

# Church of Francis de Sales

176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

June 2, 2024

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – Corpus Christi Sunday

Mass Intention this Sunday is for Gunner Burns who was severely injured in a Lacrosse game.



First Reading: Exodus 24:3-8:

This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you.

Responsorial Psalm 116:

”I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.”

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15:

The blood of Christ will cleanse our consciences.

Gospel: Mark 14:12-26, 22-26:

This is my body. This is my blood of the covenant.

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## **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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Parish Administrator: Paul Flaherty

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Office Hours:

Monday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Tuesday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.-Noon

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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 p.m.*

### **Our Liturgy Schedule**

Sunday Mass: 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday Daily Mass: 9:00 a.m.

Friday Daily Mass: 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 6:30 p.m.

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

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

#### **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:**

Blood and sacrifice are bonded throughout today's readings. When the Chosen People promise to follow the Lord's commands, Moses sanctifies that vow with the blood of bulls that had been sacrificed to the Lord. The author of Hebrews explains that Christ's sacrificial blood cleanses us of our sins. Jesus, who will soon become the Passover lamb sacrificed for us all, shares a cup of His blood with His disciples before facing His arrest at the Mount of Olives. Anticipating the sacrificial meal we will share, let us listen to God's word.

## This Week in the Liturgy of the Church

SAT	June 1	9:30 a.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday: Fatima Devotions Rosary at 9:30 a.m. <u><i>There will not be a Mass on Saturday, June 1.</i></u>
TUES	June 4	9:00 a.m.	Weekday Mass Tuesday of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – Corpus Christi week.
FRI	June 7	9:00 a.m.	Weekday Mass of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – Corpus Christi week. 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday: Devotions to the Sacred Heart. Mass at 9:00 a.m. followed by Eucharistic Adoration.

### 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.*

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## Our Announcements

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Thank you so much for your generous donations to the MHS PTA After Prom Party! We had some volunteers decorating on Friday and many volunteers helping on Saturday at the After Prom Party. Everyone had fun and the kids were so happy to play games, earn play money for items in the store, have fun food and drinks, and win big prizes in the raffles! Plus, Sherriff Edwards said that there were no incidents on the night from any of our students. The event was a success! It did its job by keeping the kids and the community, safe!

Thank you so much, again,  
Julie Taylor, Parishioner and MHS PTA President  
Mary Jac, PTA After Prom Committee Chair

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**ALL ARE WELCOME!!** Please join us for Hospitality Sunday on the third Sunday of each month right after the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the Commons Area.

The next Hospitality Sunday will be held on **June 16**.

**Parish Council:** There are two positions open on the current Parish Council. If you are interested in submitting your name to be considered, please see Eric Chadwell or Sherry Henig after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

**Attention Parishioners:** We hope you will join us on Saturday, June 15th from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. for our Farmer's Market event. If you would like to contribute baked goods, crafts or volunteer time, a sign-up sheet is on a table in the Commons area. Also, there are baking supplies/ingredients on a table in the Commons area to assist those parishioners that are baking goods for the Farmer's Market. For more information, contact Rita Engle at (804) 824-1599. This event will take place every third Saturday of each month.

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**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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	Cindy Lockemy	
	Riley Hunt	
	Kathryn Turner	

**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.**

CAPT Andrew Bohn	Son of Jeff Bohn & Suanne Dittmeier	US Army	Fort Gregg Adams, VA
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MSgt Cameron Farrell	Great-nephew of Elaine Lynch	US Air Force	Tyndall AFB, FL
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1 <sup>st</sup> LT Spencer Walsh	Grandson of Pat & Jimmy Walsh	US Army	Fort Hood, TX
1 <sup>st</sup> 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.*

**PRAY FOR AN END TO ABORTION**

## Our Parish Ministry and Mission Leads (updated 4/4/24)

<b>Parochial Administrator, Liturgy</b>	Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah
<b>Parish Administrator</b>	Paul Flaherty
<b>Parish Secretary</b>	Mary Marshall
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Jon Oliver
<b>Bulletin</b>	Elaine Lynch
<b>Bulletin Advertisements</b>	Paul Reardon
<b>Columbarium</b>	Paul Flaherty
<b>Commemorative Pavers</b>	Paul Flaherty
<b>Counters Chair</b>	Christine Dehnert-Fernald
<b>Environment</b>	Pat Lipinski
<b>Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers</b>	
<b>Faith Formation - Elementary</b>	Michelle Haas
<b>Faith Formation - Adult</b>	Ed McNamee
<b>Faith Formation - High School</b>	Courtney Hudson
<b>Finance Council Chair</b>	Leon Iveson
<b>Funeral Coordinator</b>	
<b>Greeters</b>	Jessica Miller
<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Alan Downs
<b>Hospitality / Funeral Receptions</b>	Mary Flaherty
<b>Lectors Ministry</b>	Ed McNamee
<b>Liturgy</b>	Michelle Oliver
<b>Music Ministry</b>	Cathy Schirmer
<b>New Members</b>	Pat Lipinski
<b>Faith Formation - Parish Catechetical Lead</b>	Ed McNamee
<b>Parish Life</b>	Rita Engle
<b>Parish Outreach</b>	Helen Yacobucci
<b>Pastoral Care</b>	Mary Flaherty
<b>Pastoral Council Chair</b>	Eric Chadwell
<b>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</b>	Cheryl Henig
<b>Sacramental Preparation - Baptism</b>	Ed McNamee
<b>Sacramental Preparation - Confirmation</b>	Jessie Miller
<b>Sacramental Preparation – 1<sup>st</sup> Sacraments</b>	Michelle Haas
<b>Ushers</b>	Ed Lipinski
<b>Webmaster</b>	Ed McNamee

**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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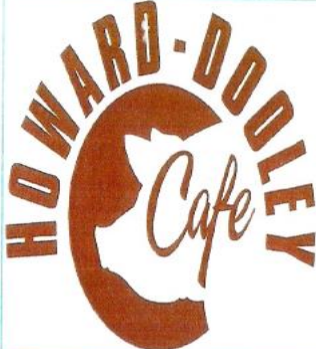
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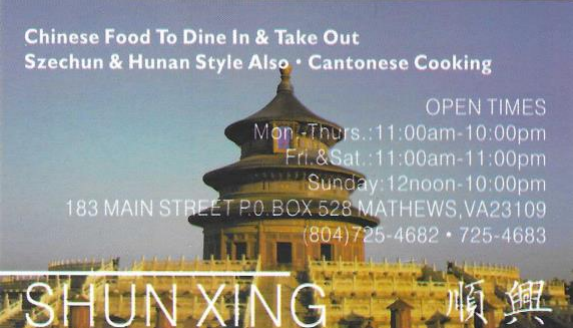
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