

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

March 19, 2017



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 (Mon–Thurs)
Holy Day of Obligation
Eve: 5:00 pm
Holy Day: 8:00 am & 7:00 pm

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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: Judy Pavone 688-9912
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 Third Sunday of Lent

“Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.” – John 4:5-42

Mass Intentions

Week of March 18th-March 24th

Sat	03/18	5:00p	†Mary Persons req. by Family
Sun	03/19	9:00a	†Scotty Decker req. by Parents
Sun	03/19	10:30a	John Decker and family by Sandi Walker
Mon	03/20	8:00a	Open Intention
Tue	03/21	8:00a	Open Intention
Wed	03/22	8:00a	Open Intention
Thur	03/23	8:00a	Open Intention
Fri	03/24	8:00a	Open Intention

Second Collection this week is for Fuel

Weekend of March 25th– March 26th

Sat	03/25	5:00p	†Jack Tiso req. by Family
Sun	03/26	9:00a	Open Intention
Sun	03/26	10:30a	Open Intention

Weekend Lectors

Sat	03/18	5:00p	Don Kearney
Sun	03/19	9:00a	Jean Druffner
Sun	03/19	10:30a	Elizabeth Quinn



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	03/18	5:00p	Zorn, Wolfrom, DeMaria
Sun	03/19	9:00a	Nilsen, Shimer, Ryder
Sun	03/19	10:30a	Bloodgood, Paultre, Ullman



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of March 20, 2017

Monday: 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16;

Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Tuesday: Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday: Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23

Friday: Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34

March 12, 2017 Regular Collection: \$1,386.00
 Catholic Relief Services: \$238.00
Thank You for Your Generosity!

Scripture Reflection

A spring of water welling up to eternal life

Jesus broke through the barriers of prejudice, hostility, and tradition to bring the good news of peace and reconciliation to Jews, Samaritans, and Gentiles alike. He demonstrated the universality of the gospel both in word and deed. No one is barred from the love of God and the good news of salvation. There is only one thing that can keep us from God and his redeeming love - our stubborn pride and willful rebellion.

What is the point of Jesus' exchange with the Samaritan woman about water? Water in the arid land was scarce. Jacob's well was located in a strategic fork of the road between Samaria and Galilee. Water is a source of life and growth for all living things. When rain came to the desert, the water transformed the wasteland into a fertile field.

The image of "living water" is used throughout the scriptures as a symbol of God's wisdom, a wisdom that imparts life and blessing to all who receive it. "The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life". "Living water" was also a symbol for the Jews of thirst of the soul for God. The water which Jesus spoke of symbolized the Holy Spirit and his work of recreating us in God's image and sustaining in us the new life which comes from God. The life which the Holy Spirit produces in us makes us a "new creation" in Jesus Christ. Do you thirst for God and for the life of the Holy Spirit within you? Copyright 2017, Don Schwager: www.dailyscripture.net. Reprinted with permission



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, March 20th following the 8:00 am Mass, we pray the 1st 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 remaining March class is **Sunday, March 19th**. Please pray for our students, families, and teachers. To contact our Youth Formation Coordinator, 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. Contact Gerry 687-9769 or Patti 688-7172. No perishable items.



Stations of the Cross: Every **Friday, 7:00 pm** throughout Lent. Please join the parish community during this Holy season. Father Raphael welcomes

parishioners to take an active role in leading our weekly Stations of the Cross. Please call him in advance if you are interested. He will explain how it is done. Thank you.

Adult Faith Formation: Sun. March 26 following the 9:00 am Mass. Second of four -part series: “**AMBITION, POWER & AUTHORITY**” (2). In contrast to last month, we will study Old Testament characters who paid attention to wise advice and led without power-seeking ambition. Moses and Joshua stand out as wonderful examples of leadership not as self-service but as service to others. Come and join us in the rectory as we look together for the lessons we can learn from these upright and selfless men and their attitude toward authority

Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose:

Dynamic Catholic president and author, Matthew Kelly, will present “Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose” **Friday, April 7 from 6:30-10:30 pm at Sacred Heart Church in Monroe, NY.**

COST: \$39/person. To register, call (859) 980-7900 or online at: dynamiccatholic.com. Click “Events” – select “Passion and Purpose.” Click April 7 date to purchase ticket. Contact Mike Ruane (688-5357) if you are planning to attend and wish to car pool.

Attention Parishioners – Notice of Easter Bulletin

Schedule: Please note that all articles and announcements for the **April 16th Easter Sunday bulletin** must be submitted by **Thursday, April 6**. The Easter bulletin encompasses Mass Intentions from Saturday, April 15 to Sunday, April 23.

Lenten Prayers: On the First Sunday of Lent, our parish families received the Lenten booklet, “Becoming Whole, Becoming Holy.” This beautiful resource offers daily reflections, meditations and prayers by Alice Camille. “Thank God for Lent,” the author writes. It’s “the season that annually assists us in reassembling all of the pieces of our lives in the proper order.” Take time to read these thoughtful reflections and as “we thoughtfully observe these forty days, our purpose becomes clearer, and our direction, truer.”

Preview of Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday Masses: Saturday, April 8, 5 pm; Sunday, April 9 at 9:00 am and 10:30 am. Blessing and distribution of palms at all Masses. Palms will be blessed outside in the Church parking lot. All will then process into the Church. Weather permitting.

Reconciliation Monday, April 10 Father Raphael will hear confessions from **4:00 pm to 8:00 pm**. If he is not in the church, you will find him in the rectory.

Holy Thursday, April 13 Mass at **7 pm** with a special ceremony of washing of the feet followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 12:00 am in Fr. Gorman Hall (located in the back of the Rectory).

Good Friday, April 14 (A day of fast and abstinence): A ceremony of the Lord’s Passion at **3 pm** with the Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion. The Stations of the Cross at **7 pm**

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 15: 7 pm Mass (No 5:00 pm Mass) Mass begins (weather permitting) outside the Church with the blessing of new fire, paschal candle.

Easter Sunday, April 16: 9:00 am and 10:30 am

Women’s Bible Study: Meets Wed. March 22 at 3:30 pm in the Fr. Gorman Hall at the back of the Rectory. All women of the parish are welcome.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2017: If you would like to have a Mass offered for a loved one during this season of Lent, please contact Fr. Raphael at 688-5617 or arrange an office visit.

Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



“Happy Birthday” to **Joseph Strauss (3/2: 85th), Liz Quinn (3/4), and Angie Valentino (3/18)**. May God bless you today and every day in everything you do and in every little way. May you also know His love is all around as you come and go. May His blessings abound. Happy Birthday!

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

Gemstone: Bloodstone or Aquamarine

Flower: Jonquil or Daffodil



Memorial Acclamation During Lent

(# 883 Missalette)

“Save Us, Savior, of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.”

Martha & Mary Ministry: A

Ministry to help bereaved families after a funeral or memorial service. You can help when needed to provide a dish of food. Please add your name to the list on our church bulletin board. Call Judy Pavone, 688-9912.



Volunteer Help Needed: Phoenicia Elementary School is looking for someone to help kids read. Not all kids in town have a parent available to read with at night. This sets them back in school. The school (about 3 blocks from the library) needs a few volunteers to read to children during a spring Read-a-thon over next several weeks. Short time commitment: (1/2 hour) from 2:45 – 3:30 pm would cover students (ages 5 to 9).

This gives everyone an opportunity to read with an adult. If you can help, please contact Principal

Linda Sella at lsella@onteora.k12.ny.us or call 688-5580 for more information. Thank you!



Prayer to St. Joseph for Our Family

Feast Day – March 19

The protector of the Holy Family, St. Joseph will protect our families too if we ask him...

“Gracious St Joseph, protect my family and all other families from danger, as you did protect the baby Jesus and His mother from the wrath of king Herod. Pray for us, that we respect, love and care for each other in our family as you were with Mary and Jesus. Help us to be understanding and forgiving towards each other. Most of all St Joseph, bring us closer to Jesus. St Joseph, please pray for our family. Amen.”

Source: www.family-prayer.org



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Lauren Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Jim Barden, Rick Bicanovsky, Kathleen Biondo, Sheila Madera-Brown, Ellen Burmeister, 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, Rosemarie and Erwin Hildenhagen, 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, Judy Pavone, 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 and John 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

Mar 19	Sun	Children's Faith Formation Class after 9 am Mass in Parish Hall
Mar 22	Wed	Women's Bible Study group meets in the Fr. Gorman Hall at 3:30 pm
Mar 24	Fri	Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm in Church
Mar 26	Sun	Adult Faith Formation after 9 am Mass in the Rectory. (See bulletin for details)

The Annunciation of the Lord

For centuries, March 25 has been celebrated by Catholics as the "Feast of the Annunciation." Mary's fiat – "I am the servant of the Lord. Let it be done to me as you say" – brought our Savior into the world. As the first disciple of Christ, Mary shows us that we must listen to and do God's will. Prayer and action therefore go hand in hand. As followers of Christ we must make time to talk to and listen to Him in prayer. Examining all that we do, or simply "living" in the light of our prayer, is essential. Living with a heart open to God's will has enormous implications. Different people will realize that God calls them to different things. For the single adult, it could require offering personal time in service of a needy person. A businessman may find that honesty and fairness requires a certain course of action. A married couple could realize that they should have another child. The sick person might have to accept his illness and join his suffering to that of Christ. Doing God's will is not always easy. We usually have our own plans for our lives. It is good to have plans, but never at the expense of our growth in relationship to God. Like Mary, we must trust that God's will is the best for us and our world. Let us follow the example of Mary and call upon her to help us open our hearts to say "yes" to God! Source: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)

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 Honor of my family and friends living & deceased. May God bless us all and grant us world peace. – Lois Giambrone</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>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 & Sue Tiso and Anthony & Florence Persichilli by Charles, Joe, Margie, Pam & Susan. </p>

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