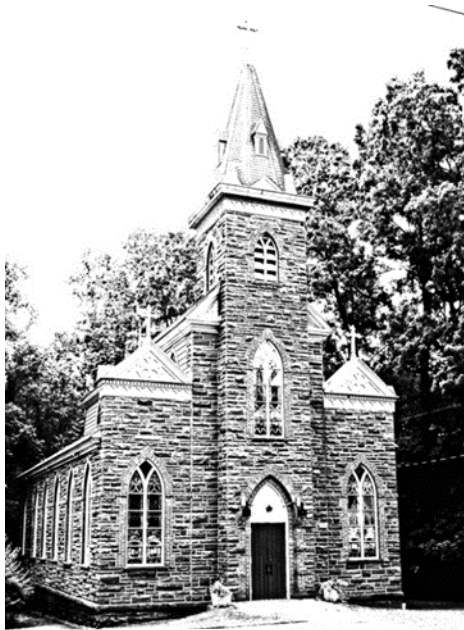


# St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

## March 3, 2019



*Gem of the Catskills*

### **Parish Established 1902**

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### **WINTER MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday: 5:00 pm**

**Sunday: 10:00 am**

**Daily: 8:00 am (Mon–Thurs)**

**Holy Day of Obligation**

**Eve: 5:00 pm**

**Holy Day: 9:00 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... *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  
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 Webmaster: Linda Senft

### **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.

# March 3, 2019

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good... for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks.” – Luke 6:45

### Mass Intentions

#### Week of March 2nd – March 7th

Sat	3/2	5:00p	Don Kearney Req by Dan & Mary Chesire
Sun	3/3	10:00a	†Eric Kohler req by the Wallace Family
Mon	3/4	8:00a	
Tues	3/5	8:00a	
Wed	3/6	8:00a	
Thur	3/7	8:00a	

**Second Collection is the Monthly Collection**

#### Weekend of March 9th – 10th

Sat	3/9	5:00p	†Bruce Wallace req by Wallace Family
Sun	3/10	10:00a	†Alice Lewis req by the Ryder/Hall Family

#### Weekend Lectors

Sat	3/2	5:00p	Kearney
Sun	3/3	10:00a	Brown, Wolfrom



#### Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	3/2	5:00p	Zorn, DeMaria, Fiore, Barrack
Sun	3/3	10:00a	Paultre, Nilsen, Ullman, Bloodgood



#### Weekend Ushers

Jerry Baltz    Bill Caton    Frank Rauchut  
John Sansone   Rick Nace   Andy Napi   Ed Zorn

#### Readings for the Week of March 4th (Year C)

**Monday:** Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27  
**Tuesday:** Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31  
**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18; Mt 6:1-6,16-18  
**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25  
**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15  
**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32  
**Sunday:** Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

February 24: Weekend Collection  
Regular \$803

#### **SUNDAY WINTER MASS SCHEDULE:**

From January through March 31, there will be one Sunday Mass at 10:00 am. The 5:00 pm Saturday Mass remains unchanged.

### Scripture Reflection

#### Do you not see the log in your own eye?

Are you clear-sighted, especially in your perception of sin and the need for each of one of us to see ourselves correctly as God sees us - with our faults, weaknesses, and strengths? We are all in need of a physician who can help us overcome the blind spots and failing of own sins, weaknesses, and ignorance.

The Lord Jesus wants to heal and restore us to wholeness, not only for our own sake alone. He also wants us to be his instruments of healing, pardon, and restoration for others as well... How easy it is to misjudge others and how difficult it is to be impartial in giving good judgment. Our judgment of others is usually “off the mark” because we can't see inside the other person, or we don't have access to all the facts, or we are swayed by instinct and unreasoning reactions to people. It is easier to find fault in others than in oneself. “Thinking the best of other people” is necessary if we wish to grow in love. And kindness in judgment is nothing less than a sacred duty.

Jesus states a heavenly principle we can stake our lives on: *what you give to others (and how you treat others) will return to you* (Mark 4:24). The Lord knows our faults and he sees all, even the imperfections and sins of the heart which we cannot recognize in ourselves. Like a gentle father and a skillful doctor, he patiently draws us to his *seat of mercy* and removes the cancer of sin which inhabits our hearts. *Do you trust in God's mercy and grace?* Ask the Lord to flood your heart with his loving-kindness and mercy that you may only have room for charity, forbearance, and kindness towards your neighbor. *Copyright 2019, Don Schwager: www.dailyscripture.net. Reprinted with permission*



“We must obey God rather than men.” – Acts 5:29

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

**Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, March 4 after the 8:00 am Mass,** we pray the 1st 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 10:00 am Mass. Next classes: Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31.** For information or to register a child, call Religious Education Coordinator, Gerry Nilsen, 687-9769.



### **Songs - 10:00 am Sunday 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: "Father, I Adore You"**

*Father, I adore You, lay my life  
before You. How I love You.*

*Jesus, I adore You, lay my life before  
You. How I love You.*

*Spirit, I adore You, lay my life before  
You. How I love You.*

**LADIES SODALITY MEETING:** Members please note the first general meeting of the year will be held next Sunday – **March 10th.** Those interested in learning more about the Sodality are welcome to attend the meeting in the rectory after the 10:00 am Mass. If you have questions, please call a Sodality officer.

### **Ash Wednesday, March 6**

**Fasting** requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59.

**Abstinence** requires individuals refrain from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

**Reminder:** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence! All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

**Ash Wednesday, March 6:** There will be distribution of ashes after the homily at the **9:00 am and 7:00 pm Masses. Both Masses will be held in the church.** If unable to attend a service and would like to receive ashes, please call Fr. Raphael at 688-5617 to get ashes at the rectory.

**2019 Lenten Reflections Booklets:** For the Lenten season, St. Francis de Sales Parish will distribute booklets, "*Becoming Instruments of God's Peace.*" Parishioners are invited to read the booklet daily and to take time to meditate on the readings and reflections. Please take a single copy, **one per family,** when you leave the church. Thank you.

**Stations of the Cross** – During Lent we strive to become closer to God through sacrifice, prayer, and alms giving. Many people view sacrifice as "giving up" something whether it be chocolate, alcohol, or desserts. However, we are called to sacrifice our personal time for prayer and charitable works as well. One of the opportunities for increased prayer time is praying the **Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm on Fridays during Lent beginning this Friday, March 8.**

### **GROWING IN FAITH – MARCH ISSUE:**

The March issue is inserted in this week's bulletin along with a special Lenten calendar containing faith-based activities for every day of the Lenten season! The March issue also contains spiritual advice from our patron, St. Francis de Sales about the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION COMING SOON**

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, March 24!** Sr. Catherine Gormley will resume Adult classes that continue to explore St. Paul's letters addressed to the early church community. What relevance do they have to us today? Come and find out! More details next week.

**TAI CHI CLASS:** Weather-permitting, the next practice class will be held **Tuesday, March 5 at 3:00 pm** in the Parish Hall.

**UPDATE:** Cheryl Bender's February 6 back surgery went well. She is recuperating at her daughter's home in Florida. If you would like to send her a note and/or get-well card, the address is: Cheryl Bender, c/o Karen Ricketson, 13537 Newport Ave., Port Charlotte FL 33981. She would love to hear from you.

### **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER:**

**Tuesday, March 5 – 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm**  
**Pancake Supper** with Sausage, Bacon & Beverages  
Sit-down meal – No take-outs at the Phoenicia United Methodist Church, 29 Church St., Phoenicia. \$10 donation will be used for their Building Fund. FMI... call (845) 688-7680. "Shrove derives from the word, "absolve." Shrove Tuesday "Mardi Gras" is celebrated by many Christians on the eve of Ash Wednesday.

## SPECIAL OCCASIONS & CELEBRATIONS

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



### **“Happy Birthday!”**

Liz Quinn and Spencer (religious ed) (3/4), Pat Heinz (3/9), Angie Valentino (3/18) and Pat Ruane (3/30).

*Happy Birthday! May God continue to pour his love and warmth on you wherever you go and in all walks of life.*

*Happy Birthday!*

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](mailto:jap120@hvc.rr.com).

## POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH 2019

### **Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities**

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected. *Source: USCCB.org*

## WELCOMING NEW BULLETIN ADVERTISER:

**The Wright Adult Home** joins our list of bulletin advertisers supporting this faith community. Owner and proprietor, Wanda Wright, has an extensive background in caring for the older population. The facility is located nearby in Margaretville and provides non-institutional living and companionship for those unable to be home alone. Homecooked meals, laundry and transportation are some of the amenities provided. Check out the advertisement on the back page of the bulletin for contact information.

## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES, PATRON:



*“When you encounter difficulties and contradictions, do not try to break them, but bend them with gentleness and time.”*

## THE MASS:

How well do you understand the Mass? Following is the final installment in this eight-part series on the “Wonders of the Mass.”

**Week #8.** Holy Communion in the Mass is the bond of love that unites us with Christ and with one another. *Source: The Mass from the Catechetical Guild.*



**MASS INTENTIONS for 2019:** Offer a Mass for a living or deceased loved one by calling Fr. Raphael or parish secretary, Vikki Hall at 688-5617. Vikki is in the parish office on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday mornings. An “Intention Book” for your personal prayer requests is located on the podium in the back of the church (near the Tree of Life). All prayer requests are remembered at Masses.

**St. Katharine Drexel: Feast Day, March 3:** Born in 1858 to a wealthy Philadelphia family, Katherine was raised with a deep faith in God. From a young age she was taught to share with those in need. Early in her life, she started donating money for the material needs of poor blacks and Native Americans. After entering religious life, Katherine, in an audience with Pope Leo III in Rome, asked him to send missionary priests to America to serve the Native American people. The Pope responded by suggesting that Katherine become that missionary. She did just that by founding the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored People in 1891. Several years later, Katharine opened the first mission school in Sante Fe, New Mexico. More schools followed serving blacks and Native Americans. Schools to train teachers were also created; St. Katharine founded Xavier University in New Orleans, the first black Catholic college in the United States. From age 33 until her death in 1955, Katharine dedicated her life and a fortune of twenty million dollars to this work. *Source: RCL Benziger, Saints Resource.*



*Thank you for the heartfelt prayers for healing. Please contact the rectory if you have a name to add or a name that can be removed. Thank you for your courtesy.*

Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Lauren Aversa, Jerry Baltz, 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 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, Helen Morelli, Doris Murphy, Gerry Nilsen, Janet Oakes, Florence Palmer, Claire Paultre, Judy Pavone, Nicholas Percoco, 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, Sonja Turner, Sharon Umhey, Angie Valentino, Stephanie Vesely, Bob Walsh, Ellen Watson, Catherine Whitelaw, Greg Zaff. *Please also pray for our men and women in military service.*

## PARISH CALENDAR

<b>Mar 3</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Religious Education Classes after 10:00 am Mass in Parish Hall</b>
<b>Mar 6</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Masses at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm</b>
<b>Mar 8</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm</b>
<b>Mar 10</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Our Lady of La Salette Meeting in Rectory after 10:00 am Mass</b>

### PREPARING FOR LENT

*Bless me, Father, for I have sinned...*

If you haven't gone to confession in a while, Lent is the perfect time to reconcile yourself with God and the Church.

Preparation for confession should include an examination of conscience, which means you think back on sins you have committed since your last confession. Most people still start with the formula: "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been (state the number of months or years) since my last confession."



If you can't remember the words or you don't recall how long it's been, don't worry. Just tell Father it's been a long time, and he will guide you through the process.

What you will experience is the healing gift of God's love, the chance to start over with a clean conscience, and an overwhelming sense of gratitude. The sacrament of Reconciliation schedule at St. Francis de Sales is on Saturdays 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm or by appointment by calling the Rectory.

### 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 &amp; 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 &amp; Jon Rowe</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of my beloved wife, Harriet, our mom &amp; brother Frank, by Frank Rauchut, John, Veronica &amp; 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 &amp; Eileen O'Connor</p>	<p>In Honor of my family and friends living &amp; deceased. May God bless us all and grant us world peace. – Lois Giambrone</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of Vic Cammardella by Helen &amp; 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 &amp; 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 &amp; Frances Rauchut, Alfred &amp; Veronica Grace and our deceased brothers and sisters.</p>	<p><i>Carmelo &amp; 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. &amp; William T. Wallace &amp; Eric Kohlroser. – The Wallace Family</p>	<p>In Loving Memory of our parents, Jack &amp; Sue Tiso and Anthony &amp; Florence Persichilli by Charles, Joe, Margie, Pam &amp; Susan</p>

*Spiritual Bouquets: Renewals/Changes. Call Claire 688-5155*