

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community



Gem of the Catskills

Parish Established 1902

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MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am & 10:30 am
Daily: 8:00 am (Monday – Thursday)
Holy Day of Obligation:
Eve: 5:00 pm
Holy Day: 8:00 am & 7:00 pm

Rev. Raphael Iannone, O.F.M., Cap, Priest in Attendance
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HOLY SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment. Prior instruction required.

Sacrament of Matrimony

By appointment 6 months before wedding

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm
or by appointment

Anointing of the Sick and Communion to the Homebound

Call the rectory to make arrangements

PARISH COUNCIL

Meets at the rectory the second Tuesday of every other month at
7:00 pm unless noted otherwise in the bulletin.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Pres.: Pat Ruane: 688-5357 • Sec.: Arthur Peterson 607-326-4019
• Fr. Raphael Iannone, O.F.M., Cap.: 688-5617
Pam Hammond • Mike Ruane • Gene Gormley

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Catechetical Formation for adults and young people and their
families meets each month. Schedule posted in bulletin.

PARISH COMMITTEE LEADERS

Bldg & Grounds: Gene Gormley... 688-2249
Cemetery Mgr: Mark Wilsey..... 688-5500
Communications: Pam Hammond..... 688-2642
Director of Music: Dennis Yerry... 657-2714
Emerg. Relief Committee: Ed Ullmann.. 688-5874
Youth Faith Formation, Gerri Nilsen..... 687-9769
Finance: Mike Ruane..... 688-5357
Fund Raising: Faye Storm..... 532-4601
Liturgy: Contact Father Raphael..... 688-5617
Parish Hall: Jerry Bender..... 688-5132
Social and Outreach: Bill Colagrande... 688-2013

OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE SODALITY

Meets the first Sunday of the month after the 10:30 am Mass.

President: Judy Pavone, 688-9912

Vice-President: Nancy Zorn - Secretary: Harriet Rauchut

Treasurer: Lois Giambone

Our Parish

In 1902, Archbishop Michael A. Corrigan entrusted the care of the newly formed parish of St. Francis de Sales to the Missionary Fathers of La Salette. The first pastor, Rev. M. Julien Ginet, M.S., was architect and builder of the Phoenicia church dedicated Sunday, August 21, 1904. The Missionary Fathers of La Salette returned pastoral care of St. Francis de Sales Parish to the Archdiocese of New York in 2003.

Across from the church is a shrine and grotto dedicated to Our Lady of La Salette. A winding path near the grotto leads to an adjacent Meditation Garden where visitors can enjoy quiet reflection.

BULLETIN EDITORS

Cheryl Bender ❖ Judy Pavone
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January 4, 2015

The Epiphany of the Lord

"We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

Matthew 2:1-12

Mass Intentions

Week of January 3rd – January 8th

Sat	1/03	5:00p	†Donald & Dorothy Gardner by Jerry & Cheryl Bender
Sun	1/04	9:00a	Open Intention
Sun	1/04	10:30a	Open Intention
Mon	1/05	8:00a	Open Intention
Tue	1/06	8:00a	Open Intention
Wed	1/07	8:00a	Open Intention
Thur	1/08	9:00a	Open Intention

Week of January 10th-January 11th

Sat	1/10	5:00p	Open Intention
Sun	1/11	9:00a	†Gerard Morrongiello 45 th anniversary by daughter, Mary
Sun	1/11	10:30a	Open Intention

Weekend Lectors

Sat	1/03	5:00pm	Jane Wolfrom
Sun	1/04	9:00am	Marge Tiso
Sun	1/04	10:30am	Linda A. Brandt



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	1/03	5:00pm	Zorn, Paultre, Bender
Sun	1/04	9:00am	Nilsen, DiCiervo, Peterson
Sun	1/04	10:30am	Rauchut, Ullman, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

Frank Rauchut	Ron Pawlowski
Ed Zorn	Andy Nappy
Jerry Baltz	John Sansone

Readings for the Week of January 5, 2015

Monday: 1 John 3:22-4:6; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 John 4:19-5:4; Luke 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16

December 21& 28, 2014 collection amounts
will be announced next week

The second collection this week is the monthly Collection
2nd collection next week will be for Communications
& the Catholic University of America

Thank You for your Generosity

Scripture Reflection

"They fell down and worshiped Jesus"

The Lord of the universe who revealed the star of Bethlehem to the Gentiles of the East so they could come and worship Jesus, gives each one of us the same light of revelation to recognize and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Faith is an entirely free gift that God makes to us. It is through the help of the Holy Spirit, who moves the heart and opens the eyes of the mind that we are able to understand, accept, and believe the truth which God has revealed to us through his Son, Jesus Christ. In faith, the human will and intellect cooperate with grace.

To know and to encounter Jesus Christ is to know God personally. In the encounter of the wise men with Jesus we see the plan of God to give his only Son as King and Savior, not just for the Jewish people but for all the nations as well. The Lord Jesus came that both Jew and Gentile might find true and lasting peace with God. Let us pray today that Jew and Gentile alike will find the Lord and Savior on their journey of life. Do you bring the light of Jesus Christ to those you meet through the witness of your life and testimony?

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, January 5th following the **8:00 am Mass**. We pray the **5th** day of the Novena. "Our Lady of La Salette, Reconciler of Sinners, pray without ceasing for us, who have recourse to you."

Second Collection: The second collection this week is the Monthly Collection. Thank you.

Children's Faith Formation: The January classes are January 4th, 11th & 18th after the 9 am Mass in the Parish Hall.

Please pray for our students & their families. For further information, call Coordinator, Gerri Nilsen at 687-9769.



MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish to have a Mass celebrated for a special request, on behalf of a family member or friend, for healing or for a deceased loved one, please call Fr. Raphael at 688-5617 or see him after Mass.



Intention Book is located on the podium in the rear of the church (near Tree of Life wall display) is an "Intention Book" for your personal prayer requests. Your special Prayer Intentions will be remembered at our Masses.

Our Parish is in Need of Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers at our weekend Masses. Please contact Cheryl Bender 688-5132, if you feel you may have a calling to serve in either of these capacities. Training is available. Please pray for parishioners to serve our parish for His glory.

Giving Tree Project: A heartfelt thank you from the Liturgy Committee to all for your generosity in our Giving Tree Project this Christmas. A total of 100 gifts were distributed throughout our surrounding area to help make this Holy Season brighter for many families. A special thank you to: Mark & Mary Wilsey for cutting down our initial Jesse Tree and "planting" it in our sanctuary; Terri Dolzier & Pam Hammond for



listing and making the labels for the tree; all of our generous gift donors (we could not have done any of this without you!); to the many who helped carry the gifts to the parish hall for distribution; and last but not least the "10" special

angels who spent hours of their time and energy collating, tagging, wrapping together, moving and delivering the gifts to their destination. God's blessings to all who contributed in any way to this worthwhile project.

Youth Formation Christmas Celebration: Last weekend, the youth in faith formation, their families and teachers enjoyed a Christmas celebration in the parish hall. The children received Christmas gifts from the parish and toys from the Colonial Car Club of Kingston. They also made Christmas decorations to bring home. Everyone enjoyed pizza made possible by a couple from the parish. Everyone had a great time! (See pictures below)



Special Occasions & Celebrations

January Celebrations: May God bless all our parishioners who have special birthdays, anniversaries and celebrations this month!



“Happy Birthday” to Judy Pavone, January 20. May our Lord bless you with a day filled with an abundance of love, gratitude and hope. May that abundance continue throughout the coming year.

Share your good news with the parish: drop info in the collection basket, email sfdchurch@hvc.rr.com or call Judy at 688-9912.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

January 4 (1774-1821)

Today marks the Feast Day of the first American born saint to be canonized by the Church. A convert to Catholicism, Seton became the foundress and first superior of the Sisters of Charity in the United States. She also opened the first American parish school and established the first American Catholic orphanage.

Source: Catholic Online.



Living Peacefully



Filled with the Holy Spirit, St. Francis was constantly joyful. Because of this, his words touched people’s hearts. Living peacefully requires that we recognize outright lies and seductive half-truths that we encounter. What we watch on TV and other forms of entertainment, or how we use social media can build up or tear down peace.

Source: AmericanCatholic.org

The Epiphany of the Lord

The Epiphany of Our Lord is the Christian feast observed on January 6th. The word “epiphany” comes from the Greek *epiphainen*, a verb that means “to shine upon,” “to manifest,” or “to make known.” Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11). The visit of the Magi is emphasized on Epiphany Day, and Christ’s baptism is celebrated the first Sunday that follows. *Source: The Catholic News Agency*



This January, add to the excitement of attending the March for Life by joining the 21st annual National Memorial for the Preborn and their Mothers and Fathers. On Thursday, January 22, 2015 from 8:30-10:30 a.m., this service will take place in Constitution Hall at 1776 D Street NW (18th and D St.), in Washington, D.C. Doors will open at 7 and Mass will be celebrated at 7:30. The event is free, no tickets are required, and large groups are welcome. Come and be part of this prophetic witness against the scourge of abortion and for God's glorious gift of life. See more info online at www.NationalPrayerService.com



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Laureen Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Jim Barden, Sheila Madera-Brown, Baby Liam Casey, Mary Cheshire, Ben Cole, Cathy Connell, Catherine Csurics, Ed Dannen, Lillian DiPasqua, Betty Djerf, Robyn Daugherty, Iris D’Agostino, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Rose Fudge, Rolland Gerdes, Dorothy Gorman, Chris Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Chuck Heinz, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Fr. Raphael Iannone, Jimmy Kinns, Mary McCloskey, Josie McIsaac, Jim Marsten, Helen Morelli, Diana Munch, Gerry Nilsen, Judy Pavone, Karlee Pavone, Florence Palmer, Sylvia Persons, Franca Ravetier, John Rossett, John Rowe, Catherine Ryan, Michael Ryder, Pat Ryder, Zoila Santa, Martha Santicola, Bert Shafer, Dorothy Sylak, Sue Tiso, Fr. Phil Tran, Angie Valentino, Stephanie Vesely, Bob Walsh, Ellen Watson, Catherine Whitelaw.
Pray for our men and women in military service throughout the world.

We’re always eager to hear that someone is doing better and that our prayers are being answered. Please call Father to add or remove someone’s name and to help keep our list current, call 6 88-5617.

*“Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will
toward men.” Luke 2:14*

PARISH CALENDAR

Dec 31	Wed	New Year's "Eve" Masses at 8 am and 5 pm
Jan 1	Thur	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, Mass at 9 am
Jan 4	Sun	Youth Faith Formation Class in the Parish Hall following 9:00 am Mass
Jan 11	Sun	Youth Faith Formation Class in the Parish Hall following 9:00 am Mass



PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR



Grant me the strength from day to day, to bear what burdens come my way. Grant me throughout this bright New Year, more to endure and less to fear. Help me live that I may be, from spite and petty malice free.

Let me not bitterly complain, when cherished hopes of mine prove vain, or spoil with deeds of hate and rage, some fair tomorrow's spotless page. Lord, as the days shall come and go, in courage let me stronger grow.

Lord, as the New Year dawns today, help me to put my faults away. Let me be big in little things; grant me the joy which friendship brings. Keep me from selfishness and spite; let me be wise in what is right. **Amen**— *Anonymous*

SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS

<p>No eye has seen, nor ear heard, what God has prepared for those who love Him. (1 Cor. 2:9) -- The children of Ellie & Larry Monachelli</p>	<p>Thank God for the blessings He has bestowed on our parish and may we continue to grow in faith and love. – The Gormley Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Barbara Caton. By son, William</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of my dear husband, Tony, and beloved son, Anthony – Angie Valentino & Family</p>
<p>Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with us. The Morelli Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory, Virginia Fleming and John E. Fleming, Jr. By Veronica Rowe and Jack Fleming</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of our Beloved Son and Brother Frank by Frank & Harriet Rauchut, John, Veronica & Joseph</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of my beloved husband, Romeo, and son, Joseph by Honey</p>
<p>In Loving Memory... James P. Hefferan and daughter Maureen Hefferan Swezey, by Iris & the D'Agostino Family.</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Lawrence Monachelli and Eleanor Monachelli. - Mike & Eileen O'Connor</p>	<p>Space Available</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Vic Cammardella by Helen & Family <i>"The measure of love is to love without measure."</i> - St. Francis de Sales</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of our Parents, Marian & Howard and Grandparents, Callaghan and Umhey and all our Loved Ones. - The Howard Umhey Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of my beloved wife, Josie, our parents, and our siblings. – Dick Morra</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of our beloved parents, John & Frances Rauchut, Alfred & Veronica Grace and our deceased brothers a sisters.</p>	<p>“Oh Lord, how magnificent are the works of your hands!” <i>In Loving Memory of my wonderful Mom</i></p>
<p>Space Available</p>	<p>In Memory of the Missionary Fathers of La Salette</p>	<p>Prayer to the Miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague. The Wallace Family</p>	<p>Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous...do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go. (Josh.1:9) – Sue Tiso</p>

Spaces are available for Spiritual Bouquets, contact Harriet 688-5013. (\$75.00 per year)