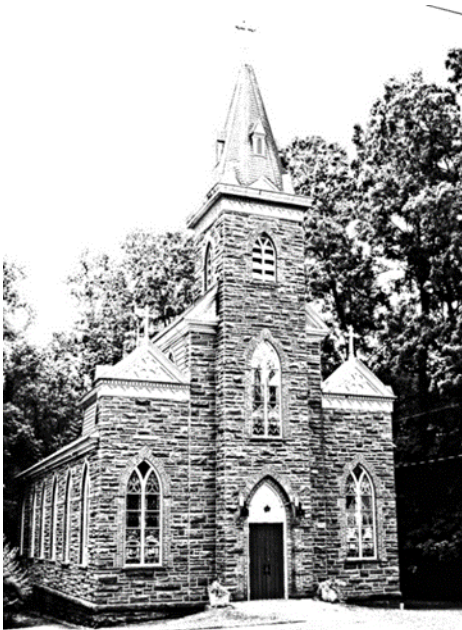


St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

August 26, 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
rjiannone@juno.com

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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.

August 26, 2018

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

“The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life.” - John 6:63

Mass Intentions

Week of August 25th - August 30th

Sat	8/25	5:00p	†Chuck Heinz, Sr. req. by his wife, Patti
Sun	8/26	9:00a	†Gary Kennedy req. by Bill and Kathy Tretter
Sun	8/26	10:30a	†Nina Mari Mo req. by Ken & Gioia
Mon	8/27	8:00a	
Tues	8/28	8:00a	
Wed	8/29	8:00a	
Thur	8/30	8:00a	

**The 2nd collection next week
will be the Monthly Collection**

Weekend of September 1st - September 2nd

			†Mary & Clayton Colefield req. by Der
Sat	9/01	5:00p	Aris Family
Sun	9/02	9:00a	
Sun	9/02	10:30a	

The Weekend Lectors

Sat	8/25	5:00p	Pat & Mike Ruane
Sun	8/26	9:00a	J. Druffner, B. Hubbell
Sun	8/26	10:30a	J. Pavone, H. Marsten



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	8/25	5:00p	Zorn, DeMaria, Laub
Sun	8/26	9:00a	Colagrande, Nilsen, Rowe
Sun	8/26	10:30a	Bloodgood, Ullmann, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of August 27th

Monday: 2 Thess.1:1-5, 11-12; Matthew 23:13-22
Tuesday: 2 Thess. 2:1-3a, 14-17; Matthew 23:23-26
Wednesday: 2 Thess. 3:6-10, 16-18; Mark 6:17-29
Thurs: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Matthew 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Matthew 25:1-13

August 19th Collection: \$1583
 Assumption of the Blessed Mother 8/15: \$483
 Fuel Collection: \$767
Thank you for your generosity

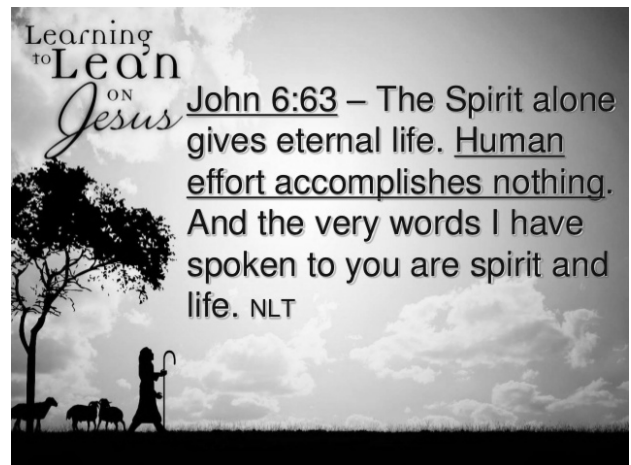
Scripture Reflection

"You have the words of everlasting life"

Jesus told his disciples that his words were "spirit and life" - his words came from the heavenly Father who is the Author of life and the One who breathes his Spirit into those who believe in him. Through the gift of faith Peter was able to receive spiritual revelation of who Jesus truly is - the Holy One of God, the eternal Son sent from the Father in heaven to redeem a fallen human race and reconcile them with God.

How does God help us grow in faith and trust in his word, even the hard sayings which are difficult to understand? Faith is a gift which God freely gives to those who listen to his word and who put their trust in him. Faith is a personal response to God's revelation of himself. It is based on the truth and reliability of God's word. True faith seeks understanding. Paul the Apostle tells us that it is the work of the Holy Spirit who *enlightens the eyes of our heart and mind* to understand the truth and wisdom which comes from God.

Faith is the key to understanding and experiencing God's action and work in our personal lives. We can know God personally, and we grow in recognizing his voice as we listen to his word and obey his instruction. Do you believe, as Peter did, that Jesus has the *words of everlasting life* and the power to change and transform your life? Ask the Lord Jesus to increase your faith that you may grow in knowing, loving, and serving him as your Lord and Redeemer, Teacher and Healer, Master and Savior. Copyright 2018, *Don Schwager*: www.dailyscripture.net. Reprinted with permission



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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, August 27th 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.*”

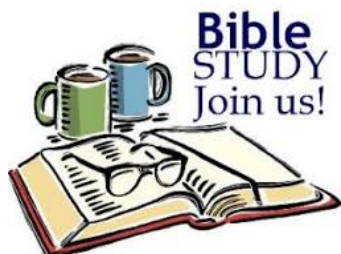
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

The Children’s Religious Education Program is scheduled to resume **September 16 (Catechetical Sunday)**. For information or to register your child into our fall program, call Religious Education Coordinator, Gerry Nilsen, 687-9769.



A CALL TO SERVE: Teachers are needed for the upcoming Religious Education classes. While teaching experience is helpful, it is not required; Training will be provided for new catechists. Please contact the Coordinator if you feel called to serve and are committed to helping children learn about our Catholic faith.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY: New date & series!



Bible STUDY
Join us!

Our new series centers on the Book of Revelation and is titled: “Revelation: God’s Gift of Hope.” The first week: “He Keeps the Lamp Burning.” (Revelation 1:9-20; 2:18-29) All women are

invited to join us. We meet **Wednesday, Aug. 29th** from **3:30 to 4:45 pm** in the Fr. Gorman Hall.

COFFEE KLATCH: Thank you to our Lady of La Salette Sodality for sponsoring last weekend’s Coffee Klatch. The next coffee get-together will be **Sunday, Sept. 16**. (Photos taken last weekend on opposite page.)



ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Don’t miss Sr. Catherine’s next class **Sunday, September 30** after the 9:00 am Mass. The last year was spent with the Acts of the Apostles. Sr. Catherine’s fall classes will concern the letters of St. Paul starting in September with his letter to the Thessalonians. The October class will cover Paul’s letter to the Corinthians.

Save the date – Sept. 30th!

The Mystery, Meaning and Hope of Purgatory:

Have you ever wondered about Purgatory? What it is and what the Church teaches about it? See the documentary, ***Purgatory: The Forgotten Church*** **Sunday, September 16 in the Parish Hall.** Award-winning writer/director (and Franciscan Friar), John Clote, offers fresh insights into questions about life-after-death.



Time: 12:00 pm – 2:30 pm. Refreshments provided.

Volunteers are needed to help set up the hall and help clean up. Contact Pam 688-2642 or Liz 626-9651.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY: The Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 16. The 2018 theme will be “**Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ.**” Catechists are entrusted with handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission. Source: www.usccb.org.

ROTARY FALL DINNER/DANCE: Friday night **Sept. 21 from 6 to 9 pm in the Parish Hall.** \$20 per ticket (seating is limited so buy tickets soon). Roast pork dinner; music by Larry the DJ (Doo Wop dance); Basket of Cheer, Silent Auction and 50/50. See any Phoenicia Rotarian for tickets.



Coffee Klatch
“Catching up...”

with old friends and meeting new ones in our faith community.”

See you in September!

Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



“Happy Birthday” – Siovhán (8/2);

Father Raphael (8/4); Anne Shea (8/7); Nancy Zorn (8/8); Faye Storms and Emily Sorbelline (8/9); Ed Zorn and Dolores Harvey (8/12); Jeff Collins (8/22); Kathy Tretter and Lou Csurics (8/30) *Every day is a great day to celebrate God’s wonderful works. But today is a great day to celebrate you, one of God’s most wondrous creations. May God bless you on your special day. Have a wonderful birthday!*

“Happy Anniversary” – Sue & Larry Miller (8/10) (50th Anniversary); Christy & Mark Signore (8/11). *May God bestow His goodness and blessings on the two of you as you celebrate another year of marriage. 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

GROWING IN FAITH – NEXT ISSUE:

The September issue of Growing in Faith will be in next weekend’s bulletins. Take a copy home – share your faith with others.

BULLETIN ADVERTISING AVAILABLE:

Open advertising spots are currently available. If you are interested or know of a local business that might be interested, please contact Eileen, (817) 300-6813 or Pam (845) 688-2642.

Wonderful Helpers – Thank You!



OUR PATRON - ST. FRANCIS DE SALES:

“Go on kindling the spirit of joy and sweetness in your heart and believe firmly that this is the true spirit of devotion; and if you are sometimes attacked by a contrary spirit of sadness and bitterness, make a real effort to lift

up your heart to God, committing all to Him.” (Letter of St. Francis de Sales dated Oct. 10, 1605)

ST. MONICA (332-387 A.D.)

August 27 Feast Day



St. Monica is the persistent, determined, patient and loving mother of St. Augustine who never threw the towel on her son’s waywardly life who, as we know, was a great sinner but later was converted to the Catholic faith after passing through turbulent years of sincere search for the truth. He finally found what his heart was looking for in the Catholic Church. Patroness of Mothers, Married Women and Widows
Source: CatholicOnline.org

Prayer: In your mercy, Lord, You received the tears of St. Monica as she wept for her son. At the intercession of both mother and son, give us grace to weep for sin and to obtain Your forgiveness.



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Lauren 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 Hildenhagen, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Justin Kolb, Josephine Kloufas, Kathy Kretschmer, Amada Lumbaca, Zee Marek, 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, Teddy Schlager, 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.*

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PARISH CALENDAR

Aug 29	Wed	Women's Bible Study group meets for new session. 3:30 pm in Fr. Gorman Hall
Sept 9	Sun	Our Lady of La Salette Sodality monthly meeting in rectory after 10:30 am Mass
Sept 16	Sun	Catechetical Sunday – Start of Religious Education Program
Sept 16	Sun	Purgatory: The Forgotten Church movie at 12 noon in Parish Hall. All are welcome




















PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

O my Jesus, I beg You on behalf of the whole Church: Grant it love and the light of Your Spirit and give power to the words of priests so that hardened hearts might be brought to repentance and return to You, Lord.

Lord, give us holy priests; You Yourself maintain them in holiness. O Divine and Great High Priest, may the power of your mercy accompany them everywhere and protect them from the devil's traps and snares which are continually being set for the souls of priests.

May the power of Your mercy, O Lord, shatter and bring to naught all that might tarnish the sanctity of priests, for You can do all things. AMEN. [from the Diary of St. Maria Faustina (Kowalska) of the Blessed Sacrament, no. 1052]

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><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>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