

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

June 24, 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

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

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

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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The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

You, child, will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way. Luke 1:57-66, 80

Mass Intentions

Week of June 23rd- June 28th

Sat 6/23	5:00p	Living Members of the Vesely Family
Sun 6/24	9:00a	†James Fensterer req. by Parents
Sun 6/24	10:30a	Living Members of the Vidal Family
Mon 6/25	8:00a	
Tues 6/26	8:00a	
Wed 6/27	8:00a	
Thur 6/28	8:00a	

Next Weekend will be our Monthly Collection

Weekend of June 30th-July 1st

Sat 6/30	5:00p	Living Members of the Armani Family
Sun 7/01	9:00a	Living members of Cassaneto Family
Sun 7/01	10:30a	†Albina (Babe) Bowser by son Frank Santora

The Weekend Lectors

Sat 6/23	5:00p	H. Marsten, E. McWhinnie
Sun 6/24	9:00a	J. Wolfrom, J. Druffner
Sun 6/24	10:30a	J. Pavone, E. Quinn



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat 6/23	5:00p	Zorn, Barrack, Gormley
Sun 6/24	9:00a	Colagrande, Nilsen, Rowe
Sun 6/24	10:30a	Bloodgood, Ullmann, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of June 25, 2018

Monday: 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Matthew 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36;
Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Matthew 7:15-20

Thursday: 2 Kings 24:8-17; Matthew 7:21-29

Friday: Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11; Matthew 16:13-19

June 17th Regular Collection: \$966
Fuel Collection: \$867

Thank you for your generosity!

Scripture Reflection

"The hand of the Lord was with him"

The fire of the Spirit dwelt in John and made him the forerunner of the coming Messiah. John was led by the Spirit into the wilderness prior to his ministry where he was tested and grew in the word of God. John's clothing was reminiscent of the prophet Elijah.

John broke the prophetic silence of the previous centuries when he began to speak the word of God to the people of Israel. His message was similar to the message of the Old Testament prophets who chided the people of God for their unfaithfulness and who tried to awaken true repentance in them. Among a people unconcerned with the things of God, it was his work to awaken their interest, unsettle them from their complacency, and arouse in them enough good will to recognize and receive Christ when he came.

What is the significance of John the Baptist and his message for our lives? When God acts to save us he graciously fills us with his Holy Spirit and makes our faith come "alive" to his promises. Each and every day the Lord is ready to renew us in faith, hope, and love. Like John the Baptist, the Lord invites each of us to make our life a free-will offering to God. God wants to fill us with his glory all the days of our lives, from birth through death. Renew the offering of your life to God and give him thanks for his mercy and favor towards you. Copyright 2018, Don Schwager: www.dailyscripture.net. Reprinted with permission



For he will be great in the sight of [the] Lord. – Luke 1:15

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, June 25th 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.*"

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

The Children's Religious Education Program has ended for this season. **Classes will resume in September.** For information or to register your child into our fall program, please call Gerry Nilsen, 687-9769.



BAPTISM CELEBRATIONS: Spencer and Josie, children in our Religious Education program, are being baptized into the faith on **Sunday, June 24 at the 10:30 am Mass.** Their parents, John and Karen, invite you to join them and their children at the parish hall for some refreshments after Mass. If you'd like to add to the refreshments, please feel free to do so.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: The next Bible Study for the Women's group will take place Wednesday, **June 27th, 3:30 pm at Fr. Gorman Hall.** Each session of this six-week series, "Relating to Others as Jesus Would", takes excerpts from the Gospels examining how Jesus related to the people in his life. This third session deals with ... "Those Known as Sinners". The group explores how connections between what we find in Scripture and in our own life will help us become more like Jesus. Booklets are provided by the parish. All women are welcome to join us. We meet 3:30 until 4:45. Any questions please call Marge 688-5898.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Meets Wednesday, June 27th at 7:00 pm in the Rectory. Father Raphael will join in as his schedule permits. All men are welcome. Refreshments served.

PARISH CEMETERY SIGNAGE:

The Parish Council welcomes constructive solutions concerning signage for the St. Francis de Sales Cemetery on Rt. 28 in Allaben. Some ideas already expressed are that it should be maintenance-free, and for it not to be a target for objects thrown from passing vehicles. Please send your thoughts to

Mark Wilsey at gormleyfuneralhome@gmail.com or you may simply stop by to discuss implementation and funding. Thank you for your consideration.

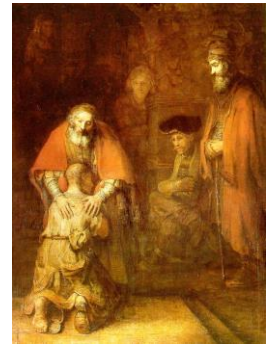
FESTIVAL OF THE VOICE—AUGUST 3-5

FESTIVAL OF THE VOICE TICKET LOTTERY-

In exchange for use of the Parish Hall, the Phoenicia Festival of the Voice offers our community 50 tickets that are good for ANY Main Stage event throughout Festival weekend, which is August 3 – 5. Parishioners are invited to submit ONE entry for this lottery/family by filling out an entry slip and putting it in the gray box at the entrance to the church. Each winner will receive two tickets. **Drawing will be held on July 20.** This year's program features an evening of gospel music (Friday), two operas on Saturday – Puccini's "La Cambiale di Matrimonio" and Bizet's "Carmen," and a Sunday afternoon finale called "Beauties of Broadway."

PARISH SUMMER BOOK DISCUSSION

Looking for lively discussion this summer? Has a work of art ever inspired you? Learn about the Henri Nouwen's spiritual journey following his chance encounter with Rembrandt's painting depiction of the Gospel story about the prodigal son. Join us after the 9:00 Mass on Sunday, July 22 for a group discussion of a wonderful little book, *The Return of the Prodigal Son*. Save the Date! Obtain a copy of the book and take this opportunity to deepen your spirituality. Stay tuned to the bulletin for further details. If you need help getting a copy, please contact Bill at 688-2013.



SODALITY MEETING – SUNDAY, JULY 1

The regular monthly meeting of Our Lady of La Salette Sodality will be held in the rectory dining room after 10:30 am Mass. All women of the parish are welcome to attend and learn about the Sodality organization.

ROSARY RECITATION – SUNDAY, JULY 1

Everyone is welcome to join Sodality members in reciting the Holy Rosary at **10:00 am in Church on Sunday, July 1.** Free rosaries will be provided as well as instruction pamphlets. Our patron, St. Francis de Sales, wrote that "the greatest method of praying is to pray the Rosary." Pope Francis tells us [the Rosary] gives "spiritual help for our souls and for spreading love, forgiveness and brotherhood everywhere."

Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



“Happy Birthday”: *Lillian De Pasqua (6/3); Patti Payette (6/7); Carol Murphy (6/10); MaryAnn Ulmer (6/12); Linda Augustine (6/13); Joe Tiso (6/14) and Jim Barden (6/30). Belated Birthday: Mark Signore (5/18). May your special day be filled with JOY and LOVE and may you know that GOD is always with you.*

“Happy Anniversary”: *Happy 51st Anniversary to Joe & Marge Tiso (6/24) and Patti & Danny Payette (6/26). God has blessed you with a very special companion for your journey. May this anniversary mark the beginning of another year for God to light your path. God bless you! Happy Anniversary!*

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

Growing In Faith – June Issue



Q & A: *My Prayer life is dull. How can I spice it up?* One of the struggles of many Catholics is “praying more.” More than an item on our to-do lists,

prayer is meant to be a conversation between us and the One who loves us. Last week was the question of **What** and the week before was the question of **When**. This week is the last question to “spice” it up, **Why**: Many times, we go to God looking for answers, which is good. However, prayer’s purpose isn’t about getting information from God, but developing a relationship with him. The best thing we can do is be present to the one who loves us and wants to be with us.

Reflection on St. John the Baptist:

St. John the Baptist is the Patron of Baptism

“John challenges us Christians to the fundamental attitude of Christianity—total dependence on the Father, in Christ. Except for the Mother of God, no one had a higher function in the unfolding of salvation. Yet the least in the kingdom, Jesus said, is greater than he, for the pure gift that the Father gives. The attractiveness as well as the austerity of John, his fierce courage in denouncing evil—all stem from his fundamental and total placing of his life within the will of God.” Source: Franciscan Media © 2018

Many thanks to Bill & Kathy Tretter for hosting the Coffee Klatch last Sunday!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – NEWS & NOTABLES

Congratulations to our Religious Ed teachers, Vikki Hall, Jenny Jarrette and Pat Ryder who completed initial certification training this past year. This is phase one of training for religious educators. Classes were taught by Sr. Catherine Gormley here in Phoenicia. Many thanks to our students, their



families and teachers for completing another successful and challenging year (weather-wise)!



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Laureen Aversa Jerry Baltz, Jim Barden, Cheryl Bender, Rick Bicanovsky, Sheila Madera-Brown, Ellen Burmeister, Ryan Callahan, Liam Casey, Ben Cole, Ed Dannen, Lillian DiPasqua, Betty Djerf, Iris D’Agostino, Honey Fecci, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Lois Giambrone, Dorothy Gorman, Chris Hall, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Rosemarie and Erwin Hildenhausen, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Justin Kolb, Josephine Kloufas, Kathy Kretschmer, Amada Lumbaca, Zee Marek, 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, 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

June 27	Wed	Women's Bible Study Group Meeting at 3:30 pm in the Fr. Gorman Hall
June 27	Wed	Men's Bible Study Group Meeting at 7:00 pm in the Rectory
July 1	Sun	Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 10:00 am led by the La Salette Sodality. All welcome
July 1	Sun	Our Lady of La Salette Sodality Meeting after 10:30 am Mass in the Rectory

FIRST DAY OF SUMMER - JUNE 21!



















This past Thursday began the first day of summer – Happy Summer, everyone! School will be ending soon and vacations starting. Drivers please be aware of children playing outdoors – and of course, a lot more people traveling and spending time in our area. Drive defensively, drive safely! For educational summer activities and hiking trails for the entire family,



check out the Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center on Route 28 in Mt. Tremper.
www.catskillinterpretivecenter.org

Happy Graduation, Onteora seniors! May you have God's blessings in all future endeavors

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 and Mary Wallace, George L. & William T. Wallace & Eric Kohlroser. – 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