

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

May 15, 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

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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

Our Parish Council includes Parish Committee Leaders

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Catechetical Formation for adults and young people and their
families meets each month. Schedule posted in bulletin.

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 COMMITTEE LEADERS

Bldg & Grounds: Burr Hubbell.....845-750-3203
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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.

May 15, 2016

Pentecost Sunday

“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of you love.” *John 20:19-23*

Mass Intentions

Week of May 14th – May 20th

- Sat 5/14 5:00p †Carmelo Barrientos requested by Don and Peggy Kearney
- Sun 5/15 9:00a †Joseph P. Menkowski requested by Barbara Ahouse
- Sun 5/15 10:30a †Peter Giambrone req. by Family
- Mon 5/16 8:00a Jack and Christie Morelli Wedding Anniversary requested by Helen Morelli
- Tue 5/17 8:00a 57 Wedding Anniversary requested by Helen Morelli
- Wed 5/18 8:00a †Robert McCloskey requested by Pat & Mike Ruane
- Thur 5/19 8:00a †Gerard R. Morrongiello req. by daughter
- Fri 5/20 8:00a †Carmelo Barrientos by Barbara DeMaria

2nd Collection this week is for Fuel

Weekend of May 21st– May 22nd

- Sat 5/21 5:00p †Carmelo Barrientos req by Mabel West
- Sun 5/22 9:00a †Jack Tiso requested by the Tiso Family
- Sun 5/22 10:30a Open Intention

Weekend Lectors

- Sat 5/14 5:00pm Pat Ruane
- Sun 5/15 9:00am Burr Hubbell
- Sun 5/15 10:30am Agnes Laub



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

- Sat 5/14 5:00pm Zorn, Gormley, DeMaria
- Sun 5/15 9:00am Colagrande, Nilsen, Shea
- Sun 5/15 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 May 16, 2016

Monday: James 3:13-18; Mark 9:14-29
Tuesday: James 4:1-10; Mark 9:30-37
Wednesday: James 4:13-17; Mark 9:38-40
Thursday: James 5:1-6; Mark 9:41-50
Friday: James 5:9-12; Mark 10:1-12

May 8, 2016 Regular Collection: \$1,842.00
 Ascension Thursday: \$518.00
 Aid to Church in Central & Eastern Europe: \$400.00

Scripture Reflection

"They were all filled with the Holy Spirit!"

Do you know and experience in your own life the gift and power of the Holy Spirit? Just as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit at the beginning of his ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them by Jesus. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptized into Jesus Christ to enable us to live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy, and righteousness. He never refuses to give his Spirit to those who ask with expectant faith. Jesus instructed his disciples to ask confidently for the gift of the Spirit: "If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with the love of God, and he gives us the strength and courage we need in order to live as faith-filled disciples of the Lord Jesus. The Spirit helps us in our weakness, and enables us to grow in spiritual freedom - freedom from doubt, fear, and from slavery to our unruly desires. The Spirit instructs us in the ways of God, and guides us in living according to God's will. The Spirit is the source and giver of all holiness. Isaiah foretold the seven-fold gifts that the Spirit would give: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. *Copyright 2016, Don Schwager: www.dailyscripture.net. Reprinted with permission*



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, May 16th 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 for Fuel.

Children's Faith Formation:

Classes are held after the 9:00 am Mass. The May classes are: **May 15th**, and **May 22nd**. Please pray for our students & their families. FMI, please call Faith Formation Coord., Gerri Nilsen at 687-9769.



Coffee Klatches are Back! **We are looking for hosts & hostesses** for our third season of Coffee Klatches held on Sunday mornings. The prospective dates for this year are: **June 19th, July 17th, August 21st, September 18th & October 16th**. We are looking for two teams of between 1-2 people for each date; it's not much work, a lot of fun, a good way to serve the community and get to know other parishioners! For more information or to sign up, call Bill Colagrande @ 688-2013.



NEW DATE: Our Parish's ***Meditation Group*** will meet **May 18th**; and thereafter the **3rd Wednesday of each month** in the Fr. Gorman Hall at **6:30pm** for approximately one and one half hours. Overview of the meeting: a Scripture Reading selected by one of the members is brought to the meeting; meditated upon by the group for 20 minutes; and then spontaneous sharing ensues about the reading. All are welcome to attend.

Adult Faith Formation: Please join Sr. Catherine Gormley, **Sunday, May 22, 2016** in the rectory after 9:00 am Mass. **Topic: "COMMUNITY AS SEEN THROUGH THE LENS OF THE PROPHETS."** Community was such an important concept throughout the Old Testament and the prophets kept reminding the people that they were in a binding relationship with their God which we call "covenant." They were formed to be God's people and owed God and their neighbor loyalty and love. Prophets like Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Isaiah and others constantly kept this idea before Israel's eyes. This class will look at some of the prophets and try to gain new insights into the relationship between covenant and community. Come and join us for some lively discussion as well as coffee and Danish!

Bulletin Advertising & Spiritual Bouquets:

Advertising: If you have not renewed, call Eileen 817-300-6813 or email: e.moc@tx.rr.com. Cost: \$100/yr. New advertisers welcome.

Spiritual Bouquets: Contact Claire Paultre at 688-5155. Cost: \$75/yr. Spaces are available. Your special intentions are mentioned at our weekly Masses.

Note: Our annual term began May 1 and ends April 30, 2017. If you'd like to make changes or have decided not to renew, please contact us so we can make spots available to others. This revenue covers bulletin printing costs and provides some funding to our parish.

"SAVE THE DATE"! – For our annual St. Francis de Sales picnic, **Sunday, August 14 at Noon**. This is an opportunity to enjoy good food and fellowship among our community members, friends, and family. Fr. Raphael has assured us that the weather will be fine, but we'll set up a tent just in case. Further details will be announced later in June; so stay tuned!

Catechist Enrichment Day – Invitation!

Teachers of Youth Faith Formation are invited to a day of Enrichment and Fellowship, **Saturday, June 11 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm** at Regina Coeli School in Hyde Park. There is no cost to participate. Lunch and other refreshments will be provided. Interested in knowing more about being a Catechist or helping in our Youth Faith Formation program? Please consider joining us! Guest speakers include Victor Valenzuela (on Cultivating Kindness) and Joe Long (on Echoing the Sacred Story of Mercy.) See flyer on bulletin board in our vestibule. Registration is required. For carpooling and registration, please contact Youth Faith Formation Coordinator, Gerry Nilsen at 687-9769.

Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



"Happy Birthday" – ***Blanche Shimer*** (5/1); ***Doris Murphy*** (5/19); ***Etta Hanigan*** (5/20). *May your special day be filled with JOY and LOVE and may you know that GOD is always with you. 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.

"Find your delight in the LORD who will give you your heart's desire." (Psalms 37:4)

SEVENTH (LAST) SPIRITUAL WORK OF MERCY – *Pray for the Living and the Dead*

So many people need our help that it is physically impossible to support them. The last Spiritual Work of Mercy gives us an alternate and powerful way to respond – through prayer. This reflection offers an opportunity to use our prayer capacity at full strength. We'll focus first on communal prayer, and end with one on one prayer.

As a community, we are already doing more group praying than you may realize. Our liturgy is a solemn prayer from start to finish. Fr. Raphael has the opportunity to offer the entire Mass for a specific intention. Anyone can talk with him about requesting a Mass. And while Masses are often offered for deceased loved ones, they are ALSO wonderful gifts for people who are very much alive – especially if that person can personally attend!

Within the ritual of the Mass, we recite familiar prayers expressing praise, thanksgiving, and petition. Each week we put forward community requests during the Prayer of the Faithful. Part of this prayer includes the intentions of our Spiritual Bouquets and Tree of Life. We use all of these prayers to *unite* ourselves, in the Body of Christ, with the living and deceased members of our families and community. Our communal prayer is designed to *remember* these loved ones, and to *ask* God to be merciful in caring for them.

So here's the question. Are we truly present as we hear and recite the same prayers, week after week? Does our mind shift to the day's plans, meal preparation, or other distractions? Most of us would have to admit that we *do* wander sometimes, and when we return to the present, it's already the Consecration!

How can we improve our attention? The invitation of this Spiritual Work is to pause in the prayer moment, to personalize it. Here are some examples. If the congregation is praying for our men and women in service overseas, you might add the name of someone you know in this situation, and pray in particular for that person and his/her family. You might plan ahead, taking a minute to read the intentions listed under Spiritual Bouquets in our bulletin before Mass begins, or the names on the gold leaves of our Tree of Life, and pick someone as the silent focus of your prayer. This will help you pray for real people.

What about prayers with no script? Going beyond the formal, rote prayers may feel challenging. Yet we are encouraged to *talk* with God as “Abba” – a meaning closer to “Daddy” than “Father.” Here's an idea to consider if you want to explore new personal prayer

territory. Find someone you trust, and invite him or her to be your “prayer partner.” Share an intention that you would like your partner to pray for, daily, on your behalf. Find out what intention your partner would like you to raise up every day. Agree to keep these intentions confidential. Then begin, and check in monthly to see if the intentions have changed, so you can make adjustments.

Interestingly, your prayer intentions *will* change over time. With practice, you and your partner will become more deliberate and thoughtful in the articulation of your petitions. You will not want to waste one another's time with a prayer that is too vague, or too exacting in its demands. You will truly learn how to approach “Abba” in a relaxed state of comfort and hope. And, when your prayer is answered, there will be two people to rejoice!



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 Kloufas, Michelle Louis, Amada Lumbaca, Danielle Marino, 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, Pat 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 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

May 15	Sun	Youth Faith Formation after 9 am Mass in Parish Hall.
May 15	Sun	Coffee Klatch in front of the Church after the 9:00 am and 10:30 am Masses.
May 18	Wed	Meditation Group meets at 6:30 pm in Fr. Gorman Hall. See bulletin for details.
May 22	Sun	Adult Faith Formation with Sr. Catherine Gormley in Fr. Gorman Hall after 9 am Mass

PENTECOST SUNDAY
















Pentecost Sunday – May 15: This Sunday marks the 50th day after Easter and the end of the Easter season.



Christ had promised His Apostles that He would send His Holy Spirit, and, on Pentecost, they were granted the gifts of the Spirit. The Apostles began to preach the Gospel in all of the languages that the Jews who were gathered there spoke, and about 3,000 people were converted and baptized that day. That is why Pentecost is often called "the birthday of the Church." On this day, with the descent of the Holy Spirit, Christ's mission is completed, and the New Covenant is inaugurated.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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 dear husband Romeo and my beloved son, Joseph by Saveria "Honey" Fecci</p> 
<p>In Loving Memory... James P. Hefferan and daughter Maureen Hefferan Swezey, by Iris D'Agostino and 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 <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 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>Available Intention</p>	<p>Available Intention</p>	<p> Prayer to the Miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague. The Wallace Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of our Parents, Jack & Sue Tiso and Anthony & Florence Persichilli by Charles, Joseph, Margie, Pam & Susan.</p> 

***Spiritual Bouquets: Renewals/Changes/New
Call Claire 688-5155***