

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Rev. Mr. Mike Strain

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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: 1st four Wednesdays 4 PM-6 PM; 1st four Fridays 9 AM-11 AM;

2nd & 4th Saturdays 9AM-11AM; closed 5th 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

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.

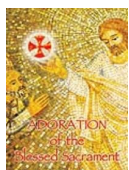
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Bishop Keating Council 12434 meets 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center; 4th degree, The Fathers Cilinski Assembly 3568 meets 3rd Mon. of each month at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center. For information, call the Parish Office 540-582-5575.

OCTOBER 29, 2017 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES

Mon (10/30)	8:00 AM - BETH & LUKE CRAWFORD
Tues (10/31)	8:00 AM - ELAINE STOBACK 7:30 PM - CLARK EVERSOLE +
Wed (11/01)	11:00 AM - PEOPLE of ST. MATTHEW'S 7:30 PM - DAVID RUIZ +
Thu (11/02)	6:30 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA 7:30 AM - ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED + 9:00 AM - POPE FRANCIS
Fri (11/03)	7:30 PM - ALL SOULS NOVENA
Sat (11/04)	8:00 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA 5:30 PM - JONAS ANDRE JAUSKAS
Sun (11/05)	8:00 AM - ANTHONY PUCCIA + 9:30 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA 11:00 AM - PEOPLE of ST. MATTHEW'S

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2017

7:00 PM-CONFESSIONS
7:30 PM- MASS
8:00 PM-12:00 Midnight - Adoration

Current and Upcoming Collections

This weekend (10/29-10/30) 1) Regular
Next weekend (11/04-11/05) 1) Regular
2) Buildings & 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 amounted to \$10,303. 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.

2018 Increased Offertory Program: The 2018 Increased Offertory is set to begin! Every registered household will soon be receiving information about this annual program through the mail, in the bulletin, and at Mass. The prayers and donations of every household are necessary to support our parish and its efforts to bring the love of Christ and the truth of His Gospel to our community. Please give prayerful thought to increasing your weekly contributions in the new year.

Weekly Collection envelopes and online giving options (www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org) are available to all parishioners.

THE ROSARY AND THE CREED

"THE CREED of the Apostles which is said on the crucifix of the Rosary is a holy summary of all Christian truths. It is a prayer that has great merit because faith is the root, foundation and beginning of all Christian virtues, of all eternal virtues and also of all prayers that are pleasing to Almighty God. He that cometh to God, must believe... (Heb. 11:6).



It was by saying *I believe in God* that the saints overcame temptations, especially those against faith, hope or charity—whether they came during their lifetime or at their death.

The Holy Rosary contains many mysteries of Jesus and Mary and since faith is the only key which opens up these mysteries for us we must begin the Rosary by saying the Creed very devoutly, and the stronger our faith the more merit our Rosary will have."

MASS SCHEDULE

ALL SAINTS' DAY- HOLY DAY of OBLIGATION

Tues., OCT. 31 st (Vigil)	7:30 PM	
Wed., NOV. 1 st (All Saints)	11:00 AM 7:30 PM	

ALL SOULS' DAY

WED., NOV. 2 nd	6:30 AM 7:30 AM 9:00 AM	
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ALL SOULS' NOVENA November 2nd - 10th

Enroll your departed loved ones in 9 days of Masses, beginning on All Souls' Day (November 2nd). Envelopes for the Novena are available in the pews and your envelope packets; please return them to the collection basket or the Parish Office. The names of those enrolled will remain on the altar throughout the Novena, and offerings will benefit our Parish Buildings & Grounds Fund.

REMEMBER !!!!

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5th
TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK!



SUNDAY READINGS November 5, 2017

Mal 1:14b--2:2b, 8-10
1Thes 2: 7b-9,13
Mt 23: 1-12

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



10/31 & 11/01 **No RE Classes**
 11/07 & 11/08 RE Classes
 11/14 & 11/15 RE Classes
 11/21 & 11/22 **No RE Classes**

All Saints Party



Saint Matthew's Annual All Saints Party
October 31, 2017

6:00-7:15 p.m.

Dinner

Parade of Saints, Games and Prizes
Hallowed Walk of Candy (Trunk or Treat)

Kids come dressed as your favorite Saint or in red or white to honor the martyrs. Non-scary costumes also invited. Guaranteed to have the best candy without all the walking!


I am in need of adult and youth volunteers to help with the party. Please email stmatthewre@comcast.net or call 582-5575 to volunteer or RSVP.

Peace of Jesus Christ,
 Joanne Warren



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2017
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

Sign ups will be held **October 28/29** after all Masses.

Join us for Coffee and Donuts next Sunday, **Nov. 5th** in the Parish Center after all Masses. Sponsored by SVdP & Family Choir. 



THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Sponsored by our SVdP & Knights of Columbus

Parishioners who would like to participate in this year's Thanksgiving Dinner Program may pick up a grocery bag in front of the St. Joseph Parish Center after all Masses this weekend. Please fill the bag with the items on the list stapled to the bags and return them the weekends of Nov. 4th/5th & 11th/12th. Contact Jim Berry (K of C) at (540) 834-0788 or Frank Mauro (SVdP) at (540) 898-3129 for more information.



PLEASE PRAY for OUR SICK

Jude Murphy, William Kerwin, Erin Burke, 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, Barbara Carver, May Charlotte Tierney, and Mary Whelan.

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 words "prayer request."

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday, **Oct. 29th**, there will be a meeting after each Mass for those students wishing to participate in the Mission Trip this summer, in addition to the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

On **Nov. 10th/11th**, Youth Ministry will hold a **Lock-In**, with a bon fire, movies, food, & laser tag. For more information, email deaconmike2@comcast.net (Deacon Mike Strain).

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



There will be **NO** Adult Faith Formation class on Tues., Oct. 31st.

Classes will resume on Nov. 7th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center, when Deacon John Hubbarth will begin discussing Bishop Robert Barron's, "**David the King.**" In anticipation of the class, participants should read Samuel (Old Testament) 1 & 2. Please bring your bible. All are welcome!



SAVE THE DATE!

Our Knights of Columbus Council will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on **Saturday, Nov. 4th**, after the **5:30pm Mass**. There will be gluten-free meals available. **RSVP by Wed., Nov. 1st** to the Parish Office (582-5575) or George Knight (785-0977).

"FEED MY LAMBS... TEND MY SHEEP"

(John 21:15-16)



The following are just a few examples of what St. Matthew's accomplished in **September** with help from other parishes and organizations in the area. **THANK YOU!**

The St. Faustina Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul fed **333 families and 1,342 individuals**, distributing **11,296 lbs.** of food, through the Food Pantry and Enoch George Manor. Hotline calls totaled 88. St. Matthew's parishioners donated - \$2,500 & 1,075 lbs.; St. Patrick's - \$500 & 708 lbs.; St. Jude's - 258 lbs.; St. Mary's - 290 lbs.; Bread for Our Brothers - 360 lbs.; Costco - 205 lbs.; Miller Farms - 50 lbs.; Panera Bread - 573 lbs.; Catholic Charities - 148 boxes of food (5,191 lbs.); Wegman's - 549 lbs.; misc.- 65 lbs. & \$198; Friends of the Pantry - \$1,090; Work Camp-510 lbs. of produce. Food card sales totaled \$525. Four families were provided with shelter and utility needs. Also, \$250 was donated to the SVdP storm disaster relief fund.

The Baby Closet served 98 families with a combined total of 123 children. D.C. Diaper Bank diapers were distributed to 36 children and non-diaper bank diapers to 87 children.

Good Samaritans visited many to minister to their physical and spiritual needs. This does not include those visited weekly by our clergy to provide the Sacraments. **THANK YOU!** If you would like to be visited or volunteer, please call the parish office.