

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

8200 Robert E. Lee Drive



Spotsylvania, VA 22551

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

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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 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 which ever 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 the 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 Center)

Address: 10639 Courthouse Road, Telephone: 540-834-2479. Hours: Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.; Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; Sunday 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 - 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.; Fridays 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.; and the first Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. *Volunteers and donations are needed on a continuing basis.*

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: St. Faustina Conference **SVdP Assistance Line: 540-834-5555. Website: www.svdpstfaustina.org** *Serves the poor, elderly, and infirm in the local area. Volunteers and donation 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 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The Assembly meets the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

MASSES

Mon	(09/28)	8:00 AM - GALIK & CHIR FAMILIES+
Tue	(09/29)	8:00 AM - CAROLYN COPPOLA
Wed	(09/30)	11:00 AM - THE FATHERS CILINSKY ASSEMBLY 3568
Thur	(10/01)	6:30 PM - SKIP BROWN+
Fri	(10/02)	7:30 PM - FR. DAVID MENG
Sat	(10/03)	5:30 PM - GIBBONS FAMILY LIVING & DECEASED
Sun	(10/4)	8:00 AM - ELIZABETH YATES 9:30 AM - GALIK & CHIR FAMILIES+ 11:00 AM - PEOPLE OF ST. MATTHEW'S

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

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

To donate for the 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 the First Fridays 8-9 p.m. Information on prayer before the Eucharist is available in the vestibule. **MONDAY morning adoration does not take place federal holidays or during Christmas Week and Easter Week, or on holy days of obligation.**

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

"Which of the two did the will of his father?" On Priesthood Sunday, we give thanks for priests who humbly serve God's people. Celebrate this day by writing a note of gratitude and encouragement to a priest who inspires you. Remember in prayer the priest who baptized and confirmed you. Pray for the priests in your parish and support those discerning this vocation. If you or someone you know feels called to consider the priesthood, reach out to the Vocation Office by email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or (703)841-2514.

CURRENT AND UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

This weekend (9/26 - 9/27) Regular Collection
Next weekend (10/03 - 10/04) Regular Collection
Buildings & Grounds Coll.

PARISH SUPPORT UPDATE

The first Collection for September 20th will be reported in the October 4th bulletin. 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



September 27th is Priesthood Sunday

God please give your Church today many more priests after your own heart. May they be worthy representatives of Christ the Good Shepherd. May they wholeheartedly devote themselves to prayer and penance, be examples of humility and poverty, shining models of holiness, tireless and powerful preachers of the Word of God, zealous dispensers of your grace in the sacraments. May their loving devotion to your Son Jesus in the Eucharist and to Mary his Mother be the twin fountains of fruitfulness for their ministry. Amen.

Saint John Vianney



**COFFEE AND DONUTS
FOLLOWING ALL MASSES**

October 4th

In the Parish Center
Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul

**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 4th
READINGS
Is 5:1-7 Phil 4:6-9
Mt 21:33-43**



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

Religious Education has begun. There is still space available, so please call the Religious Education office for more information.

Grades K-5 Tuesday from 5:00-6:15 p.m.

Grades 6-8 Wednesday from 6:00-7:15 p.m.

A class will be offered for those who need to "catch up" on the sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Please call the parish office for more information.

Many blessings,
Danielle Houck, DRE

All Saints' Party- Save the Date!

Saturday, October 31st from 6:30-8:00 p.m.



Dinner, games, prizes, Trunk or Treat, and great candy without all of the walking.

Come dressed as your favorite saint (or non-scary costume).

Adults and teens are needed to help with the games. We would also welcome donations of prewrapped candy. Please call the parish office to volunteer. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office.



Kenny: The True Story of Msgr. Ken Leone



To reflect on Priesthood Sunday, discover the inspiring true story of Msgr. Ken Leone, a beloved Catholic priest from the Archdiocese of Denver, whose deep faith

and joyful witness transformed countless lives. *Kenny* is a powerful Catholic documentary that explores his remarkable priestly vocation—marked by love for God, personal sacrifice, and unwavering hope in the face of suffering. Experience the joy, trials, and evangelical zeal that defined his life and ministry.

MASS FOR MARRIAGE JUBILARIANS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH - 2:30 p.m.
Cathedral of St. Thomas More



Celebrating a silver or golden wedding anniversary this year? Were you married in 1976 or 2001? Join Bishop Burbidge for a special celebratory Mass. To register, call the parish office before October 1st. For more information go to: www.arlingtondiocese.org/marriagejubilee.



YOUTH MINISTRY

9th - 12th Grade

Youth Ministry will meet this evening from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. The topic is taken from the annual theme of "Take Courage!" from John 16:33. We will be introducing five teens, each of whom are either canonized saints or are on the path to sainthood. If you have any questions, please contact Sheila Kinley at stmatthewyouthministry7@gmail.com for more information.

SOCIAL OUTREACH IN AUGUST

St. Matthew's Food Pantry assisted 230 families. Our pantry delivers help to residents of Enoch Manor on a regular basis, and sends provisions to food pantries in Orange and King George counties.

Food Donations totaling 4,737 pounds came from St. Matthew's Church, Catholic Charities, Panera (Massaponax), and Wawa (Spotsylvania).

St. Matthew's Baby Closet assisted 53 families. Baby supplies distributed were valued at \$1,546 and included formula, lotion, shampoo, blankets, baby wash, baby bottles, diapers, and diaper rash lotion.

St. Matthew's Thrift Store volunteers are working Mon. - Sat. to provide affordable shopping for clothing and household needs and to generate proceeds in support of charitable activities.

St. Matthew's Good Samaritans are visiting the homebound.

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, Ester Diaz, Elizabeth Dubois, Fr. Alex Drummond, Fr. Eversole, Alice Foley, Irene Foltz, Kristen Galik, Stan Galik, Marguerite Govoni, Frances Gray, Christopher Hubbarth, Mike Hubbarth, Tony Hubbarth, Christine Klein, Emma Lovos, Melissa Martinez, Carol Mauro, Stephen Middleton, Michelle Mills, Julie Morgan, Ellis Newhouse, Cecilia Diane O'Brien, Maria Osorio, Rex Ostrander, Breanne Cave Paulson, David Pritchard, 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. Send your message with the words "prayer request."

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