

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

April 3, 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 Wilsey688-5500
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 Ruane688-5357
Fund Raising: Faye Storms532-4601
Liturgy: Contact Father Raphael688-5617
Parish Hall: Laurie Brown657-9652
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

Parish Mission Statement

St. Francis de Sales Church is a Christ-centered Catholic community of joyful stewards sharing our faith journey through worship and service. We cherish our Catholic Tradition, work to model and proclaim the teaching of Jesus Christ, and offer comfort and peace to all. Our doors and our hearts are open to everyone.

BULLETIN EDITORS

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Sunday of Divine Mercy

“You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!” John 20:19-31

Mass Intentions

Week of April 2nd – April 7th


Sat	4/02	5:00p	†Diane O'Donnell req. by Ed & Nancy Zorn
Sun	4/03	9:00a	Open Intention
Sun	4/03	10:30a	†Robert DiPasqua req. by Lillian DiPasqua
Mon	4/04	8:00a	Open Intention
Tue	4/05	8:00a	Open Intention
Wed	4/06	8:00a	Open Intention
Thur	4/07	8:00a	Open Intention

The Second Collection this week is the Monthly Collection


Weekend of April 9th – April 10th

Sat	4/09	5:00p	†Jerry Bender req. by Lillian DiPasqua
Sun	4/10	9:00a	Open Intention
Sun	4/10	10:30a	†Robert DiPasqua req. by Elizabeth Quinn

Weekend Lectors

Sat	4/02	5:00pm	Jane Wolfrom	
Sun	4/03	9:00am	Burr Hubbell	
Sun	4/03	10:30am	Agnes Laub	

Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	4/02	5:00pm	Zorn, DiCiervo, DeMaria	
Sun	4/03	9:00am	Shimer, Nilsen, Shea	
Sun	4/03	10:30am	Bloodgood, Ullmann, Paultre	

Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of April 4, 2016

Monday: Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10; Luke 1:26-38
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15

March 20, 2016 Regular Collection: \$1,641.00,
 Fuel Collection: \$741.00; Good Friday: \$464.00
 Easter Collection: \$2,161.00

Thank you for your generosity.

Scripture Reflection

"Unless I see - I will not believe"

The last apostle to meet the resurrected Lord was the first to go with him to Jerusalem at Passover time. The apostle Thomas was a natural pessimist. When Jesus proposed that they visit Lazarus after receiving news of his illness, Thomas said to the disciples: *"Let us also go, that we may die with him"* (John 11:16). While Thomas deeply loved the Lord, he lacked the courage to stand with Jesus in his passion and crucifixion. After Jesus' death, Thomas made the mistake of withdrawing from the other apostles. He sought loneliness rather than fellowship in his time of trial and adversity. He doubted the women who saw the resurrected Jesus and he doubted his own fellow apostles.

When Thomas finally had the courage to rejoin the other apostles, the Lord Jesus made his presence known to him and reassured him that he had indeed overcome death and risen again. When Thomas recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God! Through the gift of faith we, too, proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord and our God. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection. Do you believe in the good news of the Gospel and in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring you new life, hope, and joy? *Copyright 2016, Don Schwager: www.dailyscripture.net.Reprinted with permission*



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, April 4th 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 April classes are **April 3rd, April 10th and April 17th**. Please pray for our students & their families. FMI, please call Faith Formation Coord., Gerri Nilsen at 687-9769.



Second Collection: The Second Collection this week is the Monthly Collection.



Divine Mercy Sunday at Parish: Divine Mercy Sunday to be observed **April 3rd**. The **Exposition & Adoration of the Holy Eucharist** will take place from **2:00 pm to 3:00 pm** in the Church. At **3:00 pm**, parishioners can participate in the **Divine Mercy Chaplet**. Divine Mercy is also a time for reconciliation. Father will be available to hear confessions during the Exposition and Adoration hour (up to 3:00 pm). All are welcome to attend.

History of Divine Mercy:

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.

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 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 honor 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*

Adult Faith Formation: Please join Sr. Catherine Gormley, **Sunday, April 24, 2016** in the rectory after 9:00 am Mass. **Topic: "On the Way to new faith in the risen Christ."** What do the first generation Christians mean by the Risen Christ? How do they think about the resurrection? What happened to make the disciples believe in something so amazing about Jesus? Join in our "community of faith," growing in our knowledge and love of Jesus. Enjoy the company of members of St. Francis de Sales community as well as coffee and Danish!

Our Lady of La Salette Sodality Meeting: The Sodality meeting is **Sunday, April 10th** (second Sunday of the month) after the 10:30 am Mass. Former members and anyone interested in the Sodality and what we do are welcome to attend. Please contact Pam Hammond 688-2642 for further information.

Collection for Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA: Annual collection for **weekend of April 9 & 10** provides needed revenue for Catholic chaplains for the U.S. military and Dept. of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers. Pastoral services in the military reach 1.8 million Catholics. Thank you for your generosity.

Calling All Gardeners!

As we get ready to welcome the return of our spring flowers, the gardens around the grotto and rectory need some attention and love. Bring your favorite tools, clippers, etc. and join our garden "party" on **Sunday, April 17**, following the 9:00 am Mass. We'll plan a 2-hour work session. Many hands will make the work light. Please join us!



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 soon about renewing. Questions - call Eileen 817-300-6813 or email: e.moc@tx.rr.com. Thank you for your support!

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 (4/2). *May you always be aware of God's presence in your life. May you always open your heart for him to come there and stay with you. Have a glorious and memorable Birthday! Happy Birthday!*

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

Divine Mercy Conference: The 11th Annual Divine Mercy Conference will be held **Saturday, April 16th** at Cardinal Spellman H.S. in the Bronx. The all-day event features speakers, sacred music, Adoration, Confession and Mass. Cost: \$60. Co-sponsored by the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception and the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. See flyer on bulletin board for details/registration or visit www.thedivinemercy.org. **If anyone is interested or have any questions, please call Judy at 688-9912.**

**The Feast Day of St. Joseph held on Saturday
March 19**



The celebration began with Fr. Raphael blessing the many traditional Italian dishes such as breads in shapes of a staff, a hand, a cross, animals, St.

Joseph finger and dessert cookies embellished with almonds. The parishioners enjoyed the foods as well as the camaraderie. At the end of the evening, blue plastic bags were filled with the left over blessed bread and distributed to the parishioners.



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Laureen Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Jim Barden, 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, Josephine Klonfas, Michelle Louis, Amada Lumbaca, Nina Marino, Irene May, Mary McCloskey, Josie McIsaac, Ed McCoy, Helen Morelli, Diana Munch, Gerry Nilsen, Janet Oakes, Florence Palmer, Sylvia Persons, Franca Ravetier, Maryellen Reh, John Rossett, Jon Rowe, Catherine Ryan, Michael Ryder, Zoila Santa, Martha Santicola, Bert Shafer, Peter and Gladys Gilbert 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 our list is up-to-date. Thank you. Call 688-5617.

PARISH CALENDAR















April 3	Sun	Youth Faith Formation at 9 am in Parish Hall
April 3	Sun	Divine Mercy Sunday - Exposition & Adoration of the Holy Eucharist. See bulletin details.
April 24	Sun	Adult Faith Formation Class is in the rectory after the 9:00 am Mass,

PALM SUNDAY

EASTER SUNDAY



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 my beloved wife, Harriet, our mom & brother Frank, by Frank 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>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 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 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>

Annual Renewals for Spiritual Bouquets Begin This Month