

# Church of Francis de Sales

176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

August 20, 2023

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7:

The Lord brings foreigners into His house of prayer.

Responsorial Psalm 67:

“O God, let all the nations praise you!”

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32:

The call of God is irrevocable.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28:

Great is the faith of the Canaanite woman.

Greeter: Sara Taylor

Usher: Jon Oliver

Lectors: Paul Reardon / Paul Hyer

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers: Mike Henig / Sherry Henig / Tina Darby

Counters: Cy Hudson / Courtney Hudson

## This week in the Liturgy of the Church

FRI Aug 18 9:00 AM Friday of the 19<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time

## Upcoming Events in the Life of our Parish

SUN	Aug 20	12:00PM	Hospitality Sunday Join us for food and fellowship after Mass!
FRI	Sep 1	9:00 AM	Weekday Mass / 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Followed by Eucharistic Adoration
SAT	Sep 2	9:30 AM	Fatima Devotion Rosary followed by Mass at 10:00 AM
WED	Sep 13	6:30 PM	Pastoral Council Meeting / Parish Commons Area
SUN	Sep 17	12:00PM	Hospitality Sunday Join us for food and fellowship after Mass!
SUN	Sep 24	2:00 PM	Church of Francis de Sales Annual Picnic USCG Station Milford Haven <i>Please RSVP with Rita Engle</i>
WED	Oct 4	6:00 PM	Adult Faith Formation and Dinner <i>Please RSVP with Ed McNamee</i>

## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

*Who is welcomed to our faith community, to our town, or to our country and who is not? What we hear today from Isaiah, Paul, and Jesus can help us understand God's perspective. Each reading challenges us to break down walls that stand in the way of those who are excluded. In the Gospel, in fact, it is a foreign woman who persuades Jesus to break down the commonly accepted barriers of the day. May God's word challenge us today as much as it did when it was written.*

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER		
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Jim Pavik	Justin Bennett	
Grace Hall	Debbie Marceau	
Cathy Walker	David Colligan	
Rita Engle	Melissa Wilson	
Paul Reardon	Bill Chadwick	

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN, WOMEN  
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

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SSgt Cameron Farrell	Great-nephew of Elaine Lynch	US Air Force	Tyndall AFB, FL
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LT Patrick Sopko	Son of Suzanne Sopko and Ron Sopko	US Navy	Norfolk, VA
2LT Spencer Walsh	Grandson of Pat & Jimmy Walsh	US Army	Ft. Hood, TX

*Locations of overseas deployments are not listed for the security of all military members.*

### Our Announcements

- There will be a meeting for all Eucharistic Ministers after Mass on Sunday September 10, 2023.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Sunday, September 24, 2023 – Our Church of Francis de Sales Annual Picnic will be held at the Coast Guard Station at Milford Haven at 2:00 PM. Please sign up in the Commons area or see Rita Engle if you plan to attend.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Monday, September 25. Please plan to participate in having your picture taken for our new parish directory. Check your e-mail and mailbox for more information!
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, October 14, 2023, 5:00-7:00 pm, The John B. VanOver & Chris Hale Oktoberfest Dinner. Tickets are \$30 (children 8 and under eat free). Presales only – No tickets sold at the door! For tickets contact Pat or Ed Lipinski.
- **Special Intentions for Mass:** If you would like to have a Mass offered for the intention of a loved one, friend, or another special request, please stop by the parish office and we will be happy to assist you!

## Church of Francis de Sales

Roman Catholic Church

176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

Parochial Administrator: Reverend Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah

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*Please submit any announcements for the bulletin to the Parish Office no later than Tuesday at 4:00 PM*

### Our Liturgy Schedule

Sunday Mass: 11:00am

Tuesday Daily Mass: 9:00am

Friday Daily Mass: 9:00am

Holy Days: 6:30pm

Every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday: Devotions to the Sacred Heart, Mass at 9:00am followed by Eucharistic Adoration

Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday: Fatima Devotions Rosary at 9:30am followed by Mass at 10:00am

#### SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation on request.

Marriage: call the priest at least six months in advance.

Baptism: call the priest at least one month in advance.

*Anointing of the Sick at any time upon request.*

## Our Parish Ministry and Mission Leads

Parochial Administrator, Liturgy	Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah
Parish Administrator	Paul Flaherty
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Faith Formation - Parish Catechetical Lead	Ed McNamee
Parish Life	Rita Engle
Parish Outreach	Helen Yacobucci
Pastoral Care	Mary Flaherty
Pastoral Council Chair	Eric Chadwell
RCIA	Cheryl Henig
Sacramental Preparation - Baptism	Ed McNamee
Sacramental Preparation - Confirmation	Jessie Miller
Sacramental Preparation – 1 <sup>st</sup> Sacraments	Michelle Haas
Ushers	Ed Lipinski
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To get in touch with any of our ministry or mission leaders, or to offer your time and talents, please contact the Parish Office.	

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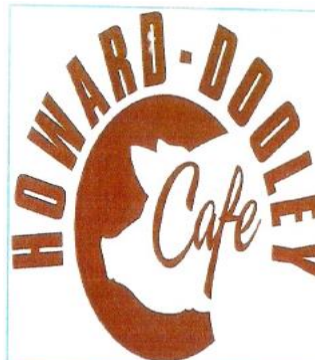
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