

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

March 4, 2018



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) Vikki Hall: 688-5617
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PARISH COUNCIL LEADERS

Bldg & Grounds: Burr Hubbell..... 845-750-3203
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 Communication: Pam Hammond688-2642
 Director of Music: Dennis Yerry.....657-2714
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 Martha & Mary Ministry: Marge Tiso688-5898
 Bulletin Team: Cheryl Bender, Judy Pavone, Marge Tiso
 and Michelle Webb

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Religious Education and Adult 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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Third Sunday of Lent

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone
who believes in him might have eternal life. - John 2:13-25

Mass Intentions

Week of March 3rd – March 8th

- Sat 03/03 5:00p †Jim Walker req. by Ed & Nancy Zorn
Sun 03/04 9:00a Adolph Moesle Jr. (Prayer for Wellness)
req. by Sante Moesle, Pierina Moesle and
Family
Sun 03/04 10:30a †Nora del Castillo req by Lomen & Bill
McCloat
Mon 03/05 8:00a
Tue 03/06 8:00a †Christina Collumb, req. by Barbara
Ahouse
Wed 03/07 8:00a
Thur 03/08 8:00a

The Second Collection is the Monthly Collection

Weekend of March 10th – March 11th

- Sat 03/10 5:00p Geri Horner (Birthday & Well Being) req.
by Don & Peggy Kearny
Sun 03/11 9:00a Adolph Moesle Jr. (Prayer for Wellness)
req. by Sante Moesle, Pierina Moesle and
Family
Sun 03/11 10:30a †Robert Collins req. by Pat & Mike Ruane

The Weekend Lectors

- Sat 03/03 5:00p J. Pavone, J. Druffner
Sun 03/04 9:00a B. Hubbell, E. Garcia-McWinnie
Sun 03/04 10:30a L. Brown, L. Quinn



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

- Sat 03/03 5:00p Zorn, Barrack, DeMaria
Sun 03/04 9:00a Shimer, Nilsen, Shea
Sun 03/04 10:30a Bloodgood, Ullmann, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

Jerry Baltz Bill Caton Frank Raucht
John Sansone Bruce Wallace Ed Zorn

Readings for the Week of March 5, 2018

Monday: 2 Kings 5:1-15b; Luke 4:24-30

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

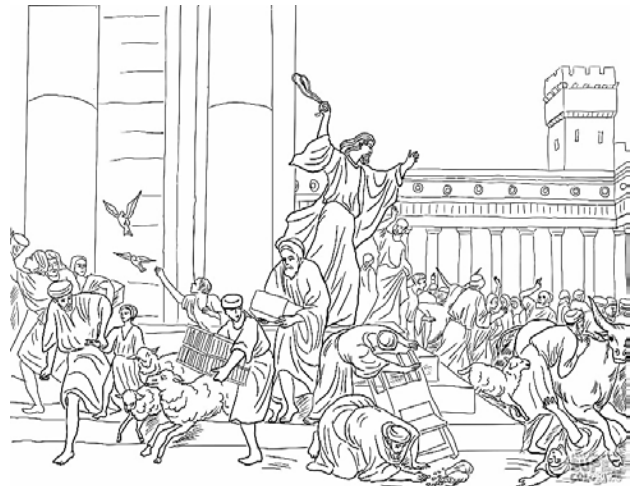
Collection for February 25th: \$1,204.54
Thank you for your generosity

Scripture Reflection

**"Destroy this temple, and in three days
I will raise it up"**

Jesus' cleansing of the temple is also a prophetic sign of what he wants to do with each of us. He ever seeks to cleanse us of our sinful ways in order to make us into living temples of his Holy Spirit. God desires that we be holy as he is holy. Do you thirst and hunger for God's holiness?

The Jewish authorities wanted proof that Jesus had divine authority to act as he did. They demanded a sign from God to prove Jesus right; otherwise, they would treat him as an imposter and a usurper of their authority. Jesus spoke of himself as the true Temple which cleanses and makes us a holy people who can dwell with God. Through his death and resurrection, the Lord Jesus has reconciled us with God and made us adopted sons and daughters of our heavenly Father, and he fills us with his Holy Spirit and makes us living temples of our God. Do you recognize the indwelling presence of God within you through the gift and working of his Holy Spirit? The Lord Jesus wants to renew our minds and to purify our hearts so that we may offer God fitting worship and enjoy his presence both now and forever. Ask the Lord Jesus to fill you with a holy desire and burning zeal for his holiness and glory, to grow in you and transform the way you think, act, and live as a son or daughter of God. Copyright 2018, Don Schwager: www.dailyscripture.net. Reprinted with permission.



He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds. (Ps. 147:3)

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, March 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.*"

Religious Education Program –

The March classes are on **March 4, March 11, March 18 and 25**. Any questions, please contact Parish Coordinator, Gerry Nilsen at 687-9769.



Two songs will be sung at 9:00 am Mass ("Children's Mass")

Peace Time lyrics (during the Sign of Peace): "Peace Time, Peace Time, time for Making Peace. Peace time, Peace time, time to say I forgive you. Time for saying I love you. Time to live as Friends."

Recessional Hymn: "The Love Round"

Love, love, love, love. Christians, this is your call: Love your neighbor as yourself, for God loves us all. Jesus, Jesus, let me tell you how I feel: You have given me Your riches; I Love You so. (Two times)

Children's Songs: Every Sunday, at the 9:00 am Children's Mass, the children and their catechists will lead us in singing. Please join in "Peace Time" at the sign of peace, as well as the printed recessional song. Remember the proverb, "He who sings well, prays twice!"

Formation Project - Feed the Hungry: There continues to be a need for paper goods, i.e. toilet paper, tissues, etc. (also cleaning items such as dish and laundry detergents); and personal hygiene items, i.e. soap, deodorant, shampoo & conditioner. Contact Gerry 687-9769 or Patti 688-7172. Please no perishable items. The collection box is on the altar below the Crucifix. Thank you.



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 if you are interested. He will explain how it is done. Thank you.

Lenten Fast and Abstinence Observances:

For details about these observances, please check our bulletin board in the vestibule. Follow the recommendations to the extent you are able – health-permitting. Contact the rectory if you have any questions.

Our Lady of La Salette Sodality: The first meeting of this year will be held **Sunday, March 4** in the rectory dining room following the 10:30 am Mass. Women of the parish are welcome to learn about the Sodality and its plans for 2018.

PARISH COUNCIL meets Tuesday, March 6 at 7:00 pm in the Rectory. All are welcome.

LECTOR TRAINING: In Church, Sun. March 18 following 10:30 am Mass. Prior to attending, please view a 90-min DVD training video from the Archdiocese of New York. View online www.nyliturgy.org/archdiocesan-training-videos-for-liturgical-ministers or borrow copies from our parish library (Fr. Gorman Hall) for viewing at home. Call parish secretary, Vikki Hall, Mon. Wed. or Fri. mornings at 688-5617. Don't have a computer or DVD player? Alternate arrangements will be made for you to view the video. For questions about the training, call Pam 688-2642. Thank you.

ATTENTION EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

A 15-minute training for Eucharistic Ministers during the Lenten Season will be held **Sunday, March 18, at 11:30 am (after the 10:30 Mass)**. Eucharistic Ministers will join with Lectors to review the format and procedure of running a Communion Service. Please let Fr. Raphael know if you are unable to attend this mini-session.

CALL FOR MEN & WOMEN ALTAR SERVERS TO ASSIST FR. RAPHAEL AT MASS:

For those adults interested in the following training to: receive the gifts at the Offertory, assist Fr. Raphael with his washing of hands in preparation for Eucharist, and ring the bells at the Consecration. The tasks are simple and would be a real help to Father. **A 20-minute training class will be conducted right after 9 am Mass on Sunday, March 11.** Interested but can't make that time? Please let Father Raphael know and we'll arrange a convenient time for you to receive training.

TIME TO READ THE BOOK!

NEXT Sunday (March 11) is our first group discussion of Matthew Kelly's book, *Perfectly Yourself*. We'll discuss the first two chapters – (to page 52) from **11:30 – 12:30** in the Parish rectory. Bring questions, comments, insights. All are welcome! For those of you who are asking "What book?" see Fr. Raphael, who will gladly give you a copy if you missed out on the distribution.

Growing in Faith: Pick one Corporal Work of Mercy



to do: give food/drink to the hungry/thirsty, shelter homeless, clothe the naked, visit the sick or imprisoned, bury the dead. Check out the **March issue** in this weekend's bulletin!

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Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



“Happy Birthday” Joseph Strauss (3/2), Liz Quinn (3/4), Angie Valentino (3/18) and Pat Ruane (3/30). May God continue to pour his love and warmth on you wherever you go and in all walks of life.

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

Adult Faith Formation in March: Don't miss Sr. Catherine Gormley's next Adult Formation class **Sunday, March 18!** Classes are held in the rectory dining room following 9:00 am Mass. **Topic: Acts of the Apostles** looks at how the early Church grew, both in numbers and geographically. Philip helps a man from Ethiopia find the faith. Saul, persecutor of the Christians is turned into a missionary. Peter converts a whole household of Romans. The Church struggles with the question of whether circumcision for Gentiles is necessary in order to be baptized. We will sneak a peek into the first Council in Jerusalem...will also see how Christianity spreads to Antioch (a big city where the followers of Jesus will first be called “Christians”) and watch how the Church in Antioch then sends out missionaries. Come and see how the enthusiasm of the first followers of Jesus grows and the faith of these early disciples is strengthened. All are welcome!



Help is still needed in March to be a “leader of hymns from the lectern” at a number of Masses. If you can help lead parishioners in song, please let me know in order to advise Father whom to expect at the Masses. Thank You! Marge Tiso 688-5898 or tisomarge@yahoo.com.

Ignatius Loyola: Soldier, Sinner, Saint: A 2-hour movie on the life of the Founder of the Jesuit Order will be shown on EWTN Catholic Network on Saturday, March 10 at 8:00 pm. Check your local cable listings.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions – March



Formation in Spiritual Discernment
That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2018:

To offer a Mass for a loved one, contact Fr. Raphael or parish secretary, Vikki Hall at 688-5617.

Vikki is available Mon-Wed-Fri mornings. An “Intention Book” for

your personal prayer requests is on the podium in the back of the church Prayer requests will be remembered at our Masses.



Lenten Practices:

Almsgiving, along with prayer and fasting, are the three pillars the church sets forth for spiritual growth during Lent. The catechism tells us that almsgiving, the practice of donating to the poor and performing other acts of charity, is “a witness to fraternal charity” and “a work of justice pleasing to God.” Consider a contribution to the Phoenicia food pantry, or an upcoming second collection, as a way to practice almsgiving this Lent in our own parish.

Easter Schedule: For your convenience, St. Francis de Sales' Easter Schedule is on the back page of the bulletin this weekend. Feel free to cut it from the bulletin to display on your refrigerator or mirror.



Russell Abbrecht, Gil Arlinds, 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, Chris Hall, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Rosemarie and Erwin Hildenhagen, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Justin Kolb, Josephine Klonfas, Amada Lumbaca, Zee Marek, Josie McIsaac, Ed McCoy, Shelli Mellert, Helen Morelli, Diana Munch, Doris Murphy, Gerry Nilsen, Janet Oakes, Florence Palmer, Claire Paultre, Judy Pavone, Sylvia Persons, Franca Ravetier, Joel Rivera, 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, Sharon Umhey, Angie Valentino, Stephanie Vesely, Jim Walker, Ellen Watson, Catherine Whitelaw, Greg Zaff. *Pray for our men and women in military service. Call the Rectory to add or remove a person's name. Thank you for your courtesy.*

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PARISH CALENDAR

Mar 4	Sun	Religious Education Program after 9 am Mass in Parish Hall
Mar 4	Sun	Our Lady of La Salette Sodality meets in rectory dining room after 10:30 am Mass
Mar 6	Tues	Parish Council Meeting in the Rectory at 7:00 pm. Open to all parishioners
Mar 9	Fri	Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm. All are welcome

2018 Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday Masses: Saturday, March 24, 5:00 pm; Sunday, March 25 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.

Holy Thursday: March 29 Mass at 7:00 pm with 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: March 30 (day of fast and abstinence): A ceremony of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 pm with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion. Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

Easter Vigil: Saturday, March 31, 7:00 pm Mass (No 5:00 pm Mass). Mass begins (weather permitting) outside the Church with the blessing of new fire, paschal candle. All then process into the darkened Church behind the paschal candle.

Easter Sunday Masses: April 1, at 9:00 am and 10:30 am

SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS



<p>In Memory of Jerry Bender by his Loving Daughters</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 "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><i>Carmelo & Barbara</i> <i>Two Together</i> <i>Forever</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>In loving memory of George & Mary Wallace and George L. & William T. Wallace & Eric Kohloser by 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