

# St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

## January 8, 2017



*Gem of the Catskills*

### **Parish Established 1902**

109 Main Street, Phoenicia, NY 12464  
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www.stfrancisdesalesphoenicia.com  
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### **MASSES**

**Saturday: 5:00 pm**  
**Sunday: 9:00 am & 10:30 am**  
**Daily: 8:00 am (Mon– Thurs)**  
**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

*Rev. George W. Hommel, Parish Administrator*  
gwhommel@hvc.rr.com 845-679-7696

### **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

Parish Secretary (M-W-F) Vicki Hall: 688-5617

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

### **PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE LEADERS**

Bldg & Grounds: Burr Hubbell..... 845-750-3203  
Cemetery Mgr: Mark Wilsey..... 688-5500  
Communication: 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 (Chair needed) .....  
Liturgy: Contact Father Raphael..... 688-5617  
Parish Hall: Laurie Brown ..... 657-9652  
Social and Outreach: Bill Colagrande ..... 688-2013  
Martha & Mary Ministry: Marge Tiso ..... 688-5898

Bulletin Editors: Cheryl Bender & Judy Pavone

### **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.*

### **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 (and by appointment)

#### **Anointing of the Sick and**

#### **Communion to the Homebound**

Call the Rectory to make arrangements

### **FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM**

Adult and Youth Faith Formation schedules are posted in our bulletins and on the parish website.

### **OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE SODALITY**

Meets after 10:30 am Mass the first Sunday of the month

President: Pam Hammond 688-2642

Vice-President: Pat Ryder – Secretary: Elizabeth Quinn

Treasurer: Eileen O'Connor

### **ABOUT OUR PARISH**

Archbishop Michael A. Corrigan entrusted the care of the newly formed parish of St. Francis de Sales to the Missionary Fathers of La Salette in 1902. Rev. M. Julien Ginet, M.S., architect, builder and first pastor dedicated the church on Sunday, August 21, 1904. The Missionary Fathers returned pastoral care of St. Francis de Sales Parish to the Archdiocese of New York in 2003.

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## The Epiphany of The Lord

“We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.” Matthew 2:1-12

### Mass Intentions

#### Week of January 7th-January 13th

Sat	01/07	5:00p	Open Intention
Sun	01/08	9:00a	†Mary & Frank Orzo 75th wedding anniversary req. by Gerry Nilsen
Sun	01/08	10:30a	Open Intention
Mon	01/09	8:00a	Open Intention
Tue	01/10	8:00a	In Thanksgiving to St. Jude req. by Barbara Ahouse
Wed	01/11	8:00a	Open Intention
Thur	01/12	8:00a	Open Intention
Fri	01/13	8:00a	Open Intention

**Second Collection is for Communications & Catholic University**

#### Weekend of January 14th – January 15th

Sat	01/14	5:00p	Open Intention
Sun	01/15	9:00a	Open Intention
Sun	01/15	10:30a	Open Intention

#### Weekend Lectors

Sat	01/07	5:00p	Don Kearney
Sun	01/08	9:00a	Burr Hubbell
Sun	01/08	10:30a	Agnes Laub



#### Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	01/07	5:00p	Bender, Zorn
Sun	01/08	9:00a	Nilsen, Shimer
Sun	01/08	10:30a	Ullman, Paultre



#### Weekend Ushers

Jerry Baltz   Bill Caton   Andy Nappi   Frank Rauchut  
 John Sansone   Bruce Wallace   Ed Zorn

#### Readings for the Week of January 9, 2017

**Monday:** Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Matthew 3:13-17

**Tuesday:** Hebrews 2:5-12; Mark 1:21-28

**Wednesday:** Hebrews 2:14-18; Mark 1:29-39

**Thursday:** Hebrews 3:7-14; Mark 1:40-45

**Friday:** Hebrews 4:1-5, 11; Mark 2:1-12

Christmas Collection: \$5,221.00  
 January 1, 2017 Regular Collection: \$1,437  
 Monthly Collection: \$651  
**Thank You for Your Generosity!**

### Scripture Reflection

#### "They fell down and worshiped Jesus"

If Jesus truly is who he claims to be, the eternal Son of God and Savior of the world, then why is he not recognized by everyone who hears his word and sees his works? John the Evangelist states that when Jesus came into the world *the world knew him not and his own people received him not*. Jesus was born in obscurity. Only the lowly shepherds recognized him at his birth. Some wise men also found their way to Bethlehem to pay homage to the newborn King of Israel. These men were not Israelites, but foreigners. They likely had read and discussed the Messianic prophecies and were anxious to see when this Messianic King would appear. God led them by means of an extraordinary star across the desert to the little town of Bethlehem where Jesus was born. When they found the newborn King they humbly worshiped him and gave him gifts fitting for a king.

To know and to encounter Jesus Christ is to know God personally. In the encounter of the wise men with Jesus we see the plan of God to give his only Son as King and Savior, not just for the Jewish people but for all the nations as well. The Lord Jesus came that both Jew and Gentile might find true and lasting peace with God. Let us pray today that Jew and Gentile alike will find the Lord and Savior on their journey of life. Do you bring the light of Jesus Christ to those you meet through the witness of your life and testimony? Copyright 2016, Don Schwager: [www.dailyscripture.net](http://www.dailyscripture.net). Reprinted with permission



## PARISH ACTIVITIES

**Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, January 9th following the 8:00 am Mass, we pray the 9th 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 January Classes are **January 8th, January 22nd, and January 29th.**

Please pray for our students, families, and teachers. If you need to contact our Youth Formation Coordinator, please call Gerry Nilsen at 687-9769.



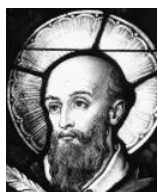
**Formation Project-Feed the Hungry:** Collected food items continue being donated weekly to the Phoenicia Food Pantry. Check the list of suggested foods on the decorated collection box. A beautiful “thank you” letter from the food pantry is posted on the church bulletin board. Contact Gerry 687-9769 or Patti 688-7172. No perishable items please.

**Women’s Bible Study Reconvenes:** Join us in the Father Gorman Hall on January 11 from **3:30 – 4:30p** on **January 11** for a spirited discussion of the scripture readings for January 15, the Second Sunday in Ordinary time. Coming for the first time? Let Pat Ryder know to expect you. Pat’s phone is 688-3193.

**Men’s Bible Study Groups:** The next meeting date will be **Wednesday, January 11 at 7:00 pm** in the rectory. Fr. Raphael is planning to join the group as his schedule allows. All men are welcome. If you have any questions, contact Bill Tretter at 684-7015



**Music Ministry:** We continue to sing Memorial Acclamation # 882 “When We Eat This Bread” through January 8th weekend Masses. The Epiphany of the Lord (this weekend) ends the Christmas Season. Next weekend begins Ordinary Time in the Church. The Memorial Acclamation will change back to #881 “We proclaim Your Death.”

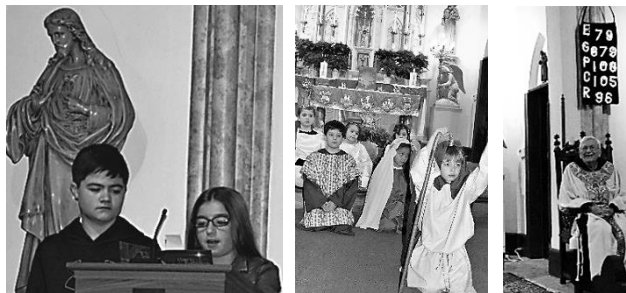


*To live according to the spirit is to love according to the spirit.*

*- St. Francis de Sales*

**Growing in Faith 2017:** Anyone with internet service can access free Catholic resources available through the Archdiocese of NY. View a wide range of online resources including movies, books, audio and many popular Catholic programs and retreats! Go to **Formed.org**. Click “Register,” enter our parish code, **HFWGKR**, and add your email address. Complete the registration by adding your name, address and your personal password. You will not be billed for this service! Finally, you can share the parish registration password with anyone interested in our Catholic faith. Have a Happy & Healthy New Year!

**Children’s Christmas Pageant:** The children of our Faith Formation program and their families held their annual Pageant at the **Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Mass**. The pageant this year was from the short story, “Come to Bethlehem and See.” Father Raphael and all present enjoyed the program – thank you to all the youth, their parents, family members, catechists and parishioners for supporting this beautiful Christmas program!



### **New Year’s Day Mass Celebration**



Families and friends greeted each other after New Year’s Day Mass. We were also blessed with mild weather on the first day of 2017!

### **Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for January 2017**



#### **Universal: Interreligious Dialogue...**

That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

#### **Evangelization: Christian Unity...**

That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions. *Source: usccb.org*

## **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).** *May His word bring light into your life and guide you in every step you take and decisions you make. May God continue to bless you!*

Share your good news with the parish; drop info in the collection basket, email or contact Judy at 688-9912, [jap120@hvc.rr.com](mailto:jap120@hvc.rr.com).

### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2017:** If you'd like a



Mass offered on a specific day and time, please contact Fr. Raphael by phone at 688-5617 or an office visit. An “Intention Book” for your personal prayer requests is located on the podium in the back of the church (near Tree of Life). Prayer

requests will be remembered at our Masses.

**Father Mathew’s Book:** A few copies of Fr. Mathew’s book are still available: “Saint Teresa of Avila, a Transformational Leader.” Cost: \$15.00/book. Call Marge Tiso 688-5898. First-come, first-serve basis!

**Martha & Mary Ministry:** A Ministry focusing on helping bereaved families after a funeral or memorial service. We continue to seek parishioners that can help provide a dish of food. Please add your name to the list on our church bulletin board.

**Archdiocesan Announcement:** Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious, or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

Cualquier persona que necesite reportar algún incidente de abuso sexual de un menor por un sacerdote, diacono, religioso/a, o laico sirviendo en la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, se le pide que por favor contacte Hermana Eileen Clifford, O.P. al (212) 371-1000 extensión 2949 o Deacon George Coppola at 917-861-1762. Ambos también pueden ser contactados vía correo electrónico:

[victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Para más información pueden visitar la página en la red de la Arquidiócesis: [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). De acuerdo con las normas de la Arquidiócesis respeto al abuso sexual de menores, esta información se provee para asegurar que nuestros niños permanezcan seguros.

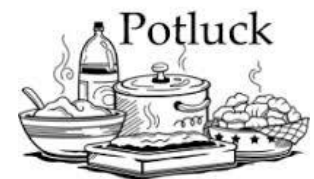
## **“ST. FRANCIS DE SALES FEAST DAY JANUARY 24 CELEBRATION”**

Join us in honoring our patron, **St. Francis de Sales**, on his **Feast Day - Tuesday, Jan. 24!** Father



Raphael will celebrate Mass at 5:00 pm in the church (there will be no 8:00 am Mass). Afterwards, there will be a potluck supper at the Rectory (approx. 6 pm). For those

who can bring a side dish, soup, salad, dessert or beverage or wish to help with setup, please call Judy 688-9912 or Pam 688-2642. Everyone is welcome!



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Lauren Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Jim Barden, Rick Bicanovsky, Kathleen Biondo, Sheila Madera-Brown, Ellen Burmeiste, Ryan Callahan, Liam Casey, Ben Cole, Ed Dannen, Lillian DiPasqua, Betty Djerf, Robyn Daugherty, Iris D’Agostino, Honey Fecci, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Rose Fudge, David Gerdes, Lois Giambrone, Dorothy Gorman, Jan Goyer, David Groom, Chris Hall, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Fr. Raphael Iannone, Jerome Jay, Arleen Kachadoorian, Jimmy Kinns, Justin Kolb, Josephine Kloufas, Amada Lumbaca, Nina Marino, Irene May, Josie McIsaac, Ed McCoy, Shelli Mellert, Helen Morelli, Diana Munch, Gerry Nilsen, Janet Oakes, Florence Palmer, Sylvia Persons, Franca Ravetier, John Rossett, Jon Rowe, Catherine Ryan, Michael Ryder, Pat Ryder, Zoila Santa, Martha Santicola, Bert Shafer, 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. Call the Rectory at 688-5617 to add or remove a person’s name. Thank you for your courtesy.*



## PARISH CALENDAR

<b>Jan 8</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Youth Faith Formation classes in the Parish Hall after 9:00 am Mass</b>
<b>Jan 11</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Women's Bible Study at 3:30 pm in the Fr. Gorman Hall</b>
<b>Jan 11</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Men's Bible Study at 7:00 pm in the Rectory</b>
<b>Jan 18</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Meditation Group Meets in the Fr. Gorman Hall at 6:30 pm</b>

## The Epiphany of the Lord



The Epiphany of Our Lord is the Christian feast observed on January 6th. The word “epiphany” comes from the Greek *epiphainen*, a verb that means “to shine upon,” “to manifest,” or “to make known.” Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11). The

visit of the Magi is emphasized on Epiphany Day, and Christ's baptism is celebrated the first Sunday that follows. *Source: The Catholic News Agency*

## 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 of Jack and Virginia Fleming and John Fleming, Jr. by Veronica &amp; Jon Rowe</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of my beloved wife, Harriet, our mom &amp; brother Frank, by Frank Rauchut, John, Veronica &amp; 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 &amp; Eileen O’Connor</p>	<p>In Honor of my family and friends living &amp; deceased. May God bless us all and grant us world peace. - Lois Giambrone</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 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>In Loving Memory of Patricia and Terry Buchanan by the Wolfrom Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of our beloved parents, Lillian and Henry Miller and Mildred and William DiPasqua, and our deceased brothers.</p>	<p> Prayer to the Miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague. The Wallace Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of our Parents, Jack &amp; Sue Tiso and Anthony &amp; Florence Persichilli by Charles, Joseph, Margie, Pam &amp; Susan.</p>

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