

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

8200 Robert E. Lee Drive ✕ Spotsylvania, VA 22551

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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 11:00 am

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**

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PARISH OFFICE

Telephone..... 540-582-5575

Fax..... 540-582-8639

Hours..... Mon. - Fri., 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Rev. Mr. John Hubbarth..... Business Mgr.

Terrie Yates..... Parish Secretary

Jane Hubbarth Receptionist

Mary Lou Felts..... Receptionist

PARISH WEBSITE

www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org

MUSIC MINISTRY

Melanie Bolas, Choir Director

Grayson Cordova, Organist

stmatthewmusic1@comcast.net



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 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: Mon.-Tues.-Wed.-Fri. 10 AM-3 PM; Thurs., Sat. & 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 will 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
Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call Dave Scharett: 540-388-8736.

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. Call the Parish Office 582-5575.

NOVEMBER 22, 2020 ✨ CHRIST THE KING



MASSSES

Mon (11/23) 8:00 AM - FATHER MICHAEL DOBBINS+
 Tues (11/24) 8:00 AM - REGINALD MURPHY+
 Wed (11/25) 11:00 AM - LISA REHMAN
 Thu (11/26) 6:30 AM - STANLEY FALESKIE+
 Fri. (11/27) 7:30 PM - HANK & ANNETTE MEDINA+
 Sat (11/28) 8:00 AM - LEONA LEHMAN+
 5:30 PM - GRACE HEINLEIN+
 Sun (11/29) 8:00 AM - DECEASED of MEDINA & FALESKIE FAMILIES+
 9:30 AM - VINCENT SPINELLI+
 11:00 AM - PEOPLE OF ST. MATTHEW'S

VOCATIONS

"I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink."

Is Christ calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, or consecrated person? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org or call (703) 841-2514.

THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPERATING WITH LIMITED ACCESS

ALL PARISH BUSINESS IS TEMPORARILY BEING CONDUCTED BY PHONE AT
 540-582-5575 OR EMAIL
stmatthewsec@comcast.net

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

Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (11/21-11/22) 1) Regular
2) Camp. For Human Devel.

Next weekend (11/28-11/29) 1) Regular
2) Christmas Flowers Coll.

PARISH SUPPORT UPDATE

The First Collection for November 15th amounted to \$9,917. THANK YOU!

In order to meet St. Matthew's operating expenses and save for future projects, **the First Collection should bring in at least \$11,100 every weekend.**

During these difficult times, please try to sustain your offerings to St. Matthew's. Donations may be mailed or dropped off at the Parish Office (please use the mail slot in the front door), or made through online giving (instructions below). Your generous support is vital to your parish's mission!

Online giving: www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org, go to General Information and choose Online Giving.

MASS AND MUSIC IN HONOR OF THE VIRGIN OF GUADALUPE! SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12th

Our 8:00 a.m. Mass will be celebrated with special music and songs led by mariachi musicians, provided by the Ramirez family. Please join us for this celebration in honor of our Lady's apparitions to St. Juan Diego in 1531, during which she gave to the world her miraculous image, which is venerated by pilgrims in Mexico to this day. The Virgin of Guadalupe is Patroness of all the Americas and Protectress of Unborn Children.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

WILL BE CELEBRATED at
9:00 AM

(NO 6:30 AM Mass or Confessions Thanksgiving Day)

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE at
 12:00 NOON WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25th &
 REOPEN MONDAY, NOV. 30th at 9:00 AM

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



SOCIETY of ST. VINCENT de PAUL

This Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 26th, the collection will benefit the good works of our Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Our Annual Children's Christmas Pageant will be presented at 4:45 p.m. on Christmas Eve, in the Church. Our first rehearsal will be on Sunday, Dec. 6th, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Families will be grouped together and pandemic safety precautions will be in place. If you have young children interested in participating, please contact Danya Ivory at (540) 207-2402 or Melanie Bolas: stmatthewfamilychoir@gmail.com

SUNDAY READINGS

November 29, 2020

Is 63:16b-17,19b; 64:2-7

1 Cor 1:3-9

Mk 13:33-37





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes for the 2020-2021 Religious Education Year have now begun. Thank you for picking up your materials and getting started on the lessons.

These are the suggested chapters to cover for November:

Grade	Chapters
K	6, 7, 10 and supplement lessons on pages 163 & 165
1	5, 6, 24, 7, 8
2	5-9
3	30, 5-7
4	5-8
5	5-8
6	4, 7-9
7	5-8
8	5-8

If you are homeschooling using textbooks without the online components, please remember to mail or drop off the completed quizzes for October's chapters.

Resources for Advent:



The Giving Manger is a wonderful alternative to [Elf on the Shelf!](#) An empty manger is displayed near the Advent wreath and for each act of kindness or good deed that a child does they are allowed to put a piece of hay in the manger. By Christmas morning, their good works will make a bed for Jesus.



www.holyheroes.com



www.formed.org



www.catholicliving.com/advent-ideas/

Peace of Jesus Christ,
Joanne Warren

"HOME for CHRISTMAS"
(FREE VIRTUAL CONCERT)
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3RD
8:00 PM

Presented by the Daughters of Saint Paul Choir. It will be streamed via Youtube:

www.youtube.com/c/DaughtersofSt.Paul

RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS CARD SALES

Our Knights of Columbus will be selling religious Christmas cards **through December 6th**. Call George Knight (540) 785-0977 for more information.

YOUTH MINISTRY



Youth Ministry will meet, following Diocesan Guidelines, in the Parish Center at 6:30 PM this Sunday evening. For information, please contact Deacon Mike Strain: deaconmike2@comcast.net.

STORE CLOSINGS for THANKSGIVING

St. Matthew's Thrift Store will be closed on Wed., Nov. 25th-Fri. Nov. 27th and will reopen on Mon., Nov. 30th for regular store hours.

St. Matthew's Baby Closet & Food Pantry will be closed on Wed., Nov. 25th-Fri., Nov. 27th. They will reopen on Wed., Dec. 2nd, for regular hours.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

2020 GIVING TREE

As we approach the Advent Season, and the Birth of Christ, we reflect on the many graces our Lord has bestowed upon each of us, and through His generosity and love, we are called to extend these blessings to those less fortunate.



St. Matthew's will have a Giving Tree for the Parish, with ornaments asking for gift cards or monetary offerings for Mary's Shelter, or monetary offerings only in support of SVdP and St. Matthew's Food Pantry & Baby Closet. The Giving Tree will be in front of the Church from Sat., Nov. 28th thru Sunday, December 20th. You may return your donation envelopes to the collection basket or, the Parish Office.

PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK



Eleanor Achille, Paula Adams, Tiffany Allen, John Bernard, Rita Bobik, Mary Buccigrossi, Mary Lou Buck, Helen Cash, Deacon Steve Clifford, Blake Costa, Bernadette Costello, Ryan Cunningham, Fr. Alex Drummond, Tom Faleskie, Mary Faulconer, Laverne Fillare, Herman Fletcher, Alice Foley, Irene Foltz, Kristen Galik, Mary Gibbons, George Granofsky, Veronica Gutierrez, Raymond Harrington, George Heston, David Hunziker, Carolyn Jones, Kelly Keiser, Lazaro Lovos, Jimmy Long, David MacIndoe, Carol & Frank Mauro, Stephen Middleton, Jude Murphy, Ed O'Brien, Maria Osorio, Linda Parsons, Margaret Purtell, Jennifer Renaux, Ellen Rooney, Susan Sablon-Harrington, Marguerite Schwab, Les Sexton, Sid Sidelko, John Smith, Mary Ann Smith, Kam Snow, Tim Sottek, Chris Sousa, Jessi Story, Harry Thomas, Sam Tomarchio, Jim Walsh, Chris Warren, Charles & Stephen Weaver, Chrissie Weaver, Amy Whittaker, Angela Wood, Gene Wyatt, Nicholas Yaworski, and Zach Yorio.

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