



Archbishop William E. Lori, Archbishop of Baltimore

## **St. Matthew Roman Catholic Church**

*“Rich in Tradition, United in Mission, Blessed with Diversity.”*

### **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**May 7, 2017**

**Mass Times:** Holy Day Mass times vary; see the bulletin.

Weekdays (Rectory Chapel) Monday – Thursday – Saturday 9:00 AM

Tuesday – Friday 7:00 AM

Weekends – Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:45 AM – 11 AM

#### **Reconciliation:**

Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 PM – By Appointment

#### **Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, and Anointing of the Sick:**

Please call the church office.

#### **New Parishioners:**

Please pick up a registration form at the exits or contact the church office.  
Please also indicate if you wish to receive giving envelopes.

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# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## May 7, 2017



*Pastor's  
Notes*

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

This weekend, the **Fourth Sunday of the Easter Season**, is the **6th Birthday of McKenzie Elliott**. I was glad to know that the federal prosecutors did not give up on her and that all the while, people have been searching and working for justice for McKenzie. Many people from St. Matthew and Blessed Sacrament told me this week that they have McKenzie's **picture on their nightstand, their computer, or on their desk**. **Thank you** to Blessed Sacrament and St. Matthew for keeping the memory of McKenzie Elliott alive and not giving up on her. Talking about her and remembering her is **a great sign of respect for her life**. We have shared in this journey and will continue to do so. You heard the reports this week that the investigation took so long because people were afraid to come forward and say what they had saw and heard. This fear can paralyze a city. This attitude also means that we are not in relationship with each other so we really can't watch out for each other. This is why we celebrated our ONE BALTIMORE event last week. The many different relationships our churches have established are a great help towards healing the relationships in this city. We cannot afford to continue being divided. We are to cross class lines, race lines, color lines, economic lines, neighborhood lines, and any other barriers that divide us. The dream and the goal of ONE BALTIMORE takes efforts on all of our parts. **This does not take the effort of just one person**. We are all called to face up to our humanity and the relationship we have with each other. This is not an easy task, but it is the right road for us to take. **Today's second reading from Peter** says, "If you put up with suffering for doing what is right, this is acceptable in God's eyes. It was for this you were called..." **This is our Easter Joy, and our Easter work, and it is why we celebrate our participation in the New Life of Christ**. Happy Birthday McKenzie Elliott.

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**The Sanctuary Coalition of Maryland** meets in St. Matthew Church Hall on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.

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**The Blessed Sacrament Prayer and Jazz Brunch** is next Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> in the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center from 11 AM to 1 PM. All are welcome. Tickets \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 12.

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**St. Ann's Church is having a Shrimp and Bull Roast** on Saturday evening, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 8 PM to midnight at Columbus Gardens. Tickets are \$60. See Fr. Joe for tickets.

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Next Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, **the Swahili Mass** is at 2 PM in the church. All are welcome.

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This weekend we welcome the opportunity to celebrate **First Eucharist** for children of the Northeast Catholic Community Churches at Blessed Sacrament Church at the 10:30 AM Mass. Come and celebrate with the families and support the children in **receiving Jesus for the first time**.

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**Happy Easter!**

Love and Prayers,

Fr. Joe

## Let Us Pray For:

Al Augustine, Alfred & Cherry Lee-Young, Alphonsus Oguamanam, Andrea Bryant, Andrea Shuck, Andrew Macsherry, Anne Marie Campbell, Anthony Udumukwu, Archer Senft, Atticus Smith, Augustine Ubaru, Ardella Oliver, Barbara Reid, Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Adams, Bernice Kucharski, Bernice Thomas, Betty Blair, Betty Johnson, Betty King, Betty Mathers, Butch Podgurski, Cammy Roberson, Carl Gabler, Carol Augustine, Caroline Grayson, Carolyn Richardson, Casey Seymour, Catherine Potillo, Chantelle Clarke, Cheryl Lusby, Chukwuma & Philomena Okpala, Donna Dusman, Donna Lusby, Eloise Hopkins, Eric Younkin, Ethel White, Evelyn Thompson, Frances Ubaru, Frank Lhotsky, Fran Meeks, Gail Liss, Gloria Smith, Gloriana & Eddie Hopkins, Grace Byerly, Greg Novik, Greg Schaum, Gunter Moore, Gwen Heemann, Helen Nitkoski, Henrietta Mitchell, Jack Murphy, Jennifer Tamberino, Jim Augustine, Joe Chamberlin, Joan Muth, Joe Kennedy, Joe and Frieda Koubek, John and Maisie Serio, Joscelin Hancock, Joyce Loney, Justin Xavier Mathis, Keagen Merritt, Kerry Heemann, Kerstin Lynch, Kyle Beaudet, Larry Balda, Lashawda Jelks, Lee Nel, Lenon Daniel, Lucille Casey, Marian Harrington, Marie Chery, Marie Fields, Mark Bynun, Mark Rogalski, Mary Catherine, Mary Connelly, Mary Jo Bowen, Mary Lou Balda, Melanie McCullom, Parfulit Youzon, Peg Collins, Philomena Ofoma, Robert Holt, Rocky Davis, Ruby Hughes, Ryan Carlisle, Seaton Haney, Shakia Williams, Steve Heemann, Sue Todd, Sylvia Adams, Victoria Borland, and William Kovalevsky.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK (May 7<sup>th</sup> – May 14<sup>th</sup>):

**Sunday, May 7**                      **Acts 2:14a, 36-41**                      **Ps 23:1-6**                      **1 Pt 2:20b-25**                      **Jn 10:1-10**  
*Fourth Sunday of Easter.* God has made Jesus both Lord and Messiah (1). Through his wounds we have been healed and have returned to our shepherd (2, Ps). Let us listen to his voice and follow him (3).

**Monday, May 8**                      **Acts 11:1-18**                      **Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4**                      **Jn 10:11-18**  
Jesus is the good shepherd (2). Through him even the Gentiles have won life-giving repentance (1) and have been invited to give thanks at his altar (Ps).

**Tuesday, May 9**                      **Acts 11:19-26**                      **Ps 87:1-7**                      **Jn 10:22-30**  
The good news that Jesus is the Messiah (2) is proclaimed beyond Judaism (Ps), to the Greeks in Antioch (1).

**Wednesday, May 10**                      **Acts 12:24-13:5a**                      **Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8**                      **Jn 12:44-50**  
*St. Damien de Veuster, Priest.* Paul and Barnabas are endorsed by the Church in Antioch (1) to go to all people (Ps) and preach that Jesus is the light who has come into the world (2).

**Thursday, May 11**                      **Acts 13:13-25**                      **Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27**                      **Jn 13:16-20**  
Sent forth as a messenger (2), Paul proclaims the Lord's favor (Ps) in his discourse in Antioch in Pisidia (1).

**Friday, May 12**                      **Acts 13:26-33**                      **Ps 2:6-11**                      **Jn 14:1-6**  
*Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr.* God fulfills the psalm by raising Jesus from the dead (1, Ps). He is the way, the truth, and the life (2).

**Saturday, May 13**                      **Acts 13:44-52**                      **Ps 98:1-4**                      **Jn 14:7-14**  
*Our Lady of Fatima (100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary).* Paul and Barnabas turn toward the Gentiles (1, Ps), and thus perform a "greater" work: proclaiming Jesus as Lord (2).

Our Lady of Fatima is venerated under this title following apparitions to three shepherd children in Portugal in 1917. The message of Fatima includes a call to conversion of heart, repentance from sin, and prayer, especially the Rosary.

**Sunday, May 14**                      **Acts 6:1-7**                      **Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19**                      **1 Pt 2:4-9**                      **Jn 14:1-12**  
*Fifth Sunday of Easter.* We are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood" (2) called to place our faith (3) and trust (Ps) in the Spirit of Jesus who guides the community of faith (1).

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING:**

**April 29 – 30:**

Offertory Envelopes: \$6,852.75  
Loose Offertory: \$820.55  
**TOTAL: \$7,673.30**

**MASS ATTENDANCE:**

**April 29 – 30:**

<u>5 PM:</u>	<u>8:45 AM:</u>	<u>11 AM:</u>
69	141	203

**TOTAL: 413**

**Mass Intentions**   
**FOR THE WEEK**

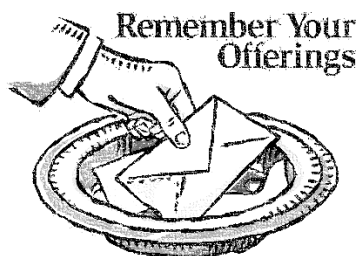
**Sunday, May 7:**

**8:45 AM: Michelle Maskeroni**

**11:00 AM: Patricia Masterman**

**Saturday, May 13:**

**5:00 PM: Genny Davis**



**Do you like great music? Join us for Baltimore Philharmonia Orchestra's presentation of "The Most Beautiful Picture You Ever Heard": a multi-media performance of Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition"**



**The concert will be held on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**at 3:00 PM held at St. Matthew and admission is free!**

**St. Matthew parishioners Bob DeLisle and Chris Fritze are members of the orchestra.**

Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> will be the third in a series entitled "An Honest Conversation on Racism." The first two nights have fostered a community spirit of sharing. We welcome you to the third night of watching a great video and joining in a life-changing conversation. A lite dinner will be served at 6:15 PM and the program will begin at 7:00 PM.

**✚ From the church office:**

**✚ If you give to St. Matthew on a regular basis and would like to receive weekly offertory envelopes, please contact Chris: 410-433-2300 or [cheemann@archbalt.org](mailto:cheemann@archbalt.org)**

## First Eucharist

We congratulate the following students from the NECC parishes who will celebrate their First Eucharist this Sunday, May 7th at Blessed Sacrament Church: Jasmin & Jason Amedu, Moira Capista, Adaure Ebiye, Kevin Edea, Prince Ejelonu, Prosper Ejoh, Samantha Estrada, Chase Fowler, DeVaugh & Kymani Green, Ashley Mariga, Therese Masafu, Joshua Muchene, Destiny, Crystal & Candice Onyeama, Ryan Scott, Emmanuel Sesay, and Bernice Usiere.

*Please keep these young people in your prayers as they prepare to receive their first Eucharist: May Christ be in their hearts and may they continue to live and grow in their faith.*

## Registration for Faith Formation and Religious Education Classes is now open and Confirmation preparation registration is now open

Please find the registration forms at the exits of the church and on our website. Details on how the forms can be turned in are printed on the forms.



A reminder that the last Young Adult Mass will be held on  
Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>  
at 5 PM at Most Precious Blood.



If you know someone who would be interested in joining the Catholic Church, please contact  
Sr. Andre for RCIA.

Now is the time to register:

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We would love to grow the number of participants each year!

