

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

January 31, 2016



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 • VP-Sec.: Heather Marsten: 514-0112

• Fr. Raphael Iannone, O.F.M., Cap.: 688-5617

Parish Committee Leaders

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: Burr Hubbell.....845-750-3203
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, Gerry Nilsen.....687-9769
Finance: Mike Ruane.....688-5357
Fund Raising: Faye Storms.....532-4601
Liturgy: Contact Father Raphael.....688-5617
Parish Hall: Anne Shea.....914-821-7226
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: Pam Hammond 688-2642

Vice-President: Pat Ryder – Secretary: Elizabeth Quinn

Treasurer: Honey Fecci

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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Call 688-9912 with any corrections.



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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, and to proclaim liberty to the captives.” –Luke 4:21-30

Mass Intentions

Week of January 30th – February 4th

Sat	1/30	5:00p	†Jerry Bender req. by Don & Peggy Kearney
Sun	1/31	9:00a	†Tess Menkowski req. by Barbara Ahouse
Sun	1/31	10:30a	†Harriet Rauchut req. by Dolores Harvey
Mon	2/01	8:00a	Open Intention
Tue	2/02	8:00a	Open Intention
Wed	2/03	8:00a	Open Intention
Thur	2/04	8:00a	Open Intention

Ash Wednesday is February 10

Weekend of February 6th – February 7th

Sat	2/06	5:00p	†Harriet Rauchut req. by Ed & Nancy Zorn
Sun	2/07	9:00a	† Steve Lacap req. by Shafer
Sun	2/07	10:30a	†Harriet Rauchut req. by Jean Druffner

Weekend Lectors

Sat	1/30	5:00pm	Elena Garcia-McWhinnie
Sun	1/31	9:00am	Burr Hubbell
Sun	1/31	10:30am	Elizabeth Quinn



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	1/30	5:00pm	DeMaria, Bender, Paultre
Sun	1/31	9:00am	Shimer, Nilsen, Shea
Sun	1/31	10:30am	DiPasqua, Paultre, Agnes Laub



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of February 1, 2016

Monday: 2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mark 5:1-20

Tuesday: Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 2:22-40

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17; Mark 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12; Mark 6:7-13

Friday: Sirach 47:2-11; Mark 6:14-29

January 24, 2016 Regular Collection: \$966.00
Fuel Collection: \$924.00

Thank you for your generosity.

Scripture Reflection

Jesus' power to heal and cleanse

When Jesus first proclaimed the good news of God's kingdom to his own townspeople at Nazareth, he did not hesitate to confront them with their sin of indifference and unbelief. He startled his listeners in the synagogue at Nazareth with a seeming rebuke that no prophet or servant of God could receive honor among his own people. He then angered them when he complimented Gentiles who had shown more faith in God than the "chosen ones" of Israel. Jesus' praise for "outsiders" offended the ears of his own people because they were blind-sighted to God's merciful plan of redemption for all the nations.

We all stand in need of God's grace and merciful help every day and every moment of our lives. Scripture tells us that "the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning." God gives grace to the humble who seek him with expectant faith and with a repentant heart that wants to be made whole and clean again.

If we want to walk in freedom and grow in love and holiness, then we must humbly renounce our sinful ways and submit to Christ's instruction and healing discipline in our lives. Scripture tells us that the Lord disciplines us *for our good that we may share his holiness*. Do you want the Lord Jesus to set you free and make you whole again? Ask him to show you the way to walk in his healing love and truth.

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Come to St. Francis de Sales Parish where you come to serve God with your hands and hearts, not as advisers, but as servants.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, February 1st following the **8:00 am Mass**, we pray the **5th** 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:

Classes are held after the 9:00 am Mass. The February classes are **February 7th, February 21st, and February 28th**. Please pray for our students & their families. FMI, please call Faith Formation Coord., Gerri Nilsen at 687-9769.



The Second Collection next week is the Monthly collection. Thank you.



MASS INTENTIONS: If you wish to have a Mass celebrated for a special request, on behalf of a family member or friend, for healing or for a deceased loved one, please call Fr. Raphael at 688-5617 or see him

after Mass.

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. Your special Prayer Intentions will be remembered at our Masses.

Parish Online Resources & Snowbirds:

Parishioners that have internet/online services – don’t miss Father Raphael’s homilies if you are away or can’t attend Mass. Go to www.stfrancisdesalesphoenicia.com. Whether you are a snowbird away for the winter or you wish to hear Father’s homily again – you can! Click the Liturgy/Sacraments menu at the top of the parish homepage. Don’t miss reading our weekly bulletins either. They are available on the parish homepage.

For those of us who will bear the brunt of winter in the Catskills, coming to weekend Masses will help keep everyone a little warmer! Please take a bulletin or two home with you. Give them to homebound friends or family members. Thank you.

Wednesday, February 3 – Feast of St. Blaise:



There will be blessing of throats after the **8 am Mass** **which will be held in the church.**

There will also be blessing of throats after a **7 pm service** which will be held **in the church**. There will be no Mass. Please join us for this special blessing.

“Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” (Blessing of St. Blaise).

Celebration of Our Patron St. Francis de Sales



Last Sunday, January 24, our parish celebrated the Feast Day of St. Francis de Sales. The church altar was adorned with beautiful plants, candles and an icon of St. Francis de Sales. After the 9 am and 10:30 am Masses, coffee, tea, and a variety of delicious goodies were enjoyed by our parishioners. The weather, although cold, cooperated with no snow precipitation. Hooray!

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Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



“Happy Birthday” Pat Ryder (1/17), Judy Pavone (1/20), Bob Varecha (1/28). *Today begins a whole new year of life for you. May it bring you God’s graces and wonders, and most of all, His love. Happy Birthday!*

“Happy Anniversary” to Judy & Bob Pavone as they celebrate their 46th wedding anniversary on January 24. *May God bestow His goodness and blessings on the two of you as you celebrate another year of marriage.*

Share your good news with the parish; drop info in the collection basket, email sfdchurch@hvc.rr.com or call Judy at 688-9912 or email her at jap120@hvc.rr.com.

Pope Francis’ letter, *Laudato Si - Encyclical on the Environment*. (Below is the fourth of 16 paragraphs from the document): In his recent encyclical on the care of our common home, Pope Francis preaches “the Gospel of Creation,” drawing on the words of the Hebrew prophets, saints like Francis of Assisi and Therese of Lisieux, the popes who preceded him, and of Jesus himself. You are alive in every creature in your risen glory. Praise be to you!” And prayerfully consider signing the “St. Francis Pledge” of the Catholic Climate Covenant to act together with other Catholics in honor of St. Francis.

Source: The “New York Global Catholic Climate Movement.”

Love with Dignity



Lord, you love people, not programs. Help us see people as you do. We seek your presence each day in prayer so that we may love you more deeply and honor your image in each person we meet throughout the day.
—Joel Schorn *Source: AmericanCatholic.net*

Sheila Madera’s Journey of Hope to Beat MS: A Taste of Italy-Pasta with a Purpose

There will be a fundraiser on **Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 5 pm at St. John’s R.C. Church**, 12 Holly Hills Drive, Woodstock NY 12498

Come support Sheila and her journey with **one last fundraiser!!!** Enjoy all you can eat. Italian dinner with

a variety of food donated by local restaurants and the community. It will be a time to celebrate the first half of Sheila’s journey and with the support of family and friends, send her off to Russia with great spirits and the hope of a new beginning! There will be food, dessert, music and a door prize ticket included in the ticket price of **\$15 for adults and \$7 for children (under 10)**. Wine and non-alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. There will be raffles and 50/50.

Sheila is one of our long time parishioners who suffers from MS. Sheila is trying to raise money for a stem cell transplant with chemo in Moscow, Russia on March 1, 2016. The cost is \$60,000. Please donate what you can. Mail your contribution to Sheila’s Journey for Hope, P.O. Box 399, Phoenicia, NY 12464. Testimonial can be viewed on YouTube: Sheila’s Journey of Hope to Beat MS. Thank you.



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Laureen Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Jim Barden, Carmelo Barrientos, Rick Bicanovsky, Kathleen Biondo, Sheila Madera-Brown, Ellen Burmeister, Liam Casey, Ben Cole, Cathy Connell, Ed Dannen, Lillian DiPasqua, Betty Djerf, Robyn Daugherty, Iris D’Agostino, Honey Fecci, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Rose Fudge, David Gerdes, Dorothy Gorman, Jan Goyer, Chris Hall, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Fr. Raphael Iannone, Arleen Kachadoorian, Jimmy Kinns, Justin Kolb, Michelle Louis, Amada Lumbaca, Nina Marino, Irene May, Mary McCloskey, Robert McCloskey, Josie McIsaac, Ed McCoy, Helen Morelli, Diana Munch, Gerry Nilsen, Diane O’Donnell, Florence Palmer, Sylvia Persons, Franca Ravetier, Maryellen Reh, John Rossett, Jon Rowe, Catherine Ryan, Michael Ryder, Zoila Santa, Martha Santicola, Bert Shafer, Peter Spiegler; Marie Stutman, Dorothy Sylak, Fr. Phil Tran, Angie Valentino, Stephanie Vesely, Bob Walsh, Ellen Watson, Catherine Whitelaw.
Pray for our men and women in military service.

We’re always eager to hear that someone is doing better **and that our prayers are being answered. Please call Father Raphael** to add or remove a loved one’s name so that our list is up-to-date. Thank you. Call 688-5617.

PARISH CALENDAR















Feb 3	Wed	Blessing of the Throats after 8 am Mass in Church; also after 7 pm service in Church
Feb 7	Sun	Youth Faith Formation in the Parish Hall after 9:00 am Mass
Feb 10	Wed	Ash Wednesday – Information will be forthcoming in next bulletin

Adult Faith Formation Resumes

Sunday, February 28, 2016

Join our parish community in the first class of the New Year. Facilitated by Sr. Catherine Gormley, the next class, “The Community of Creation” looks at our connection with all of God’s creation. Explore how we are in communion with all of nature – the plants, hills, rivers, and animals. This forms the basis of community. Genesis and the creation story is a good place to begin in the New Year! The class will review Job, Chapter 38 as God “answers” Job from the whirlwind. Psalm 104 also shows us the glory of creation. The class will end with excerpts from *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis’s encyclical on the environment. Please save the date and join us for discussion as well as coffee and Danish. All are welcome!

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 of Jack and Virginia Fleming and John Fleming, Jr. by Veronica & Jon Rowe</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of our Beloved Son and Brother Frank by Frank & Harriet Raucht, 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>In Loving Memory of my daughter and our sister Janet by Enid Cervino, Paul, Diane, Cathy and Francesca</p> 	<p>In Loving Memory of Vic Camnardella 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 Raucht, Alfred & Veronica Grace and our deceased brothers and sisters.</p> 	<p>“Oh Lord, how magnificent are the works of your hands!” <i>In Loving Memory of my wonderful Mom</i></p>
<p>If you remain in my word, you will truly be disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. (John 8:31-32)</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>