

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 to 6 PM; Fridays 9 AM to 11 AM; 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

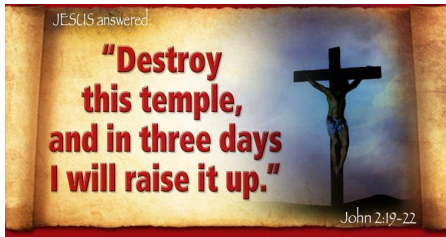
Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donations needed on a continuing basis. To volunteer, call Dave Scharett: 540-388-8736.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: 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 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The Assembly meets the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 9TH, 2025 ~ THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

MASSSES

Mon (11/10) 8:00 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
Tue (11/11) 8:00 AM - BLADEN BROWN
Wed (11/12) 11:00 AM - ROSEMARY & JOHN STORM
Thu (11/13) 6:30 AM - NC HURRICANE VICTIMS
Fri (11/14) 7:30 PM - FR. EVERSOLE
Sat (11/15) 5:30 PM - REV. MICHAEL DOBBINS
Sun (11/16) 8:00 AM - MONICA MACINDOE+
9:30 AM - JOSEPH SHIRCLIFF+
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

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." (John 2:19) The Church needs those who are willing to dedicate their lives to nurturing the Body of Christ. Are you being called to help build up the Church as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (703)841-2514 or via email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (11/08 - 11/09) Regular Collection
Buildings & Grounds Coll.

Next weekend (11/15 - 11/16) Regular Collection
Retired Religious Collection

PARISH SUPPORT UPDATE

The First Collection for November 2nd was \$12,880. **THANK YOU!**

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, and
Go to General Information and choose
Online Giving or scan this QR code.



PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND UKRAINE AND RUSSIA

Donations for war relief in Ukraine may be made via
The Archeparchy of Philadelphia Ukrainian Catholic Church
ukrcatholic.org (click on "Help Ukraine")
Donations for Gaza War relief may be made via
Catholic Relief Services crs.org

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, during Christmas Week and Easter Week, or on holy days of obligation.**



RELICS OF ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX TO VISIT Port Tobacco, Maryland

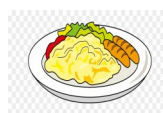
If you wish to venerate the relics of The "Little Flower" during their visit (November 23rd - November 25th), please go to:
StThereseUSA2025.com for details



THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

**Tuesday, November 11th
To Honor All Veterans**

We will resume normal office hours on
Wednesday, November 12th at 9:00 a.m.
If you have an emergency, or an urgent need
to speak with a priest, please call the emergency
number: (540)498-3170.



GOURMET BREAKFAST November 16th After All Masses

St. Matthew Parish Center
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16th READINGS

Mal 3:19-20a
Thes 3:7-12
Lk 21:5-19

SIGNS OF THE END TIMES

LUKE 21:5-19

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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION K-8th Grade

11/11 & 11/12 No RE Classes
11/18 & 11/19 RE Classes
11/25 & 11/26 No RE Classes Happy
 Thanksgiving
12/02 & 12/03 RE Classes

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 online at www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org

Peace of Christ,
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Spotsylvania Christmas Parade Saturday, December 6th 1:00 p.m.



Saint Matthew will once again be participating in the Spotsylvania Christmas Parade. We need people of all ages to accompany the float passing out Holy Cards and wishing the crowd a Merry Christmas. Please contact the parish office if you can join us.

Save the Date! Fourth Annual Christmas Market December 13th from 3:00-8:00 p.m.



Bring the whole family. Activities and crafts for Kids, craft vendors, carols and tree lighting, dinner, beer garden, and musical entertainment by the Low' n' Browns.



ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC SCHOOL 9151 Elys Ford Road Fredericksburg, VA 22407 Open House

November 16th, 12:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.
January 25th, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
February 12th, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

For more information or to RSVP email
mdonlon@saintpatrickschoolva.org



YOUTH MINISTRY 9th - 12th Grade

Youth Ministry will meet tonight from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. For more information contact Sheila Kinley at stmatthewyouthministry7@gmail.com.



HOLY LAND CARVINGS ON SALE—NOV. 15th - 16th

The Bethlehem Carving Group will be offering their handcrafted religious articles from the Holy Land after all weekend Masses in front of the church.

Your purchase will help Catholics and Orthodox remain in the Holy Land, bearing witness to the Gospel and caring for shrines in the midst of violence and unrest.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



December 5th - 7th, 2025 - Ocean City, NJ
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FINDING CHRIST in ADVENT

following the way of St. Joseph
 Men's Silent Retreat
 December 12th - 14th
 San Damiano Retreat Center
 White Post, VA

St. Joseph spent all his life listening to God in prayer and obeying in situations that were often extraordinary. Join us in this Silent Men's Advent Retreat to consider how to become "men after Christ's Own Heart". For more information contact Deacon Mark Maines at:

mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org

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

Rosanne Backhus, John Bernard, Rita Bobik, Mary Buccigrossi, Dan Carver, Helen Cash, Mary Cave, Randy Chapman, Barbara Coughenour, Elizabeth Dubois, Fr. Alex Drummond, Alice Foley, Irene Foltz, Kristen Galik, Stan Galik, Marguerite Govoni, Mary Gibbons, Frances Gray, Christopher Hubbarth, Tony Hubbarth, David Hunziker, Emma Lovos, Melissa Martinez, Carol Mauro, Stephen Middleton, Michelle Mills, Robert Monastra, Ellis Newhouse, Maria Osorio, Rex Ostrander, Breanne Cave-Paulson, Dave Scharett, Sid Sidelko, Faye Sill, Natalie (Caporali) Smith, Sam Tomarchio, Al Undercoffer, Angie Walker, 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. Send your message with the words "prayer request."



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