

# ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

8200 Robert E. Lee Drive ✕ Spotsylvania, VA 22551

Pastor.....Rev. Paul M. Eversole  
Deacons .....Rev. Mr. John Hubbarth  
Rev. Mr. Paul Gregory  
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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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## YOUTH MINISTRY

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## PARISH OFFICE

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[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.

# SEPTEMBER 3, 2017 22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASSES

Mon (09/04)	8:00 AM - JOHN C. BERNARD +
Tues (09/05)	8:00 AM - FRANCESCA BENSON
Wed (09/06)	11:00 AM - BROTHER JOE
Thu (09/07)	6:30 AM - KATRINA CANTRELL
Fri (09/08)	7:30 PM - JOE MARTIN
Sat (09/09)	8:00 AM - CHARLOTTE FREGOSO 5:30 PM - VIOLET BAUMER +
Sun (09/10)	8:00 AM - PEOPLE of ST. MATTHEW'S 9:30 AM - ANNE HORWATH + 11:00 AM - MICHAEL MUNRO

## SPAGHETTI DINNER



Our Knights of Columbus Council will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on **Saturday, Sept. 9th, after the 5:30pm Mass.** There will be gluten-free meals available. **RSVP by Wed., Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>** to the Parish Office (582-5575) or George Knight (785-0977).



Following all Masses

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 3<sup>RD</sup>  
ST. JOSEPH PARISH CTR.**

Sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

## Current and Upcoming Collection

This weekend (09/02-09/03) 1) Regular  
2) Bldgs/ Grounds

Next weekend (09/09-09/10) 1) Parish Special Needs

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 \$11,397. **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. 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.

## FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

The month of September brings us 4 opportunities to honor the Virgin Mother of God: September 8th is the feast day of Mary's Birth, September 12th celebrates the Holy Name of Mary, and the 15th is the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows; additionally, in this 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, the 13th brings us our next-to-last chance to gain a plenary indulgence by praying before a statue of Our Lady of Fatima displayed in a church. Please take advantage of these occasions to venerate Mary, the Mother of the Church and the Help of Christians.

Yours in Christ,

Father Eversole



## COURSE OF INSTRUCTION IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH FOR ADULTS

On Tues., Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m., a course of instruction in the Catholic Faith will begin for adults who are interested in becoming Catholic, who need to receive First Holy Communion &/or Confirmation, or would like to review their catechism.

## THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED



## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>

We will resume normal office hours at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>.

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



## PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK

Mark McDougal, Jude Murphy, Madeline Murphy, William Kerwin, Erin Burke, Irene Foltz, Joe Fillare, Bill Barrett, Chris Warren, Richard Saunders, Carol Martin, Beverley Liposky, Rita Bobik, Marie Ellis, Sid Sidelko, Ed O'Brien, John Bernard, Zack Yorio, Amy Whittaker, Ted Hokoana, Margaret Lansden, and John Riley .

**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."

## SUNDAY READINGS September 10, 2017

Ez 33:7-9

Rom 13:8-10

Mt 18:15-20





## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for the Religious Education Year for grades K-8 is ongoing. Our classes will begin **September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>**.

**Grades K & 1** will be offered Tuesday from 5:00-6:15 p.m.

**Grades 2-4** will be offered on two nights: either Tuesday evening from 5:00-6:15 or Wednesday evening from 6:00-7:15.

**Grades 5-8** will be offered Wednesday evening from 6:00-7:15.

Class placement letters have been sent to all those who have registered for the 2017-2018 Religious Education Year. **If you did not receive a letter, I do not have your registration form. Please register as soon as possible as some classes are filling up.** Registration Forms can be found online at [www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org](http://www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org), in the vestibule of the church, and in the parish office.



**Would you be willing to help the Religious Education Program?** Training is provided and we use the Faith and Life textbook series which has a wonderful teacher's manual. Please contact the

Religious Education Office for more information. We are in need of a volunteer for:

Wednesday 6:00-7:15 Session: Catechist Grade 3  
Catechist Grade 4

Peace of Jesus Christ,  
Joanne Warren

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In an acclaimed film portrayal, Olivia Hussey illuminates the life story of Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The movie examines Mother Teresa's life from her childhood in Albania in the 1920s to her first calling as a nun, the decision to leave her order and live with the poorest of the poor, the challenges of founding the Congregation of the Missionaries of Charity, and her great work of service in Calcutta and the rest of the world. **Sign up for free at [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) : parish code V3RRFV.**

### SVdP FOOD PANTRY

### **CRAFT FAIR & BAKE SALE**

**SUNDAY, OCT. 22, 2017**

**9:00 AM-2:00 PM**

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH CTR.**

**FREE ADMISSION**



Hot dogs & hamburgers provided  
by Knights of Columbus  
Donations accepted

Bring a bag of non-perishable groceries  
& get a raffle ticket.

#### VENDORS NEEDED

Contact Betty Messink at 540-891-7402 or [betty91@verizon.net](mailto:betty91@verizon.net) to reserve your space.

(All proceeds from Space Rental will benefit SVdP and our Food Pantry)



## YOUTH MINISTRY



On **Friday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>**, Deacon Mike will bless and initiate the new Youth Ministry fire pit and benches (behind the Parish Center on the gravel lot) built by Jonathan Crespo and other volunteers. Then hamburgers and hot dogs will be grilled to celebrate the end of the first week of school!

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION



On Tuesday, **Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Ctr., the Adult Formation classes will resume. Deacon Paul will present an introduction to "Catholic Morals and Ethics." All are welcome.

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

**"I grow weary holding it in; I cannot endure it."**

Learn how to more easily express love to your spouse by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWE) weekend. The next weekends are: **Sept. 15-17 in Herndon, VA & Oct. 27-29 in Gaithersburg, MD.** For more information call (703) 646-1521 or visit [www.RenewMarriage-VANorth.org](http://www.RenewMarriage-VANorth.org)

## DIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT MASS & RECEPTION

All young adults (21-39, single or married) in our diocese are invited to celebrate **Mass with Bishop Burbidge on Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at St. Charles Borromeo Church** (3304 N. Washington Blvd., Arlington). A reception will be held following Mass. If you would like more information, contact Brendan Gotta at [www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org) or (703) 841-2549.



## 2017 MARRIAGE JUBILEE MASS

Are you celebrating a **Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this Year?** Were you married in **1967 or 1992?** Then join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the **2017 Marriage Jubilee Mass** to be celebrated on **Sun., October 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m.** at the Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church in Potomac Falls, VA.

Please contact the parish office, 582-5575, by **September 22<sup>nd</sup>** to register. For more information visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/MJM](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/MJM)

## SENIOR MASS & LUNCHEON

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>**

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass begins at 11 a.m., followed by a luncheon in the Parish Center. Please bring your dish to the Parish Hall (**prior to Mass**). **Please follow these guidelines (Note Changes):**

- A-I Main Dish**
- J-R Salad or Vegetable**
- S-Z Dessert**



RSVP by **Friday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>**, by phone (582-5575) or email ([stmatthewsec@comcast.net](mailto:stmatthewsec@comcast.net)).