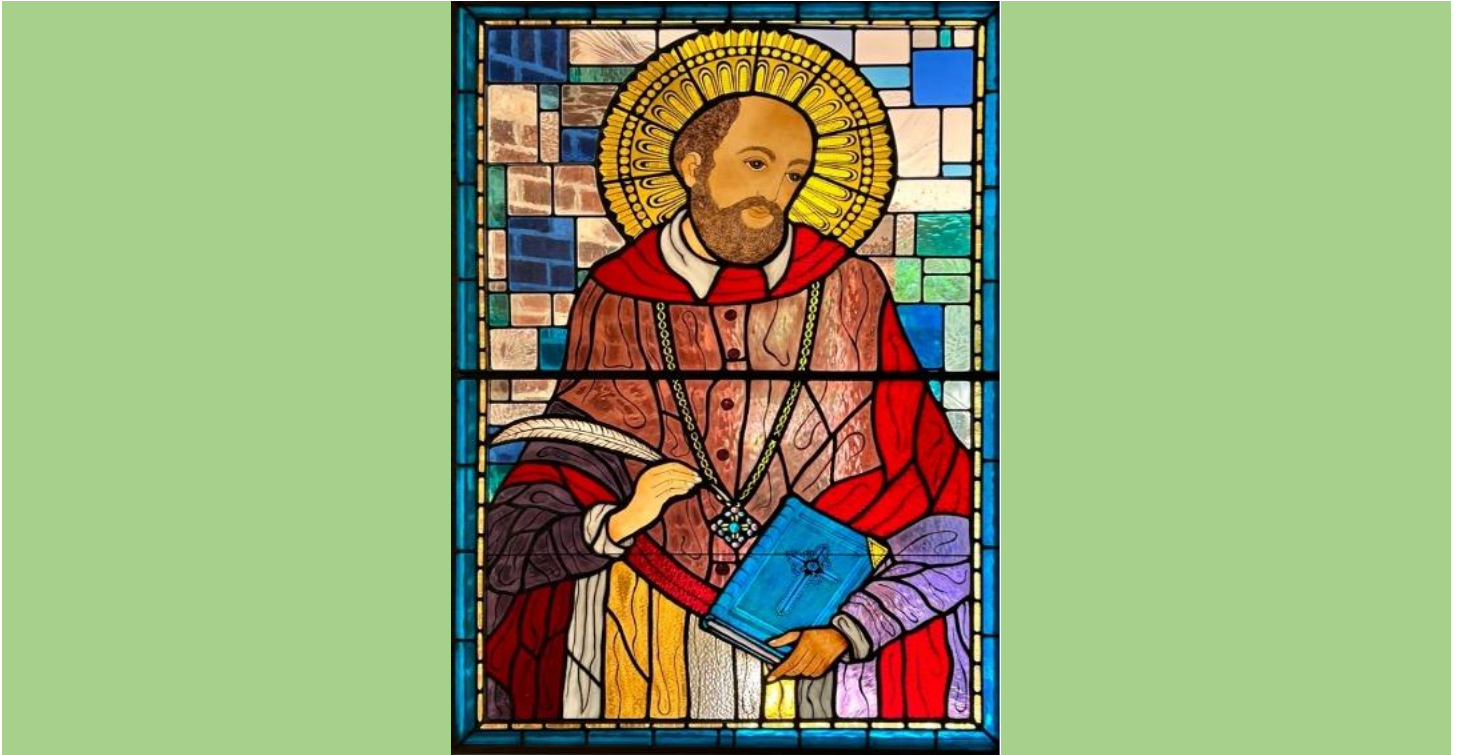


Church of Francis de Sales

176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

November 12, 2023

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16:

Rise before dawn and watch for wisdom's appearance and you will not be disappointed.

Responsorial Psalm 63:

“My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God”

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18:

We do not mourn death as those who have no hope.

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13:

The wise virgins were prepared for the coming of the bridegroom.

Greeter: M. McDonough

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Monday 8am-4pm

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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 1st Friday: Devotions to the Sacred Heart Mass at 9:00am followed by Eucharistic Adoration

Every 1st 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.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

Our first reading has some encouraging words, asserting that wisdom can be found by anyone who looks for it. Our second reading uses wisdom to console us, reasoning that if God raised Jesus from the dead, through Him we will be brought home as well. The parable in the Gospel tells of the ten virgins who waited for the bridegroom, though only five had the wisdom to bring oil for their lamps. May God's word enlighten us as we too wait faithfully upon the Lord.

This week in the Liturgy of the Church

- FRI Nov 10 9:00 AM Weekday Mass Friday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time. (?)
- SAT Nov 11 10:00 AM Funeral Mass for Mr. William Paul Simmons.
- TUES Nov 14 9:00 AM Weekday Mass Tuesday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time.
- FRI Nov 17 9:00 AM Weekday Mass Friday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time.

Upcoming Events in the Life of our Parish

- SAT New Date: Nov 18 9:00-4:00 PM Church of Francis de Sales Yard Sale & Bake Sale (rain or shine).

FdS Parish Offertory Income				
Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024				
[Through the end of August 2023 – 2-months]				
Month	Budget	Actuals	Actual Less Budget	Percent Actual / Budget
August Totals	\$13,333	\$13,396	+ \$63	100%
Year To Date to 08/31/23	\$26,167	\$32,655	+ \$6,488	125%

Thank you for your continued financial support of our Parish so that we can maintain a living parish and be a light of Christ to all.

Our Announcements

Altar of Remembrance: The Environment Committee has set up the Altar of Remembrance. If you have pictures of loved ones who have passed away and you want them included on this altar, please bring them to the church on Sundays during the month of November. Please make sure to include the loved ones' name as well as your name along with the picture(s), so we can return them to you after the altar has been taken down in late November. Please see Pat Lipinski concerning this, if you have any questions or pictures.

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!

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Church Yard Sale & Bake Sale (rain or shine)



Church of Francis de Sales

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(enter through front of building)

Donations: Donations will be accepted before and after Sunday mass (Cathy Schirmer will direct you where to place your donated items, in the church). For those unable to drop off on Sunday or need to make arrangements for pick-up, please text or call Cathy at 203-417-4704 to coordinate.

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**Please Pray for Our Military Men, Women, and Their Families.
 Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform in our country's time of need.
 We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

MSgt Kristin Buludis	Daughter of Randy & Terry Dobson	US Air Force	Langley AFB, VA
CPT Andrew Bohn	Son of Jeff Bohn & Suanne Dittmeier	US Army	Fort Gregg Adams, VA
CAPT Ryan Carey	Son of Jack & Ginny Carey	US Navy	Naples, Italy
SSgt Cameron Farrell	Great-nephew of Elaine Lynch	US Air Force	Tyndall AFB, FL
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LT Patrick Sopko	Son of Suzanne and Ron Sopko	US Navy	Norfolk, VA
2LT Spencer Walsh	Grandson of Pat & Jimmy Walsh	US Army	Fort Hood, TX

Austin Tice, freelance journalist and former Marine Captain, captured in Syria on August 14, 2012
Locations of overseas deployments are not listed for the security of all military members.

Our Parish Ministry and Mission Leads

Parochial Administrator, Liturgy	Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah
Parish Administrator	Paul Flaherty
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Pastoral Care	Mary Flaherty
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Ushers	Ed Lipinski
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To get in touch with any of our ministry or mission leaders,
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