### **Readings for September 29**

### ying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus. (Luke 16:20) How many times do you think this rich man walked past Lazarus every day? Yet it's as if the man never really saw him; he was little more than part of the "landscape." The rich man just accepted Lazarus' presence as a fact of life.

The rich man in Jesus' parable dies and ends up in torment in the netherworld. But it's not simply because he was rich. It was because he didn't care for this other human being who was, in a way, part of his daily life.

We all know that being a Christian means caring for the less fortunate. There are so many needy people that we can feel overwhelmed. And besides, most of us aren't policy experts with the know-how needed to lift people out of poverty. Even if we gave away all of our possessions, it would hardly make a dent.

It's helpful, then, to remember that Jesus didn't have some grand strategy for solving the problem of poverty either. He just reached out to people, one by one. If the rich man in Jesus' parable had done the same thing by caring for the beggar at his door, his life might have ended much differently.

That's where we can start too—by helping one person at a time, especially those whom we encounter as part of our daily lives. If every person did that, think about how many people would be reached!

Remember too that God wants you to help those people who may not be lacking in material goods but are still "poor." As St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "There are many people in the world dying for a piece of bread, but there are many more dying for a little love." Your care and presence for these people are just as important.

At Mass today, ask the Lord to open your eyes to someone who may be at your "door," without you even realizing it. You can make a real difference!

*"Jesus, show me the 'Lazarus' in my life who needs my help." Taken* from *The Word Among Us*, September 2019 Vol. 38, Number 8: Used with permission.

# **This Week's Readings**

Sunday 29	Am 6:1a,4-7 / 1 Tm 6:11-16 / Lk 16:19-31		
Monday 30	Zec 8:1-8 / Lk 9:46-50		
St. Jerome			
Tuesday 1	Zec 8:20-23 / Lk 9:51-56		
St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus			
Wednesday	<b>2</b> Neh 2:1-8 / Mt 18:1-5,10		
The Holy Guardian Angels			
Thursday 3	Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12 / Lk 10:1-12		
Friday 4	Bar 1:15-22 / Lk 10:13-16		
St. Francis o	of Assisi		
Saturday 5	Bar 4:5-12,27-29 / Lk 10:17-24		
Sunday 6	Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / 2 Tm 1:6-8,13-14 / Lk 17:5-10		

### **Parish Calendar** September 29 – October 6

**Sunday 29**—Children's Faith Formation classes meet at 9:45am in the N Street Bldg. Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar continúan a las 11:00 de la mañana.

A bilingual Mass for Migrants and Refugees is celebrated by **Bishop Dorsonville** at 1pm. Healing Our Church meets at 3pm in the East Conference Room.

Young Adult Coffeehouse meets in the North Conference Room after the 5:30pm Mass.

**Monday 30**—The Social Justice Committee meets at 6:45pm in the East Conference Rm.

**Tuesday 1**—El grupo de Oración se reúne a las 7:00 de la tarde en el salón de conferencias del Oeste.

**Wednesday 2**—The rectory office closes at 4:30pm.

RCIA Inquiry meets at 7pm in the North Conference Room.

**Thursday 3**—The rectory office closes at 4:30pm.

**Friday 4—First Friday Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is held after the 12:10pm Mass till 5pm. The rectory office closes at 4pm.

Saturday 5—The rectory office is closed. First Saturday Devotions are held after the 12:10pm Mass.

**Sunday 6—The rectory office is closed.** A second collection for Cathedral maintenance is taken at all Masses.

**The 8:30am Mass is cancelled. Archbishop Wilton Gregory** celebrates the Red Mass at 10am in English. Children's Faith Formation classes do not meet.

Las clases de Catequesis, Catecumenado y Catequesis Familiar no se reúnen. Young Adult Coffeehouse meets in the North Conference Room after the 5:30pm Mass.

**Thinking of Returning? Welcome!** – If you are a Catholic who has been away, or "used to be Catholic," we invite you to be an active part of us again. Landings offers "a safe place to land," a place for listening and being heard, and for asking questions and reconnecting with your faith. Contact: Theresa Prymuszewski at 202-587-5139.

### **Liturgy and Music**

**First Friday & First Saturday Devotions** – Join us for First Friday Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on **October 4** following the 12:10pm Mass 'til 5pm and First Saturday Devotions on **October 5** after the 12:10pm Mass.

Red Mass - The 67th Annual Red Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral on Sunday, October 6 at 10am by Archbishop Wilton Gregory. The John Carroll Society hosts the Red Mass for its members and guests, including many government officials with attendant security. It is open to the public but attendance is very high. If you normally attend the 10am Mass, you may wish to attend another Mass instead. The 8:30am Mass is cancelled that day. If you plan to attend the Red Mass, please arrive early as the fire marshal will not allow entry once the Cathedral is filled. Thank you for helping us extend the Cathedral's hospitality for this celebration.



Lunchtime Organ Recital – Enjoy a 45-50 minute concert in the Cathedral on Wednesday, October 9

at 12:45pm by Andrew Vu, Assistant Organist of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. He will play works of Bach, Rheinberger, Langlais and Franck. A native of Vietnam. he came to the U.S. at age 13 to study piano and musicianship. He completed a Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance at The Catholic University of America and a Master of Music in 2017. Andrew served as an organist at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish (Bethesda, MD) and St. Peter's Parish (Olney, MD) for ten years, and was Music Director at the American University Catholic

Chaplaincy. View the Inaugural Concert Series schedule at <u>https://www.stmatthewscathedral.o</u> <u>rg/OrganSeriesSchedule</u>. Download a printable brochure at <u>https://www.stmatthewscathedral.o</u> <u>rg/OrganSeriesPrintableBrochure</u>.

**Special Musical Treat** – Visit our parish website for a mini-concert by Nathan Laube in rehearsal playing Richard Wagner's *Overture to Tannhäuser*, the final piece on the program of the September 20, 2019 <u>Dedicatory Concert</u> in celebration of our completed <u>Lively-Fulcher</u> organ! <u>https://www.stmatthewscathedral.</u> <u>org/WagnerbyLaube</u>

# **October Prayers**

**October Papal Intention** – Please pray for Pope Francis' **October** intention: that the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.



**Pray the Holy Rosary in October** – The month of **October**, traditionally dedicated

to the **Holy Rosary**, is a great time to rediscover this ancient and powerful prayer. "Mary joins us, she fights at our side. She supports Christians in the fight against the forces of evil. Especially through prayer, through the rosary. Hear me out, the rosary ... Do you pray the Rosary each day? I don't know, are you sure? There we go!" (Pope Francis to pilgrims at a 2013 Mass on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary).

**Respect Life Month** – October also is designated **Respect Life** month by the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. The 2019 Respect Life message is "Christ Our Hope in Every Season of Life." Find the reflection on this year's theme at www.usccb.org/respectlife/reflection.

40 Days for Life – Parishioners throughout the Archdiocese are invited to take part in the international 40 Days for Life effort (September 25 and runs through November 3). In addition to 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion, volunteers may sign up to pray at the DC 40 Days for Life location. Contact Michael New at 205-657-6943. Learn more at https://www.40daysforlife.com/wa shington. Contact Justin Silvers at just1justin@vahoo.com, or call Fr. John Benson or Norma Canedo at the rectory for information on our parish's participation.

# **News and Notes**

**Remembrance of Benefactors –** On Sunday, **October 6** the 11:30am Mass is offered for the benefactors of St. Matthew's Cathedral Parish, living and deceased. Join us in this prayer of thanksgiving!

**Lector Training** – Are you interested in serving as lector? Come to an orientation and training session Saturday, **November 9** in the North Conference Room, 9:30am - 1pm. Registered parishioners as well as "weekday parishioners" members of other parishes who work downtown and attend weekday Masses here – are welcome. Attendees are asked to audition in the Cathedral at a later date. To register, call Gloria Harrington at 202-347-3215 x517.

**CBN-D.C. Gala** – All are invited on Thursday, **October 3** at 6pm to the Catholic Business Network of Washington, DC's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala at the Four Seasons, with **Archbishop Wilton Gregory** as Honored Guest, Catholic Business Person of the Year, Vince C. Burke of Brown Advisory, and Clergy of the Year, Fr. Patrick A. Smith, Pastor of St. Augustin Catholic Church. Visit www.cbndc.org/events/gala/2019.

# **Healing our Church**

Healing our Church – See the flier in this bulletin on <u>Healing our</u> <u>Church</u>, which begins Sunday, **September 29** at 3pm in the East Conference Room. Walk-ins welcome to this first session. *View a resource list at* <u>www.stmatthewscathedral.org/reso</u> <u>urceshealingourchurch</u>.

### **Going Forward Amid the Clergy**

**Sex Abuse Crisis** – St. Matthew's Faith Formation Ministries brings to our Cathedral Parish two highprofile speakers offering insights into the crisis—a nationally known writer and advocate for all wounded by abuse, herself an abuse survivor, and a renowned Jesuit theologian and author. Make plans to join us on the dates below!



Teresa Pitt Green: "A Catholic Survivor of Clergy Sex Abuse: Why Stay Close To The

Church?" – On Thursday, October 10 at 7pm in the North Conference Room, we welcome Teresa Pitt Green, a practicing Catholic and nationally known writer, speaker and advocate for survivors, family members and all wounded by abuse within the Church. Ms. Green will offer reflections on her experience as a survivor of clerical abuse whose faith provided the foundation for her healing process. as well as the work of the Catholic survivors of clerical abuse network she has cofounded. The evening will include time for questions, and will close with a Healing Voices Litany of Love written by Catholic clergy-abuse survivors. A 30-year publishing entrepreneur and certified mediator, Ms. Pitt has provided programs and resources for integrating faith into recovery for over 17 years. She cofounded both The Healing Voices Magazine

community and *Spirit Fire*. Ms. Pitt served for ten years on her bishop's advisory board and currently serves as head of the Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Task Force.



Rev. John O'Malley, S.J.: "Who Runs the Church? The Crisis. Pope Francis. You." – We look forward to

welcoming renowned Church historian, theologian and author Rev. John O'Malley, S.J. on Thursday, **November 21** at 7pm in the North Conference Room.

#### Retreats for Survivors of Abuse -

The Archdiocese of Washington sponsors retreats for survivors of abuse. A men's retreat is offered **October 11-13**, and women's retreats **November 15-17** and **April 3-5, 2020**. Visit <u>https://adw.org/the-way-retreat/</u>. Register with Deborah McDonald at 301-853-4466 or <u>mcdonald@adw.org</u>.

Young Adults Cathedral † Young Adults (C†YA) Coffeehouse – following the 5:30pm Sunday Mass -North Conference Room – All young adults (20s and 30s) are invited for coffee and a talk by Paulist seminarian Phil Catalanotto on *Theology of Superheroes, Part II* on September 29, and a brainstorming session on October 6!

Theology on Tap - "Suffering God's Timing: Christian Vocation & Waiting Well" with Fr. Gregory Pine, O.P. - Tuesday, October 8 – 6pm happy hour / 7pm talk – Public Bar Live (1214 18<sup>th</sup> Street, NW) – Join young adults from around the city for food, drinks, fellowship, and our speaker, Dominican Father Gregory Pine.

# Social Justice & Community Service

**Single Servings of Service** – To sign up for either event below, contact Franz Kuo at <u>franzkuo@gmail.com.</u>

**Dinner at L'Arche** – A small group from St. Matthew's visits the L'Arche houses in Adams Morgan on Saturday, **October 5** at 5:30pm to bring and share dinner with the community.

**Common Good City Farm** – St. Matthew's sponsors a morning at the <u>Common Good City Farm</u> in Ledroit Park on Saturday, **October 5** to help with farm tasks.

Monsignor Jameson Fall Feast of Treats Dinner for the Homeless – The Social Justice & Community Service Committee hosts a dinner for our homeless friends on Sunday, October 27 at 3pm. Contact Paulin Leonida at Imapaulina@gmail.com or 202-630-0119 to help in these ways: - Set up, serve, and provide hospitality to our guests - Make or buy food for the dinner - Give a monetary donation towards food and supplies

These biannual dinners are a huge success because of YOU!

**Homeless Ministry - Volunteers Needed** – Every Monday morning we welcome 60-80 homeless men and women for breakfast, toiletries, lunch bags, clothing, and time for rest in a community setting. The morning ends with a scripture reflection. Volunteers are needed to help set up for breakfast, serve food, hand out bagged lunches and other items to our guests, and help with cleanup. The program runs from 7:30 to 9:30am. To help serve or to donate food, email Jim Walsh at jameswalsh1530@gmail.com, or call Fr. John or Norma Canedo at the rectory office at 202-347-3215.

# Healing OUR Church

he recent wave of news about the clergy sex abuse crisis and the cover up by some church leaders has left many of the faithful angry and shaken in their relationship with the Church. Amidst other difficulties the situation presents, how do we find a way to minister to our hurting parishioners?

RENEW international has created **HEALING OUR CHURCH**. a small group resource which faces the issues head-on and helps the faithful begin the healing process and move forward, with the clergy, as a family of faith.

Franz Kuo and Theresa Prymuszewski will co-facilitate 6 sessions on Sundays from 3:00pm-4:30pm in the East Conference Room. Each participant purchases their own copy of the book: **HEALING OUR CHURCH** \$15.00 by calling RENEW at 908-769-5400

Contact Theresa Prymuszewski to pre-register by email tprymuszewski@stmatthewscathedral.org

#### Faith Sharing Sessions We express our feelings about the sexual-abuse scandal and its impact—first and foremost on the victim-survivors, Facing the Truth but also on us and on all the faithful. We listen to the expe-September 29, 2019 riences of others, respecting their feelings and emotions. We face the truth so we can begin to move forward. Acts of sexual abuse and the coverups have deeply wounded the whole people of God. Healing is an ongoing Healing Our Wounds process that takes place over time and in several stages. October 06, 2019 The treatment is truth, compassion, transparency, and prayer. Each of us must play a part in the process of healing and transformation of the Church. We identify and explore the complex, multiple factors that have contributed to the sexual abuse and coverups. **Rebuilding Our Church** We claim our role in rebuilding the Church. We recall October 20, 2019 that in the history of the Church, whenever human sin and weakness have caused scandal, the Holy Spirit has inspired great women and men to respond and challenge the Church to personal and systemic changes. We read stories from people sharing why they remain Catholic, and what they treasure about the Church. We Why do I Remain Catholic? express our own reasons for remaining Catholic. We November 03, 2019 stand with Peter, saying, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." We refocus on our connection to Christ, whom we meet in the sacraments and the Scriptures in the community We Believe of the faithful. We explore together what we believe November 17, 2019 and why. The Church is the people of God, called, and sent to be wounded healers. We explore the call to become A Way Forward missionary disciples and identify some necessary elements November 24, 2019 for transformation. The crisis is not an end but a turning

point from which we together rebuild our Church.



"Coming Home" - A Black History Service Opportunity



# Kairos Prison Ministry Cookie Drive

**The Social Justice Committee** is partnering with St. Teresa of Avila parish and the Kairos Prison Ministry by volunteering this "bread" which will shine the light of God's grace into the darkest corners of the Greenville Correctional Center in Jarratt, VA. Kairos is a Christian retreat that brings a special opportunity geared toward deepening one's faith, identity, relationships and recognizing God's role in our lives. We are calling upon St. Matthew's to send the love of Christ into the Greensville Correctional Center.

**Our involvement is supplying cookies** that will be eaten during the K-81 retreat, the weekend of Oct. 24th. The cookies need to be homemade and a specific size, min. 2-in and max of 2.5-in of chocolate chip, oatmeal raisin, peanut butter, sugar, molasses and cake mix.

Saturday, October 12 – Sunday, October 13 Cookies collected weekend of October 19 – 20

Want to help? Contact: Lydia Clegg at ldclegg627@comcast.net, 202-468-2778 Norma Canedo at 202-347-3215 ext. 552



# Past Kairos Donations:

10/07/2018 81 dozen cookies 04/29/2019 95 dozen cookies





# 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.

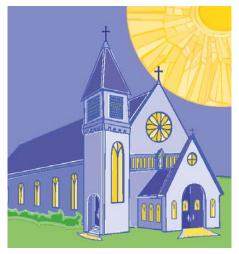
Sign up using the enrollment form on the other side or go online to <u>www.faithdirect.net</u> and use our parish code **DC284** to enroll today!



### 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 <u>info@faithdirect.net</u>, or contact Pam Erwin at the Rectory at 202-347-3215 x537 or <u>perwin@stmatthewscathedral.org</u>.

# **E-GIVING ENROLLMENT FORM**





Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle 1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20036 A6





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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. AMOUNT MONTH

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

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

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

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Signature: X Date:	
Name(s): (please print)	
Street Address:	Church Envelope #:
City/State/Zip Code:	
Telephone: E-mail:	
<ul> <li>Name as I/we would like it to appear on Offertory Cards:</li></ul>	
If you choose to enroll by mail, you can contact Faith Direct at 1-866-507-8757 {toll-free} to set up online of	access to your account.
<i>For Bank Account Debit:</i> Please return this <u>completed form and a voided check</u> to <i>Faith Direct</i> Enrollment. <i>For Credit/Debit Card:</i> Please <u>complete the following</u> UISA  MasterCard  American Exp	
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St. Matthew's Cathedral Social Justice & Community Services Ministry Adopt-A-Family Christmas Program 2019



### **Program Overview**

For over 16 years, St. Matthew's Cathedral has sponsored the Adopt-A-Family Program, which seeks to assist low-income families and individuals in our community at Christmas time. Last year, the program served **66** families and over **100 men and women from our Homeless** *Ministry*. We were also able to contribute gifts to the local *L'Arche communities*, which serve adults with intellectual disabilities. Additionally, we included *children from the DC General family shelter* in our program. The gifts given to these individuals and families included clothing items, personal items, bedding, household items, as well as toys for the children.

### **Sponsorship Opportunities**

This program is successful through the support of our neighboring business community and the help of many volunteers. Last year, in addition to the parish's participation, over 33 sponsors helped take care of the needs of the families in our program.

### Please consider the following ways you and your team can serve as a sponsor:

- *Adopt more than one family:* This option is appropriate for large organizations with many willing and generous participants. The group will receive specific "wish lists" for each family and be responsible for purchasing items for all family members.
- *Adopt one family*: A group representative will receive a specific "wish list" of items from the family, along with ages of family members. You will then be responsible for purchasing items for all family members.
- *Adopt a child (or a few children):* A group representative will receive the "wish lists" of either one or a few children and will purchase their gifts (each child receives three gifts).
- *Contribute to the program:* Your group can either collect money from employees or make a financial contribution to the program. The contribution will be used to purchase gifts for a family.

### Timeline

You will receive a profile on the family and their "wish list" by November. You are asked to deliver wrapped and labeled gifts to the Cathedral by the first week of December. More details will be provided to you later.

### Please confirm your participation:

You may reach Norma Canedo at the parish rectory at (202) 347-3215x552 or by email at <u>ncanedo@stmatthewscathedral.org</u>. By fax: (202) 347-7184.

### **Volunteer Opportunities & General Inquiries**

We are always in need of helping hands. For volunteer opportunities please contact the Christmas Program Coordinator, Pam Quinn, for more information and general information on this Christmas initiative, <u>pquinn505@aol.com</u>.

### Adopt-a-Family Program Christmas Gift Drive Sponsor Application

Contact Information	
Date:	
Company/Group	
Name:	
Street Address: *Please indicate if gift tags and letters may be mailed to this	
address:   YES   NO	
City ST ZIP Code:	
Name of Primary	
Contact:	
Phone:	
E-Mail Address:	
Name of Alternate Contact:	
Phone:	
E-Mail Address:	
Additional Details:	
<ul> <li>To whom (Name, Title) should the "thank you" letter be addressed to?</li> </ul>	

• To which address/email should it be sent to?

### **Useful Notes & Guidelines**

A wish list/s will be given to your group's primary contact, reflecting the sponsorship level you have requested to offer. The following lists the gift quantities for each family and individual:

- Each Family receives two household items.
- Each Adult receives 2 gifts.
- Each Child receives 3 gifts.

All gifts should be new, wrapped, and labeled with the coded gift tags we will provide for you by the first week of December.

### **Sponsorship Level**

Please indicate your sponsorship level below.

Adopt 1	One Individual Adult
Adopt 1 Family:	Smaller-sized Family (2-3 family members)
	Larger-sized Family (4-6 family members)
	Indicate how many families you would like to adopt next to each
Adopt Multiple Families:	family size:
	One Individual Adult
	Smaller-sized Family (2-3 family members)
	Larger-sized Family (4-6 family members)
Adopt 1 or	One Individual Child
more Children:	Multiple Children (Indicate how many children you would like to
	sponsor)

### Lecturas del 29 de Septiembre

Había un hombre rico... y un mendigo. (Lucas 16, 19. 20) Casi en cualquier ciudad podemos toparnos con algún indigente que pide limosna. Pero, si uno pasa con frecuencia por la misma calle, se irá acostumbrando a la presencia del mendigo y ya no le molestará tanto. Ahí es cuando los pobres se convierten en Lázaros para nosotros.

El rico de la parábola de hoy no fue arrojado al infierno por ser rico ni por gozar de la vida, sino por pensar solo en sí mismo y no fijarse en la miseria de Lázaro. Claro, el rico era el centro de su propio mundo y solo en el infierno comprendió que debía haber utilizado sus dones y recursos para socorrer a quienes necesitaban su ayuda. Entonces, más pesado se le hizo el sufrimiento al enterarse de que ya era demasiado tarde para rectificar su conducta anterior.

Gracias a Dios que no es demasiado tarde para nosotros. En el juicio final no nos preguntarán si fuimos ricos o pobres y ya no tendrá importancia el nivel de educación ni la posición social que hayamos tenido en este mundo. Muchas de las cosas que nos exigen tiempo ahora tendrán poca o ninguna importancia cuando Dios juzgue nuestra vida. De lo que sí podemos estar seguros, no obstante, es que el Señor nos preguntará cómo usamos los recursos que él nos dio en esta vida. En esta parábola, Jesús nos dice que, si utilizamos los bienes de este mundo solo en beneficio propio, sin compadecernos de los Lázaros que vemos por el camino, nos arriesgamos a terminar en la misma horrenda situación que el rico.

Hoy, trata de fijarte en alguien que de ordinario pasa desapercibido para ti, una persona solitaria que necesite una sonrisa o un familiar a quien puedas ayudar con algún quehacer doméstico. El corazón se nos irá llenando de compasión si empezamos a hacer algo por aquellas personas que no consideramos desagradables, para luego seguir con aquellas que sí nos lo parecen. Si aprendemos a emplear los bienes y talentos que tenemos para atender al Lázaro que toca a nuestra puerta, iremos conociendo más y más el amor de Dios.

"Amado Jesús, llena mi corazón de tu compasión hacia quienes tienen necesidad o sufren dolor."

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Domingo 29	Am 6:1a,4-7 / 1 Tim 6:11-16 / Lc 16:19-31
Lunes 30	Zec 8:1-8 / Lc 9:46-50
San Jerónimo	
Martes 1	Zec 8:20-23 / Lc 9:51-56
Santa Teresa del Ni	-
Miércoles 2	Ne 2:1-8 / Mt 18:1-5,10
Santos Ángeles Cust	
Jueves 3	Ne 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12 /Lc 10:1-12
Viernes 4	Bar 1:15-22 / Lc 10:13-16
San Francisco de As	
Sábado 5	Bar 4:5-12,27-29 / Lc 10:17-24
Domingo 6	Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / 2 Tim 1:6-8,13-14 / Lc 17:5-10

### Intenciones de Misas Mass Intentions September 29 – October 6

Sunday, September 29 5:30pm Vigil (September 28) Gerald Seymour 10am – All Parishioners 11:30am – Paul Griffin 1pm – Guillermo Gehrin Monday, September 30 7am – Paul Wynn 8am - James Caputo 12:10pm – Rose & Renee Tousaint 5:30pm – Special Intention **Tuesday, October 1** 7am – Rita and Leonard Zelonis 8am - Elizabeth Hart Jones 12:10pm – John Palmer Joyce 5:30pm – Kevin Hurley (living) Wednesday, October 2 7am – Mercedes Araque (living) 8am – Lauren O'Neill (living) 12:10pm – Sodeberg family (living) 5:30pm – Thanksgiving **Thursday, October 3** 7am – Rose & Renee Tousaint 8am - George F. Shevlin, III 12:10pm – Joseph J. Vari, Sr. 5:30pm – San Exposito Friday, October 4 7am – Helen B. Brooks 8am – Joan Morgan 12:10pm – Katie and Joe Austin (living) 5:30pm – Mary Kidd Saturday, October 5 8am – Rebecca Savage 12:10pm – Patricia Cappola & family (living) Sunday, October 6 7am – Kenneth Endres 11:30am - Benefactores of the Cathedral Parish living and dead 1pm – Matias Osorio (living)

Intenciones de Oración del Papa Francisco – Por favor únase en oración en todo el mundo por las intenciones del Papa Francisco en el mes de **octobre**: para que el soplo del Espíritu Santo suscite una nueva primavera misionera en la Iglesia.

5:30pm – All Parishioners

# Noticias de la Parroquia



**40 Días por la Vida** – Se invita a los feligreses de toda la Arquidiócesis a participar en el esfuerzo internacional de 40 Días por la Vida que comenzó el **25 de septiembre** al **3 de noviembre**. Además de 40 días de oración pacífica y ayuno para poner fin al aborto, los voluntarios

pueden inscribirse para orar en la ubicación de DC. Comuníquese con Michael New al 205-657-6943. Para obtener más información, visite

https://www.40daysforlife.com/washington.

Comuníquese con Justin Silvers al

just1justin@yahoo.com o llame al padre John Benson o Norma Canedo a la rectoría al 202-347-3215 para obtener información sobre la participación de nuestra parroquia en 40 Días por la Vida.

**Octubre Mes del Rosario –** El mes de octubre, tradicionalmente es dedicado al santo Rosario, es un gran momento para redescubrir esta antigua y poderosa oración. Octubre también es el mes designado al Respeto a la Vida por la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos. El mensaje respetar la vida de este octubre, es "Cristo nuestra esperanza en cada estación de vida." Para más información visite: www.usccb.org/respectlife.

**Primer Viernes y Primer Sábado** – Primer viernes de Exposición y Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento se celebrará después de la misa 12:10 del mediodía hasta 5:00 de la tarde el viernes **4 de octubre** en la capilla del Santísimo Sacramento, situada a la izquierda del santuario. El sábado **5 de octubre** todos son bienvenidos a participar en las devociones del primer sábado después de la misa de 12:10 del mediodía.

**Misa Roja** – La 67ª Misa Roja Anual se llevará a cabo en la Catedral el domingo, **6 de octubre** a las 10:00 de la mañana. **La misa de las 8:30 de la mañana se cancela ese día**. Si usted planea asistir a la Misa Roja, por favor, llegue temprano, ya que los miembros de seguridad no permitirán la entrada una vez que la Catedral se llene. Gracias por ayudarnos a extender la hospitalidad de la Catedral para esta celebración.

**Recordando a los Benefactores** – El domingo **6 de octubre** se ofrecerá la misa de las 11:30 de la mañana por los benefactores de la Catedral de San Mateo, vivos y difuntos. ¡Acompáñenos en oración de acción de gracias a todos los que hacen posible nuestro trabajo de difundir con alegría el Evangelio en la capital de nuestra nación!

Galletas para Kairos - Ministerio para Personas

**Encarceladas** – El comité de Justicia Social los invita a hornear y donar galletas para un ministerio local de

Kairos. Todas las galletas serán distribuidas durante un retiro para personas que



están en prisión. Se recogerán las galletas el domingo, **20 de octubre**. Las galletas necesitan ser caseras y de un tamaño especifico de 2-2.5 pulgadas de sabores de



chocolate, avena con pasas, mantequilla de maní, azúcar, melaza y mezcla de pastel. Para más información, póngase en contacto con Norma a

<u>ncanedo@stmatthewscathedral.org</u> o llame a la rectoría al 202-347-3215.

### Monseñor Jameson Cena de Otoño para las

**Personas sin Hogar** – El comité de Justicia Social y Servicio Comunitario estará auspiciando una cena para nuestros amigos sin hogar el domingo, **27 de octubre**, a las 3 de la tarde. Póngase en contacto con Paulin Leonida al <u>Imapaulina@gmail.com</u> o al 202-630-0119 para ayudar con lo siguiente:

- Alistar los salones, servir y proveer hospitalidad a nuestros invitados

- Preparar o comprar comida para servir durante la cena

- Hacer una donación monetaria para el uso de compras de comida y materiales. ¡Muchas gracias!

Ministerio para personas sin hogar – Se buscan voluntarios para los lunes – Cada lunes por la mañana nuestra parroquia invita a 60-80 hombres y mujeres sin hogar para desayunar, recibir artículos de tocador, bolsas de almuerzo, y ropa; también tiempo de descanso en comunidad. Se cierra la mañana con una reflexión sobre las escrituras. Se buscan voluntarios que puedan ayudar a alistar el desayuno, a servir, a entregar artículos que necesiten nuestros invitados y ayudar a limpiar. El programa empieza a las 7:30 y termina a las 9:30 de la mañana. Si está interesado en ayudar, puede llamar al padre John o Norma 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 es profundizar nuestra fe por medio de las Sagradas Escrituras. El grupo de Oración tendrá charlas programadas a través del año. Para más información llame a Fátima al 202-347-3215 x541.