

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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:

Mondayafter 8:00 am Mass

Tuesdayafter 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: 1st four Wednesdays 4 PM-6 PM; 1st four Fridays 9 AM-11 AM;

2nd & 4th Saturdays 9AM-11AM; closed 5th 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

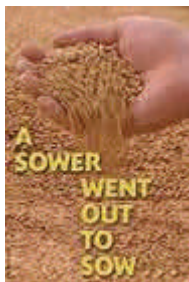
Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call Lilian Fay, 540-379-6466.

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

JULY 16, 2017 ☪ 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSSES

Mon (07/17) 8:00 AM - AUGUSTINE BENSON
Tues (07/18) 8:00 AM - MARY ALICE ESCHMANN +
Wed (07/19) 11:00 AM - JANE HUBBARTH
Thu (07/20) 6:30 AM - BONNIE OSTRANDER +
Fri (07/21) 7:30 PM - WALTER SHAUGHNESSY +
Sat. (07/22) 8:00 AM - PATRICK PURTELL +
5:30 PM - MERCEDES DINATOR
Sun (07/23) 8:00 AM - ROSE LIBERTI +
9:30 AM - LYNN BAZACO +
11:00 AM - PEOPLE OF ST. MATTHEW'S



Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (07/15-07/16) 1) Regular

Next weekend (07/22-07/23) 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

The First Collection for July 2nd amounted to \$14,570; for July 9th was \$14,221. 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 in the new year? 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) are available to all parishioners.

PRAYER TO JESUS, FOR THE GIFT OF THE SPIRIT

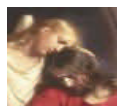
Lord Jesus,

on the night of your Last Supper you promised to ask your Father to send us another Paraclete, the Spirit of Truth to abide in us and to guide us. After ascending into heaven you poured out upon your apostles the Spirit of our adoption as children. Send your Spirit, Lord Jesus, upon us—a Spirit of wisdom and understanding, of counsel and of knowledge, of fortitude and of piety, and of holy fear of the Lord—that same Spirit who rested upon you, anointed you, and sent you to preach the good news to the poor. Inspired by that same Holy Spirit, Lord, may our concern for all who are in need reveal us, too, as children of God and co-heirs with you in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

GRANDMOTHER'S ROSARY

You are invited to join us for the **Grandmother's Rosary** on **Thursday evenings at 9:00 p.m.**, from the comfort of your own home **by phone**. Dial the **teleconference no., 1-605-468-8003 (NOTE change)**, and you will be prompted to enter a conference access code: **677255#** and you will be placed into the call. Call Christine Walsh, 540-582-7404, if you have any questions.



PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK

Bill Messink, Betty Reilly, Bill Barrett, Chris Warren, Richard Saunders, Carol Martin, Beverly Liposky, Rita Bobik, Monica Ellis, Sid Sidelko, Ed O'Brien, John Bernard, Melissa Martinez, Zack Yorio, Amy Whittaker, Tim Flanagan, Ted Hokoana, Margaret Lansden, and Dwight Mottet.

PRAYER REQUESTS: For parishioners and immediate family members or for emergency situations, please contact Lynn Kobasa at lynnkobasa_2@msn.com (note email change) or Sharon Shappy at (540) 207-0553.

SUNDAY READINGS July 23, 2017

Wis 12:13, 16-19

Rom 8:26-27

Mt 13:24-43





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Saint Matthew VBS
July 17-21
9:00-Noon

VBS starts Monday! Don't miss out on the best week of summer. Space is still available, so if you haven't registered you can do so on a walk-in basis Monday morning.

Peace of Jesus Christ,
Joanne Warren



For 350 years, a young Christian Mohawk woman has been interceding for and inspiring natives and non-natives around the world. On October 21, 2012, Kateri Tekakwitha became the first Native North American woman to be recognized as a Saint. This moving documentary takes us on a journey from northern New York State to Montréal and Kahnawake; from Washington State to New Mexico, as we follow St. Kateri's incredible journey of deep faith, heroic sacrifice and love of Christ. This woman, whose face was scarred and vision was weak, became a channel of Christ's grace and healing for all. The film shows that no one is too simple or too young to follow Christ. **Sign up for free at www.formed.org; parish code: V3RRFV.**



Congratulations to the new officers for the Knights of Columbus **Bishop Keating Council #12434** for 2017-2018. The Grand Knight is **Mark Zaepfel**; Chancellor-**Vacant**; Recorder- **Stan Galik**; **Treasurer-Don Carlson**; Advocate- **Joe Liposky**; Warden- **Stuart Lunford**; Inside Guard- **Ron Drew** ; Outside Guard-**Peter Dubois**; 1 yr. Trustee- **John Buccigrossi**; 2 yr. Trustee- **Robert Jones**; 3 yr. Trustee- **George Knight**; Financial Sec.- **Kenneth Fowler**; Chaplain-**Fr. Eversole**. God bless you in the coming year! The Bishop Keating Council meets the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month at 7:30p.m. in the St. Joseph Parish Center.

Congratulations to the newly elected officers of the **Knights of Columbus Fathers Cilinski Assembly #3568**, who meet the 3rd Mon. Of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Ctr.: The Faithful Friar is **Fr. Eversole**; Faithful Navigator- **Mark Zaepfel**; Faithful Comptroller- **Kenneth Fowler**; Faithful Captain-**Vincent Rivellese**. God bless you in the coming year!

YOUTH MINISTRY



Friday, July 28th is the Arlington Diocese **Kings Dominion Day**. The day will begin with Mass at St. Mary's Fredericksburg, at 9:00 a.m. Following Mass, we will travel to Kings Dominion. It is anticipated that some adults/teens will return about 7:00 p.m. Those who choose to stay until the park closes at 10:00 p.m. will return to St. Matthew's around 11:00 p.m. The cost of admission is \$35 in addition to spending money for food/souvenirs. All teens, including those entering 9th grade in the fall are invited. For more information, visit deaconmike2@comcast.net

THEOLOGY ON TAP (ToT)

Theology on Tap is a speaker based series that takes place in the fun setting of a local pub. It focuses on topics of faith and contemporary issues that directly affect the lives of young adults. The next gathering is scheduled for **Monday, July 17th, beginning with food, drinks and socialization at 6:00 p.m. at Adventure Brewing (3300 Dill Smith Dr., Fredericksburg)**. At 7:30 p.m., Leo Chavarria, Youth Ministry Dir. at St. Mary's Church, will discuss "Evangelism: It's not as hard as you think."

GOLFING with WOLVES THURS., SEPT. 21, 2017 POTOMAC SHORES GOLF CLUB



This is an event to benefit St. John Paul the Great H.S. The price includes green fees, cart, lunch & dinner and prizes at the Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Club. **The registration deadline is Sept. 1st**. Visit saintjohnpaulthegreatgolf.org for registration and information.

SEASONS of HOPE BEREAVEMENT GROUP

The bereavement group, "Seasons of Hope," will start a new session beginning **Tuesday, August 8th, from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**, and run for six consecutive Tuesdays, in the St. Jude Church Activity Ctr. The program is for those who have lost a spouse at least 3 months previously. For information or to register, please call the St. Jude office, (540) 891-7350.

