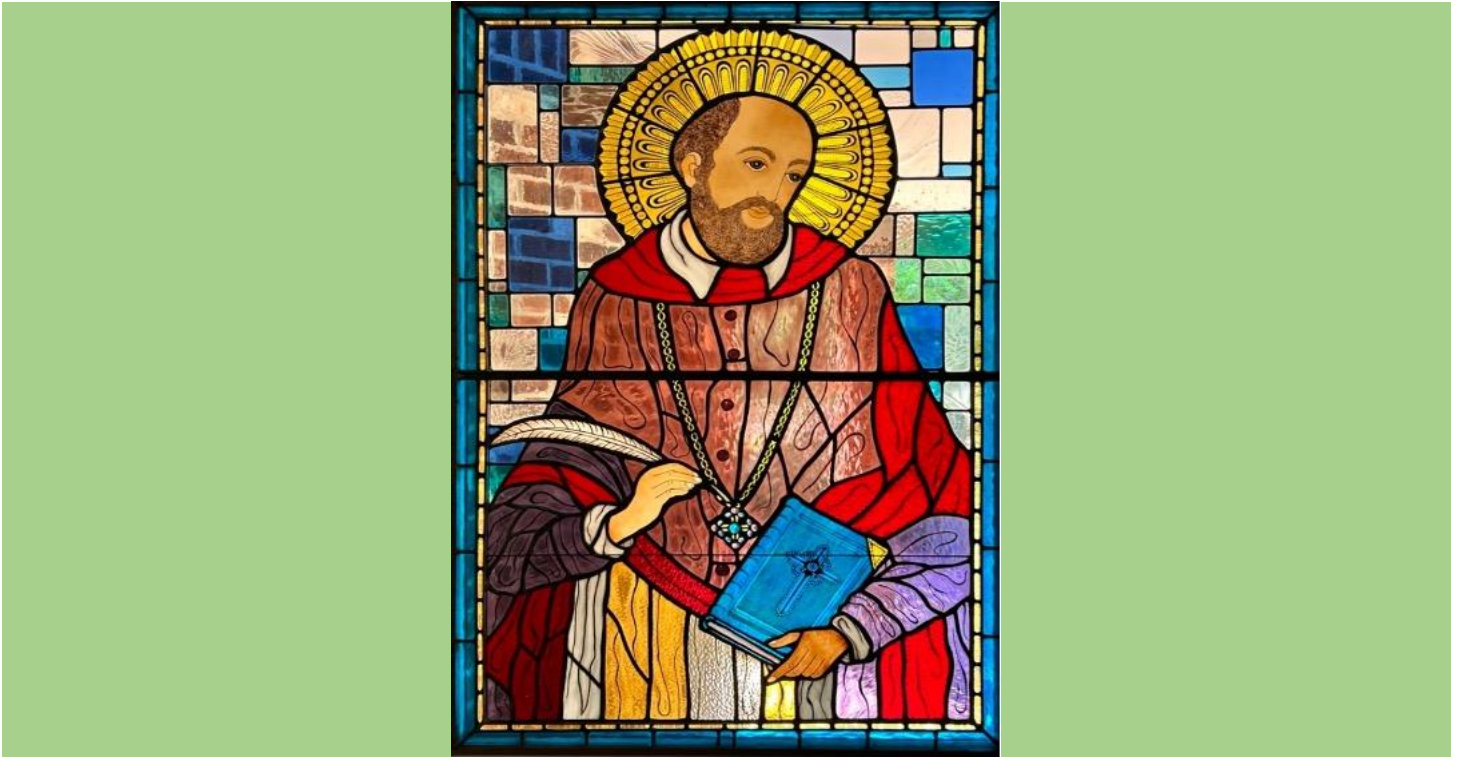


Church of Francis de Sales

176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

October 13, 2024

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11:

I deemed riches nothing in comparison to wisdom.

Responsorial Psalm 90:

“Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!”

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13:

The word of God discerns reflections and thoughts of the heart.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30:

Sell what you have, and follow me.

Greeter: P. Walsh

Ushers: J. Noonan / J. Walsh

Lectors: E. McNamee / P. Hyer

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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 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:

Jesus issues a difficult challenge to us today. In order to inherit life, we need to do more than just observe all the commandments. Much more. So much more that the potential disciple who asked Him what he must do to inherit life turned on his heel and walked away, crestfallen. Jesus then warns His disciples how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God. But just as His disciples feel like giving up, Jesus gives them – and us – some much-needed hope. May we embrace the wisdom that the first reading encourages us to seek and discover the hope we have in God.

This Week in the Liturgy of the Church

- TUES** **October 15** **9:00 a.m.** **Weekday Mass Tuesday of The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.**
- FRI** **October 18** **9:00 a.m.** **Weekday Mass Friday of The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

FdS Parish Offertory Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

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

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HELP WANTED: The Parish of Francis de Sales is looking for a person to take over the cleaning services here at the Parish Facilities. Candidate must have a Business License and Insurance. Please contact the office at: 804-725-2776.

Our Announcements

***There will be a second collection this Sunday, October 13th for the Diocesan Hurricane Relief Fund.
Any checks should be made out to: The Diocese of Richmond.***

Oktoberfest Tickets: It is that time of the year again! ***Oktoberfest tickets are available after Mass in the Commons area.*** Please note that tickets will not be sold at the door the day of the event.

If you are able to work this fundraiser on ***Saturday, October 19th***, please see Pat Lipinski.

Your support with this fundraiser is greatly appreciated!

WANTED - DESSERTS FOR THE OKTOBERFEST: As in the past, ***we will need desserts for the Oktoberfest.*** Parishioners have always been so generous with desserts for this fundraiser and we truly appreciate your support with this. Helen Yacobucci is in charge of the dessert table. Cookies, bars or any sweet that does not require too much cutting are the types of desserts needed.

Please bring your desserts to the church on Saturday, October 19 and leave them in the Commons.

There will be a table labeled "Desserts". We thank you in advance for your support with this.

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 ***Sunday, October 20th*** which will consist of coffee and tea only.

With Oktoberfest being held the day before and so many parishioners helping and baking and late night cleaning up and resetting the common area, this is the best option.

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!



9/20 - Early Voting Starts

10/15 - Last Day To Register to Vote

11/5 - Election Day



LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER		
Parishioners	Family	Friends
Jean Tanner	Dottie Long	Allen Robins
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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.

CAPT Andrew Bohn Operations Officer for Task Force Grant	Son of Jeff Bohn & Suanne Dittmeier	US Army	Washington, DC
CAPT Ryan Carey	Son of Jack & Ginny Carey	US Navy	Norfolk, VA
MSgt Cameron Farrell	Great-nephew of Elaine Lynch	US Air Force	Tyndall AFB, FL
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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.

PRAY FOR AN END TO ABORTION

Our Parish Ministry and Mission Leads (updated 10/6/24)

Pastor, Liturgy	Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah
Parish Administrator	Paul Flaherty
Parish Secretary	Mary Marshall
Altar Servers	Jon Oliver
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Environment	Pat Lipinski
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Faith Formation - Elementary	Michelle Haas
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Faith Formation - High School	Courtney Hudson
Finance Council Chair	Michael Henig
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Hospitality / Funeral Receptions	Norah Iverson / Pam McNamee
Lectors Ministry	Ed McNamee
Liturgy	Christine Varone / Mary Flaherty
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	Kathy DeForge
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
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**To get in touch with any of our ministry or mission leaders,
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