

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

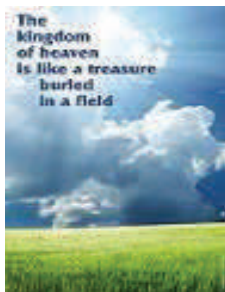
Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call Lilian Fay, 540-379-6466.

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 30, 2017 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSSES

Mon (07/31) 8:00 AM - FRANCES SHAUGHNESSY
Tues (08/01) 8:00 AM - LINDA LONG
Wed (08/02) 11:00 AM - THE GOODWINS
Thu (08/03) 6:30 AM - POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY
Fri (08/04) 7:30 PM - ALL PRIESTS
Sat (08/05) 8:00 AM - BRENDA LUM +
5:30 PM - WALTER SHAUGHNESSY +
Sun (08/06) 8:00 AM - STEPHEN IPPOLITO +
9:30 AM - PEOPLE of ST. MATTHEW'S
11:00 AM - MICHAEL MUNRO



Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (07/29-07/30) 1) Regular

Next weekend (08/05-08/06) 1) Regular
2) Bldgs/ Grounds

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 \$10,757. 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.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Please accept my gratitude for all your prayers and support as I recover from my recent appendectomy. It has been humbling to receive so many offers of help and meals, and spiritually strengthening to know that so many members of our parish family are praying for me.

I would also like to thank our Director of Religious Education, Mrs. Joanne Warren, and all her volunteers for this summer's Vacation Bible School. Because of their hard work, many children enjoyed a week of learning and fun centered on God's love for all His children.

I ask all parishioners to accept my best wishes for a continued happy and peaceful summer.

Yours In Christ,

Father Eversole



PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK

Fr. Eversole, Bradley Miller, Mildred Wilson, Blanche Satterlee, 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 lynnkobasa_2@msn.com or Sharon Shappy at (540) 207-0553.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

FRIDAY, August 4, 2017



7:00 PM-CONFESSIONS
7:30 PM- MASS
8:00 PM-12:00 Midnight
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

SUNDAY READINGS

August 6, 2017

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14

2 Pt 1:16-19

Mt 17:1-9



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“SHARE MY FAITH” WORKSHOP

Have you ever heard of Byzantine Catholicism? Are you interested in learning about this culturally rich church and how it relates to your own faith? A young lady from Epiphany of Our Lord Church is working on her Girl Scout Gold Award. In order to achieve this goal, she is offering a FREE workshop that explores this Eastern Rite Catholic Church, including liturgy, holiday traditions, egg dying and more. The workshop will take place on **Sat., Aug. 12th, 9:45 a.m.-3:30 p.m.** at **Epiphany of Our Lord Church** (3410 Woodburn Rd., Annandale). Ages 12 and up are invited. Please register by **August 8th** at go.gold.kelsey@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE!

SAT. OCTOBER 14, 2017

Join Bishop Burbidge for the 2017 Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on **Sat., Oct. 14th**. Our pilgrimage falls during the 100th anniversary of the apparitions in **Fatima**, when Our Lady called for worldwide prayers for peace. The theme is “Totus Tuus: We are totally yours, Mary.”



SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2017



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SVdP FOOD DRIVE

Food collection will take place after all Masses in the St. Joseph Parish Center next weekend. **Grocery debit cards** will be on sale after all Masses in the Parish Center.



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13TH
9:00 AM-2:00 PM
ST. JOSEPH PARISH CTR.**

Sign ups: July 29th/30th & Aug. 5th/6th after all Masses. Contact Mark Zaepfel, (540) 845-8194 for information.



ANCIENT ORDER of HIBERNIANS

Once again, members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians will be selling raffle tickets for a trip to Ireland, following all Masses this weekend.

HELP! SHARE

The **SHARE Food Program**, supported by Catholic Charities, St. Matthew Church and the Knights of Columbus, is seeking a volunteer to coordinate the monthly distribution of quality reduced price groceries to SHARE customers. **This program has been sponsored by our parish for 25 years!** Please reach out and help us to continue here or we may have to offer it to other local Catholic churches.

Please call Jim Berry at (540) 834-0788 for details.



YOUTH MINISTRY



On **Saturday, August 12th**, the Youth will hike in the Shenandoah Mountains; no cost. On **Sat., August 26th**, a trip to Lake Anna for swimming and other activities; no cost. For more information, please contact Deacon Mike, deaconmike2@comcast.net



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.



HELP AND HEALING

AFTER ABORTION

Join us for a Day of Prayer & Healing for Women, Saturday, **September 30, 2017**, for confidential help after abortion. To register call 888-0456-4673 or visit - helpafterabortion.org.

“FEED MY LAMBS... TEND MY SHEEP”

(John 21:15-16)



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

The St. Faustina Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul fed **310 families** and **1,168 individuals**, distributing **11,266 lbs.** of food, through the Food Pantry to parish families, Post Oak M.S., Spotswood Elem., and Enoch George Manor. St. Matthew's parishioners donated - **\$2,500 & 400 lbs.**; St. Patrick's - **\$500**; St. Jude's - **\$130 & 252 lbs.**; St. Mary's - **379 lbs.**; Bread for Our Brothers - **720 lbs.**; Costco - **135 lbs.**; Miller Farms - **465 lbs.**; Panera Bread - **406 lbs.**; Catholic Charities - **113 boxes of food & 4,119 lbs.**; Wegman's - **245 lbs.**; misc. - **209 lbs. & \$45**; Friends of the Pantry - **\$1,175**; Work Camp - **510 lbs.** of produce. Food card sales totaled **\$1,075**. Four families were provided with shelter and utility needs.

The Baby Closet served **81 families** with a combined total of **111 children**. We received **\$200** worth of baby supplies and a **\$200** check from **St. John Neumann's in Reston**. Also, **St. Lucy's Project** donated a van load of baby supplies!

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 parish office.