

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

September 23, 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...*Forever Joyful*

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
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Religious Education Program: Gerry Nilsen ... 687-9769
Finance: Mike Ruane 688-5357
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Parish Hall: Laurie Brown 657-9652
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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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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” – Mark 9:35

Mass Intentions

Week of September 22nd – September 27th

Sat	9/22	5:00p	†Gerard Sanzi req. by Umhey and Payette Family
Sun	9/23	9:00a	†In memory of Virginia Fleming req. by Jon, Veronica & Allison Rowe
Sun	9/23	10:30a	†A. J. Simpson
Mon	9/24	8:00a	†A. J. Simpson
Tues	9/25	8:00a	
Wed	9/26	8:00a	
Thur	9/27	8:00a	

Pray for the Holy Souls

Weekend of September 29th – September 30th

Sat	9/29	5:00p	†Eleanor Keefe req. by Dolores Harvey
Sun	9/30	9:00a	†Maryann Kelly req. by Bill & Kathy Tretter
Sun	9/30	10:30a	

The Weekend Lectors

Sat	9/22	5:00p	Z. Marek, E. McWhinnie
Sun	9/23	9:00a	B. Tretter, J. Druffner
Sun	9/23	10:30a	L. Quinn, J. Pavone



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	9/22	5:00p	Zorn, Barrack, DeMaria
Sun	9/23	9:00a	Colagrande, Nilsen, Rowe
Sun	9/23	10:30a	Bloodgood, Ullmann, Paultre



Weekend Ushers

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

Readings for the Week of September 24th

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51
Sunday: Nm 11:25-29; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

September 16 Collection: \$1568.50
Fuel Collection: \$815

Thank You for Your Generosity

Scripture Reflection

"Who is the greatest in God's kingdom?"

Jesus made a dramatic gesture by embracing a child to show his disciples who really is the greatest in the kingdom of God. What can a little child possibly teach us about greatness? Children in the ancient world had no rights, position, or privileges of their own. What is the significance of Jesus' gesture? Jesus elevated a little child in the presence of his disciples by placing the child in a privileged position of honor. It is customary, even today, to seat the guest of honor at the right side of the host. Who is the greatest in God's kingdom? The one who is humble and lowly of heart - who instead of asserting their rights willingly empty themselves of pride and self-seeking glory by taking the lowly position of a servant or child.

Jesus, himself, is our model. He came not to be served, but to serve. Paul the Apostle states that Jesus emptied himself and took the form of a servant. Jesus lowered himself (he whose place is at the right hand of God the Father) and took on our lowly nature that he might raise us up and clothe us in his divine nature.

God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble. If we want to be filled with God's life and power, then we need to empty ourselves of everything which stands in the way - pride, self-seeking glory, vanity, etc. God wants empty vessels, so he can fill them with his own glory, power, and love. Are you ready to humble yourself and to serve as Jesus did? Copyright 2018, *Don Schwager*: www.dailyscripture.net. Reprinted with permission



Mark 9:35 Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all."

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, September 24th after the 8:00 am Mass, we pray the 6th 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:

Children's Religious Education classes are held on **Sunday's following 9:00 am Mass. Upcoming classes are Sept. 23, 30; October 14, 21 and 28.** For information or to register your child, call Religious Education Coordinator, Gerry Nilsen, 687-9769.



Children's Songs for 9 AM Mass

During Sign of Peace: "Peace Time"

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: "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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Our third session in the God's Gift of Hope "Revelation" Series will be :
"Bending Evil to His Purposes " Revelation 6:1-17; 8:1.



All women are invited to attend.
Booklets are provided by the parish.
Wed. Sept. 26th, 3:30 to 4:45 pm. in Fr. Gorman Hall (behind rectory).

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

The Men's group meets **Wed. Sept. 26th** at 7:00 pm in the rectory. Fr. Raphael joins the bible study as his schedule permits.

Men and Women Bible Studies meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month unless otherwise noted.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: *First Letter to the Thessalonians. Sunday, September 30 after the 9:00 am Mass.* New classes will explore the letters of St. Paul to various communities where he began churches. We will briefly study the format of ancient letters and look at some of the concerns Paul had with these early communities. Men and women – come join us for lively discussions and some coffee and Danish!

TAI CHI CONTINUING CLASSES: Sponsored by the Ulster County Office for the Aging, Tai Chi, instructor Celeste Graves, will rejoin us for the **4th**

Tuesday of each month, from 3 - 4 pm in the Parish Hall. Starts: Tuesday, September 25th. These classes are for anyone who has taken the basic 8-week course or is otherwise familiar with that basic form, **Tai Chi for Arthritis.** Newcomers who want to learn are welcome to attend. Meanwhile, we practice EVERY Tuesday from 3 - 4 in the Church parking lot or in the Parish Hall.

DOO WOP – COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER!! **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20**

Tickets are on sale now: Call Pam 688-2642 or Judy 688-9912. Since 2010, \$12,348 has been donated to local charities serving our Shandaken area. DJ Larry Walsh, the Doo Wop Sisters, Raffle...and More! Lots of fun for a worthy cause! Buy your tickets now.

COFFEE KLATCH: Thank you, Laurie Brown and your family for sponsoring last Sunday's Coffee Klatch! Everyone enjoyed the baked goods, coffee



and friendly conversation!

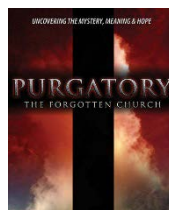


RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM BEGINS

After 9:00 am Mass last Sunday, coordinator, Gerry Nilsen and the religious education instructors met with the children and their parents to begin the Fall program. The children watched an age-appropriate video program about the Mass and enjoyed refreshments together. Marge Tiso taught the children new songs they will be singing at Sunday Masses. Keep them in your prayers.



The Movie – Purgatory: The Forgotten Church



Last weekend, thirty parishioners and a few visitors from other area churches enjoyed the documentary by Fr. John B. Clote, Purgatory: The Forgotten Church. Afterwards, Father Raphael responded to questions about the movie and other relevant topics. The event was sponsored by Our Lady of La Salette Sodality. Expect to see more faith-based movies in the future!

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Special Occasions & Celebrations

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



“Happy Birthday” – (9/6) Veronica Rowe and Claire Paultre; (9/7) Ray Scarth; (9/12) (Religious Ed student) Robert; (9/21) Laurie Brown; (9/22) Joan Bryant (90 years young!); (9/23) Maureen Gormley; (9/24) Lois Giambrone. *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” – (9/16) Bob & Eleanor Barrack (51 years); (9/18) Theresa & Joe Strauss (63 years)! *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.

OUR PATRON - ST. FRANCIS DE SALES:

Let us often have recourse to the holy cross, embracing it in our hearts. Let us rest in the shade of this holy tree! It is impossible that anything can hurt us if we keep to our resolution to belong totally to God. Do not get all upset, therefore, when difficulties come your way. Laugh in your enemy’s face; you are in the arms of the Almighty. Therefore, let God be your strength and your love. – St. Francis de Sales

Annual Celebration of Life Mass and Dinner:

The deadline for registering for the **October 12** Ulster Vicariate Respect Life Mass and Dinner is **Monday, September 24**. Cost/dinner \$30 per person. This year’s speaker is Christopher Bell. Contact Barbara Ahouse at 657-2112 for more information or to make your reservation for dinner. Thank you.

Five Ways Your Life Changes When You Pray the Rosary...

4. **You grow in discipline.** *“Say the Holy Rosary. Blessed be that monotony of Hail Mary’s which purifies the monotony of your sins!”* – St. Josemaria Escriva [#5 – the last example - in next week’s bulletin] Source: Rosary Evangelization Apostolate



FATHER MATHEW’S VISIT

Next Sunday, **September 30, after the 10:30 Mass**, we will be hosting a pot luck (soup and salad) lunch in honor of our beloved former pastor, Fr. Mathew

Azhakath. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the church entrance for anyone who would like to cook, help set up or cleanup for this event. Also, if you would like to reserve some time to meet individually or as a group with Fr. Mathew, please contact Pat Ruane (688-5357) or pr.meta4@gmail.com, who is putting together a schedule for him.

Feast Day of St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio):

September 23 (1887-1968)

Born in an Italian farming village, Francesco Forgione gained worldwide fame as Capuchin friar Padre Pio, who bore the stigmata, or wounds of Christ, invisibly from the time of his ordination in 1910 and visibly from 1918. As his renown as a confessor grew, the Vatican investigated the genuineness of his stigmata and ministry of prayer and healing. At San Giovanni Rotondo, he built a hospital to treat patients using prayer and science, as well as a pilgrimage and study complex. Shortly before his death, the stigmata disappeared. He was canonized in 2002.

Source: USCCB.org



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 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, Sonja Turner, 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

Sept 23	Sun	Religious Education Classes in the parish hall after 9:00 am Mass
Sept 24	Mon	Our Lady of La Salette Novena following 8:00 am Mass
Sept 26	Wed	Men's and Women's Bible Study Groups meet. Check bulletin for details
Sept 30	Sun	Adult Faith Formation class in the rectory after 9:00 Mass
Sept 30	Sun	Fr. Mathew's Visit ---- Pot Luck Lunch in the parish hall after 10:30 Mass

Catechist's Prayer



















Gracious and all-loving Father, out of love for all people you spoke your Word who became flesh for our salvation. May your Word transform me so that the message of your Son, our Lord, may be echoed through my teaching. Allow me to guide the hearts of those whom I teach in such a way that they will enter more deeply into your way of truth and salvation.

Grant me the insight needed to lead them to know, love, and serve you. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may they become hearers and followers of your Word, so that they might help transform the world to follow the way of life to which your Son has called us all, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

– Amen.

Source: www.usccb.org

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.</p>  <p>– 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.</p>  <p>– Angie Valentino & Family</p>
 <p>Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with us.</p> <p>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.</p>  <p>– 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.</p> <p>– Lois Giambrone</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Vic Cammardella by Helen & Family</p> <p><i>"The measure of love is to love without measure."</i></p> <p>– St. Francis de Sales</p>
<p>In Loving Memory of our Parents, Marian & Howard and Grandparents, Callaghan and Umhey, and all our Loved Ones.</p>  <p>-The Howard Umhey Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of my beloved wife, Josie, our parents, and our siblings.</p>  <p>– 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.</p>  <p>– 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