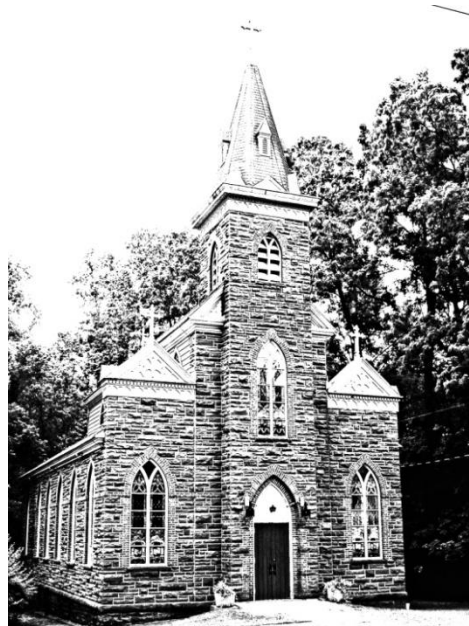


St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community



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

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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

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February 22, 2015

First Sunday of Lent

“One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.” - Mark 1:12-15

Mass Intentions

Week of February 21st – February 26th				
Sat	2/21	5:00p	†David Brought req. Mike & Bonnie Quick	
Sun	2/22	9:00a	†Josef Klug req. Joseph F. Klug	
Sun	2/22	10:30a	†Frank Rauchut, Jr. req. Mom & Dad	
Mon	2/23	8:00a	†Dona O’Rourke req. Mark & Mary Wilsey	
Tue	2/24	8:00a	†Harold Wilsey req. Mark & Mary Wilsey	
Wed	2/25	8:00a	Open Intention	
Thur	2/26	8:00a	Open Intention	
Week of February 28th-March 1st				
Sat	2/28	5:00p	†Jim Marsten req. Ed & Nancy Zorn	
Sun	3/1	9:00a	Open Intention	
Sun	3/1	10:30a	†William Ryan req. Finola & Family	

Weekend Lectors

Sat	2/21	5:00pm	Pat/Mike Ruane
Sun	2/22	9:00am	Art Peterson
Sun	2/22	10:30am	Lorenza Vesely/Jim Barden



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	2/21	5:00pm	Bender, Zorn, DeMaria
Sun	2/22	9:00am	Nilsen, Ryder, Brandt
Sun	2/22	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 23, 2015

Monday: Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Matthew 25:31-46
Tuesday: Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 11:29-32
Thursday: Esther C: 12, 14-16, 23-25; Matthew 7:7-12
Friday: Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26

Regular Collection February 15, 2015: \$1,182.00

Peter’s Pence: \$335.00

The second collection next week is the Monthly Collection

Thank You for your Generosity

Scripture Reflection

Jesus fasted for 40 days and was tempted

What is the significance of Jesus spending 40 days and nights of solitude, prayer and fasting in the Judean wilderness? In the Old Testament 40 days was often seen as a significant period of testing and preparation for entering into a covenant relationship with God.

Jesus was no exception to this testing. Satan, in turn, did his best to entice Jesus to choose his own will over the will of his Father. Despite his weakened condition, due to fatigue and lack of food for 40 days, Jesus steadfastly rejected Satan’s subtle and not so subtle temptations.

Where did Jesus find his strength to survive the desert’s harsh conditions and the tempter’s seduction? He fed on his Father’s word and found strength in doing his will. Satan will surely tempt us and will try his best to get us to choose our will over God’s will. If he can’t make us renounce our faith or sin mortally, he will then try to get us to make choices that will lead us, little by little, away from what God wants for us.

“Lord Jesus, your word is life and joy for me. Fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may have the strength and courage to embrace your will in all things and to renounce whatever is contrary to it.”

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, February 23rd following the **8:00 am Mass**. We pray the **3rd** 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 next week is the Monthly Collection. Thank you.

Children's Faith Formation:

The remaining February class is **February 22ndnd** after the **9 am Mass** in the Parish Hall. March classes will begin **March 8th**. There will be no class March 1st.

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



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**...reflection 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!

Stations of the Cross: will be held at **7 pm** and



every **Friday** evening throughout Lent. Please join the parish community during this Holy season beginning **Feb 20th**.

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

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>

Announcement from the Archdiocese of New York:

"Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact. Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George J. Cappola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure."

"Cualquier persona que necesite reporter algún incidente de abuso sexual de un menor por un sacerdote, diacono, religioso/a, o laico sirviendo en la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, se le pide que por favor contacte Hermana Eileen Clifford, O.P. al 212-371-1000 extensión 2949 o Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Ambos también pueden ser contactados vía correo electrónico: victimassistance@archny.org. Para más información pueden visitar la página en la red del la Arquidiócesis: www.archny.org. De acuerdo con las normas de la Arquidiócesis respecto al abuso sexual de menores, esta información se provee para asegurar que nuestro niños permanezcan seguros."

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.



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.

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!
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. 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 Wappinger’s Falls, NY. The Poor Clare’s 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.

The Chair of St. Peter-February 22



This feast commemorates Christ’s choosing Peter to sit in his place as the servant-authority of the whole Church

After the “lost weekend” of pain, doubt and self-torment, Peter hears the Good News. Angels at the tomb say to Magdalene, “The Lord has risen! Go, tell his disciples and Peter.” John relates that when he and Peter ran to the tomb, the younger outraced the older, then waited for him. Peter entered, saw the wrappings on the ground, the headpiece rolled up in a place by itself. John saw and believed. But he adds a reminder: “They did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead” (John 20:9). They went home. There the slowly exploding, impossible idea became reality. Jesus appeared to them as they waited fearfully behind locked doors. “Peace be with you,” he said (John 20:21b), and they rejoiced.

The Pentecost event completed Peter’s experience of the risen Christ. “They were all filled with the holy Spirit” (Acts 2:4a) and began to express themselves in foreign tongues and make bold proclamation as the Spirit prompted them.

Only then can Peter fulfill the task Jesus had given him: “Once you have turned back, you must strengthen your brothers” (Luke 22:32).

Call to Prayer: Giving something up for Lent is only one part of a larger call to engage our faith more fully and more devoutly during the 40 days of Lent: that call is a call to prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Or, to put it another way, to lift up, to give up, and to take up.



2015 Lenten Reflections: For the Lenten season, St. Francis de Sales Parish has distributed booklets, “Let Jesus Lead the Way: Daily Reflections, Practices & Prayers.” Parishioners are invited to read the booklet daily and to take time to meditate on the readings and reflections.



The Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter was instituted from very early times. Saint Leo says we should celebrate the Chair of Saint Peter with no less joy than the day of his martyrdom, for as in the latter he was exalted to a throne of glory in heaven, by the former he was installed Head of the Church on earth.



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 20	Fri	Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm
Feb 22	Sun	Adult Faith Formation in Dining Room of the Rectory after 9 am Mass
Feb 28	Sat	Red Cross 'Shelter' Training: 10-1 pm at Parish Hall. Registration required.



In his Lenten message for 2015, Pope Francis asks us to "make our hearts firm" (Jas 5:8) and to be "merciful, attentive and generous." Embrace his call to mercy by reaching out to those in need. Be attentive to the Lenten call to prayer; be generous with your time and treasure.

"Through prayer, charity and humility before God, people receive a heart "which is firm and merciful, attentive and generous, a heart which is not closed, indifferent or prey to the globalization of indifference," Pope Francis says in his Lenten message. *Source: <http://www.usccb.org> (United states Conference of Catholic Bishops)*

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)