

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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April 19, 2015

Third Sunday of Easter

“Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us.” Luke 24:35-48

Mass Intentions

Week of April 18th – April 23rd			
Sat	4/18	5:00p	Tom & Mary Hennessey’s 3rd Anniv. req. by Don & Peggy Hennessey
Sun	4/19	9:00a	Open Intention
Sun	4/19	10:30a	†Anne Sherry Shore req. by Tiso Family
Mon	4/20	8:00a	Open Intention
Tue	4/21	8:00a	†Edward Lundren req. by Lou & Donna Csurics
Wed	4/22	8:00a	Open Intention
Thur	4/23	8:00a	Open Intention
Week of April 25th-April 26th			
Sat	4/25	5:00p	Members of the Kearney Family req. by Peggy & Don Hennessey
Sun	4/26	9:00a	†Robert Collins req. by Tiso Family
Sun	4/26	10:30a	†Cecelia Druffner req. by Jean Druffner

Weekend Lectors

Sat	4/18	5:00pm	Jane Wolfrom
Sun	4/19	9:00am	Elena Garcia-McWhinnie
Sun	4/19	10:30am	Judy Pavone



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	4/18	5:00pm	Bender, Zorn, DiCiervo
Sun	4/19	9:00am	Colagrande, Nilsen, Ryder
Sun	4/19	10:30am	Rauchut, Peterson, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of April 20, 2015

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a; John 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59

Regular Collection for April 12, 2015: \$1652.00

Special Second Easter Collection: \$676.00

Second Collection next week is for fuel

Thank you for your generosity

Scripture Reflection

Jesus opened their minds to understand the Scriptures

Aren't we like the apostles? We won't believe unless we can see with our own eyes. The Gospels attest to the reality of the resurrection. Jesus goes to great lengths to assure his disciples that he is no mere ghost or illusion. He shows them the marks of his crucifixion and he explains how the Scriptures foretold his death and rising.

The centrality of the Gospel is the cross; but fortunately it does not stop there. Through the cross Jesus defeated our enemies - death and Satan and won pardon for our sins. His cross is the door to heaven and the key to paradise. The way to glory is through the cross. When the disciples saw the risen Lord they disbelieved for joy! How can death lead to life, the cross to victory? Jesus shows us the way and he gives us the power to overcome sin and despair, and everything else that would stand in the way of his love and truth. Just as the first disciples were commissioned to bring the good news of salvation to all the nations, so, we, too, are called to be witnesses of the resurrection of Jesus Christ to all who live on the face of the earth. Do you witness the joy of the Gospel to those around you?

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, April 20th following the 8:00 am Mass. We pray the 1st 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 for fuel. Thank you.

Children's Faith Formation: The last April class is on April 19th after the 9:00 am Mass in the Parish Hall. The May classes are May 3rd, May 10th, & May 17th. Please pray for our students & their families. For further information, call Coordinator, Gerri Nilsen at 687-9769.



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 other's insights and comments as well as coffee and Danish!

Breakfast Social: On April 26, 2015 we will be having a Breakfast Social in the Parish Hall from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm. The menu will be French toast, Bacon, Sausage, Scrambled eggs, coffee, tea, and orange juice. It's been a long, cold winter, come out for a great breakfast and see old friends.



Spiritual Bouquets Renewals: The annual renewal of Spiritual Bouquets (in the bulletin) begins this month. A "bouquet" can be in memory of a loved one, a prayer, or any personal intention you have. The intentions of our Spiritual Bouquets are included in petitionary prayers during our weekend liturgy. Those people that wish to renew or to make changes in their current message can call Harriet at 688-5013. The cost of a Spiritual Bouquet remains at \$75/yr.

Please reserve early. Bouquet spaces are still available. Thank you.

Bulletin Advertising Renewals: St. Francis de Sales bulletin advertising begins its new term **May 1st.** The parish appreciates your patronage of local businesses and services displayed every week in our bulletin. Advertising revenue covers the cost of printing our bulletin 52 weeks a year. Advertisers will be contacted in the coming weeks about their renewals. Email sfdchurch@hvc.rr.com. Thank you for your support!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2015: 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.

SACRED HARP SINGING SCHOOL MAY 11-16:

Join the Catskills Sacred Harp Musical Association for a fun and informative week-long evening singing school at our **St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall from May 11 to May 16, 2015.** Cost for the week is only \$20. Participants will receive a FREE copy of The Sacred Harp tunebook (a \$25 value). For school information or to register for the class, call Ben Fenton 845-254-4884, email sacredharpcatskills@gmail.com or register through our website, sacredharpcatskills.com. The program runs Monday through Friday, 6:00-8:30 pm. Scholarships available to those in need. Additional information is posted on the church bulletin board in the vestibule.

Snow Angels

Now that we can file the "Winter of 2015" in the past, we want to take a moment to thank two men who worked early and often to keep St. Francis de Sales Parish pathways clear and safe throughout months of snow, ice, and bitter temperatures. **Roger Rotella** made sure the sidewalks were shoveled and salted, while **Otto Bernstein** kept Father Raphael's driveway accessible and safe. We had no accidents or mishaps, and even our elder members were able to get to Mass without worry or hazards. We appreciate you, Roger and Otto! Thank you for this special ministry.

Special Occasions & Celebrations

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

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

WANTED: A few good men or women to serve as Greeters, fifteen minutes prior to each mass. For this valuable form of social ministry we'll need about nine volunteers. Brief organizational meeting to be held at 4:00PM, **Saturday May 2** at the rectory. Contact Bill Colagrande, 688-2013 with questions if you're interested.

COMING SOON – NEW WEBSITE!

St. Francis de Sales Parish will launch a new website (and new web address) in the coming weeks. Many thanks to our webmaster, Linda Senft, and the Communications Committee for their effort on this project. Our new website will be powered by the "eCatholic" web group and is provided free-of-charge from the Archdiocese of New York.

Woodstock Reformed Church Ham Dinner:

Woodstock Reformed Church, 16 Tinker Street on **Saturday, April 25**. Seating begins at 5:30 pm. Takeout is available at 6 pm. Menu: Baked Ham with homemade apple cider gravy, mashed sweet potatoes, peas, applause, assorted desserts and much more! Adults \$14.00, children \$5.00 (age 5-12), under age 5 free. Reservations are preferred but not mandatory. Please call 845-246-6777 or 845-679-6610 for reservations.

We are Disciples

Jesus will manifest Himself through us to each other and to the world, and by His love, others will know that we are His disciples. In spite of all our defects, God is in love with us and keeps using us to light the light of love and compassion in the world. So give Jesus a big smile and a hearty thank-you. *Source: AmericanCatholic.org*



Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer.

- St. (Padre) Pio



St. Bernadette Soubirous Feast Day: April 16

Bernadette Soubirous was born in 1844, the first child of an extremely poor miller in the town of Lourdes in southern France. The family was living in the basement of a dilapidated building when on February 11, 1858, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Bernadette in a cave above the banks of the Gave River near Lourdes.

According to Bernadette, the Lady of her visions was a girl of 16 or 17 who wore a white robe with a blue sash. Yellow roses covered her feet; a large rosary was on her right arm. In the vision on March 25 she told Bernadette, "I am the Immaculate Conception." It was only when the words were explained to her that Bernadette came to realize who the Lady was. She died on April 16, 1879, at the age of 35. She was canonized in 1933. *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, Irene May, Mary McCloskey, Josie McIsaac, Helen Morelli, Diana Munch, Gerry Nilsen, Diane O'Donnell, 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














April 19	Sun	Children Faith Formation after 9 am Mass in Parish Hall
April 25	Sat	Woodstock Reformed Church Ham Dinner 5:30 pm. See bulletin for details
April 26	Sun	Adult Faith Formation after 9 am Mass in Rectory
April 26	Sun	Breakfast Social in Parish Rectory 10:00 am to 12:30 pm
April 26	Sun	Gardeners meet in Grotto from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. (See below)
May 11 - May 16	-	Sacred Harp Singing School in Parish Hall: Mon-Fri, 6:00 – 8:30 pm. See bulletin and flyer posted on church bulletin board.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS!

Bring your rake, trowel, clippers, kneepad, and water bottle on **SUNDAY, April 26** to join fellow parishioners for a 90 minute clean-up of the grotto areas and meditation gardens across from the church. We'll meet **after the 10:30 Mass** to clean out leaves and plant debris as we get ready for spring blooms. No tools? No problem. We'll bring extras! Call Pat Ruane for information at 688-5357.



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)