

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
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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 17, 2015

Seventh Sunday of Easter

"I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord. I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice." John 17:11b-19

Mass Intentions

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Intention. Rows for Sat 5/16, Sun 5/17, Mon 5/18, Tue 5/19, Wed 5/20, Thur 5/21.

The second collection next week is for fuel

Week of May 23rd-May 24th

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Intention. Rows for Sat 5/23, Sun 5/24, Sun 5/24.

Weekend Lectors

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Name. Rows for Sat 5/16, Sun 5/17, Sun 5/17.



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Table with 4 columns: Day, Date, Time, Name. Rows for Sat 5/16, Sun 5/17, Sun 5/17.



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of May 18, 2015

- Monday: Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-30; John 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19

Scripture Reflection

"The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven"

Jesus' departure and ascension was both an end and a beginning for his disciples. While it was the end of Jesus' physical presence with his beloved disciples, it marked the beginning of Jesus' presence with them in a new way.

Jesus' last words to his apostles point to his saving mission and to their mission to be witnesses of his saving death and his glorious resurrection and to proclaim the good news of salvation to the entire world.

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Regular Collection for May 10th: \$1,219.00
Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe: \$574.00
Thank you for your generosity

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, May 18th 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.*"

Children's Faith Formation: The May classes are May 17th, & 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.



Coffee Klatch: Hope you can join us for coffee and cake following both the **9:00AM** and **10:30AM** masses on **Sunday, May 17**, right out in front of the church. This is a great opportunity to get to know those in your parish community a little bit better. Come for some coffee and cake and help make your parish community stronger sharing fellowship. Contact Bill Colagrande (688-2013) for further information.



Adult Faith Formation: Class will be in the dining room of the rectory after the 9:00 am Mass **May 31**. Topic: **The Visitation:** This Sunday we will be reflecting 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. Come join us. Everyone is welcome. Coffee and Danish will be provided.



Respect Life Roses: Thank you to everyone who purchased roses on Mother's Day weekend to benefit the Ulster Vicariate Respect Life Education Program. Through your generosity, we were able to make this third year another success. A special thank you for the roses left before the Blessed Mother remembering our mothers and grandmothers.

When you encounter difficulties and contradictions, do not try to break them, but bend them with gentleness and time." St. Francis de Sales

Nepal Earthquake Contributions

Pope Francis led prayers in St. Peter's Square for the dead and displaced from the massive earthquake in Nepal and surrounding areas on April 27. He called for assistance for the survivors during his weekly Sunday blessing. He said he was praying for the victims, the injured and "all those who are suffering from this calamity," and asked that they have the "support and fraternal solidarity" they need.

As a result, St. Francis de Sales Parish took up a collection and raised over **\$500** for this purpose. We would like to thank our parishioners and visitors for their generous donations. May God bless all of you.

St. Paschal Baylon (1540-1592) May 17



Paschal's Spanish parents were poor and pious. Between the ages of seven and 24 he worked as a shepherd and began a life of mortification. He was able to pray on the job and was especially attentive to the church bell which

rang at the Elevation during Mass. Paschal had a very honest streak in him. He once offered to pay owners of crops for any damage his animals caused!

In 1564, Paschal joined the Friars Minor and gave himself wholeheartedly to a life of penance. Though he was urged to study for the priesthood, he chose to be a brother. At various times he served as porter, cook, gardener and official beggar.

Paschal was careful to observe the vow of poverty. He would never waste any food or anything given for the use of the friars. When he was porter and took care of the poor coming to the door, he developed a reputation for great generosity. The friars sometimes tried to moderate his liberality!

Paschal spent his spare moments praying before the Blessed Sacrament. In time many people sought his wise counsel. People flocked to his tomb immediately after his burial; miracles were reported promptly. Paschal was canonized in 1690 and was named patron of Eucharistic congresses and societies in 1897. Paschal is the Patron Saint of: Shepherds. *Source: AmericanCatholic.org*

if you don't have time to
pray & read
scriptures,
you are busier than
God
ever intended you to be.

Dare to Love

Friendship becomes more and more possible when you accept yourself as deeply loved. Then you can be with others in a non-possessive way. Real friends find their inner correspondence where both know the love of God. Their spirit speaks to spirit and heart to heart. True friendships are lasting because true love is eternal...

—Henri J.M. Nouwen

Source: *AmericanCatholic.org*



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) and Ramona Meister (May 5) *May God bless you and keep you always in His tender, loving care. Happy Birthday.*

“Happy Anniversary” to Harriet and Frank Raucht as they celebrate their **55th 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 or call Judy at 688-9912.

Love of Scripture can Transform Your Life:

With great reverence, the Catholic Church has long honored the Blessed Virgin Mother, the Saints & Prophets, Church Doctors & Fathers and many others who have gone before us, zealously blazing the trail of redemption. Below includes what a few of them had to say about the importance of familiarizing ourselves with the Holy Scriptures, which can lead to a spiritual transformation in our lives:

“When I found your words, I devoured them; your words were my joy, the happiness of my heart, because

I bear your name, LORD, God of hosts.” – Prophet Jeremiah 15:16

“Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.”

– St. Jerome (345-420) Church Doctor and Father

“Thus faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.”

– Romans 10:17

Holy Father’s Prayer Intentions for May 2015



Universal: That, rejecting the culture of indifference, we may care for our neighbors who suffer, especially the sick and the poor

Evangelization: That Mary's intercession may help Christians in secularized cultures be ready to proclaim Jesus.

Source: *EWTN.com*



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Laureen Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Jim Barden, Carmelo Barrientos, Sheila Madera-Brown, Baby Liam Casey, Ben Cole, Cathy Connell, Ed Dannen, Lillian DiPasqua, Betty Djerf, Robyn Daugherty, Iris D’Agostino, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Rose Fudge, David Gerdes, Dorothy Gorman, Chris Hall, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Chuck Heinz, Tom Hennessey, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Fr. Raphael Iannone, Jimmy Kinns, Amada Lumbaca, 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

May 17	Sun	Youth Faith Formation in Parish Hall after 9:00 am Mass
May 17	Sun	Coffee Klatch in front of the Church after the 9:00 am and 10:30 am Masses
May 31	Sun	Adult Faith Formation in Rectory after the 9:00 am Mass














May - The Month of the Rosary

On May 13, 1917, the first apparition of Our Lady of Fatima appeared to three children in Portugal and asked them to pray the rosary. The children were named Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta. In a homily, St. Pope John Paul II once expressed: "While the message of Our Lady of Fatima is a motherly one, it is also strong and decisive. It sounds severe. . . . It invites to repentance. It gives a warning. It calls to prayer. It recommends the Rosary." He continued, "The message is addressed to every human being. . . . Her care extends to every individual of our time, and to all the societies nations and peoples, societies menaced by apostasy, threatened by moral degradation. The collapse of morality involves the collapse of societies. . . . Mary's appeal is not for just once. Her appeal . . . must be unceasingly returned to."

Source: National Catholic Register



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>

To reserve a space, please contact Harriet 688-5013. (\$75.00 per year)