

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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April 5, 2015

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

*"Christ our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed;
Let us feast with joy in the Lord." John 20:1-9*

Mass Intentions

Week of April 4th – April 9th

Sat	4/4	7:00p	†Gerard & Elizabeth Morrongiello Michael & Jane Iannone req. by their children
Sun	4/5	9:00a	†Vito Colagrande req. by Bill & Margit
Sun	4/5	10:30a	†Bob Lalor req. by the Collins Family
Mon	4/6	8:00a	Open Intention
Tue	4/7	8:00a	Open Intention
Wed	4/8	8:00a	Open Intention
Thur	4/9	8:00a	Open Intention

Week of April 11th-April 12th

Sat	4/11	5:00p	Open Intention
Sun	4/12	9:00a	Robert Collins by the Tiso Family
Sun	4/12	10:30a	Open Intention

Weekend Lectors

Sat	4/4	7:00pm	Peterson, Quinn, Ruane
Sun	4/5	9:00am	Jane Wolfrom
Sun	4/5	10:30am	Heather Marsten



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	4/4	7:00pm	DiCiervo, Zorn, DeMaria
Sun	4/5	9:00am	Colagrande, Nilsen, Brandt
Sun	4/5	10:30am	Bender, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of April 6, 2015

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14

The Collection amounts for March 29th and
Good Friday will be announced next week.
The second collection this week is the monthly collection.

Scripture Reflection

"John saw the empty tomb and believed"

What was it like for the disciple who had stood at the cross of Jesus and then laid him in a tomb on Good Friday, to come back three days later and discover that the sealed tomb was now empty?

John had to first deal with the empty tomb before he could meet the risen Lord later that evening along with the other apostles who had locked themselves in the upper room out of fear of the Jewish authorities. John testified as an eye-witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ: *What we have seen, heard, and touched we proclaim as the eternal word of life which existed from the beginning* (1 John 1:1-4). This "word of life" is Jesus the word incarnate, but also Jesus as the word announced by the prophets and Jesus the word now preached throughout the Christian church for all ages to come.

The reality of the resurrection is the central fact of the Christian faith. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Lord gives us "eyes of faith" to know him and the power of his resurrection. The greatest joy we can have is to encounter the living Christ and to know him personally as our Lord and Savior. Do you accept the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection with skeptical doubt and disbelief or with trusting faith and joyful wonderment?

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, April 6th following the **8:00 am Mass**. We pray the **8th** 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 April classes are **April 12th, and April 19th** 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:

Because Easter arrives on April 5, the first Sunday of the month, the Sodality meeting will be postponed to **Sunday, April 12** after the 10:30 am Mass in the rectory. If there is anyone who would like to find out more about the Sodality or become a member, please contact Judy Pavone at 688-9912 or see one of the officers listed on the front page of the bulletin.

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. Prayer Intentions will be remembered at our Masses.

Adult Faith Formation: Class will be in the dining room of the rectory after the 9:00 am Mass **April 26**. Topic: **The Parables of Jesus:** Last month, we saw how Jesus proclaimed, "The Kingdom of God is near!" This month we will see how Jesus did this by telling parables. These wonderful stories have so many lessons, both hidden and obvious. We will look at several of these stories including the seed that grew of itself, the yeast in the dough, the laborers in the vineyard, the prodigal son and some others. Come join the class and enjoy each others' insights and comments as well as coffee and Danish!

*EASTER SUNDAY
HE HAS RISEN...
ALLELUIA!*



The Saint Francis de Sales Parish joyously celebrates the resurrection of Our Lord, and we hope this Easter Season marks a renewal of faith within us all. Through the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are redeemed in the eyes of God. Christ becomes the "one mediator between God and men" (1 Tim 2:5), and He invites us to follow Him and transform our lives by joining our own personal sufferings with His sacrifice on the cross. Through such a response, we share in the triumph of His resurrection, the source of our joy and "the foundation and kernel of the whole liturgical year" (CCC 1193). Christ says: "Behold I make all things new" (Rev. 21:5). Let us always strive to see the glory that awaits us throughout the struggles of life, so that we can remain an Easter people.

*WISHING YOU A VERY HAPPY EASTER
AND MAY THE BLESSINGS OF
THE RISEN LORD ALWAYS BE
IN YOUR LIFE!*

"Easter Egg" Distribution On Easter Sunday after the 9:00 am Mass, the **Youth Faith Formation** students will be distributing Easter eggs with a special message. Please graciously accept your "Easter egg" from the children as you leave Mass.

Divine Mercy Sunday Next Weekend:

April 12, 2015

Divine Mercy Sunday, celebrated on the Octave of Easter (the Sunday after Easter Sunday), is a relatively new addition to the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Celebrating the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ, as revealed by Christ Himself to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, this feast was extended to the entire Catholic Church by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, the day that he canonized Saint Faustina.

History of Divine Mercy:

A plenary indulgence (the forgiveness of all temporal punishment resulting from sins that have already been confessed) is granted on the Feast of Divine Mercy if to all the faithful who go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, and "in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is

completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. 'Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!')."

A partial indulgence (the remission of some temporal punishment from sin) is granted to the faithful "who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation." *Source: CatholicOnline.org*

Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



"Happy Birthday" to Marge Tiso (April 2). *May you feel the Lord's loving presence in every moment of this special day and every blessed day to come. Have a glorious and memorable birthday!*

"Happy Anniversary" to Chris and Jerry Baltz as they celebrate 45 years of marriage on April 11. *May God bestow His goodness and blessings on the two of you as you celebrate another year of marriage. Congratulations!*

"Holy Baptism" The Christian Community of St. Francis de Sales welcomes Ava Belle Pavone, daughter of Donald and Andrea Pavone. Ava is the granddaughter of parishioner Judy Pavone and her husband Bob. The baptism will take place on **Saturday, April 11** at 12 noon. *"Children are a gift from the Lord, a child is a reward from Him."* *Psalm 127:3*

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

Boy Scout Troop #60 Penny Social: Saturday, April 11 in St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall. Doors open at **6:00 pm**. Drawing begins at 7:30 pm. Door prize, new items, hot dogs and baked goods. Join the fun and support the Boy Scouts.

Prayer for Easter

God our Father, creator of all, today is the day of Easter joy. This is the morning on which the Lord appeared to men who had begun to lose their hope and opened their eyes to what the scriptures foretold: that first he must die, and then he would rise and ascend into his Father's glorious presence. May the risen Lord breathe on our minds and open our eyes that we may know him in the breaking of bread, and follow him in his risen life. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

God Is Real



God has entered into history, into your life, into my life, through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, who remains with you and with me, personally, to the end of time. There is a stillness to the heart and the mind when we recognize that fact and cherish it. *Source: AmericanCatholic.org*



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Lauren 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, Nina Marino, 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

Apr 4	Sat	Easter Vigil at 7 pm – No Mass at 5 pm
Apr 5	Sun	Easter Sunday – Masses at 9 am and 10:30 am
April 12	Sun	Children’s Faith Formation after 9 am Mass in Parish Hall
April 11	Sat	Boy Scout Troop 60 Penny Social in Parish Hall-Doors Open 6 pm
April 12	Sun	Our Lady of La Salette Sodality Meeting after 10:30 am Mass in Rectory
April 19	Sun	Children Faith Formation after 9 am Mass in Parish Hall
April 26	Sun	Adult Faith Formation after 9 am Mass in Rectory

HAPPY EASTER!

The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils." Easter Sunday, then, is the greatest of all Sundays, and Easter Time is the most important of all liturgical times. Easter is the celebration of **the Lord's resurrection** from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. There are **50 days** of Easter from the first Sunday to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death, expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14) Source: www.usccb.org.

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 “The measure of love is to love without measure.” - 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)