

# ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

8200 Robert E. Lee Drive ✕ Spotsylvania, VA 22551

Pastor.....Rev. Paul M. Eversole  
Deacons .....Rev. Mr. John Hubbarth  
Rev. Mr. Paul Gregory  
Rev. Mr. Mike Strain

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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## CHURCH OFFICE

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## PARISH OFFICE

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Jane Hubbarth .....Receptionist  
Mary Lou Felts .....Receptionist

[www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org](http://www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org)

## MUSIC MINISTRY

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Vigil ..... Saturday, 5:30 pm

Sunday.....8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am

Daily

Monday, Tuesday, Saturday.....8:00 am

Wednesday..... 11:00 am

Thursday.....6:30 am

Friday ..... 7:30 pm

## CONFESSIONS

*Normally heard at the following times:*

Monday .....after 8:00 am Mass

Tuesday .....after 8:00 am Mass

Wednesday.....after 11:00 am Mass

Thursday.....after 6:30 am Mass

Friday ..... 7:00 pm

Saturday ..... 4:30 pm

***Exceptions to this schedule  
are noted inside the bulletin.***

### ***Please note:***

*Confessions will be heard until the line of penitents ends, or until 5 minutes before Mass begins - whichever comes first - so please arrive for confession promptly. Confessions are not heard after evening Masses.*

**AFTER HOURS PRIEST EMERGENCY  
TELEPHONE: 540-498-3170**

## PARISH REGISTRATION

All Catholics residing within our parish boundaries should register as soon as possible. Packets are available in church vestibule.

## BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Office; parish registration is required.

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Please contact the Parish Office. Six Months of preparation are required before the marriage celebration. Parish registration is required

## SPONSOR LETTERS

Please contact the Parish Office for letters of qualification to serve as sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation. Registration in the parish and regular practice of the Faith are among the qualifications required. Letters should be requested in a timely manner.

## GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

Ministry to the infirm/ homebound. Please call the Parish Office to arrange visitation of the elderly, the sick or the homebound.

## SAINT MATTHEW THRIFT STORE (Breezewood Shopping Center)

Address: 10639 Courthouse Road • Telephone: 540-834-2479.

Hours: M-F 10 AM-3PM; Sat. 9:30 AM-2:30 PM; Sun.-Closed

*Volunteers and donations of clothing, household items and furniture needed on a continuing basis.*

## SVdP FOOD PANTRY (Breezewood Shopping Center)

Address: 10643 Courthouse Road • Telephone: 540-834-5555.

Hours: 1<sup>st</sup> four Wednesdays 4 PM-6 PM; 1<sup>st</sup> four Fridays 9 AM-11 AM;

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays 9AM-11AM; closed 5<sup>th</sup> Weeks. *Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis.*

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Saint Faustina Conference

**SVdP Hotline:** 540-834-5555. Website: [www.svdpstfaustina.org](http://www.svdpstfaustina.org)

*Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call Lilian Fay, 540-379-6466.*

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Bishop Keating Council 12434 meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM in the St. Joseph Parish Center; 4<sup>th</sup> degree, The Fathers Cilinski Assembly 3568 meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. of each month at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center. For information, call the Parish Office 540-582-5575.

# AUGUST 20, 2017 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASSSES

Mon (08/21) 8:00 AM - MARY & JERRY WENZEL  
Tues (08/22) 8:00 AM - MERRY EVERSOLE  
Wed (08/23) 11:00 AM - MATT EVERSOLE  
Thu (08/24) 6:30 AM - LOUIS ACHILLE +  
Fri (08/25) 7:30 PM - CHRISTINA EMBREY +  
Sat (08/26) 8:00 AM - PATRICIA HASKELL +  
5:30 PM - LOUIS J. ACHILLE +  
Sun (08/27) 8:00 AM - MARIA CILIBERTO +  
9:30 AM - PEOPLE of ST. MATTHEW'S  
11:00 AM - CLARK EVERSOLE +



## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Saint Matthew's is always mindful of those who are suffering, and in wonderful ways the parish expresses its faith in the power of prayer. In recent months, the number of those in the prayers for the ill at Mass has increased, so beginning next weekend, the list of the infirm will be divided in two, with each half of the names being announced on alternating Sundays. The complete list of the sick will continue to appear in every Sunday bulletin.

Yours in Christ,

Father Eversole



## LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR



This weekend's second collection will be in support of the Little Sisters of the Poor, and their home for the elderly poor in Richmond.

## Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (08/19-08/20) 1) Regular  
2) Little Sisters of the Poor

Next weekend (08/26-08/27) 1) Regular

Please remember that second collections, when scheduled, are taken up after Communion. If you are not receiving collection envelopes, please call the parish office.

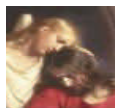
## PARISH SUPPORT UPDATE

Last weekend's First Collection amounted to \$13,477. **THANK YOU!** In order to meet our Parish's operating expenses and save for future projects, the First Collection should bring in at least \$11,000 every weekend.

Please keep in mind that the First Collection at Sunday Mass, funds all operating expenses of your parish, including salaries, utilities and administrative needs.

**2017 Increased Offertory Program:** Each year the parish asks its registered households to give prayerful consideration to their support for Saint Matthew's. Information about the program has been made available through the mail, in the bulletin, and at Mass. Can your household increase its weekly donation to the first collection. Because of the generosity of many households, Saint Matthew's has been able to expand its ministries and improve its facilities. Please help your parish continue with this progress.

Weekly Collection envelopes and online giving options ([www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org](http://www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org)) are available to all parishioners.



## PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK

Irene Foltz, Joe Fillare, Al Pitts, Blanche Satterlee, Jude Murphy, Madeline Murphy, William Kerwin, Erin Burke, Bill Barrett, Chris Warren, Richard Saunders, Carol Martin, Beverley Liposky, Rita Bobik, Monica Ellis, Sid Sidelko, Ed O'Brien, John Bernard, Melissa Martinez, Zack Yorio, Amy Whittaker, Tim Flanagan, Ted Hokoana, Bradley Miller, Margaret Lansden, Joseph Healey, John Riley, and Dwight Mottet, Marie Ellis.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** For parishioners and immediate family members or for emergency situations, please contact Lynn Kobasa at [lynnkobasa\\_2@msn.com](mailto:lynnkobasa_2@msn.com) or Sharon Shappy at (540) 207-0553. Send your message with the words "prayer request."



## HOLY LAND CARVINGS

September 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>

Olivewood carvings from the Holy Land will be available for purchase after all Masses September 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>, in the St. Joseph Parish Center. Most of the artisans live in Beit Sahour, Israel, which is the "Shepherd's Field," the actual area outside of Bethlehem where the angels appeared to announce the birth of Jesus. Your purchase will support Catholics and Orthodox in the Holy Land, who suffer from the region's political & religious conflicts.

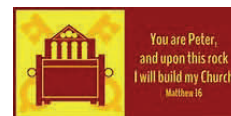
## SUNDAY READINGS

August 27, 2017

Is 22:19-23

Rom 11:33-36

Mt 16:13-20





## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for the Religious Education Year for grades K-8 begins this week. Our classes will begin **September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>**.

**Grades K & 1** will be offered Tuesday from 5:00-6:15 p.m.

**Grades 2-4** will be offered on two nights: either Tuesday evening from 5:00-6:15 or Wednesday evening from 6:00-7:15.

**Grades 5-8** will be offered Wednesday evening from 6:00-7:15.

Registration forms were mailed last week to all those families who were registered last year. Forms can also be found in the vestibule of the church or on the church website.

Peace of Jesus Christ,  
Joanne Warren



## HELP NEEDED

**St. Matthew's Thrift Store**, 10639 Courthouse Rd. (in the Breezewood Shopping Ctr.) is in need of immediate help on **Mondays & Fridays** (10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.) and **Saturdays** (9:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.) School will resume soon, so you may find yourself with spare time. Please contact Marjean Rice at (540) 834-2479. Remember--our Thrift Store supports those in need in **your** community.

## 2017 MARRIAGE JUBILEE MASS

Are you celebrating a **Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this Year?** Were you **married in 1967 or 1992?** Then join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the **2017 Marriage Jubilee Mass** to be celebrated on **Sun., October 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.** at the Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church in Potomac Falls, VA. **Please contact the parish office, 582-5575, by September 22<sup>nd</sup> to register.** For more information visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/MJM](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/MJM)



## WELCOME UNIV. of MARY WASHINGTON & GERMANNA STUDENTS!

Drop by the Catholic Student Ctr. located at **1614 College Avenue** (across from the campus). Meet new friends and grow in knowledge & love of your Catholic faith. Come join us on **Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at a welcome Mass at 11:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. at the St. John Bosco Center.** A free dinner will follow the 5:30 p.m. Mass. For more information, call (540) 373-6746 or visit [www.umwcatholic.org](http://www.umwcatholic.org)



## SAVE THE DATE!

Our Knights of Columbus Council will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on **Saturday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, after the 5:30 pm Mass.** There will be gluten-free meals available. **RSVP by Wed., Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>** to the Parish Office (582-5575) or George Knight (785-0977).



## CHRISTENDOM GRADUATE SCHOOL THEOLOGY COURSES

Registration is now open for fall theology courses at Christendom Graduate School. The fall lineup at the Alexandria campus includes Ecclesiology, Patristics, Theological Anthropology, Old Testament, Catechetical Program Administration, and Introduction to Theology on campus on Wed. evenings. Online courses include the Psalms and the New Testament. For more information visit [www.christendom.edu](http://www.christendom.edu) or call (703) 658-4304.

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Strengthen your marriage by participating in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)** weekend with your spouse. The next weekends are: **Sept. 15-17, 2017** in Herndon, VA and **Oct. 27-29, 2017** in Gaithersburg, MD. Early sign up is recommended. For more information contact us at 703-646-1521 or visit our website at [RenewMarriage-VANorth.org](http://RenewMarriage-VANorth.org)

## EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

The Arlington Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima (the Blue Army) will sponsor a diocesan-wide **Eucharistic Holy Hour on Sun., Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, from 3-4 p.m.** in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Our Lady of Angels Church (13752 Mary's Way, Woodbridge).



## RETREAT FOR PEOPLE FACING SERIOUS ILLNESS SEPT. 22<sup>ND</sup> - SEPT. 24<sup>TH</sup>

This retreat offers a unique opportunity for men & women facing serious physical illness to come away for a weekend retreat of spiritual renewal and refreshment. Celebrate life and the love of the Lord Jesus in a beautiful and comfortable place (San Damiano Retreat House) among caring and generous people. **Register by Fri., Sept. 1, 2017** at (703) 841-3830 or [retreat@ccda.net](mailto:retreat@ccda.net). For more information visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org)

## SVdP FOOD PANTRY



## CRAFT SHOW & BAKE SALE

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2017**

**9:00 AM-2:00 PM**

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH CTR. FREE ADMISSION**



Hot dogs & hamburgers provided by Knights of Columbus  
Donations accepted

Bring a bag of non-perishable groceries & get a raffle ticket.

## VENDORS NEEDED

Contact Betty Messink at 540-891-7402 or [bettym91@verizon.net](mailto:bettym91@verizon.net) to reserve your space.

(All proceeds from Space Rental will benefit SVdP and our Food Pantry)