ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC CHURCH

8200 Robert E. Lee Drive Spotsylvania, VA 22551

Pastor......Rev. Paul M. Eversole Deacons....Rev. Mr. John Hubbarth, Ret.

Rev. Mr. Mike Strain

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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YOUTH MINISTRY

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stmatthewsec@comcast.net

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HOURS: Monday thru Friday

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

BUSINESS

MANAGER: Jared Darr

business@stmatthewspotsylvania.org

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

EUCHARISTIC 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 **SVdPAssistance Line:** 540-834-5555. Website: <u>www.svdpstfaustina.org</u> *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 2ND, 2025 THE 30TH ALL SOULS' DAY

MASSES

Mon (11/03) 8:00 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA/

ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Tue (11/04) 8:00 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA Wed (11/05) 11:00 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA

Thu (11/06) 6:30 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA

Fri (11/07) 7:30 PM - ALL SOULS NOVENA Sat (11/08) 5:30 PM - ALL SOULS NOVENA

Sun (11/09) 8:00 AM - PETER & MARY NORRIS

9:30 AM - ALL SOULS NOVENA

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

"For his is the will of my Father; that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day." (John 6:40) As we celebrate All Souls' Day and begin National Vocation Awareness Week, pray for the souls of the departed and more holy vocations. Reflect on whether Christ may be calling you to guide and shepherd the living 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 (11/01 - 11/02) Regular Collection

Regular Collection
Buildings & Grounds Coll.

Next weekend (11/08 - 11/09) Regular Collection

Regular Collection
Archdiocese For The Military

PARISH SUPPORT UPDATE

The First Collection for October 26th was \$12,792. 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.



ALL SOULS' NOVENA November 2nd thru November 10th

Enroll your departed loved ones in 9 days of Masses, beginning on all Souls' Day. Novena envelopes are

available in the pews and in your envelope packets; please return them to the collection basket or the Parish Office. Offerings will benefit our Parish Building and Grounds Fund.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 9th READINGS

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22



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

11/04 & 11/05 RE Classes (Tuesday classes will meet even though Spotsy schools are closed)

 11/11 & 11/12
 No RE Classes

 11/18 & 11/19
 RE Classes

 11/25 & 11/26
 No RE Classes

 Happy Thanksgiving

The full year Religious Education calendar was included in your parent folder and available online at:

www.stmatthewspotsylvania.org

Peace of Christ, Joanne Warren, DRE







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 Brows. Cash bar for beer and wine. Cash/check donations for dinner.



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.



FINDING PEACE AND JOY WITH JESUS AND MARY IN ADVENT

Women's Silent Retreat San Damiano Retreat Center December 5th - 7th

Treasure and ponder the mysteries of Advent while reading, thinking and praying with Jesus Christ. For more information or to register for this silent women's retreat contact Father Riley at:

Retreat@sacredheartwinchester.org or go to www.arlingtonciocese.org/retreat-events.

YOUTH MINISTRY 9th - 12th Grade

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

A GLASS CLASS IS COMING!!



November 7th - In the Parish Center Check in between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Work until Noon

Support the St. Matthew Church Food Pantry and Baby Closet! Fee \$50.00 for 2 projects.

Bring 3 food items for the food pantry and make an additional project!

Class size is limited - you MUST sign up ahead of time.
To sign-up email Susan Sablon at:
susanmsablon@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.



GOURMET BREAKFAST

November16th After All Masses
St. Matthew Parish Center
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



THANKSGIVING BASKETS Sponsored By The Food Pantry

Please remember to return your filled Thanksgiving bags to the Parish Center this weekend, Nov. 1st/2nd.

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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