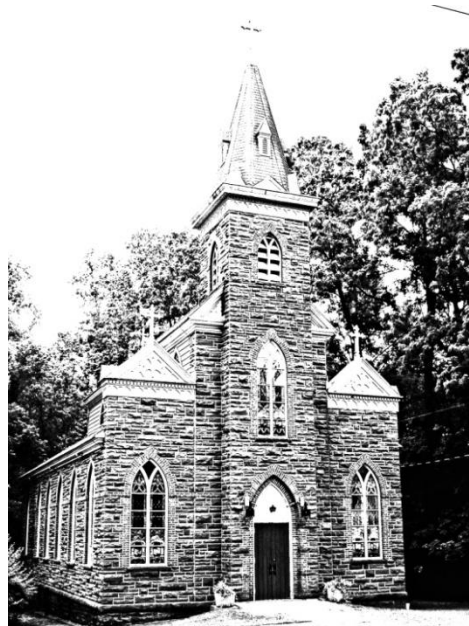


St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community



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
rjiannone@juno.com

Rev. George W. Hommel, Parish Administrator
gwhommel@hvc.rr.com 845-679-7696

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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February 15, 2015

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"A great prophet has arisen in our midst, God has visited his people."
- Mark 1:40-45*

Mass Intentions

Week of February 14th – February 19th			
Sat	2/14	5:00p	†Gerard & Elizabeth Morrongiello Michael & Jane Iannone by children
Sun	2/15	9:00a	Open Intention
Sun	2/15	10:30a	Open Intention
Mon	2/16	8:00a	Open Intention
Tue	2/17	8:00a	Open Intention
Wed	2/18	8:00a	Open Intention
Wed	2/18	7:00p	Open Intention
Thur	2/19	8:00a	Open Intention
Week of February 21st-February 22nd			
Sat	2/21	5:00p	†David Brought by Mike & Bonnie Quick
Sun	2/22	9:00a	†Josef Klug by Joseph Klug
Sun	2/22	10:30a	†Frank Rauchut, Jr. by Mom & Dad

Weekend Lectors

Sat	2/14	5:00pm	Heather Marsten
Sun	2/15	9:00am	Linda A. Brandt
Sun	2/15	10:30am	Elizabeth Quinn/Laurie Brown



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	2/14	5:00pm	Bender, Zorn, DeMaria
Sun	2/15	9:00am	Nilsen, Ryder, McWhinnie
Sun	2/15	10:30am	Rauchut, Ullmann, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of February 16, 2015

Monday: Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday: Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday: Joel 2:12-18; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25
Friday: Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15

Regular Collection February 8, 2015: \$1,437.00

The second collection this week is for Peter's Pence and the Fuel Collection

Thank You for your Generosity

Scripture Reflection

The Lord Jesus can make me clean

This leper did something quite remarkable. He approached Jesus confidently and humbly, expecting that Jesus could and would heal him. Normally a leper would be stoned or at least warded off if he tried to come near a rabbi. Jesus not only grants the man his request, but he demonstrates the personal love, compassion, and tenderness of God in his physical touch. The medical knowledge of his day would have regarded such contact as grave risk for incurring infection. Jesus met the man's misery with compassion and tender kindness. He communicated the love and mercy of God in a sign that spoke more eloquently than words. He touched the man and made him clean - not only physically but spiritually as well.

How do you approach those who are difficult to love, or who are shunned by others because they are deformed or have some defect? Do you show them kindness and offer them mercy and help as Jesus did? The Lord is always ready to show us his mercy and to free us from whatever makes us unclean, unapproachable, or unloving towards others.

Lord Jesus, inflame my heart with your love and make me clean and whole in body, mind, and spirit. May I never doubt your love nor cease to tell others of your mercy and compassion."

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, February 16th following the **8:00 am Mass**. We pray the **2nd** 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 for Peter's Pence and the Fuel Collection. Thank you.

Children's Faith Formation: The February classes are **February 15th** and the **22nd** 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.



Ash Wednesday, February 18: There will be distribution of ashes after the homily at the **8 am and 7 pm Masses**. If unable to attend either service but would like to receive ashes, please call **Fr. Raphael at 688-5617** to get your ashes at the rectory.

Ash Wednesday, February 18 is a day, which offers us valuable opportunities to set a tone for the season of Lent and to reach out to people, some of whom are not often found in our churches. Aware of the considerable interest of faithful in receiving ashes at the beginning of Lent, every effort must be made through the reading of scripture and the offering of prayer to catechize our people on the penitential character of Lent and the value of their Lenten practice.

Fasting requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59.

Abstinence prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

Stations of the Cross: will be held at **7 pm** and every **Friday** evenings throughout Lent. Please join the parish community during this Holy season.



Reminder: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence! All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

Preparing for Lent, Wednesday, February 18 Ash Wednesday. The word "Lent" is an old English word which means "springtime." May this Lent really be a new springtime in the lives of each of us. Through prayer, through fasting from food accompanied by forgiving others and not bearing grudges, and through donating from our surplus to help the poor, may we like Jesus in the desert for forty days overcome temptation and thus be well prepared to celebrate Easter. *Source: Frtommylane.com*

Adult Faith Formation: Our parish has an active and lively adult faith formation class that usually meets on the 4th Sunday of each month.

The Visitation: On **Sunday, February 22**, we will be reflecting on the visitation of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth. St. Luke's Gospel portrays the young Mary making a trip of about 90 miles from Nazareth to a little town near Jerusalem where Elizabeth and her husband Zachary are awaiting the birth of their only child. We will travel with Mary in spirit, with joy and anticipation and look at the dialogue between Mary and her cousin. We will also reflect on Mary's prayer, the Magnificat, and see how it was steeped in Old Testament expectation.

The group meets in the dining room of the rectory after the **9:00 am Mass** on Sunday mornings. Coffee and Danish, muffins, etc. are available as well. Please consider joining us! Everyone is welcome!

Red Cross Shelter Fundamentals Training: **Saturday February 28th, 10am-1pm Parish Hall, St Francis de Sales Church, 109 Main St, Phoenicia, NY.** This 3 hour course will provide you with the necessary training to open, set up, operate, and close a Red Cross shelter during a disaster when community collaboration is essential. This is a wonderful way to give back to our community. Become part of a team of caring volunteers who will provide a safe and secure environment for affected individuals during natural disasters, which have become more and more frequent as the climate continues to change. The training is **free** and open to the public. A minimum of 8 registrants is required or the training will be cancelled. RSVP is required. Register by email to volunteer@ulstercorps.org, by calling 845-481-0331 or online at <http://www.ulstercorps.org/events/red-cross-shelter-fundamentals-training>

MASS INTENTIONS: The Mass **Intention Book**



for 2015 is now accepting intentions. If you would like to have a Mass offered on a specific day and time, please contact Fr. Raphael by phone at 688-5617 or an office

visit. Thank you.

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.

St. Collette: The 8th annual Mass and a blessing with the relic of Saint Colette, patroness of couples seeking to conceive, expecting mothers and sick children, will be held on her feast day, Friday, March 6th 7 PM at the Monastery of Saint Clare, 70 Nelson Ave, in Wappingers Falls, NY. The Poor Clares are accepting special intentions for these favors. For directions to the Monastery of St. Clare call 845-297-1685 or visit www.poorclaresny.com, email claresny@gmail.com.

Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



"Happy Birthday" to Helen Morelli: February 9. May the coming year be full of new discoveries of God's love & goodness! Happy Birthday!

"Congratulations" to parishioner Joseph F. Klug for having been selected by Ulster Savings Bank in Phoenicia artist of the month for February 2015. Joseph's Landscape Photography Photos will be on display during normal business hours in the lobby until the end of February. All are invited.

Christenings: The Christian Community of St. Francis de Sales welcomes Aillin Lovera and her sister Charlynn Lovera who were baptized last Saturday, January 31, 2015.

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

Archdiocesan Stewardship: The Archdiocese of New York takes the stewardship of your donations seriously. If you have knowledge of or reason to suspect

misconduct, please report your concerns via a toll free hotline, at 877-820-0541, or on the internet at www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY. Both are available 24 hours per day.

Created by God



As members of a Church that promotes a culture of life, we are called to celebrate the lives of those who may not look like us or act like us. Learn to see each person, regardless of his or her challenges, as a human being specially created by God.

"Each of us has a vision of good and of evil. We have to encourage people to move towards what they think is good... Everyone has his own idea of good and evil and must choose to follow the good and fight evil as he conceives them. That would be enough to make the world a better place." Pope Francis



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, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Chuck Heinz, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Fr. Raphael Iannone, Jimmy Kinns, Mary McCloskey, Josie McIsaac, Helen Morelli, Diana Munch, Gerry Nilsen, Judy Pavone, Karlee Pavone, Florence Palmer, Sylvia Persons, Franca Ravetier, John Rossett, Jon Rowe, Catherine Ryan, Michael 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 688-5617.

PARISH CALENDAR

Feb 15	Sun	Youth Faith Formation Class in the Parish Hall following 9:00 am Mass
Feb 18	Wed	Ash Wednesday Observance at 8 am and 7 pm Masses. See bulletin for details
Feb 22	Sun	Adult Faith Formation in Dining Room of the Rectory after 9 am Mass

LENT

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SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS

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	Thank God for the blessings He has bestowed on our parish and may we continue to grow in faith and love. – The Gormley Family 	In Loving Memory of Barbara Caton. By son, William 	In Loving Memory of my dear husband, Tony, and beloved son, Anthony – Angie Valentino & Family
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with us. The Morelli Family	In Loving Memory, Virginia Fleming and John E. Fleming, Jr. By Veronica Rowe and Jack Fleming 	In Loving Memory of our Beloved Son and Brother Frank by Frank & Harriet Rauchut, John, Veronica & Joseph 	In Loving Memory of my beloved husband, Romeo, and son, Joseph by Honey
In Loving Memory... James P. Hefferan and daughter Maureen Hefferan Swezey, by Iris & the D'Agostino Family. 	In Loving Memory of Lawrence Monachelli and Eleanor Monachelli. - Mike & Eileen O'Connor 	Space Available	In Loving Memory of Vic Cammardella by Helen & Family <i>"The measure of love is to love without measure."</i> - St. Francis de Sales
In Loving Memory of our Parents, Marian & Howard and Grandparents, Callaghan and Umhey and all our Loved Ones. - The Howard Umhey Family	In Loving Memory of my beloved wife, Josie, our parents, and our siblings. – Dick Morra 	In Loving Memory of our beloved parents, John & Frances Rauchut, Alfred & Veronica Grace and our deceased brothers and sisters. 	"Oh Lord, how magnificent are the works of your hands!" <i>In Loving Memory of my wonderful Mom</i>
Space Available	In Memory of the Missionary Fathers of La Salette 	Prayer to the Miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague. The Wallace Family 	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

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