

# ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

8200 Robert E. Lee Drive ✕ Spotsylvania, VA 22551

Pastor..... Rev. Paul M. Eversole  
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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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**HOURS:** Monday thru Friday  
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**BUSINESS MANAGER:** Jared Darr  
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**FACILITIES MANAGER:** Jim Buck

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Terrie Yates

**RECEPTIONISTS:** Mary Lou Felts  
Mary Szabo

**PARISH WEBSITE:** www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org



## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Vigil .....Saturday, 5:30 pm  
Sunday..... 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am  
Daily  
Monday, Tuesday..... 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..... 3:00 pm

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mondays .....9:00 am - 11:00 am  
First Fridays.....8:00 pm - 9:00 p.m.

**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. Weddings are not celebrated during Christmas Week and Easter Week.

## 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 volunteer, or arrange visitation of the elderly, the sick or the homebound.

## SAINT MATTHEW THRIFT STORE (Breezewood Shopping Ctr.)

Address: 10639 Courthouse Road • Telephone: 540-834-2479.

Hours: Monday through Friday 10 AM-3 PM; Sat. 10 AM-2 PM & Sun.- Closed. *Volunteers and donations of clothing, household items and furniture needed on a continuing basis.*

## SAINT MATTHEW FOOD PANTRY & BABY CLOSET

Address: 8206 Robert E. Lee Dr. • Telephone: 540-507-8106.

The Food Pantry and Baby Closet assist clients during the following hours: Wednesdays-2 PM-6 PM; Fridays 9 AM-12 NOON; and the first Saturday of the month from 9 AM to 11 AM. *-Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis.*

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Saint Faustina Conference

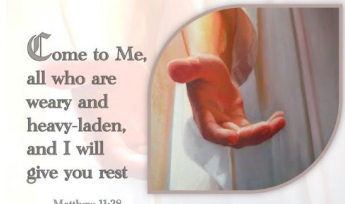
**SVdP Assistance Line:** 540-834-5555. Website: [www.svdpstfaustina.org](http://www.svdpstfaustina.org)  
*Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call the parish office: 540-582-5575.*

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** To find information about the Bishop Keating Council 12434 or The Fathers Cilinski Assembly 3568, please visit <http://www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org> and select Knights of Columbus under the Outreach Ministries tab. The council meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The Assembly meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

# JULY 5TH, 2026 & THE 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASSES

Mon (07/06)	8:00 AM - FURLOUGHED EMPLOYEES
Tue (07/07)	8:00 AM - BEVERLY LIPOSKY+
Wed (07/08)	11:00 AM - ROSEANNE KERWIN+
Thu (07/09)	6:30 AM - ROD CONNOR
Fri (07/10)	7:30 PM - DIANE MAURICE
Sat (07/11)	5:30 PM - SUSIE THOMPSON
Sun (07/12)	8:00 AM - ROGER CHEWNING+
	9:30 AM - GALIK FAMILY INTENTION
	11:00 AM - PEOPLE OF ST. MATTHEW'S



The Saturday 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass is being live streamed.

## PRAY THE ROSARY WITH YOUR PARISH FAMILY

Join your fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary for an increase in faith, hope, love and peace in our country and throughout the world, on the last Saturday of the month at 4:30 p.m. (in front of the church, weather permitting; otherwise, in the church), and on Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

## VOCATIONS

*"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."* Christ invites each of us to lay down our burdens and find true peace in Him. In every vocation, priesthood, consecrated life, or holy matrimony, we are called to follow Him with trust, allowing His grace to strengthen us and renew our hearts. Take a moment today to listen to His call and rest in His loving presence. If you feel a stirring desire to follow God's path, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at: [vocations@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:vocations@arlingtondiocese.org). or (703)841-2514.

## Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (07/04 - 07/05) Regular Collection  
Buildings & Grounds Coll.

Next weekend (07/11 - 07/12) Regular Collection  
Solidarity for Africa Coll.

## PARISH SUPPORT UPDATE

The first Collection for June 28<sup>th</sup> will be reported in the July 12<sup>th</sup> bulletin.

In order to meet St. Matthew's operating expenses and save for future projects, the **First Collection should bring in at least \$12,000 every weekend.**

In addition to Mass collections, weekly donations may be mailed, dropped off at the Parish Office or made through online giving. Please help us by using your Offertory Envelopes when donating by cash or check.

For online giving go to our parish website:

[www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org](http://www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org), and Go to General Information and choose



## PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND, UKRAINE AND RUSSIA

To donate for Ukraine war relief, please visit:  
<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/donate/ukraine.html>

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please consider spending some time in prayer before the Sacred Host exposed on the altar. Adoration takes place on Mondays 9-11 a.m. and on First Fridays 8-9 p.m. Information on prayer before the Eucharist is available in the vestibule. **MONDAY morning adoration does not take place on federal holidays or during Christmas Week and Easter Week, or on holy days of obligation.**

## HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

## PRAYER to the SACRED HEART of JESUS

*On the Occasion of the U.S. Bishops Consecrating the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus*

O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:

You know the longings of our hearts, and you desire that we enjoy friendship with you.

From your pierced side, you have poured out the wellspring of life, for which we thirst.

Your heart burns with a love for all people to return to a right relationship with you.

We celebrate the abundant gifts you have given this nation, founded on the self-evident truths that our Creator has endowed all people with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

We make reparation for the offenses against you and against human dignity that have taken place in this nation.

May our hearts be united to yours, so that our families and communities enjoy peace and happiness; may broken relationships be reconciled, injustices repaired, and the wounds of our land be healed.

May your holy Catholic Church serve as a sign, pointing all people to your infinite love.

O Desire of Nations and Center of History, we ask you to bless these United States of America.

Who live and reign with God the Father

In the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

## SUNDAY, JULY 12<sup>th</sup> READINGS

Is 55:10-11  
Rom 8:18-23  
Mt 13:1-23

AND HE CALLED TO HIM THE TWELVE, AND BEGAN TO SEND THEM OUT TWO BY TWO, AND GAVE THEM AUTHORITY OVER THE UNCLEAN SPIRITS.  
Mark 6:7

**CHRISTMAS IN JULY TOY DRIVE**  
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July 5<sup>th</sup> thru July 26<sup>th</sup>

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retreat@sacredheartwinchester.org or  
visit [ArlingtonDiocese.org/Retreat](http://ArlingtonDiocese.org/Retreat)



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Or by contacting Ian Grady 757-374-7410 [iangrady16@gmail.com](mailto:iangrady16@gmail.com)

Drawing to be held at the Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Party

**September 19, 2026 - Colonial Tavern**

*All proceeds support local Catholic charities and causes*

**PLEASE BE AWARE!!**

**NO ONE** from the Parish Office will text or email you asking for monetary help or gift cards. Please **do not respond to any form of this kind of communication.** Please call the office if you have any questions.



**YOUTH MINISTRY  
9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Regular Youth Ministry meetings have ended for the school year. For information on summer events contact Sheila Kinley at [stmatthewyouthministry7@gmail.com](mailto:stmatthewyouthministry7@gmail.com)



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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

Early Voting begins September 18  
Election Day November 3



**PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK  
To place loved ones on this list, please  
contact the Parish Office.**

Rosanne Backhus, John Bernard, Rita Bobik, Doug Bond, Mary Buccigrossi, Dan Carver, Helen Cash, Mary Cave, Randy Chapman, Barbara Coughenour, Ester Diaz, Elizabeth Dubois, Fr. Alex Drummond, Fr. Eversole, Alice Foley, Irene Foltz, Kenneth Fowler, Kristen Galik, Stan Galik, Mary Gibbons, Marguerite Govoni, Frances Gray, Mike Hemmesch, Christopher Hubbarth, Mike Hubbarth, Tony Hubbarth, Christine Klein, Emma Lovos, Melissa Martinez, Carol Mauro, Stephen Middleton, Michelle Mills, Robert Monastra, Julie Morgan, Ellis Newhouse, Cecilia Diane O'Brien, Maria Osorio, Rex Ostrander, Marjean Rice, Dylan Rodriguez, Dave Scharett, Sid Sidelko, Faye Sill, Natalie (Caporali) Smith, Sam Tomarchio, Marjorie Welsh, Joseph Waterman.

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). Send your message with the words "prayer request."

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