

# 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**

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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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# March 1, 2015

## Second Sunday of Lent

*"From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
This is my beloved Son, listen to him." - Mark 9:2-10*

### Mass Intentions

<b>Week of February 28th – March 5th</b>			
Sat	2/28	5:00p	†Jim Marsten req. Ed & Nancy Zorn
Sun	3/1	9:00a	†Diane Sieber req. Peggy Eyberg
Sun	3/1	10:30a	†William Ryan req. Finola & Family
Mon	3/2	8:00a	†Palma Ferrara req. Angie Valentino
Tue	3/3	8:00a	†Tony Valentino req. Angie Valentino
Wed	3/4	8:00a	†Anthony Valentino req. Angie Valentino
Thur	3/5	8:00a	†Lucy Ferraro req. Angie Valentino
<b>Week of March 7th-March 8th</b>			
Sat	3/7	5:00p	†Ralph Persons req. by Family
Sun	3/8	9:00a	†Frank DeMarco req. Angie Valentino
Sun	3/8	10:30a	†Anne Sherry Shorr req. Anthony & Madeline DiCiervo

#### Weekend Lectors

Sat	2/28	5:00pm	Jean Druffner
Sun	3/1	9:00am	Art Peterson
Sun	3/1	10:30am	Heather Marsten



#### Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	2/28	5:00pm	Bender, Zorn, DeMaria
Sun	3/1	9:00am	Ryder, Brandt, McWhinnie
Sun	3/1	10:30am	Rauchut, Ullmann, Paultre



#### Weekend Ushers

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

#### Readings for the Week of March 2, 2015

**Monday:** Daniel 9:4b-10; Luke 6:36-38  
**Tuesday:** Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Matthew 23:1-12  
**Wednesday:** Jeremiah 18:18-20; Matthew 20:17-28  
**Thursday:** Jeremiah 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31  
**Friday:** Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a;  
 Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Regular Collection February 22, 2015: \$1,133.00  
 The second collection this week is the Monthly Collection  
**Thank You for your Generosity**

### Scripture Reflection

**"This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"**

Upon awakening they discovered the transfiguration of Jesus along with Moses and Elijah. While this transpired Peter, James, and John were asleep!

How much do we miss of God's glory and action because we are asleep spiritually? There are many things which can keep our minds asleep to the things of God: Mental lethargy and the "unexamined life" can keep us from thinking things through and facing our doubts and questions. The life of ease can also hinder us from considering the challenging or disturbing demands of Christ. Prejudice can make us blind to something new the Lord may have for us. Even sorrow can be a block until we can see past it to the glory of God.

Are you spiritually awake? Peter, James, and John were privileged witnesses of the glory of Christ. We, too, as disciples of Christ are called to be witnesses of his glory. We all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being changed into his likeness from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. The Lord wants to reveal his glory to us, his beloved disciples. Do you seek his presence with faith and reverence?

"Lord Jesus, keep me always alert and awake to you, to your word, your action, and your daily presence in my life. Let me see your glory."

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## PARISH ACTIVITIES

**Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, March 2nd** following the **8:00 am Mass**. We pray the **4th** 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:** There will be no class March 1st. March classes will be **March 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th** after the **9:00 am Mass** in the Parish Hall. Please pray for our students & their families. For further information, call Coordinator, Gerri Nilsen at 687-9769.



**Our Lady of La Salette Sodality:** will resume their monthly meetings for 2015. The next meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, March 1st** following the **10:30 Mass** in the rectory.



**Stations of the Cross: Held at 7:00 pm** every **Friday** evening 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.

**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. 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.



**Adult Faith Formation Class Rescheduled:** Our February 22 class last weekend was cancelled due to bad weather. This class on "The Visitation" will be rescheduled for May. The next adult faith formation class will be **Sunday, March 29** in the rectory. All are welcome to attend.

**World Day of Prayer** is celebrated after Ash Wednesday in over 170 countries. One of these ecumenical events will take place at the **United Methodist Church, Rt. 28, Shandaken** hosted by the United Methodist Women. **Time: 2:00-3:00 pm**. The program will be held in their Church Hall and consist of music, hymns and a short service. There will be free refreshments and an opportunity to meet people from the neighboring towns and churches. All are welcome to attend! Free-will donations accepted.

### **Special Occasions & Celebrations**

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



**"Happy Birthday"** to Liz Quinn (March 4), Jerry Bender (March 8), & Angie Valentino (March 18). May God continue to shower you with blessings and happiness. May He always keep you in his tender and loving care. Have a lovely Birthday!

**"Happy Anniversary"** to Cheryl & Jerry Bender as they celebrate 42 years of marriage on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. May God bestow His goodness and blessings on the two of you as you celebrate another year of marriage.

**Baptism:** The Christian Community of St. Francis de Sales welcomes Kyle Richard Amell, son of Donald & Carrie Lee Amell. Kyle is the grandson of parishioner Laurie Brown and great grandson of Jerry & Cheryl Bender. The baptism will take place on **Sunday, March 1** at the **10:30 am Mass**.

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

**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.

*Although the life of a person is in a land full of thorns and weeds, there is always a space in which the good seed can grow. You have to trust God....Pope Francis*

**St. Collette:** The 8th annual Mass and blessing with the relic of Saint Colette, patroness of couples seeking to conceive, expecting mothers, and sick children, will be held **Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** at the Monastery of Saint Clare, 70 Nelson Ave, 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 their website at [www.poorclaresny.com](http://www.poorclaresny.com), email [claresny@gmail.com](mailto:claresny@gmail.com).

**St. David of Wales - March 1** (589?)



David is the patron saint of Wales and perhaps the most famous of British saints.

It is known that he became a priest, engaged in missionary work and founded many monasteries, including his principal abbey in southwestern Wales. Many stories and legends sprang up about David and his Welsh monks. Their austerity was extreme. They worked in silence without the help of animals to till the soil. Their food was limited to bread, vegetables and water.

In about the year 550, David attended a synod where his eloquence impressed his fellow monks to such a degree that he was elected primate of the region.

St. David is often pictured standing on a mound with a dove on his shoulder. The legend is that once while he was preaching a dove descended to his shoulder and the earth rose to lift him high above the people so that he could be heard. Over 50 churches in South Wales were dedicated to him in pre-Reformation days.

Source: *AmericanCatholic.org*

**Echoing Christ**

When we recognize the wounded Jesus in ourselves, we are quite likely to go out of our hearts and minds to recognize Him in those around us. And, as we tend our own selves, we are moved to tend others as we can, whether through action or prayer. Our lives can truly echo the caring words and provide the caring touch of Christ. Source: *AmericanCatholic.org*



**Mardi Gras: Fat Tuesday** was celebrated at the United Methodist Church in Phoenicia last week. As you can see, quite a few of our parishioners enjoyed the good food and fellowship. Fr. Raphael joined Pastor Mark Allen for a delicious pancake supper!



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Laureen Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Jim Barden, Carmelo Barrientos, Sheila Madera-Brown, Baby Liam Casey, 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, 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














<b>Mar 6</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm</b>
<b>Mar 8</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Children's Faith Formation</b> after the <b>9:00 am Mass</b> in the Parish Hall

### Year of Consecrated Life

Pope Francis has declared 2015 the Year of Consecrated Life. It began on November 30, 2014, the first Sunday of Advent, and will run through to February 2, 2016, the World Day of Consecrated Life, when the pope will hold a Mass to close out this yearlong observance of renewal, thanksgiving, and invitation in regard to religious vocation and the life of the Church. A meeting of Catholic consecrated men and women as well as consecrated religious from other Christian traditions already took place during the Week of Christian Unity in January. The rest of the year will feature a conference on religious formation around the world, a gathering of young men and women in discernment and in the process of joining religious orders, separate meetings for members of monastic orders and of secular institutes, and a theological symposium on religious life.

In his letter announcing the yearlong observance, Pope Francis wrote: "I entrust this year of consecrated life to Mary, the Virgin of listening and contemplation, the first disciple of her beloved Son. Let us look to her, the highly beloved daughter of the Father, endowed with every gift of grace, as the unsurpassed model for all those who follow Christ in love of God and service to their neighbor." By Garan Santicola

### 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 &amp; 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 &amp; 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 &amp; Harriet Rauchut, John, Veronica &amp; 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 &amp; the D'Agostino Family.</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of Lawrence Monachelli and Eleanor Monachelli. - Mike &amp; Eileen O'Connor</p> 	<p>Space Available</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Vic Cammardella by Helen &amp; 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 &amp; 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 &amp; Frances Rauchut, Alfred &amp; 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)