

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Rev. Mr. Mike Strain

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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: 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

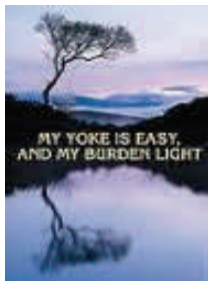
Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call Lilian Fay, 540-379-6466.

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 9, 2017 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSSES

Mon (07/10) 8:00 AM - RICHARD & MARY TALLEY +
Tues (07/11) 8:00 AM - GRACE & ALPHONSO
BERGAMO+
Wed (07/12) 11:00 AM - PRIVATE INTENTION
Thu (07/13) 6:30 AM - ANNETTE MEDINA +
Fri (07/14) 7:30 PM - BRIAN FEELEY +
Sat. (07/15) 8:00 AM - POOR SOULS in PURGATORY+
5:30 PM - CRAWFORD FAMILY INTEN.
Sun (07/16) 8:00 AM - NUNZIO LIBERTI +
9:30 AM - PEOPLE of ST. MATTHEW'S
11:00 AM - KATHY GREGORY



Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (07/08-07/09) 1) Regular

Next weekend (07/15-07/16) 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 will be reported in the July 16th bulletin. 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 OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

Mary, I honor you under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Remember me in my needs, and show yourself my Mother. Shed upon me more and more the living light of that faith which made you blessed. In flame me with that heavenly love with which you loved your dear Son, Jesus Christ. Obtain for me from Jesus the gifts of humility, chastity, and meekness, which were the fairest adornments of your immaculate soul. Make me strong in the midst of the temptations and bitterness which sometimes trouble my soul. And when the days of my earthly pilgrimage are over, according to God's holy will, grant that my soul may obtain the glory of heaven, through the merits of Christ and through your intercession.

Father Lawrence Lovasik



PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK

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 Hokuana, Edith St. Dennis, Dwight Mottet, Marilyn Munro, & Bill Messink.

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



VOCATIONS

"You are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you."

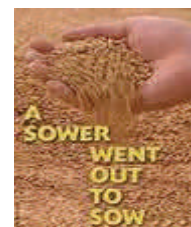
Is the Holy Spirit leading you or someone you know to serve Christ and His Church as a priest or in the consecrated life? If you are discerning your vocation, write Fr. J.D. Jaffe at j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org or call (703) 841-2514.

SUNDAY READINGS July 16, 2017

Is 55:10-11

Rom 8:18-23

Mt 13:1-23





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

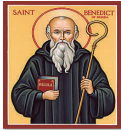


Saint Matthew VBS
July 17-21
9:00-Noon

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



ST. BENEDICT

Benedict was the son of a Roman noble in Umbria. His twin was St. Scholastica. He had the opportunity to become a noble, studying in Rome, but he found the moral values to be lacking, so he gave up his inheritance and left Rome.

A group of men heard about his spiritual leadership and asked to join him. At that time, most monasteries were divided into groups of 12, but Benedict united all his followers into one community. Along with his "rule," this became the basis of the church's monastic system. His feast day is celebrated on July 11th.



ST. KATERI TEKAWITHA

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha was born in 1656 near the town of Auriesville, New York. The daughter of a Mohawk warrior, she was baptized by a Jesuit missionary in 1676, and devoted her life to prayer, penitential practices and care of the sick and aged. She was also devoted to the Eucharist and called the "Lily of the Mohawks". She died in 1680 and was the first native American to be declared "Blessed". We celebrate her Memorial on July 14th.

POPE ST. JOHN PAUL the GREAT H.S.



**4th ANNUAL
GOLFING WITH WOLVES
SEPTEMBER 21st**

Register to Play or become a Sponsor Today!
Email: Golf@jpthegreat.org

YOUTH MINISTRY



On **Friday, July 28th**, the Diocese of Arlington will host a special day at **Kings Dominion** for all high school youth, including rising freshmen. The cost is \$35/ person, plus money for food/souvenirs. The day will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m. at St. Mary's in Fredericksburg. Transportation to and from Kings Dominion will be provided.

For information on youth activities, contact Deacon Mike at deaconmike2@comcast.net

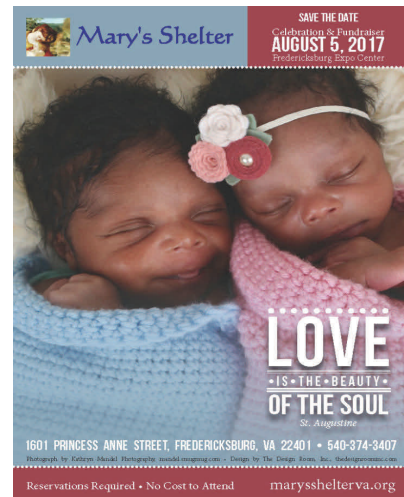


Missing a wheelbarrow from our parish work day? Please call the Parish Office (540) 582-5575 to claim it.

CATHOLIC DISTANCE UNIVERSITY



Join the inspiring instructors at Catholic Distance University for a faith-filled journey of discovery. Enroll in an online independent study course of your choice and study anytime, anywhere! For a list of courses, visit www.cdu.catalog.instructure.com. Use Promo Code CDU15ARLINGTON when registering to qualify for the \$30 rate.



BISHOP BURBIDGE'S HOMILIES ONLINE



Want to hear relevant, pastoral inspiration from our Shepherd? Selected homilies of Bishop Burbidge can be found on our YouTube page, youtube.com/arlingtondiocese

LAUDATE! CHOIR CAMP



Foster your child's love of music this summer with an exciting, intense, and rewarding choir camp, held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, **July 31-August 4**. Open to all rising 2nd-12th grade children. Activities are geared to all skill levels. Experienced instructors will foster a love of sacred music, with an emphasis on Catholic choral tradition. For information, contact Jon Laird at laudatechoircamp.com