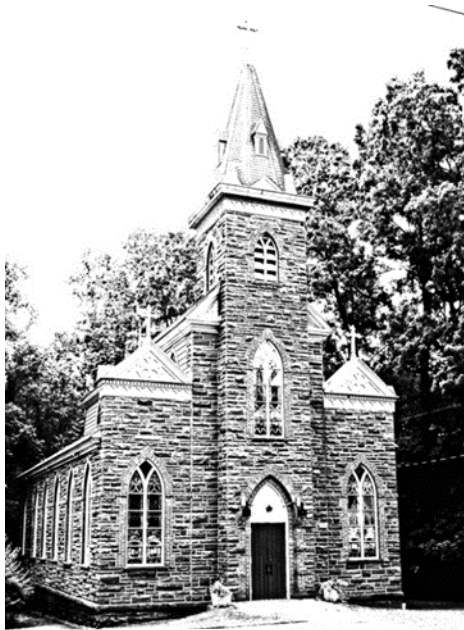


St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

March 17, 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 17, 2019

Second Sunday of Lent

“From the shining cloud the Father’s voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear Him.” – Luke 9:28b-36

Mass Intentions

Week of March 16th – March 17th

Sat	3/16	5:00p	†Dick Conroy req by Finola Ryan
Sun	3/17	10:00a	†William Ryan 17 th Anniversary Req by Finola Ryan
Mon	3/18	8:00a	
Tues	3/19	8:00a	
Wed	3/20	8:00a	
Thur	3/21	8:00a	

Second Collection is Fuel/Utility Fund

Weekend of March 16th – March 17th

Sat	3/23	5:00p	
Sun	3/24	10:00a	†Jack Tiso req by the Tiso Family

Weekend Lectors

Sat	3/16	5:00p	Mike & Pat Ruane
Sun	3/17	10:00a	Wolfrom, Quinn



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat	3/16	5:00p	Zorn, DeMaria, Fiore, Barrack
Sun	3/17	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 18th (Year C)

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a; Lk 2:41-51a
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, Mt 21:33-43
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15; Lk 15:1-3
Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a; Lk 13:1-9

March 10: Weekend Collection
Regular \$989

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

Jesus transfigured in glory

Are you prepared to see God's glory? God is eager to share his glory with us! We get a glimpse of this when the disciples see Jesus transfigured on the mountain. Jesus' face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. What is the significance of this mysterious appearance? Jesus went to the mountain knowing full well what awaited him in Jerusalem - his betrayal, rejection and crucifixion.

The Lord Jesus not only wants us to see his glory - he wants to share this glory with us. And Jesus shows us the way to the Father's glory: follow me - obey my words - take the path I have chosen for you and you will receive the blessings of my Father's kingdom - your name will be written in heaven.

Luke's Gospel account tells us that while Jesus was transfigured, Peter, James, and John were asleep! How much do we miss of God's glory and action because we are asleep spiritually? Are you spiritually awake? Peter, James, and John were privileged witnesses of the glory of Christ. We, too, as Disciples of Christ are called to be witnesses of his glory. *We all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being changed into his likeness from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit* (2 Corinthians 3:18). The Lord wants to reveal his glory to us, his beloved disciples. Do you seek his presence with faith and reverence? *Copyright 2019, Don Schwager: www.dailyscripture.net.Reprinted with permission.*



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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette: Monday, March 18 after 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:

Children's Religious Education classes are held on Sunday's following 10:00 am Mass. Next classes: March 17, 24 & 31. April 7, 14, 28. 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: "This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (3xs)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!
Hide it under a basket: NO! I'm gonna let it shine! (3xs)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!
Nobody's gonna blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine (3xs)
Let it shine, let it shine let it shine!
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (3xs)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

LADIES SODALITY MEETING: Due to inclement weather last weekend, the Sodality meeting was rescheduled to Sunday – March 17th. 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.

LENTEN OBSERVENCE:

Reminder: Fridays during Lent are days of Abstinence.

The law of abstinence obliges those 14 years and up to abstain from eating meat on Fridays in honor of the Passion of Jesus on Good Friday. If you cannot participate in fasting or abstinence for health reasons, you can find other ways to practice penance. Speak with Father Raphael if you are uncertain of your obligation or have any questions regarding fasting or abstinence.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – We are called to sacrifice our personal time for prayer and charitable works during Lent. One of the opportunities for increased prayer time is praying the Stations of the Cross. Join us every Friday evening for **one-half hour** starting at 7:00 pm. Booklets containing reflections and responses for each station are available for everyone.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION – SAVE THE DATE! SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Paul's letter to the Galatians

Sr. Catherine Gormley returns to lead the discussion. This letter of Paul is very focused and direct. Paul is amazed at how quickly the Galatians have fallen away from the faith and he tries to set them right. Evidently some "Judaizers" have convinced many of the Galatians that the way to salvation lies through just obeying the LAW. But, Paul argues, it is through GRACE that we are brought to God. Throughout this letter, Paul contrasts the law and grace and reminds this community that the person who makes grace the principle of his life is free and a child of God. Come and join us as we listen to Paul show that grace is the only thing that matters. **March 24 in the rectory after 10 am Mass.**

GROWING IN FAITH – MARCH ISSUE:

Jesus Exceeded People's Expectations

During his time on earth, He always gave more than was asked but exactly what was needed. Jesus always gives more than we ask! First of three examples:

A paralyzed man sought a cure for his body but Jesus cured his soul (Mark 2:1-12). A man's friends brought him to Jesus to heal his body, but Jesus forgave his sins. As God, Jesus has the power to heal. As man, he identifies with our deepest needs and gives us what is required to overcome them.

March 17 Daily Tip for Lent: Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, given to the world through St. St. Faustina to help repair the hurt caused by sin. Find it at www.usccb.org

"Our true worth does not consist in what human beings think of us. What we really are consists in what God knows us to be." — St. John Berchmans

TAI CHI CLASS: Weather-permitting, the next practice class will be held **Tuesday, March 19 at 3:00 pm** in the Parish Hall.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS & CELEBRATIONS

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



"Happy Birthday!"

Liz Quinn, Pat Heinz (3/4), Spencer (3/9), Gabby (3/13), 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!

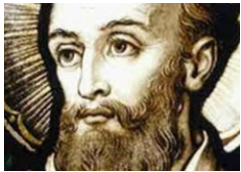
Share your good news with the parish; drop info in the collection basket, email or contact Judy at 688-9912, jap120@hvc.rr.com.

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*

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES, PATRON:



"When you come before the Lord, talk to Him if you can; if you can't just stay there, let yourself be seen, and don't try too hard to do anything else!"

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. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MARCH 19 FEAST DAY

"The Gospels tell us that Joseph was a "just" man. That means that he was faithful. He was faithful to God and said yes to God's plan for him to be Mary's husband and Jesus' foster father. He was faithful to Mary, caring for her while they waited for her baby to be born. He was faithful to Jesus, protecting him when he learned of King Herod's plan to kill him and, when the danger passed, helping Mary to raise Jesus with love in the small town of Nazareth. We honor Joseph's faithfulness

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to God, Mary, and Jesus on **March 19** each year. We pray that we, too, can be obedient to God's plan for us."

Source: Saints Resource/ RCL Benziger



SAINT PATRICK'S DAY BLESSING SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019

"May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rains fall soft upon your fields,
And until we meet again,
May God hold you
In the palm of his hand."

St. Francis de Sales would like to wish our family, friends, members, and visitors a blessed and safe St. Patrick's Day!



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

Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Laureen 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 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 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



















Mar 17	Sun	Religious Education Classes after 10:00 am Mass in Parish Hall
Mar 17	Sun	Our Lady of La Salette Meeting after 10:00 am Mass in the Rectory
Mar 22	Fri	Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm
Mar 24	Sun	Adult Faith Formation after 10:00 am Mass in the Rectory
Mar 26	Tues	Tai Chi Class with Instructor Celeste at 3:00 pm in the Parish Hall

Religious Education Children Helping Others

Children in the Religious Education program with help from the Ladies Sodality put together a box of school supplies for a children's school in the Florida panhandle that was destroyed by Hurricane Michael last fall. One of the students had the idea of helping children like themselves to get back on their feet after the storm. Her parents did the research to get the school's information and the project was on! She designed and wrote a letter which all the children signed and was included in the box that is being sent this week to the Florida school. Congratulations to all for their "service to others," the theme of this year's Religious Education program.



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