

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

8200 Robert E. Lee Drive ✕ Spotsylvania, VA 22551

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Rev. Mr. Paul Gregory
Rev. Mr. Mike Strain

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Terrie Yates Parish Secretary
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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: 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

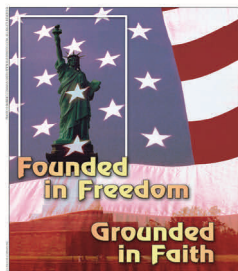
Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call Lilian Fay, 540-379-6466.

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 2, 2017 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSSES

Mon (07/03) 8:00 AM - DECEASED OF BUCCIGROSSI & PENN FAMILIES +
Tues (07/04) 8:00 AM - TERRY STEINIGER
Wed (07/05) 11:00 AM - WALTER KRUMHOLZ +
Thu (07/06) 6:30 AM - CHRIS SUENNEN
Fri (07/07) 7:30 PM - PATRICIA PIEDMONT-GARLOCK
Sat. (07/08) 8:00 AM - JOHN J. HUBBARTH +
5:30 PM - BOUTCHYARD FAMILY
Sun (07/09) 8:00 AM - STEPHEN BACKHUS +
9:30 AM - PEOPLE of ST. MATTHEW'S



Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (07/01-07/02) 1) Regular
2) Bldgs/Grounds

Next weekend (06/04-06/05) 1) Regular

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

PARISH SUPPORT UPDATE

The First Collection for June 18th amounted to \$11,300. THANK YOU! The First Collection for June 25th amounted to \$10,920. 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.

VATICAN COUNCIL II ON RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

"It is clear that with the passage of time all nations are coming into a closer unity, men of different cultures and religions are being bound together by closer links, and there is a growing awareness of individual responsibility. Consequently, to establish and strengthen peaceful relations and harmony in the human race, religious freedom must be given effective constitutional protection everywhere and that highest of man's rights and duties—to lead a religious life with freedom in society—must be respected.

May God, the Father of all, grant that the human family by carefully observing the principle of religious liberty in society may be brought by the grace of Christ and the power of the holy Spirit to that glorious freedom of the children of God (Rom. 8:21) which is sublime and everlasting".

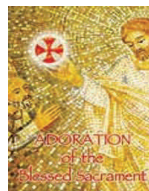
FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

FRIDAY, July 7, 2017

7:00 PM-CONFESSIONS

7:30 PM- MASS

8:00 PM-12:00 Midnight
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



In observance of
INDEPENDENCE DAY
THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED

MONDAY & TUESDAY, JULY 3RD & 4TH

Office Hours will resume on Wed. July 5th at 9 AM.

(If you have an EMERGENCY or an urgent need to speak with a priest, please call the emergency # (540) 498-3170.

SUNDAY READINGS July 9, 2017

Zec 9:9-10

Rom 8:9, 11-13

MT 11:25-30





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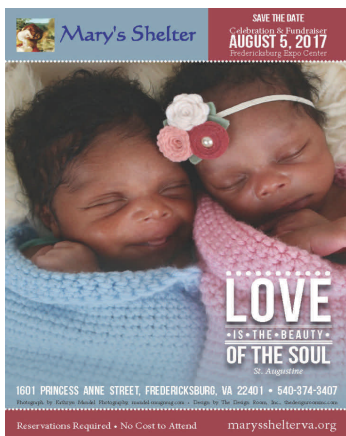
Saint Matthew VBS
July 17-21
9:00-Noon

Would you like to volunteer? Adults and Youth (Grades 6-12)

Please call Mrs. Warren at the Parish Office. Not available July 17-21? We could still use your help with set decorating and painting. Please call the parish office to offer your time and talent.

Peace of Jesus Christ,
Joanne Warren

SAVE
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DATE



AUG.
5th



SAINT AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG & COMPANIONS

From the seventeenth century to the present day, the Catholics of China have been subjected to several episodes of violent persecution. In the year 2000, Blessed John Paul II canonized 120 Chinese Catholics and foreign missionaries martyred from 1648-1930. They ranged in age from 9-72 years.

Augustine Zhao Rong, was a soldier who was baptized and ordained a diocesan priest shortly afterwards. He died in 1815, and was one of twenty-nine priests (including six bishops) in this group of martyrs. They gave up their lives in witness to their faith. Their Feast Day is July 9th.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Volunteers are needed to work Wednesday afternoons or Friday mornings at the St. Faustina Food Pantry, located in the Breezewood Shopping Ctr. Please help us serve the hungry and needy. Contact Frank Mauro: cfmauro@yahoo.com or (703) 980-3318 or Barbara Brandao:(540) 548-2005.

GRANDMOTHER'S ROSARY

"There is no surer means of calling down God's Blessings upon the family...than the daily recitation of the 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., 1-712-432-0390, and you will be prompted to enter a conference access code: 677255# and you will be placed into the call. Please call Christine Walsh, 540-582-7404, if you have any questions.



FIREWORKS SALE

The Battlefield Council Knights of Columbus Annual Fireworks Sale tent will be on Rte. 3 in front of Bed, Bath and Beyond. St. Matthew Parishioners can get all their fireworks at a **DISCOUNT**--just mention that you are from St. Matthew's. All proceeds benefit local charities.

Sale dates & times:

July 2nd- July 4th.....10:00 AM-10:00 PM



Coffee and Donuts will be served in the Parish Center after all Masses on **Sunday, July 2nd**.

**"FEED MY LAMBS...
TEND MY SHEEP"**

(John 21:15-16)



The following are just a few examples of what St. Matthew's accomplished in **May**, with help from other parishes and organizations in the area. **THANK YOU!**

The St. Faustina Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul had 22 hotline calls and assisted 3 parish families with utilities, gas, & household goods totaling \$804 & food for 2 parish families totaling 280 lbs. They fed 289 families and 1,139 individuals, distributing 10,878 lbs. of food, to parish families, Cedar Forest Elem., Post Oak M.S., Riverview Elem., Spotswood Elem., Parkside Elem., and 24 families at Enoch George Manor. Seven families received 205 lbs. of food through the USDA program. St. Matthew's parishioners donated - \$2,500 & 800 lbs.; St. Patrick's - \$500 & 1,200 lbs.; St. Jude's - \$100 & 605 lbs.; St. Mary's - 907 lbs.; Bread for Our Brothers - 1,340 lbs.; Costco - 395 lbs.; CNA Produce - 121 lbs.; Panera Bread - 362 lbs.; Catholic Charities - 4,150 lbs.; Wegman's - 314 lbs.; misc.- 180 lbs. & \$597; Friends of the Pantry - \$1300. Food card sales totaled \$575.

The Baby Closet served 71 families with a combined total of 91 children.

Good Samaritans visited many to minister to their physical and spiritual needs. This does not include those visited weekly by our clergy to provide the Sacraments. **THANK YOU!** If you would like to be visited or volunteer, please call the office.