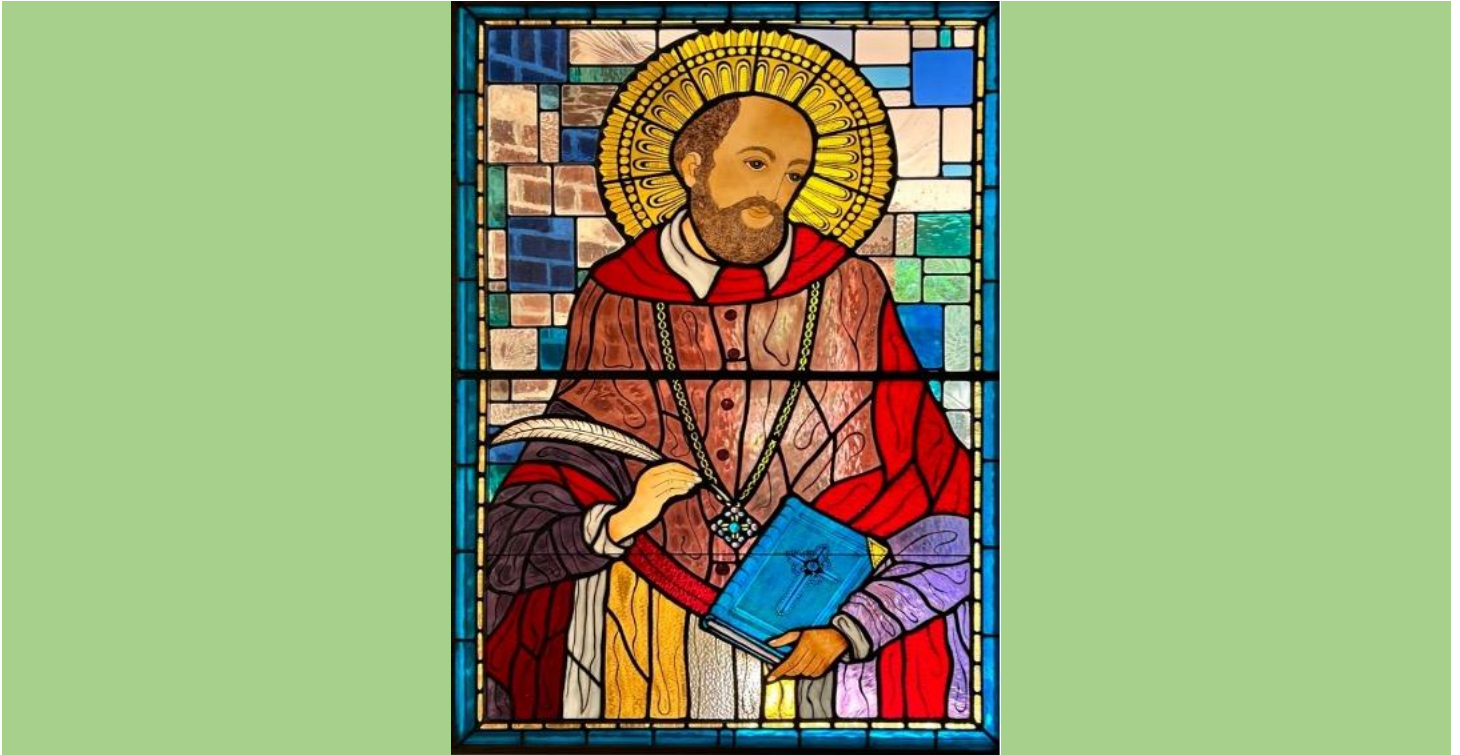


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176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

January 14, 2024
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19:
Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.

Responsorial Psalm 40:
“Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20:
Your bodies are members of Christ.

Gospel: John 1:35-42:
They saw where He was staying and they stayed with Him.

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Usher: D. Darby / A. Downs

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Please remember to read our church website at: <https://www.FdSChurch.org>

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:

God calls to us in unexpected ways. For young Samuel, it was his whispered name he heard in the night. Jesus called Saul when he was on his way to persecute Christians in Damascus.

Today we hear Him, as Paul, speak of our bodies as being temples of the Holy Spirit. In the Gospel, we hear Jesus call two disciples after they had been standing around talking with John the Baptist. As we hear God's word proclaimed, let us listen for what God is saying to us today.

This Week in the Liturgy of the Church

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| FRI | Jan 12 | 9:00 a.m. | Weekday Mass Friday of the 1 st Week in Ordinary Time. |
| TUE | Jan 16 | 9:00 a.m. | Weekday Mass Tuesday of the 2 nd Week in Ordinary Time. |
| FRI | Jan 19 | 9:00 a.m. | Weekday Mass Friday of the 2 nd Week in Ordinary Time. |

Upcoming Events in the Life of our Parish

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| WED | Jan 10 | 5:30 p.m. | Parish Council Meeting at the Church of Francis de Sales. |
| SAT | Feb 10 | 1:00-3:00 p.m. | The 4 th Annual Ladies' Tea Fundraiser to be held in the Commons Area. |

FdS Parish Offertory

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

Parish Offertory Income Collection will be provided in the Sunday Bulletin on the 3rd and 4th Sunday of the month.

THANK YOU.

YOUR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY IS CRUCIAL FOR THE CHURCH OF FRANCIS DE SALES TO THRIVE AND BE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST.

Our Announcements

Parish Council Meeting, will be held Wednesday, January 10, 2024, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Church of Francis de Sales.

The 2024 Offertory Envelopes and Parish Calendars are now available.
Please pick up yours from the table in the corner of the Commons.

The 4th Annual Ladies' Tea Fundraiser: The 4th Annual Ladies' Tea Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, February 10, 2024, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Commons Area. Tickets will be available for sale starting on January 7, 2024, for only \$25.00 (last day for ticket sales will be February 4, 2024), presales only NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR. A limited number of tickets are available for sale so obtain your tickets early. The Ladies Victorian will give a presentation of "From Shift to Chemise," a comparison of 18th and 19th century fashion. The menu for the tea will include an assortment of tea flavors, tea sandwiches, scones, and dainty desserts. As usual the gentlemen from the parish will be our servers. Please come and prepare for an enjoyable Saturday afternoon with your female family and friends.

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!



The Claude V. Simmons Scholarship Academic Year 2024-2025

The Claude V. Simmons Scholarship Fund supports graduating high school seniors who are obtaining a Bachelor's Degree by attending a 4-year college or university and are qualified active members of the Church of Francis de Sales in Mathews County, Virginia. This is a 4-year renewing scholarship.

Current recipients and new applicants must submit an electronic application or renewal application for the 2024-2025 academic year to the Mathews Community Foundation by Tuesday, **March 05, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.**

Supporting documents are required as outlined in the application form on the Community Foundation website (i.e., Student Financial Information Form as well as a statement of reflection on personal growth and faith as a parishioner of the Church of Francis de Sales).

This link can be used by students who wish to apply:

[CFengage | High school - Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula](#)

On this page, students can access all the scholarship opportunities available to them by typing "Mathews" into the search bar. They will need to scroll until they find the Claude V. Simmons Scholarship, and there is a button that says "Apply Now," which will take them to our online scholarship's portal. They will need to create an account to apply, but if they are applying for multiple scholarships, they can use the same account to apply to them all.

Mr. Lincoln Boykin of the Community Foundation is available to answer any questions regarding the scholarship and to assist in submitting the application. Mr. Boykin can be reached by calling 804-436-1600 (Kilmarnock Office) or 804-725-3454 (Mathews Office). More info about scholarships and a timeline for this year's awards is here:

[CFengage | Community Foundation Scholarships](#)

Recipients will be selected based on greatest financial need.

Should you have additional questions, please contact Michael Henig at 804-725-7750 or call the Parish Office at 804-725-2776.

| LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER | | |
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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.**

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| MSgt Kristin Buludis | Daughter of Randy & Terry Dobson | US Air Force | Langley AFB, VA |
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| LT Patrick Sopko | Son of Suzanne and Ron Sopko | US Navy | Norfolk, VA |
| 1 st LT Spencer Walsh | Grandson of Pat & Jimmy Walsh | US Army | Fort Hood, TX |
| 1 st LT Grace Walsh | Granddaughter-in-law 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 (updated 1/3/24)

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| Parochial Administrator, Liturgy | Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah |
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| Faith Formation - High School | Courtney Hudson |
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| Greeters | Jessica Miller |
| Grounds Manager | Alan Downs/Drew Darby |
| Hospitality / Funeral Receptions | Mary Flaherty |
| Lectors Ministry | Ed McNamee |
| Liturgy | Michelle Oliver |
| Memorial Bricks | Paul Flaherty |
| New Members | Pat Lipinski |
| Faith Formation - Parish Catechetical Lead | Ed McNamee |
| Parish Life | Rita Engle |
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| Pastoral Care | Mary Flaherty |
| Pastoral Council Chair | Eric Chadwell |
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| Sacramental Preparation - Baptism | Ed McNamee |
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| Sacramental Preparation – 1st Sacraments | Michelle Haas |
| Ushers | Ed Lipinski |
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**To get in touch with any of our ministry or mission leaders,
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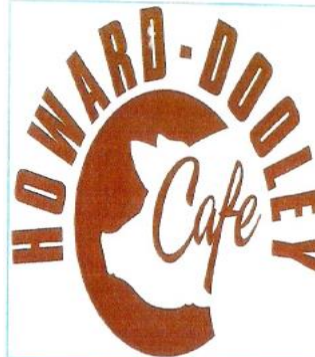
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