



Mater Dei Academy Weekly

September 21st, 2018

Upcoming Events and Reminders:

Holy Mass will be *Tuesday, September 25th* at 8 AM. All are invited to join us! Please let us know if you will attend to ensure enough hosts for Holy Communion.

The servers for Tuesday's Mass will be Madison Hewitt and Xavier Mascari. The readers will be Benjamin Baquedano and Joseph Storck.

On hot days, make sure your children have a water bottle for school, especially for gym class on Mondays.

Mater Dei is sponsoring a fundraiser! We need students to sell delicious Anthony Thomas candy bars. They will be distributed today to each family. See the attached letter for details.

We are always looking for pictures to put on our website. If you have pictures of the school or students, please send them to school@materdeiacademy.org
Thank you!

Saint of the Day: St. Matthew, Apostle



St. Matthew was a Jew, as well as a tax collector for the Romans, a hated profession during the time of Christ. According to the Gospels, Matthew, originally called Levi, was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and said, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ. He arose and followed Him and made Him a feast in his house, where tax-gatherers and sinners sat at table with Christ and His disciples. This drew forth a protest from the Pharisees, whom Jesus rebuked in these consoling words: "I came not to call the just, but sinners." As a disciple and Apostle Matthew thenceforth followed Christ, accompanying Him up to the time of His Passion and, in Galilee, was one of the witnesses of His Resurrection. He was also present at the Ascension and Pentecost. Matthew wrote his Gospel account around 50 AD. He evangelized in Ethiopia to the south of the Caspian Sea, and possibly Persia and the kingdom of the Parthians, Macedonia, and Syria. St. Matthew is traditionally thought to have died as a martyr while preaching the Gospel.

Have a safe and blessed weekend.

O Glorious St. Matthew, in your Gospel you portray Jesus as the longed-for Messiah Who fulfilled the Prophets of the Old Covenant and as the new Lawgiver Who founded a Church of the New Covenant.

Obtain for us the grace to see Jesus living in His Church and to follow His teachings in our lives on earth so that we may live forever with Him in heaven. Amen.

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