

# ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

8200 Robert E. Lee Drive ✕ Spotsylvania, VA 22551

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Rev. Mr. Mike Strain

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## YOUTH MINISTRY

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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)

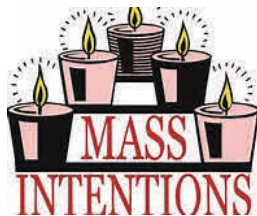
*Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call Lilian Fay, 540-379-6466.*

**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.

# JUNE 25, 2017 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASSSES

**Mon (06/26) 8:00 AM - FATHER'S DAY NOVENA**  
**Tues (06/27) 8:00 AM - JOHN ATKINSON**  
**Wed (06/28) 11:00 AM - MARY ANNE BUCCIGROSSI**  
**Thu (06/29) 6:30 AM - ELEANOR ACHILLE**  
**Fri (06/30) 7:30 PM - CHRISTINA EMBREY +**  
**Sat. (07/01) 8:00 AM - LOUIS J. ACHILLE +**  
**5:30 PM - ST. MATTHEW STAFF**  
**Sun (07/02) 8:00 AM - PEOPLE of ST. MATTHEW'S**  
**9:30 AM - JOHN NAPOLITANO +**  
**11:00 AM - AMY ELIZABETH WHITTAKER**



## Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (06/24-06/25) 1) Regular  
 2) Peter's Pence  
 Next weekend (07/01-07/02) 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 will be reported in the July 2nd 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](http://www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org)) are available to all parishioners.

## THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



We can easily understand that the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, of its very nature, is a worship of the love with which God, through Jesus, loved us, and at the same time, an exercise of our own love by which we are related to God and to other

men. Or to express it in another way, devotion of this kind is directed towards the love of God for us in order to adore it, give thanks for it, and live so as to imitate it; it has this in view, as the end to be attained, that we bring that love by which we are bound to God to the rest of men to perfect fulfillment by carrying out daily more eagerly the new commandment which the divine Master gave to His Apostles as a sacred legacy when He said "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you...This is My commandment that you love one another as I have loved you." (JN 13:34; 15:12)

"In order that favors in greater abundance may flow on all Christians, nay, on the whole human race, from the devotion to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus, *let the faithful see to it that to this devotion the Immaculate Heart of the Mother of God is closely joined.* For, by God's Will, in carrying out the work of human Redemption the Blessed Virgin Mary was inseparably linked with Christ in such a manner that our salvation sprang from the love and the sufferings of Jesus Christ to which the love and sorrows of His Mother were intimately united."

Pope Pius XII



## ST. VINCENT de PAUL FOOD DRIVE

Food collection will take place after all Masses in the St. Joseph Parish Center next weekend, **July 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>.**

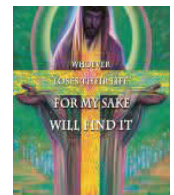
Coffee and Donuts will also be served in the Parish Center after all Masses on Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## SUNDAY READINGS July 2, 2017

**2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a**

**Rom 6:3-4, 8-11**

**Mt 10:37-42**





## 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. JUNIPERO SERRA



Miguel Jose Serra was born on the island of Majorca on November 24, 1713, and took the name of Junipero (in memory of the brother companion of St. Francis) when in 1730, he entered the Franciscan Order. Ordained in 1737, he taught philosophy and theology at the University of Padua until 1749. At the age of thirty-seven, he landed in Mexico City and spent the rest of his life working for the conversion of the peoples of the New World. In 1768, Father Serra took over the missions of the Jesuits in the Mexican province of Lower California and Upper California (modern day California). He founded twenty-one missions and converted thousands of Indians. The converts were taught sound methods of agriculture, cattle raising, and arts and crafts. On August 28, 1784, worn out by his apostolic labors, Father Serra was called to his eternal rest. His feast day is July 1<sup>st</sup>.

## 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:

**June 24<sup>th</sup>-June 28<sup>th</sup> .....11:00 AM-9:00 PM**  
**June 29<sup>th</sup>-July 4<sup>th</sup> .....10:00 AM-10:00 PM**



## YOUTH MINISTRY

God bless all young people and adults who will be participating in the Arlington Diocesan Work Camp, June 24<sup>th</sup>-June 30<sup>th</sup>.

## ENRICH YOUR MARRIAGE

On **Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>**, Fr. Paul Scalia will lead a **couples' Retreat** at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Vienna, VA. For more information call the Office for Family Life, (703) 841-2500, or visit the website, [www.arlingtondiocese.org/marriageenrichment](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/marriageenrichment)



"Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known." Experience increased trust and intimacy in your marriage by working through a **WorldWide Marriage**

**Encounter** weekend. 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, visit our website at: **RenewMarriage-VANorth.org** or contact us at [applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org](mailto:applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org) or 703-646-1521.



## 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](http://helpafterabortion.org).



## PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK

**Betty Reilly, Bill Barrett, Chris Warren, Richard Saunders, Mary Ellen Scharett, 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, and Dwight Mottet.**

**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) (note email change) or Sharon Shappy at (540) 207-0553. Send your message with the words "prayer request."



This year's bishops' Fortnight for Freedom: "Freedom for Mission," is taking place **thru July 4<sup>th</sup>**. Please pray for the protection of our religious freedom.

For more information on the Fortnight for Freedom, including other events and resources, visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/fortnight.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/fortnight.org)