuerpo de Cristo. Y lo hicieron en medio de una enconada persecución, en una época en que las autoridades paganas rechazaban el cristianismo.

El Señor le había dicho a Pedro que los poderes de la muerte no prevalecerían contra la Iglesia (Mateo 16, 18), cosa que indudablemente ha resultado cierta, porque ninguna fuerza, por muy anticristiana o perversa que sea, ha podido destruir la Iglesia fundada por Cristo. Lo lamentable es que, en algunos casos, la Iglesia misma se debilita desde su interior cuando sus propios miembros desconocen las verdades del Evangelio.

Cuando las personas no conocen la verdad de Cristo, todo lo que pueden hacer es lamentarse de la condición del mundo, pero no saben dónde buscar soluciones. Cuando sólo se habla del pecado de la sociedad sin reflejar al mismo tiempo la gloria de Cristo, el mundo queda privado de la plenitud de la Palabra de Dios y si buscamos soluciones para los males sociales pero sin anunciar la verdad y el amor de Dios, privamos a las personas de soluciones duraderas.

La Iglesia tiene el encargo de ser la presencia de Cristo en el mundo y los creyentes estamos llamados a ser el Cuerpo de Cristo; esto lo hacemos proclamando el Evangelio y viviendo santamente. Quiera el Señor que anunciemos la buena nueva de Jesús de tal modo que la gente vea que la Iglesia es todo lo que Dios quiere que sea.

Oremos para que el Señor nos conceda valentía y claridad de mente para imitar a san Pedro y san Pablo, y así ayudemos a edificar su Cuerpo en la tierra.

"Dios nuestro, que quisiste confiar a tus santos apóstoles Pedro y Pablo la misión de guiar y proteger los primeros pasos de tu Iglesia, concédenos, por su poderosa intercesión, la ayuda necesaria para alcanzar nuestra salvación eterna."

FAREWELL AND PRAYERS

Dear Parishioners,

I recently accepted the resignation of our Faith Formation Director, **Heather Kinney**, who has faithfully served me and our parish community since 2009. I thank Heather for the dedication, focus and good humor that she has brought to her work. After **July 18**, Heather will return to her campus ministry roots as a chaplain-in-residence at Georgetown University. Please keep Heather and her future ministry in your prayers.

Your prayers also are needed for the work of the search committee that will be coming together to assist me in hiring a new Faith Formation Director for our Cathedral parish. I hope to fill the position in early September, in time for our fall Faith Formation season of activities.

- Msgr. Jameson

DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION

The parish of the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in Washington, DC, a Roman Catholic community of 2,800 households, seeks an experienced Director of Faith Formation to prepare and provide catechesis and other instruction in our year-round RCIA, adult Confirmation preparation and religious education and sacramental preparation programs, working closely with the coordinator of Spanish children's religious and sacramental preparation instruction. In addition, responsibilities include: planning and coordinating parish lecture series, faith-sharing groups and Scripture studies, retreats and parish missions, and other faith formation events and programs for the parish and staff; developing a Friends of RCIA program; and coordinating parish compliance with the Child Protection Program of the Archdiocese of Washington. Master's degree in Divinity, Pastoral Ministry/Studies, Religious Education, or Theology and three to five years' professional experience in Catholic adult faith formation required. Excellent communication, organizational and administrative management skills needed to succeed. Knowledge of Spanish helpful. Desired start date is September 15, 2014.

To apply, submit by mail or email cover letter, resume, salary requirements, and contact information for three references by **August 1, 2014** to:

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INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

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

PARISH CALENDAR June 29– July 6

SUNDAY 29—Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

A second collection to benefit the works of the Holy Father is taken at all Masses.

MONDAY 30—The Social Justice & Community

Services Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Room.

TUESDAY 1—El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

WEDNESDAY 2—Breaking Open the Word meets at 7pm in the West Conference Room.

THURSDAY 3—Legión de María se reúne a las 6:30 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Este.

FRIDAY 4—Independence Day, a federal holiday. Masses are celebrated at 8am and 12:10pm only, and there are no confessions or First Friday Adoration.

SATURDAY 5—First Saturday Devotions are held after the 12:10pm Mass, followed by Hospitality in the West Conference Room.

SUNDAY 6—A second collection for Cathedral maintenance is taken at all Masses.

NOTICIAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Misas de la semana en verano – Comenzando el **lunes 30 de junio**, no habrá misa de 7:00 de la mañana hasta septiembre. Durante este periodo las misas serán a las 8:00 de la mañana, 12:10 del mediodía y 5:30 de la tarde. La misa de 7:00 de la mañana resumirá el martes, **2 de septiembre** un día después del Día del Trabajador.

Día de la Independencia – Este viernes **4 de julio** es el día de la Independencia, una fiesta federal. Las misas serán a las 8:00 de la mañana y 12:10 del mediodía. No hay confesiones en las fiestas federales.

Primer Sábado – Este sábado **5 de julio** todos son bienvenidos a participar en las devociones del primer sábado después de la misa de 12:10 mediodía, seguida de hospitalidad en el salón de conferencia del Oeste.

Done Comida para el Ministerio de Personas Sin Hogar – Cada lunes por la mañana, nuestra parroquia invita a alrededor de 60 hombres y mujeres en necesidad, a un desayuno y reflexión en el Evangelio. Después del desayuno se le reparte a cada invitado una bolsa con artículos de tocador, una bolsa de almuerzo, nueva ropa interior y nuevos calcetines. La mañana se cierra con una animada discusión sobre el Evangelio del domingo. La mayoría de la comida que se sirve el lunes es donada por los feligreses. Buscamos a personas que pueden donar comida una vez al mes. Las donaciones pueden incluir: paquetes de carnes frías, queso, rebanadas de pan, huevos duros, yogur, tortas y fruta. También pedimos donaciones de platos caseros. Para más información, por favor mande un email a Norma Canedo at ncanedo@stmatthewscathedral.org o llame a la rectoría al 202-347-3215.

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. Más información llame a Fátima al 202-347-3215 x543.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Domingo 29	He 12:1-11 / 2 Tm 4:6-8,17-18 / Mt 16:13-19 <i>San Pedro y San Pablo, Apóstoles</i>
Lunes 30	Am 2:6-10,13-16 / Mt 8:18-22 <i>Los Primeros Santos Mártires de la Iglesia Romana</i>
Martes 1	Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12 / Mt 8:23-27 <i>Beato Junípero Serra</i>
Miércoles 2	Am 5:14-15,21-24 / Mt 8:28-34
Jueves 3	Ef 2:19-22 / Jn 20:24-29 <i>San Tomás Apóstol</i>
Viernes 4	Am 8:4-6,9-12 / Mt 9:9-13
Sábado 5	Am 9:11-15 / Mt 9:14-17 <i>Santa Isabel de Portugal</i>
Domingo 6	Za 9:9-10 / Rom 8:9,11-13 / Mt 11:25-30

YOUNG ADULTS

C†YA at the Northwest Center – Monthly on the second Tuesday (next: July 8) – 6pm to 8pm – Northwest Center (2702 Ontario Road NW / Columbia Heights) – The Northwest Center provides support and comprehensive care that enables women to deliver and care for healthy babies. Each month, the Cathedral Young Adults assists with odd jobs like sorting donations, cleaning, or doing yard work. Come once or come every month! Contact Natalie Committee at natalie.committee@gmail.com for more information and to sign up.

C†YA for “The Sky’s the Limit” Summer Affair to Benefit the Northwest Center – Wednesday, July 16 – 6:30pm to 9pm – Top of the Town (1400 N. 14th Street, Arlington, VA / Rosslyn) – Please join a group of young adults from the Cathedral at this benefit reception for a great cause with a great view of the city! Email Natalie Committee at natalie.committee@gmail.com for more information on attending.

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

Opportunity Knocks – St. Matthew’s Stewardship Committee is looking for a few good people to help with two Stewardship projects. All you need is a willingness to learn, a few hours over the next few months, and excellent communications skills (especially writing, graphic arts and web design). We will tailor the tasks to fit your availability. For more information, visit <http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/about/parish-council/stewardship-development>, email the committee at stmatthewsstewards@gmail.com, or call Dan Evans at 202-412-3011, or Kevin Duffy at 617-388-8908.

MASS INTENTIONS

June 29 – July 6

Sunday, June 29

7am – Faith Soderberg (living)
 8:30am – Helen Orth
 10am – John & Carol Saeman (living)
 11:30am – All Parishioners
 1pm – Rufino Ramos
 5:30pm – Li Huiging

Monday, June 30

8am – Maria de Carvalho (living)
 12:10pm – Rosario Corredera
 5:30pm – Angie Nanni (living)

Tuesday, July 1

8am – Erelia Taracena (living)
 12:10pm – Ernest B. Agcaoil
 5:30pm – Marge Birsic

Wednesday, July 2

8am – Rosalie P. Gerger
 12:10pm – Olivia & Francis Mendes
 5:30 – Special Intention

Thursday, July 3

8am – Ivan Urribarri, Jr.
 12:10pm – Seraj's Child
 5:30pm – Moises Lopez

Friday, July 4

8am – John Nase
 12:10pm – Gregg Burge

Saturday, July 5

8am – Angela Sosa (living)
 12:10pm – Pasita Vitug
 5:30pm – Gerhard Lysek (living)

Sunday, July 6

7am – Thaddeus Osmani
 8:30am – Gerard Parent
 10am – Joseph Leary
 11:30am – David Carmichael
 1pm – Consuelo & Catalina Leon
 5:30pm – All Parishioners

FAITH IN ACTION

Breakfast Food for the Homeless Ministry – Every Monday morning, our parish welcomes up to 60 men and women in need for breakfast and reflection on the Gospel. Take-away bags of toiletries, a bagged lunch, and new underwear and socks are given to each guest. The morning closes with a lively

discussion of the Gospel reading for the coming Sunday. Most of the breakfast food is donated by parishioners. We need people who, once a month, can donate food such as lunchmeat, cheese, bread, hard-boiled eggs, yogurt cups, baked goods, and fruit. We also welcome homemade dishes. Contact Norma Canedo at 202-347-3215 or ncanedo@stmatthewscathedral.org.

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.

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 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.

NEWS AND NOTES

Summer Weekday Masses –

Beginning Monday, **June 30**, there will be no 7am weekday Mass until Tuesday, **September 2**, the day after Labor Day. During this period, weekday Masses will be at 8am, 12:10pm and 5:30pm, with confessions from 11am until Noon.

Holiday – Friday, **July 4**, is Independence Day, a federal holiday. Masses will be celebrated at 8am and 12:10 pm only. There will be **no confessions, and no First Friday Adoration**. The Rectory will be closed.

First Saturday – On Saturday, **July 5** all are welcome to First Saturday Devotions after the 12:10pm Mass, followed by Hospitality in the West Conference Room.

Faith Quest Pilgrimage – Visit sites around the archdiocese, including the Cathedral, that tell the story of our faith on a *Faith Quest* Pilgrimage. Register, receive a passport and at each visit stamp your passport. St. Matthew's passport stamp is on top of the display case at the main entrance. Visit 8 or more sites by September 7 and receive an invitation to the closing ceremony at the Franciscan Monastery. For more information, visit www.adw.org/faithquest.

Holy Land Festival – All are welcome to the Holy Land Festival **July 12**, 11am-5pm, at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land (1400 Quincy Street NE, Washington, DC), featuring exhibits, vendors, Mediterranean food, speakers, tours, and a 5pm closing Mass. For details, visit myfranciscan.org/holylandfestival or contact Tony Bosnick at 301-853-5340 or abpsmoel@adw.org.

***** **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.

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. MATTHEW'S

JULY-SEPTEMBER
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CATHEDRAL OF SAINT MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

TIME * TALENT * TREASURE



The Importance of Stewardship

In the coming part of the year, we will celebrate the summer season, often with breaks, vacations, and times to rest. As we do so, we will also be observing Ordinary Time in the Liturgical Calendar. How do we connect these themes in our lives? What is our "ordinary"? Do our breaks—so well-deserved—nourish an "ordinary" that is fulfilling and meaningful? Is Stewardship part of our ordinary lives?

In his 2013 Apostolic Exhortation, Pope Francis wrote: "I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets", and "we need to be realistic and not assume that our audience...is capable of relating what we say to the very heart of the Gospel which gives it meaning, beauty and attractiveness". Indeed, if the Apostle Thomas would not believe the risen Christ Himself without the evidence, how then can we, as Christians, expect to be understood or listened to by others, if there is no evidence of our own sacrifices?

Parish Pastoral Council

Would you like to help shape the future of the mother church of the Archdiocese of Washington?



Would you like to be part of the behind-the-scenes workings of St. Matthew's as we prepare for the 175th Anniversary of the Parish?

Would you like an opportunity to get to know the priests, deacons and staff who serve the Cathedral, as well as many of your fellow parishioners?

Here's your chance!

The St. Matthew's Parish Pastoral Council has six vacancies (4 filled by election, and 2 appointed by the Rector) for 3-year terms beginning in December. We need you to join us!

What is the Parish Pastoral Council?

The Council is a diverse group of 18 parishioners, who advise and assist the Rector on ministries, programs and other important activities of the Parish. We participate in strategic planning for the Parish, as well as in the hands-on work of the life of the Church. You can find much more information at

<http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org/about/parish-council>.

Interested?

If you would like to be considered as a candidate for the Parish Council, or just want more information, please e-mail us at stmatthewsppc@gmail.com. Please provide your contact information, and tell us something about yourself (e.g., years of being a Catholic, your spiritual journey, what you do for a living, current or past ministry involvement for St. Matthew's or another parish, etc.).

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Volunteer Opportunities: Living Stewardship

Hospitality Committee

Help the Hospitality Committee by volunteering for one of our upcoming events! We need more volunteers to help with Hospitality Sundays and our other programs. This is a great way to give back to your parish and to meet your fellow parishioners! Contact Nicole Whitney (stmattshospitality@gmail.com) if you'd like to become involved.

Faith Formation Event Facilitator

The Faith Formation Committee, concerned with the Christian education and enrichment of parishioners, seeks volunteers to manage at least one event/year. Events include Bible studies, days of recollection, and lectures. Volunteers help to arrange the setup and refreshments on the day of the event, operate audio/visual materials; welcome, introduce, and thank speakers, and handle other tasks necessary to the flow of the event. The Committee is particularly looking for volunteers comfortable with speaking in front of audiences and operating basic A/V equipment. Interested volunteers should contact Susana Babic at susana@desartec.com.

Schola Cantorum Singers

A limited number of volunteer openings in all voice parts are available in the Schola Cantorum. Schola members sing for both the 10:00am (Latin) and 11:30am (English) masses. Prospective singers must have significant adult choral experience, good sight-reading skills, and a pleasant, agile voice. The commitment of time and energy is significant, particularly at Christmas and Holy Week. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings 6:45 –8:45pm in the weeks when the choir is singing. If you have the appropriate experience and a desire to serve our Cathedral parish community, please contact Tom Stehle at tstehle@stmattthewscathedral.org.

Young Adults Hospitality Coordinator

The Cathedral Young Adults (C†YA) Ministry looks to recruit 1-3 volunteers to take the lead in coordinating hospitality after 5:30 Mass on the first Sunday of every month (Hospitality Sunday). Volunteers have the opportunity to meet many young adults and other parishioners, as well as to help the Cathedral to create a welcoming atmosphere for all. Volunteers would manage the preparations for each Hospitality Sunday and oversee the event from 6:00 to approximately 8:00pm. Training provided in advance by C†YA leadership. Interested volunteers should contact Sarah Ruskowski at stmattsvam@gmail.com.

Liturgical Ministers

To serve the community at worship on Sunday and other important occasions, volunteers are needed to assist in celebrating the liturgy as Lectors who proclaim the Word of God, Servers who assist in the sanctuary as cross, candle, book, and incense-bearers, EMCs who assist in sharing Holy Communion at Mass and the sick or homebound, and Ministers of Hospitality who help to welcome those who come to celebrate with us. Whether you can serve every week, once a month, or only on special occasions, we can accommodate you. Training provided for each ministry. Interested volunteers should contact Deacon Bart Merella at bmerella@verizon.net and Stephanie Jacobe at aureus@usa.net.

Communications Committee

The Communications and Evangelization Committee promotes the worship, ministry, formation, evangelization, and other activities to our parish family and wider community. The Committee seeks volunteers experienced in various communication technologies, especially social media, to help our outreach to different audiences as part of the broader work of the Committee. Some of the projects we are working on are technology, communications, and multimedia outreach. Interested volunteers should contact Moira McLaughlin at moira.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.

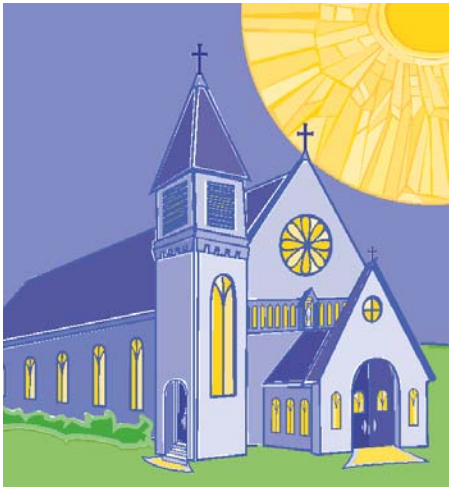
Sign up using the enrollment form on the other side or go online to www.faithdirect.net and use our parish code **DC284** to enroll today!



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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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.*

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

Signature: **X** _____ Date: _____

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Church Envelope #: _____

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