

# 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

Cheryl Bender ❖ Judy Pavone  
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May 3, 2015

Fifth Sunday of Easter

“Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit.” John 15:1-8

Mass Intentions

Week of May 2nd – May 7th

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Intention. Rows include Don & Peggy Kearney Wedding Anniversary, Dr. Robert Collins req. by Lois Giambrone, Helen Friedman req. by Linda & Richard Augustine, Josie & John McIsaac 58th Wedding Anniversary, Open Intention, Robert McCloskey (infirm) req. by Gene & Maureen Gormley, Open Intention.

2nd Collection this week is Monthly Collection

Week of May 9th-May 10th

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Intention. Rows include Tony & Mary Calcasola’s Anniversary by Peggy & Don Kearney, Jane Iannone & Elizabeth Morrongiello req. by their children, Marian Umhey & Rose Schwartz req. by Umhey Family.

Weekend Lectors

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Name. Rows include Ruane/ Marek, Linda Brandt, Judy Pavone.



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Name. Rows include Bender, Zorn, DeMaria, Colagrande, DiCiervo, Petersor, Rauchut, Paultre.



Weekend Ushers

Table with 2 columns: Name, Name. Rows include Frank Rauchut Ron Pawlowski, Ed Zorn Andy Nappy, Jerry Baltz John Sansone.

Readings for the Week of May 4, 2015

- Monday: Acts 14:5-18; John 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11
Friday: Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17

Scripture Reflection

“Abide in me, and I in you”

Jesus offers true life - the abundant life which comes from God and which results in great fruitfulness. How does the vine become fruitful? The vine dresser must carefully prune the vine before it can bear good fruit. Vines characteristically have two kinds of branches - those which bear fruit and those which don't. The non-bearing branches must be carefully pruned back in order for the vine to conserve its strength for bearing good fruit. Jesus used this image to describe the kind of life he produces in those who are united with him - the fruit of "righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit" (Romans 14:17). Jesus says there can be no fruit in our lives apart from him. The fruit he speaks of here is the fruit of the Holy Spirit (see Galatians 5:22-23).

There is a simple truth here: We are either fruit-bearing or non-fruit-bearing. There is no in-between. But the bearing of healthy fruit requires drastic pruning. The Lord promises that we will bear much fruit if we abide in him and allow him to purify us. Do you trust in the Lord's abiding presence with you?

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Regular Collection for April 26, 2015: \$2,057.00
The 2nd Collection next week is for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe
Thank you for your generosity

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

**Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, May 4th** 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 The Monthly Collection. The second collection next week is for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

**Children's Faith Formation:** The May classes are May 3rd, May 10th, May 17<sup>th</sup>, & May 31st **after the 9:00 am Mass** in the Parish Hall. Please pray for our students & their families. For more information, call Coordinator, Gerri Nilsen at 687-9769.



**May Crowning of the Blessed Mother:** The Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary will occur on **Sunday, May 3** after the 10:30 am Mass. After the Mass, the children of our Faith Formation program will process to Our Lady of La Salette grotto across the street from the Church and place a crown on Our Lady. Everyone is invited to the crowning ceremony. Please plan to join us on this glorious day.



**Respect Life Roses for Mother's Day: Mother's Day weekend, May 9 & 10.** The Ulster Vicariate Respect Life Committee will be selling Red Roses -- Honor your mother for the gift of Life. Remember deceased Mothers and Grandmothers by leaving a rose at the Blessed Mother's altar. All proceeds benefit the Ulster Vicariate Respect **Life Education Fund. The cost is \$2.00 per rose.** We need volunteers to sell the roses after the Masses. If you are willing to help, please contact Barbara Ahouse either at Mass or call 657-2112. Thank you.



**Meditation Meeting:** The Meditation Meeting will be held Wednesday evening **May 6th** at 6:30 pm in the Fr. Gorman Hall at the back of the rectory.

**Spiritual Bouquets Renewals:** Please contact Harriet at 688-5013. The intentions of our Spiritual Bouquets are included in petitionary prayers during our weekend liturgy. Cost: \$75/yr. Bouquet spaces are still available. Thank you.

### **Double Thanks!**

Last Sunday there was a lot of wonderful activity and community building in our parish. The smell of bacon and sausage filled the air at the entrance to the Parish Hall, where Mike and Bonnie Quick hosted a beautiful (and delicious) Parish Breakfast, with help from servers Valerie Weitasek and Gene Gormley, and some moral support from Jerry Bender. After a great Bible Study Class, led by Sister Catherine Gormley, and following breakfast, another group of parishioners (Jim Collins, Jeff and Kathleen Collins, Ed Baldyga, Patti Payette, and Pat Ruane) dug in, literally, to clean up the gardens around the shrines, just in time for the May crowning next weekend. Special thanks to Jeff for donating and spreading mulch. The garden is off to a great start for the season ahead! So are we! All of us have special gifts, and all of our unique ministries are ways to praise God and grow our community. Thank you to all who made the Sunday an extraordinary experience!

**Our Parish is in Need of Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers** at our weekend Masses. Please contact Cheryl Bender 688-5132, if you feel you may have a calling to serve in this capacity. Training is available. Please pray for parishioners to serve our parish for His glory.

**A Friendly Reminder** that the 2015 Cardinal's Appeal is under way. If you haven't yet made a pledge, please do so when you can. Envelopes can be found in the entrance to the Church. Thank you for your support.

**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](mailto:sacredharpcatskills@gmail.com) or register through our website, [sacredharpcatskills.com](http://sacredharpcatskills.com). More information is posted on the church bulletin board.

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*"Peace is what I leave with you; it is my own peace that I give you. I do not give it as the world does. Do not be worried and upset; do not be afraid." - John 14:27*

## Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



**“Happy Birthday” to Doris Murphy (May 19) “**  
*May God bless you and keep you always in His tender, loving care. Happy Birthday.”*

**“Happy Anniversary” to Harriet and Frank Rauchut** as they celebrate their **55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on May 14.** *“Congratulations on your anniversary of the day God joined you together for life. “Let no man separate what God as joined”*

**Congratulations** to our parishioner Alison Jones and her husband Joshua Jones on the birth of their son, Corwin, who was born on April 26 weighing in at 8 lbs. 10 oz. May God's blessings be with you and your little one today and always. *“And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.” (Mark 10:16)*



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.

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**Taize Prayer Service** (Every 2nd Thursday of the month) **Thursday evening, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** at St. Mary of the Snow Parish in Saugerties (36 Cedar Street). Taize services last for approx.45 minutes and are held in candlelight. A choir of two dozen singers sing several simple 8 measure chants and repeat each chant for several minutes with harmonies added throughout. The services are very calming and soothing and allow listeners an opportunity to connect with God in a special and prayerful way. Please join others in this uplifting experience. For more information, please see bulletin board in vestibule of the church.

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**St Dymphna Mass, the Patron Saint of Mental Health:** The 16th annual Healing Mass, including the communal rite of anointing the sick and a blessing with a relic of St. Dymphna, patroness of those suffering with illnesses of the mind such as Alzheimer's, Autism, and other disorders of the brain, as well as those suffering from emotional and psychological difficulties will be held on **Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7 pm** in Mt. Alvernia Chapel in Wappingers Falls, NY. A social follows the Mass. For directions to Mt. Alvernia Retreat House visit [www.mtalvernia.org](http://www.mtalvernia.org) or call (845) 297-5706.

## Saints Philip and James - May 3



As in the case of the other apostles, we see in James and Philip human men who became foundation stones of the Church, and we are reminded again that holiness and its consequent apostolate are entirely the gift of God, not a matter of human achieving. All power is God's power, even the power of human freedom to accept his gifts. “You will be clothed with power from on high,” Jesus told Philip and the others. Their first commission had been to expel unclean spirits, heal diseases, and announce the kingdom. They learned, gradually, that these externals were sacraments of an even greater miracle inside their persons—the divine power to love like God. *Source: AmericanCatholic.org*

## Acts of Kindness

Don't believe, sisters, that assistance consists only in giving medicines and food to the sick. There is another type of assistance that must never be forgotten, and it is the assistance of the heart that adjusts and enters in sympathy with the person who suffers and goes to meet his needs. —St. Maria Josefa of the Heart of Jesus.

*Source: AmericanCatholic.org*



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, 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.*

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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

May 3	Sun	May Crowning of the Blessed Mother (in the Grotto) following 10:30 Mass
May 6	Wed	Meditation Meeting at 6:30 pm in the Fr. Gorman Hall (behind the rectory)
May 11	Mon	Sacred Harp Singing School begins in Parish Hall: Mon-Fri, 6:00 – 8:30 pm; 5/11-5/16
May 14	Thur	Taize Prayer Service at 7:00 pm at St. Mary of the Snow Parish in Saugerties
















### Breakfast Social

Parishioners enjoyed the opportunity to gather socially last Sunday for a delicious breakfast in the parish hall.

Thank you everyone!

## 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)