

# SAINT MATTHIAS PARISH

Founded 1906

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m. Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

*Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Saturdays 4:15 to 4:45 PM, also by appointment*

Reverend Monsignor Gerard C. Mesure, J.D., J.C.D., M.A. ... *Pastor*  
Reverend Sean P. Bransfield, J.C.L., M.A., M.Div. ... *Parochial Vicar*  
Reverend John A. McGinnis ... *Retired Priest*  
Deacon Michael J. Kubiak

Director of Parish Outreach ... Peggy Haley  
Director of Liturgical Music ... Berthilla Wiscount  
Coordinator of Religious Education ... Peggy Haley  
Weekend Assistance: Rev. Gregory Finn OSJ and Rev. Quan Tran

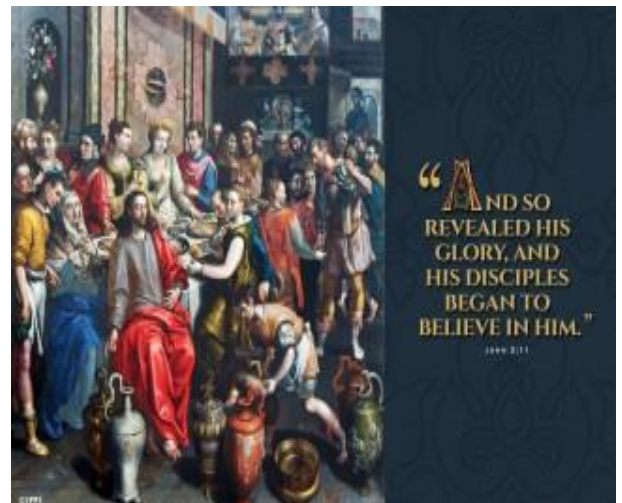
**NEW PARISHIONERS:** *Welcome to Saint Matthias Parish!* Please see one of the priests after any weekend Mass or call the Rectory if you are interested in registering at Saint Matthias Parish.

**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:** Monday to Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**SICK CALLS:** *Emergencies – Please call the Rectory. Hospital Visitation –* The Parish Priests will be happy to visit any Parishioner who is hospitalized. Please contact the Rectory, since hospitals *do not* contact the Rectory.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** The Sacrament of Baptism is administered most Sundays at 11:30 a.m. Arrangements are made in advance at the Rectory. Sponsors must provide proof of eligibility by a letter from their respective Pastors. First-time parents attend a Pre-Jordan Meeting prior to baptism, which is arranged at a mutually convenient time.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Arrangements must be made with the parish *at least* six months before the date of the Wedding.



**JANUARY 20, 2019 – SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES**

# January 20, 2019

## Second Sunday of Ordinary Time



### Saturday, January 19 – Weekday

8:00 Berenice - 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

5:00 Mary Mammola

### Sunday, January 20 – *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 Stanley Reimer

10:30 Joseph Henrich

7:00 For the Parishioners of St. Matthias

### Monday, January 21 – *Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr*

7:30 Joann Zenobi

### Tuesday, January 22 – *USA Day of prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*

7:30 Protection of All Human Life

### Wednesday, January 23 – *Weekday*

7:30 Special Intention

### Thursday, January 24 – *St Francis DeSales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

7:30 Alice Burdo

### Friday, January 25 – *The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle*

7:30 In Memory of Antoinette Butler

### Saturday, January 26 – Weekday

8:00 Diana Bhend

5:00 Mary Homony

### Sunday, January 27 – *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 Steve Coleman

10:30 Inscription Mass for First Communicants

7:00 For the Parishioner of St. Matthias

*\* Extra ordinary support through the Saint Matthias Day Program.*

### Sacrificial Giving ~ Stewardship

Sunday, January 19 & 20, 2019: \$8,394

Sunday, January 21 & 22, 2018: \$6,134

*Thank you for your continued sacrificial generosity!*

**LIVING LIGHTS:** On the side of the Sanctuary near the statue of the Sacred Heart is a place where three candles burn for special intentions. If you wish to have one of these candles burning for your intention, please bring your donation and intention to the sacristy or the rectory office. The donation for these candles is \$10. This week's candles are lit for: Our Youth, Family & Marriage

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Lorraine Beaulieu, Richard & Mary Jane Breen, Sister Margaret Donohue, R.S.M., Martha Eckert, Louise Grato, Raymond Hinson, Dr. Joan Hurlock, William Kelly, Chadd Kraus, Eleanor Kuhl, Ann Ledgister, Terry Leibfreid, Rev. James Moore, S.J., Mrs. Agata Pacellia, Michele Smith, Jim Trainer, Louise Vesci, Rev. Thomas Wheeler, S.J. We also pray for those served by our Parish in Inglis House and Bala Nursing Home. ***Please help us keep this list current: if you wish to have someone's name added to/removed from the Sick List, kindly contact the Rectory.***

### MEMBERS OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Patricia Black, Andrea Constantino, Mike DeMonte, Maggie Duffy, Brian Fogarty, Peggy Haley (*ex-officio*), Ed Kiefski, Claudia Martinez, Ray Nepomuceno, Gina Sullivan, H. Nelson Keyser (*finance council rep.*), Berthilla Wiscount (*ex-officio*), Megan Zak



## *Intentions of Pope Francis*

**January, 2019**

### Evangelization – Young People

That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

### Priest Celebrant Schedule: Jan. 26 – Jan. 27

5:00 Fr. Sean Bransfield

8:30 Fr. Gregory Finn

10:30 Msgr. Gerard Mesure

7:00 Fr. Quan Tran



In last week's bulletin, there was a **Christmas Thank You** addressed to all for their generosity with the many requests of donations, for LaSalle Elementary School, St. Ignatius Home and Mother's Home in Darby. The name of the person who wrote this Thank You was accidentally omitted. So please be aware that it was **Peggy Haley** who was offering her appreciation to the St. Matthias parishioners.

***“Our Faith, Our Family, Our Future”* Renovation Project**  
**Save the Date!!**  
**Sunday January 27, 2019**

Monsignor Mesure and The Renovation Project Committee have completed all first phase Pastor Receptions – all held at the Convent, our soon to be “New Parish Center.” The Committee is now planning for an All-Parish Kick-Off on Sunday, January 27, 2019, following the 10:30 Mass. **Please save the date and plan to attend this celebration.**

Monsignor Mesure is grateful to the Committee for their personal dedication, commitment and generosity of time and treasure, to make the dream of this Parish Center a reality.

**Committee Members:**

Patricia Black	Ed Kiefski
Maggie Duffy	Autumn Mendel
David Fabry	Jack Yura
Bob Haenn	Peggy Haley

As we enter this holy season and celebrate the birth of our Savior, both in our hearts and our homes, our Project Committee will take a short break and will gather again after the New Year to prepare for the January Kick-Off.

The committee and I look forward to seeing you at the All-Parish Kick-Off. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office - 610-664-0207.

Msgr. Mesure

**Liturgical Ministry Schedule**  
**January 26, 2019 & January 27, 2019**

**Lectors**

5:00 PM	Monique T. Brady
8:30 AM	Megan Zak
10:30 AM	Jordan Constantino
7:00 PM	Ray Nepomuceno

**Ministers of Holy Communion**

5:00 PM	Peg McCoy & Dolores DiGiacomo
8:30 AM	Dennis Zak & Erin Rooney
10:30 AM	Andrea & Luis Constantino
7:00 PM	Therese Trainer & Rox Nepomuceno

**Altar Servers**

5:00 PM	Katie Timberlake & Isa Alemaychu
8:30 AM	Lauryn Holgado, & Nathan Tran
10:30 AM	Lucas Rodriguez, Annabel Shin & Teddy Eisenstein
7:00 PM	Roman Nepomuceno

**Greeters**

5:00 PM	Maria Preston, Pat & Connie Cerone & Dolores DiGiacomo
8:30 AM	Miriam Mitchell, Mark Rooney, Mary Graham Zak & Alan Tremper
10:30 AM	Carla Falco, Eileen Keenan, Stephanie Shin & Claire Mamo
7:00 PM	Kathleen Johnson, Peter Van Allen & Matt Unpingco

**Counters**

Ashley Cordova & Jim Carney

**CASSEROLES FOR SAINT JOHN'S HOSPICE**



The pickup will be **Monday, January 21.**  
**Drop off in the Gym Lobby!**



INTERNATIONAL  
DINNER  
*Celebrating  
Our Diversity*

**How and when did it start? What you ask?  
St. Matthias International Dinner!!**

Six years ago, one of our parishioners felt that since St. Matthias is such a diverse Parish that we should celebrate our diversity...thus, the International Dinner was born!

For those of you who are new to the parish, or have never attended this event, one of the best and most popular social events of the Parish. Come and see what all the fun is about!!

Do you have a favorite dish from your heritage that your family enjoys? Bring it and share the love with the St, Matthias gang! If you do not necessarily like to cook (like some of us) ...that's OK. Come and experience the good food from all over the world.

This a great opportunity to meet new families and make new friends. **PLEASE JOIN US!**

If you wish, feel free to dress in clothing native to your country...or just bring it so that it can be displayed and seen by others. If you would like, bring a description of your native country in writing and we will display it for all to see and to learn a little something about your heritage.

If you want to attend and not prepare a dish, the suggested donation is \$5.00 a person. Please complete the form in this bulletin and let us know if you are going to attend, if you are bringing a favorite dish, and how many people are coming with you. All family and friends are invited.

**We will be selling raffles on a basket of cheer and a lottery tree and are looking for donations from our parishioners. If you can make a donation, please either drop it off at the rectory or call Marge Kiefski at 215-913-4482 and we will pick it up at your house.**

Looking forward to seeing you on Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> after the 5:00 PM Mass. Time is running out so complete the form as soon as possible so that we can get an accurate count of those attending.



***Saint Matthias 6<sup>th</sup> Annual  
International Supper***

**Saturday, February 2**

**6:00 PM in the Gym (after the 5PM Mass)**

*family games 50/50 kids dress up  
and more!*

*Coffee, Tea & soft drinks provided – B.Y.O.B.*

**Kindly complete the form below and indicate if you can prepare a dish of your national origin and how many will be joining you!**

**Return in collection basket or to the Rectory.  
Questions? Please call Marge Kiefski at  
215-913-4482 or email at mmkiefski@aol.com**



\_\_\_\_\_ Yes! I will attend. – No. of People \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes! I will bring an international dish.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Dish: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Origin: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes! I will bring a dessert!

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes! I want to help the day of the event.  
Please contact me.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW  
PARISHIONERS**

Cesaria & Kale Adote

Paul & Maureen Hill and children Graham & Olive

John & Carmen Paternoster and children George,

John, Ava

Marie Hejnosz

## Readings for the Week January 20, 2019

**Monday:** Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:** Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c; Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:** Heb 7:25—8:6; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

**Saturday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:20-21

**Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or Cor 12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-



### TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN, MAY WE SUGGEST...

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!
- Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.
- Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, altar servers, choir, etc.
- Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.
- If you leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

### TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH...

- The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our parish is growing.
- Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.
- Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

## Dates to Remember!

**Sunday, January 27, 2019**

**9:30 AM** – First Reconciliation

**10:30 AM** – Inscription Mass for First Communicant

**11:30 AM** – Renovation Project, Kick-off in the Gym

**January 28 – 7:00 PM** – Parish Center – Bible Study

## PARISH VISTORS OF MARY IMMACULATE

We are all so very happy that the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate, <http://www.parishvisitorsisters.org/>, will have a convent here in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to assist with the most important work of parish evangelization. The Convent of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart in Clifton Heights, PA, is nearly ready to become the home of our Parish Visitors. What is needed now are the necessary household items for their home.

Attached is the information for a gift registry for the Sisters and their convent for these household items. An online registry is set up at Bed Bath & Beyond. Please join me in welcoming the Parish Visitors with a purchase for their convent home. This may be done online or in any Bed Bath and Beyond Store. When looking at the registry one will be able to see what items are needed.

The account is set up as: **First Name** - Parish Visitors, **Last Name** - Mary Immaculate **Registry #** 546968908

I thank you in advance for your goodness and generosity to our Parish Visitors.

**Father Dennis McGill, Rector**  
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

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***IHM Conference Center***  
***401 S. Bryn Mawr Avenue***  
***Bryn Mawr, PA 19010***

610-581-0120

[ihmconferencecenter@gmail.com](mailto:ihmconferencecenter@gmail.com)

### **Conference Day: "Spiritual Wellness"**

Tuesday, February 5, 2019 - 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Presenter: Sister Clare Marsico, IHM

Stipend: \$40 (includes breakfast, lunch, and Mass)

In our daily lives, there are certain things we do to promote a healthy lifestyle. So it is with our spiritual lives. We need prayer, the sacraments, good choices to keep us connected. This presentation will explain and share how we can do this each day.

## St. Raphaela Center

616 Coopertown Rd, Haverford, PA 19041  
(610) 642-5715

For any questions or to register for any event listed below, please register online at [www.straphaelacenter.org](http://www.straphaelacenter.org) or call St. Raphael Center at 610-642-5715.

### WALKING WITH A PURPOSE FOR YOUNG ADULTS

**Meets Mondays at 7:30**

St. Raphaela Center is hosting Walking with a Purpose for young adults - **a chance to meet and study scripture with other Catholic youth and to know Jesus who loves you beyond understanding!**  
**Next meeting:** Monday, January 21; **Time:** 7:30 pm  
**Contact person:** Sr. Lyan -PHONE: 610-642-5715

### Feast Day - Jan 23, 2019 - 11:30pm

Come together to celebrate and pray together as a community and enjoy each other's company as well as learn and reflect on a few key aspects of our faith through the charism of the Handmaids and see how they pertain to our lives and mission.

Mass will be at 11:30 am and a simple lunch to follow. Call St. Raphaela Center at 610-642-5715 to let us know how many will be attending.

### HOLY & HEALTHY

**January 29, 2019, 8:30am-3:30pm**

The new year often brings the desire to make resolutions in personal health, finances, work/life balance and spiritual life. Give yourself the gift of a day to goal set with God's guidance. Highlights of the day include: Healthy eating, immune boosting secrets inspired by the Bible, SoulCore Movement Class, resources for creating freedom in personal finance and work/life balance, adoration, meditation, spiritual direction. Cost: \$40

### Women's Weekend I

**February 1 - 4:00pm to February 3 - 12:00pm**

In March 2018 Pope Francis issued his Apostolic Exhortation "Gaudete et Exultate: Rejoice and Be Glad." The focus of this letter is the universal call to holiness offered to all believers. Drawing on the thoughts of Pope Francis, we will explore ways we can take up this challenge to live the Gospel and grow in holiness. With Rev. Jim McBurney, OSA and Sister Sagrario Núñez, ACJ

Register on-line at [www.straphaelacenter.org](http://www.straphaelacenter.org), or call St. Raphaela Center at 610-642-5715.

## MERCY SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES RETREAT DAY



February 23, 2019 - Refreshments 9:30 – Opening Prayer  
10:00 AM – Closing Prayer 3:00 PM

**Cost:** \$30.00, includes Lunch

**Presenters:** Mary Anne Nolan, RSM and Sister Marie Michele Donnelly, RSM

**Place:** Motherhouse of the Sisters of Mercy  
515 Montgomery Avenue  
Merion Station, PA 19066

### **Registration**

**By Mail to:** S. Mary Anne Nolan  
31 Pennswood Rd  
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

**By e-mail to:** [jeanmeehan@verizon.net](mailto:jeanmeehan@verizon.net)

Registration must be received by **February 18**

Choose between: Baked Virginia Ham \_\_\_\_\_  
Chicken Caesar Salad \_\_\_\_\_  
Chunky Tuna Salad \_\_\_\_\_

## MAIN LINE SINGLES DINNER CLUB AGES 52-66

**Catholic** men & women are cordially invited to join "**The Main Line Singles Dinner Club**", to share common interests and dine together twice a month. Our next scheduled event is on **Saturday, February 16th, snow date, Saturday, February 23rd @ 6:00 P.M. a "Post Valentine/Chinese New Year's House Party" @ a member's home in Springfield, PA. More info call BARB (610) 896-6542. Catholic men are encouraged to participate.**

### **VERSE OF THE DAY**

**January 20, 2019**

You are my refuge and my shield; I have put my hope in your word.

**Psalm 119:114**