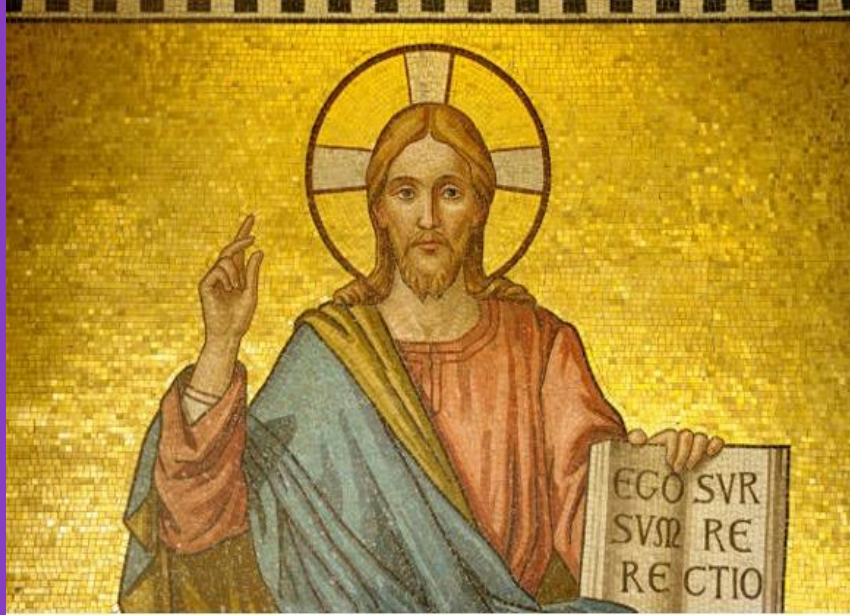


# Church of Francis de Sales

176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

November 24, 2024

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe



## *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

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### **Our Liturgy Schedule**

Sunday Mass: 11:00 a.m.

Daily Masses: Tuesdays and Fridays 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

Baptism: call the priest at least one month in advance.

Marriage: call the priest at least six months in advance.

Reconciliation on request.

*Anointing of the Sick at any time upon request.*

## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14:

The dominion of the Son of man is an everlasting dominion.

Responsorial Psalm 93:

“The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty.”

Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8:

The ruler of the kings of the earth has made us into a kingdom, priests for His God and Father.

Gospel: John 18:33b-37:

You say I am a king.

In today's first reading, we hear Daniel's vision of a Son of man receiving kingship from God over an eternal dominion. As Christians, we understand this prophecy to be fulfilled in Jesus, who often referred to Himself as the Son of Man. We also hear a vision from Revelation in which Jesus comes again in glory. The Gospel narrates the scene in which Jesus is questioned by Pilate about His kingship which he cannot understand. Let us listen to God's word, aware that Jesus came into the world to testify to the truth.

### **Serving This Week Sunday, November 24, 2024:**

Greeter: J. Miller

Ushers: C. Hall / E. Chadwell

Lectors: S. Sanderson / P. Sanderson

Eucharistic Ministers: C. Varone / J. Dawson / K. DeForge

Counters: H. Keitz / R. Engle

### **Serving Next Week Sunday, December 1, 2024:**

Greeter: K. Taylor

Ushers: E. Lipinski / L. Haas

Eucharistic Ministers: S. Haas / J. Dawson / C. Varone

Counters: H. Keitz / R. Engle

**This Week in the Liturgy of the Church**

<b>TUES</b>	<b>November 26</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Weekday Mass Tuesday of The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe.</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>November 29</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Weekday Mass Friday of The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe.</b>

<b>FdS Parish Offertory Income</b> Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 [Through the end of October 2024 – 4-month]				
<b>Month</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actuals</b>	<b>Actual Less Budget</b>	<b>Percent Actual / Budget</b>
October Totals	\$14,583	\$14,130	<b>(-\$453)</b>	<b>(-3.1%)</b>
Year To Date to 10/31/24	\$58,333	\$57,565	<b>(-\$768)</b>	<b>(-1.3%)</b>
<b><i>THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT.</i></b>  <b><i>LET US CONTINUE OUR MISSION AS A CATHOLIC PARISH TO LIVE, PREACH, AND TEACH THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST.</i></b>				

## Take a Bite out of Hunger

**Hands Across Mathews** needs our help. Since August, local donations and food purchased from the peninsula food bank have not been enough to keep food on our shelves. We have been buying food weekly. In addition, a few local churches and organizations have been hosting food drives. As we go into the Holiday Season let's challenge ourselves to help our neighbors keep food on their table.



### Needs:

- Canned Proteins (Tuna, Chicken, Ham etc.).
- Beans, Soups, Stews & Chili.
- Canned Vegetables & Fruit.
- Peanut Butter & Jelly.
- Boxed Meals, Rice, Pasta & Sauce.
- Cereals & Oatmeal

Please join us over the next few weeks and let's help restock the shelves. Extra bins will be placed at the back of the church for your donations. Thank you!

## Our Announcements

**Annual Thanksgiving Community Dinner:** Listed below are items needed from our church for the **Annual Thanksgiving Community Dinner** to be held at **Kingston Parish on Thanksgiving Day**. A sign-up sheet and more information will be available after Mass this coming Sunday, November 24th.

- 5 turkeys
- 5 boneless hams
- 5 dozen roll/cornbread
- 4 pound cakes
- 6 dozen brownies

**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 December 15, 2024.**

**The Church of Francis de Sales Social Outreach Committee** will continue to provide **Christmas Stockings or Shoe Boxes** for the seniors at the **Mathews County Senior Center** again this year. Please pick up an ornament tag (pink tags for the ladies and blue tags for the gentlemen) from the Angel Tree located in the back of the church. Fill the stocking or shoe box (wrap the gifts), attach the tag, and return the stocking or shoe box to the church no later than **Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**. We need to have them ready by December 18<sup>th</sup> for delivery to the seniors. A list of suggested items that you might want to include in the stockings will be by the **Angel Tree**. If possible, could you please provide a small gift card for food from Walmart, Food Lion or Dollar General in your gift box? Please help to make Christmas a little brighter for our seniors in Mathews County this year.

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**Please submit any announcements for the bulletin to the Parish Office no later than Tuesday at 4:00 p.m.**

**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!

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER		
Parishioners	Family	Friends
Jean Tanner	Dottie Long	Joy Long
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Gloria Bosley	Fred Moody	Kenneth Marshall
Matthew DeForge	James McLaughlin	Lourdes Parker
Grace Hall	Margaret McLaughlin	Tom Justis
Cathy Walker	Ruth Brown	Maureen Connolly
Rita Engle	Timothy Farrell	Norm Connolly
Paul Reardon	Maria Hurst	Francis McLoughlin
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	Kathryn Turner	Nikki Traynor
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	Margaret Mann	Page Respass
	Mike Haggerty	Kim Owens
	Philip Varone	Raylene Hall
		Tavey Callow
		Debbie Traynor
		Paul Bing
		Tom & Michele Teubert
		Ashley McBurney

**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
LT Patrick Sopko	Son of Suzanne & Ron Sopko	US Navy	Norfolk, VA
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 11/15/24)

<b>Pastor, 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>	Mary Flaherty
<b>Faith Formation - Adult</b>	Ed McNamee
<b>Faith Formation - Elementary</b>	Michelle Haas
<b>Faith Formation - High School</b>	Courtney Hudson
<b>Faith Formation - Parish Catechetical Lead</b>	Ed McNamee
<b>Finance Council Chair</b>	Michael Henig
<b>Funeral Coordinator</b>	
<b>Greeters</b>	Jessica Miller
<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Allen Downs
<b>Hospitality / Funeral Receptions</b>	Norah Iverson / Pam McNamee
<b>Lectors Ministry</b>	Ed McNamee
<b>Liturgy</b>	Christine Varone / Mary Flaherty
<b>Music Ministry</b>	Cathy Schirmer
<b>New Members</b>	Pat Lipinski
<b>Order of Christian Initiation of Adults</b>	Cheryl Henig
<b>Parish Life</b>	Rita Engle
<b>Parish Outreach</b>	Helen Yacobucci
<b>Pastoral Care</b>	Kathy DeForge
<b>Pastoral Council Chair</b>	Eric Chadwell
<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.

(Updated 8/13/24)



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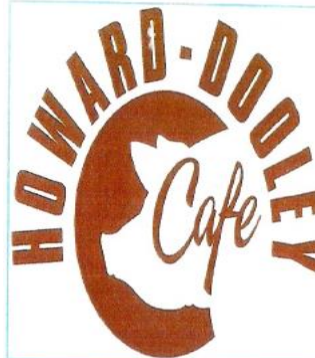
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