

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

April 29, 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

Rev. Raphael Iannone, O.F.M., Cap, Priest in Attendance
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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
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
Religious Education Program: Gerry Nilsen ... 687-9769
Finance: Mike Ruane 688-5357
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 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.

April 29, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord. Whoever
remains in me will bear much fruit. - John 15:1-8

Mass Intentions

Week of April 28th – May 3rd

Sat 4/28 5:00p †James Walker req. by Ed & Nancy Zorn
Sun 4/29 9:00a †Rosemary Fudge req. by the Tiso family
Sun 4/29 10:30a For All Volunteers req. by Anonymous Donor
Mon 4/30 8:00a
Tues 5/01 8:00a
Wed 5/02 8:00a
Thur 5/03 8:00a †Tess & Joseph Menkowski req. by Barbara Ahouse

Call the rectory for Mass Intentions

Weekend of May 5th - May 6th

Sat 5/05 5:00p Frank & Diane Morelli req. by Helen Morelli
Sun 5/06 9:00a
Sun 5/06 10:30a †Rosemary Fudge req. by Payette & Signore Families

The Weekend Lectors

Sat 4/28 5:00p H. Marsten, Z. Marek
Sun 4/29 9:00a Pat & Mike Ruane
Sun 4/29 10:30a L. Brown, J. Wolfrom



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat 4/28 5:00p Zorn, Barrack, DeMaria
Sun 4/29 9:00a Colagrande, G. & M. Gormley
Sun 4/29 10:30a Bloodgood, Ullmann, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of April 30, 2018

Monday: Acts of the Apostles 14:5-18; John 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts of the Apostles 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts of the Apostles 15:1-6; John 15:1-8
Thursday: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14
Friday: Acts of the Apostles 15:22-31; John 15:12-17

April 15th Reg. Collection: \$1353

April 15th Fuel: \$669

April 22nd Collection: \$1670

Thank you for your generosity!

Scripture Reflection

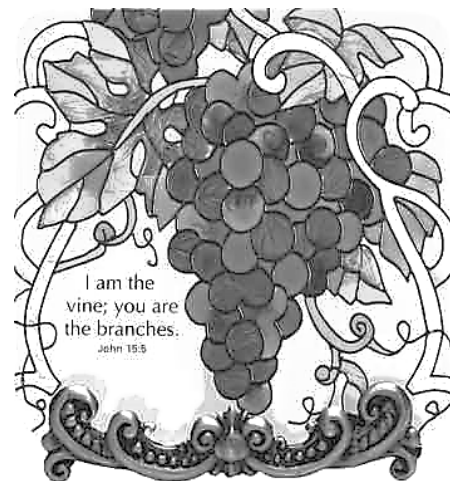
“Abide in me, and I in you”

When Jesus calls himself the *true vine* he makes clear that no one can grow in spiritual fruitfulness and moral goodness unless they are rooted in God and in his life-giving word. Religious affiliation or association with spiritually minded people is not sufficient by itself - one must be firmly rooted in the "Tree of Life" who is the eternal Father and his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus makes a claim which only God can make - he is the true source of life that sustains us and makes us fruitful in living the abundant life which God has for us.

Vines characteristically have two kinds of branches - those which bear fruit and those which don't. The non-bearing branches must be carefully pruned back in order for the vine to conserve its strength for bearing good fruit. Jesus used this image to describe the kind of life he produces in those who are united with him - the fruit of "*righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit*". Jesus says there can be no fruit in our lives apart from him. The fruit he speaks of here is the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

There is a simple truth here: We are either fruit-bearing or non-fruit-bearing. There is no in-between. But the bearing of healthy fruit requires drastic pruning. The Lord promises that we will bear much fruit if we abide in him and allow him to purify us. Do you trust in the Lord's healing and transforming power to give you the abundant life and fruit of his heavenly kingdom?

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I am the vine, you are the branches. (John 15:5)

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, April 30th following the 8:00 am Mass, we pray the 3rd 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 remaining April class is on April 29th in Parish Hall after 9 am Mass. Any questions, please contact Parish Coordinator, Gerry Nilsen at 687-9769.



Children's Songs: Every Sunday at the 9:00 am Children's Mass, the children and their catechists lead us in singing. Please join in "Peace Time" (during the Sign of Peace): "Peace Time, Peace Time, during 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: Title: "The Love Round"
Love, love, love, love, Christians this is your call.
Love your neighbor as yourself 'cause God loves us all...

Jesus, Jesus can I tell you how I feel, you have given me your riches. I love you so!

Adult Faith Formation in April: Sr. Catherine Gormley's Adult Formation classes meets **Sunday April 29, 2018 in the rectory dining room after 9:00 am Mass.** **The Acts of the Apostles:** The April sessions continue to see how the early Church not only survived but thrived. How did a compromise agreement at the Council of Jerusalem (A.D. 48) help converts to the faith and the missionary vocations of Peter and Paul? Come and see how the Church grows despite opposition from many sides. All are invited.

THE RECTORY HAS A NEW GENERATOR!

After the uncertainties of power during the winter months, the Parish Council decided to purchase and install a generator to keep the rectory safe, warm, and lit. The installation is now 99% completed, and you may notice new propane tanks adjacent to the rectory parking lot. The final step will be to install some safety barriers. In the near future, we hope to explore funding options for installing a generator at the Parish Hall. Now that we have a handicapped-accessible restroom, the Hall is now an emergency evacuation site. Special thanks to Burr Hubbell for overseeing this work.

2018 "Senior Prom": The Phoenicia Rotary invites all local Seniors to their annual "Senior" Prom on **Thursday, May 10** at the Parish Hall. Doors open at 2 pm. Onteora Central DECA Students and Phoenicia Rotarians will be serving as hosts.

May – Month of Mary: Everyone is welcome to join La Salette Sodality members and children of Religious Education in honoring our **Blessed Mother next Sunday, May 6** for the traditional May Crowning ceremony after 10:30 am Mass. Weather-permitting, the Crowning ceremony will take place in the Grotto across from the church. After the ceremony, refreshments will be served in the parish hall. Join us in reciting a decade of the Rosary. Free rosaries and information about Our Blessed Mother and the rosary will be available.



"TAI CHI" FOR PEOPLE WITH ARTHRITIS OR LIMITED MOBILITY...

The Ulster County Office for the Aging is sponsoring an EIGHT WEEK class that will introduce this ancient Chinese exercise regimen.

Instructor Celeste Graves' approach will combine gentle, slow and graceful movements that will improve balance, flexibility, and strength, while also inviting a kind of meditation in the repetition of the movements.

The class will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning May 15, from 12:45 – 1:45 pm in the Parish Hall. Final class will be Thursday, July 5th. Regular attendance is important, since the learning is cumulative. You MUST sign up in advance. Please register by calling the Office for the Aging (845) 340-3456.

The class has been very popular throughout Ulster County, and we are thrilled to host it here in Phoenicia! The class can accommodate 25 people, but will run if 15 people register. See the flyer on the bulletin board at the church entrance.



Name Tags! Please rummage through your jewelry box or junk drawer to find and wear your parish name tag. Name tags help build a stronger parish community by enabling us to learn and use each other's names. Store your name tag in your car, so you won't forget it at home. Look for a sign-up sheet for new name tags on the bulletin board in the vestibule the weekend of May 5-6. Show your support for our parish community by proudly wearing your name tag to all parish functions!

Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



“Happy Birthday” Spencer (3/9 belated), Marge Tiso (4/2), Scarlet (4/6), Joseph (4/9), Stella (4/19), Elena McWhinnie (4/14), Jim Collins (4/15), Heather Marsten (4/20), Josie (4/23) and Jean Druffner (4/27). *May your special day be filled with JOY and LOVE and may you know that GOD is always with you. Happy Birthday!*

“Happy Anniversary” Gerry and John Nilsen (4/6, 50th anniversary!) and Chris and Jerry Baltz (4/11) Maureen & Gene Gormley (4/25). *Rejoicing with you as you celebrate God’s blessings on your marriage throughout the years Happy Anniversary!*

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

Bulletin Advertising Renewals: Bulletin advertising renewals have started. Advertisers will receive a letter for the new term (May 1, 2018 – April 30, 2019). Cost: \$100. Ad revenues cover the cost of our bulletin and promote good will in our faith community. New ad space available: call Eileen, (817) 300-6813. Please support our bulletin advertisers.

Bulletin Spiritual Bouquets: Renewal letters to Spiritual Bouquets donors have been mailed. To renew, change or discontinue your Spiritual Bouquet, contact Claire 688-5155. Thank you.

Seek the Holy Spirit



The Holy Spirit will put the wind back into your sails if you ask him to. For, as St. Paul says, “The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we

do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words” (Romans 8:26). *Source: AmericanCatholic.org*



Growing in Faith – April Issue



How we can begin a new life in Christ after Easter

The third of four methods: **Devise a plan.** Decide what needs to change and make a plan. Write it down and commit to it. Sometimes making a brave life change entails leaving bad company behind. Often it means changing entrenched habits. Change may be uncomfortable but growth can’t happen without it.

Ascension of Our Lord: Thursday – May 10:



Ascension Thursday celebrates the day that Christ, in the presence of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven. The Ascension occurred on the 40th day of Easter, so it falls on a Thursday...it is a **Holy Day of**

Obligation. *Masses will be: Vigil Mass on Wednesday, May 9 at 5 pm, and Thursday, May 10 at 8 am and 7 pm. All Masses will be held in the Church.*

Respect Life Roses for Mother's Day:

Weekend of May 12-13. The Ulster Vicariate Respect Life Committee will be selling Red Roses -- Honor your mother for the gift of Life. – Remember deceased Mothers and Grandmothers by leaving a rose at the Blessed Mother's altar. All proceeds benefit the Ulster Vicariate Respect Life Education Fund. The cost is \$2.00 per rose. We are your friends for life!



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, Dennis Frano, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Rose Fudge, David Gerdes, Lois Giambone, 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, Kathy Kretschmer, Amada Lumbaca, Zee Marek, Josie McIsaac, Ed McCoy, Helen Morelli, Diana Munch, Doris Murphy, Gerry Nilsen, Janet Oakes, Florence Palmer, Claire Paultre, Judy Pavone, Sylvia Persons, Franca Ravetier, Joel Rivera, John Rossett, Mary Ellen Rury, 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.*

PARISH CALENDAR

April 29	Sun	Religious Education after 9:00 am Mass in Parish Hall
April 29	Sun	Adult Faith Formation with Sr. Catherine Gormley in Rectory after 9:00 am Mass
May 6	Sun	May Crowning in the Grotto after 10:30 Mass. Refreshments in Parish Hall
May 10	Thu	Ascension Thursday (Holy Day of Obligation) See bulletin for Mass schedule
May 13	Sun	Respect Life Sunday May 12-13; support the Ulster Vicariate Respect Life Fund
May 20	Sun	First Coffee Klatch of the Year – after all Masses



















COFFEE KLATCH TIME!



It's Coffee Klatch season again! This year's get-togethers will be held between and after the masses on Sundays - May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19 and September 16. Consider volunteering to host one of these events: it's lots of fun and a great way to get to

know people and contribute to building up our parish community! Contact Bill Colagrande (688-2013) for further information. Come join us!

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 <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 style="text-align: center;"><i>Carmelo & Barbara Two Together 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>Pray to the Infant Jesus of Prague. In Memory of George L. & William T. Wallace & Eric Kohloser. 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