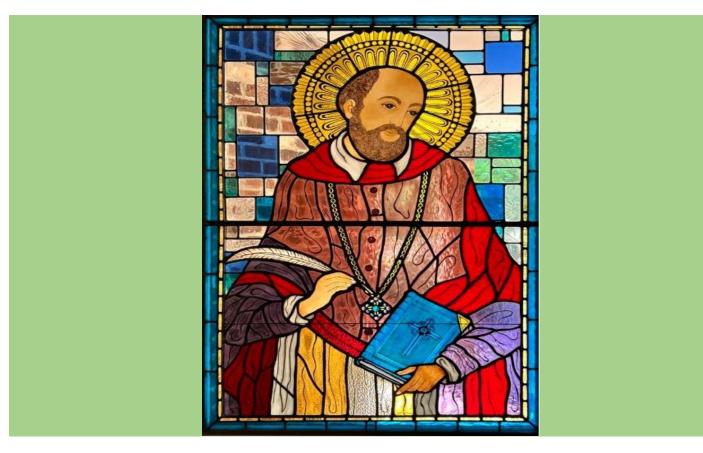
Church of Francis de Sales

176 Lovers Lane - Mathews, Virginia 23109

June 16, 2024
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass Intention this Sunday is in honor of Paul and Mary Flaherty for their 50th Wedding Anniversary, from all of their children.



First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24: I have lifted high the lowly tree.

Responsorial Psalm 92: "Lord, it is good to give thanks to you."

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10: Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord.

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34: It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants.

Greeter: J. Miller

 $Ushers: J.\ Oliver\ /\ J.\ Emerson$

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Henig / S. Henig / K. Schirmer

Counters: C. Hudson / C. Hudson

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Roman Catholic Church 176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

Parochial Administrator: Reverend Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah

Rectory: 804-286-9271

Parish Administrator: Paul Flaherty

Parish Secretary: Mary Marshall

Parish Office: 804-725-2776

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

E-mail: office@fdschurch.org

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

Every 1st 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:

Ezekiel sets the tone for today's selections from God's word when he relates God's promise to grow a majestic tree that will stand out among all the rest. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the well-known parable of the mustard seed, a tiny seed that produces a huge plant. The fruit of the natural world – of God's wondrous creation – continues to provide for us, even as its miraculous growth enthralls and delights us.

This Week in the Liturgy of the Church

TUES June 18 9:00 a.m. Weekday Mass Tuesday of The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

FRI June 21 9:00 a.m. Weekday Mass of The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

FdS Parish Offertory Income Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 [thru the end of May 2024 – 11-months]					
Month	Budget	Actuals	Actual Less Budget	Percent Actual / Budget	
May Totals	\$13,083	\$10,473	(-\$2,610)	(-20%)	
Year To Date to 05/31/24	\$143,917	\$162163	+\$18,246	+13%	

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

LET US CONTINUE OUR MISSION AS A CATHOLIC PARISH TO LIVE, PREACH, AND TEACH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST.

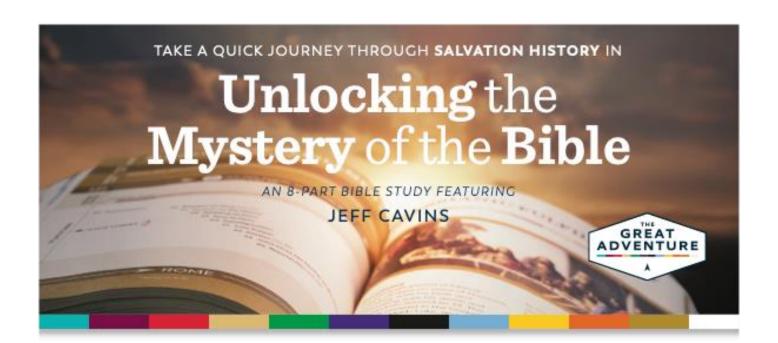
Our Announcements

<u>ALL ARE WELCOME!!</u> 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 this Sunday, <u>June 16th</u>.

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 this <u>Saturday, June 15th</u>, 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.

<u>Special Intentions for Mass:</u> 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!



Dates - Times - Location Tuesday evenings 6:45 pm

June 11 - August 13 (No sessions June 25/July 30)

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Cost - Registration \$28.50 Includes workbook, Bible Timeline chart, and Bible Timeline bookmark

> For More Information Ed McNamee EdMcNamee.Verizon.net (571) 265-6192

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-Kyley D.





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Anna Deagle	Rita Guarino	Joy Long			
Sharon Simmons	Patsy Lynch	William Scott Smith			
Alice Mercer	Fred Moody	Nan Seals			
Gloria Bosley	James McLaughlin	Kenneth Marshall			
Matthew DeForge	Margaret McLaughlin	Lourdes Parker			
Michelle Oliver	Ruth Brown	Tom Justis			
Jim Pavik	Timothy Farrell	Maureen Connolly			
Grace Hall	Maria Hurst	Norm Connolly			
Cathy Walker	Catherine Bennett	Francis McLoughlin			
Rita Engle	Justin Bennett	Joan Haury			
Paul Reardon	David Colligan	Don Parker			
Nicholas Koch	Melissa Wilson	Doug Seals			
Bitsy Riffe	Vicki Krieger	Larry Whitfield			
	Marie Pribble	Sherrod Pugh			
	Steve Bryne	Willis Ward			
	Paul Oliver	Janet Letizia			
	Cindy Lockemy				
	Riley Hunt				
	Kathryn Turner				
	Elizabeth Scott				
	Margaret Mann				

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
CAPT Ryan Carey	Son of Jack & Ginny Carey	US Navy	Stationed Overseas
MSgt Cameron Farrell	Great-nephew of Elaine Lynch	US Air Force	Tyndall AFB, FL
E6 John Robert Pizzicar	Son-in-law of Jim & Deona Pavik	US Navy	Fort Meade, MD
LT Patrick Sopko	Son of Suzanne and Ron Sopko	US Navy	Norfolk, VA
1 st LT Spencer Walsh 1 st LT Grace Walsh	Grandson of Pat & Jimmy Walsh Granddaughter-in-law of Pat & Jimmy Walsh	US Army US Army	Fort Hood, TX 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)				
Parochial Administrator, Liturgy	Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah			
Parish Administrator	Paul Flaherty			
Parish Secretary	Mary Marshall			
Altar Servers	Jon Oliver			
Bulletin	Elaine Lynch			
Bulletin Advertisements	Paul Reardon			
Columbarium	Paul Flaherty			
Commemorative Pavers	Paul Flaherty			
Counters Chair	Christine Dehnert-Fernald			
Environment	Pat Lipinski			
Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers				
Faith Formation - Elementary	Michelle Haas			
Faith Formation - Adult	Ed McNamee			
Faith Formation - High School	Courtney Hudson			
Finance Council Chair	Leon Iveson			
Funeral Coordinator				
Greeters	Jessica Miller			
Grounds Manager	Alan Downs			
Hospitality / Funeral Receptions	Mary Flaherty			
Lectors Ministry	Ed McNamee			
Liturgy	Michelle Oliver			
Music Ministry	Cathy Schirmer			
New Members	Pat Lipinski			
Faith Formation - Parish Catechetical Lead	Ed McNamee			
Parish Life	Rita Engle			
Parish Outreach	Helen Yacobucci			
Pastoral Care	Mary Flaherty			
Pastoral Council Chair	Eric Chadwell			
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults	Cheryl Henig			
Sacramental Preparation - Baptism	Ed McNamee			
Sacramental Preparation - Confirmation	Jessie Miller			
Sacramental Preparation – 1st Sacraments	Michelle Haas			
Ushers	Ed Lipinski			
Webmaster	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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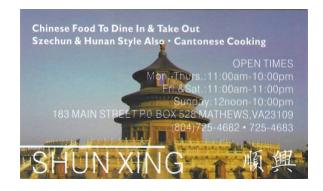
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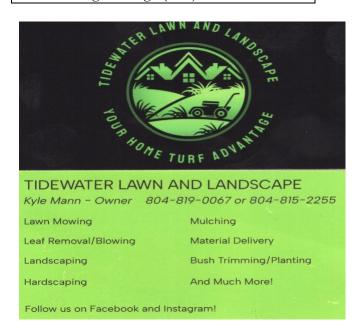


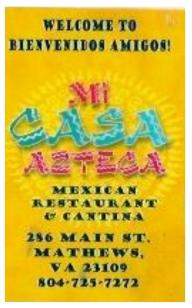


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