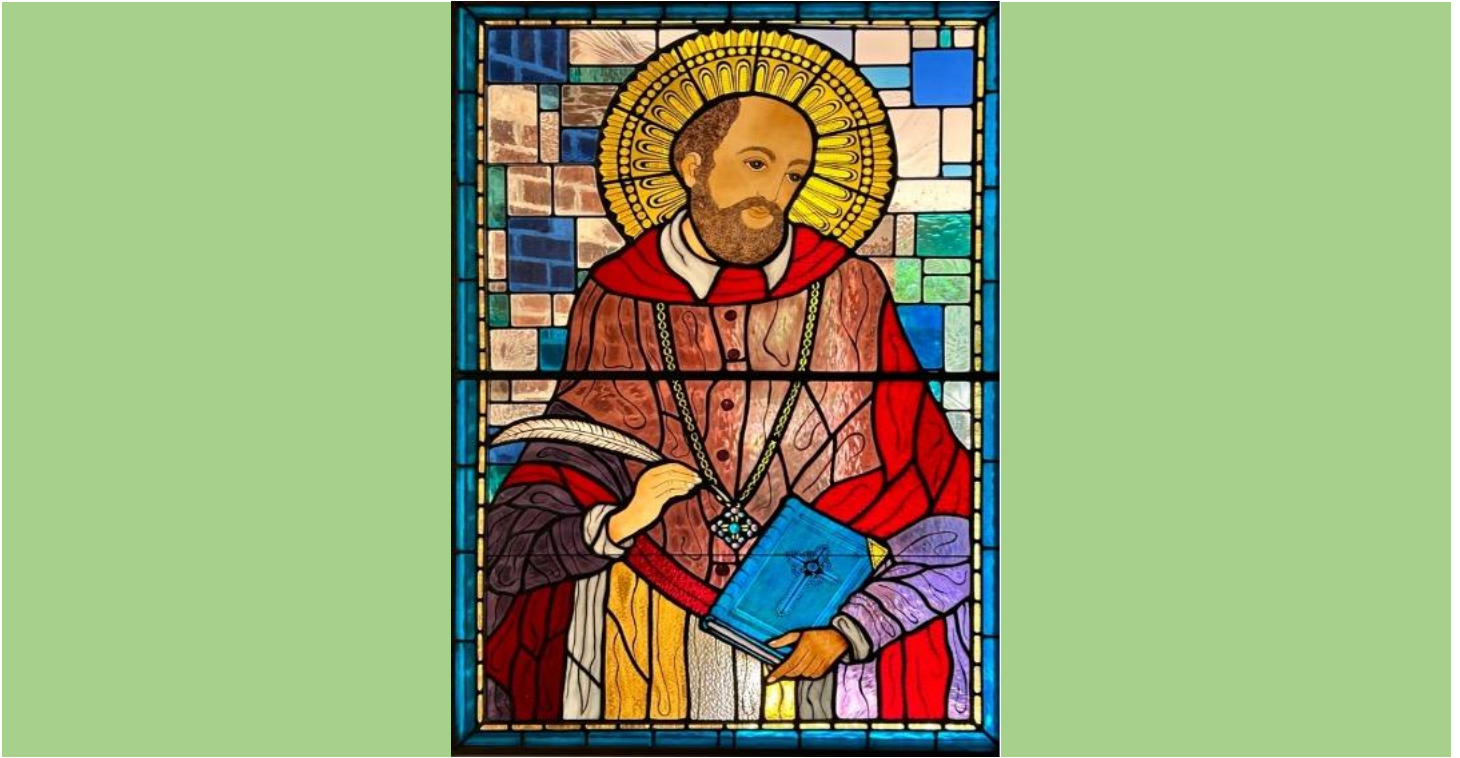


Church of Francis de Sales

176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

November 3, 2024

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6:

Hear, O Israel! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.

Responsorial Psalm 18:

“I love you, Lord, my strength.”

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28:

Because He remains forever, He has a priesthood that does not pass away.

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34:

Love the Lord your God. Love your neighbor.

Greeter: J. Miller

Ushers: R. Dobson / A. Downs

Lectors: C. Henig / M. Henig

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Flaherty / S. Haas / C. Schirmer

Counters: C. Hudson / C. Hudson

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Roman Catholic Church
176 Lovers Lane – Mathews, Virginia 23109

Pastor: Reverend Fr. Johnny Mintah Mensah
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Parish Administrator: Paul Flaherty

Parish Secretary: Mary Marshall

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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

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:

Having just given the people the ten commandments, Moses extols them as a blessing, a way to grow and prosper and eventually reach the promised land. There they can declare their love for the Lord, as we do in the responsorial psalm. After hearing Hebrews praise Jesus as a high priest who has been made perfect forever, we hear him reveal the greatest commandment, which directs our love on two paths, toward God and toward neighbor. Listening to God's word, let us note the wonderful consequences of taking God's commands to heart.



01 November All Saints' Day



The Solemnity of All Saints celebrates all those who are in Heaven, in the light of God's face - both those recognised by the Church as saints and those known only to the Lord. We ask for their intercession and we strive to follow their example, so that we too can fulfill our vocation to be saints.



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Friday November 1st is All Saints Day

which is a Holy Day of Obligation in the Catholic Church.

A Holy Day of Obligation is a day when the faithful are expected to attend Mass and refrain from engaging in any work or activity that would hinder the worship owed to God.

Mass will be offered this day at 9:00 AM at

The Church of The Visitation

And the Church of Francis de Sales at 6:30 PM

Saturday November 2nd is All Souls Day

On this day we remember our family and friends who have gone home to the Lord.

Fr Koo will offer Mass at 9:00 AM in the Cemetery at

The Church of the Visitation

Weather permitting or in the Church

This Week in the Liturgy of the Church

SAT	November 2		There will be <u>NO</u> 1 st Saturday Mass nor recitation of the Rosary on this date! (As always, we are encouraged to say our Rosary privately.)
TUES	November 5	9:00 a.m.	Weekday Mass Tuesday of The Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time.
FRI	November 8	9:00 a.m.	Weekday Mass Friday of The Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time.

FdS Parish Offertory Income				
Fiscal Year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025				
[thru the end of September 2024 – 3-month]				
Month	Budget	Actuals	Actual Less Budget	Percent Actual / Budget
September Totals	\$14,583	\$18,202	+\$3,619	+24.8%
Year To Date to 09/30/24	\$43,750	\$43,436	(-\$314)	(-0.7%)
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.				

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

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, November 17th.

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
Sharon Simmons	Rita Guarino	William Scott Smith
Alice Mercer	Patsy Lynch	Nan Seals
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
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	Elizabeth Scott	Page Respass
	Margaret Mann	Kim Owens
	Mike Haggerty	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 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
Bulletin	Elaine Lynch
Bulletin Advertisements	Paul Reardon
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Counters Chair	Christine Dehnert-Fernald
Environment	Pat Lipinski
Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Mary Flaherty
Faith Formation - Elementary	Michelle Haas
Faith Formation - Adult	Ed McNamee
Faith Formation - High School	Courtney Hudson
Finance Council Chair	Michael Henig
Funeral Coordinator	
Greeters	Jessica Miller
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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
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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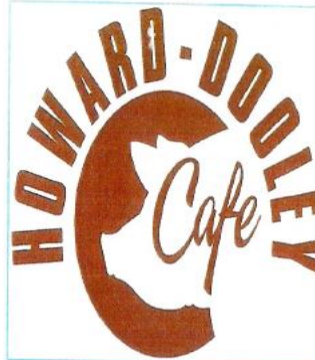
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