

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

August 11, 2019



Gem of the Catskills

Parish Established 1902

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 and 10:30 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
rjiannone@juno.com

Rev. Thomas P. Kiely, Parish Administrator
845-679-7696

PARISH COUNCIL

Meets at the rectory every six weeks on Mondays at 7:00 pm. Check the bulletin for exact dates.

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: Gerri 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, Cathy Felton. 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.

August 11, 2019

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Stay awake and be ready! For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.” Luke 12:32-48

Mass Intentions

Week of August 10th – August 15th

- Sat 8/10 5:00p †Patricia A. Cheetham req. by Dolores Harvey
 Sun 8/11 9:00a †Margaret (Peggy) Kingston req. by Peggy & Don Kearney
 Sun 8/11 10:30a Fr. Raphael “Birthday” Blessings req. by Our Lady of La Salette Sodality
 Mon 8/12 8:00a
 Tues 8/13 8:00a
 Wed 8/14 5:00p
 Thur 8/15 9:00a
 Thur 8/15 7:00p

God bless you and your families

Weekend of August 17th – August 18th

- Sat 8/17 5:00p Infirm Vikki Hall req. by Barbara Demaria
 Sun 8/18 9:00a †Matthew Strank req. by Peggy & Don Kearney
 Sun 8/18 10:30a Barry Lewis & Michael Hall “Birthday Wishes” req. by Ryder Hall Family

Weekend Lectors

- Sat 8/10 5:00p Ruanes
 Sun 8/11 9:00a Laub, Quinn
 Sun 8/11 10:30a Brown, Pavone



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

- Sat 8/10 5:00p DeMaria, Barrack, Washer, Fiore
 Sun 8/11 9:00a Nilsen, Colagrande, Gormley, Basalone
 Sun 8/11 10:30a Paultre, Bloodgood, Devoti, Ullmann



Weekend Ushers

Jerry Baltz Bill Caton Frank Rauchut
 Larry Miller Rick Nace Andy Napi Ed Zorn

Aug. 4 Regular Collection: \$1,447
 Weekly Collection: \$266
Thank you for your generosity

Readings for the Week of August 11th (Year C)

- Monday:** Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:39-56
Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Lk 12:49-53

Scripture Reflection

**"The Lord knocks at the door -
Who will answer?"**

Jesus warns that money and possessions will not last and can be taken away at any moment by a thief or by death itself. But there is one treasure which can never be lost or destroyed because it is kept secure by God himself. What is that treasure? It is the Lord himself and his kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. This treasure is worth far more than anything we could possibly acquire on our own. If you make the Lord your treasure, then you will have in your possession the greatest source of joy and lasting peace and security. The wisdom of Scripture tells us, *If the Almighty is your gold and your precious silver, then you will delight yourself in the Almighty, and will turn your face toward God.*

If the Lord Jesus knocked on your door today would you be ready and eager to receive him? He wants us to be prepared for his coming - today, tomorrow, at the hour of our departure from this life, and when he comes again at the end of this present world to judge all living and dead. The Lord will reward those who have believed in him. The Lord Jesus knocks on the door of our heart each and every day. The Lord calls to each of us and he says, "Listen! I am standing and knocking at your door. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and we will eat together." Do you hunger for the Lord and for the treasure of his kingdom?

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“Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival.” – Luke 12:37

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette:

Monday, August 12 after 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:

Have a fun and safe summer everyone and we'll see you back for class in September! Pre-registration will be available at our August 11 Parish Picnic.

For more information and to register for the fall program, call Religious Education Coordinator, Gerri Nilsen, 687-9769.



**** RECTORY OFFICE COVERAGE ****

Volunteers are staffing the Rectory Office Monday through Friday mornings (9 am - noon) to help Fr. Raphael by answering phones and scheduling Mass Intentions. Please call during these hours with an emphasis on Monday–Thursday. Friday is Father's official day off (unless there is a funeral). If you are willing to help with a morning or two each month, please let Pat Ruane know at 688-5357; she will be glad to accommodate your schedule.



COFFEE KLATCH COMING SOON:

Mark your calendar for the next Coffee Klatch dates - Sunday, August 18th, and Sunday, September 15th. Rain or Shine on the Rectory porch after Sunday 9:00 am and 10:30 am Masses. All are welcome to join us for coffee and refreshments.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

The next Parish Council meeting will be held **Monday, August 12 at 7:00 pm** in the Rectory. All are welcome to attend to learn about the workings of our parish and parish council.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – NEXT SERIES

Our next women's bible study will begin on **Wednesday, August 14th at 3:30 PM until 4:45** in the Fr. Gorman Hall. This six-week series continues our Genesis study...covering Genesis Chapters 12-23 "Abraham and Sarah's Journey." Sessions run twice monthly every second and fourth Wednesday ending in October. All women of the parish are cordially invited to join our study. For more information about this study please contact Marge Tiso 688-5898.

NEW PROGRAM COMING! Get ready to bring a greater sense of spiritual freedom into your life. Coming soon! Check the bulletin and the bulletin board in the vestibule for further details!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14 AT 7:00 PM

The Study Group meets in the Rectory. Father Raphael will join in as his schedule permits. Experience an insightful hour of bible fellowship with others in our faith community. All men are welcome. Refreshments. Contact Bill Colagrande (688-2013) for further information. Come join us!

HOLY COMMUNION PICS NEEDED:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – we are in need of pics to serve our homebound parishioners. If you have a pic at home and are not using it, please contact Claire 688-5155. Thank you.

THE ASSUMPTION: THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

"The teaching [of the Assumption] was infallibly defined by Pope Pius XII on November 1, 1950 in the bull *Munificentissimus Deus* (Latin, "Most Bountiful God"). As Pius XII explained, this is "a divinely revealed dogma" (ibid.) This means that it is a dogma in the proper sense. It is thus a matter of faith that has been divinely revealed by God and that has been infallibly proposed by the Magisterium of the Church as such." Source: National Catholic Register

The Assumption is a Holy Day of Obligation:

Wednesday, August 14 Evening Mass at 5:00 pm
Thursday, August 15 Masses at 9:00 am & 7:00 pm
There will be no 8:00 am Mass in the Rectory on August 15. All Masses will be in the Church.



HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY

A birthday is a wonderful opportunity to express our love for someone who is important in our lives. And that, **FATHER RAPHAEL** is you! We are

grateful for your presence at St. Francis de Sales, your spiritual guidance, kindness, support and understanding, and more importantly, your love.

♪ For he's a jolly good fellow, for he's a jolly good fellow, for he's a jolly good fellow, which nobody can deny!!! ♪

May the Almighty bless you with the blessings of the heavens above, and blessings of the watery depths below. (Genesis 49:25)

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); Fr. Raphael (8/4); Anne Shea (8/7); Nancy Zorn (8/8); Faye Storms & Emily Sorbellini (8/9); Dolores Harvey & Ed Zorn (8/12); Jeff Collins (8/22); Kathy Tretter & Lou Csurics (8/30). *On your birthday, may you be filled with peace, joy and laughter all year round!*

“Happy Anniversary!”

Larry & Sue Miller (8/10); Christy & Mark Signore (8/11). *May you enjoy another year under God's guiding hand. Happy Anniversary!*

Share your good news with the parish; drop info in the collection basket, contact Judy at 688-9912.

GROWING IN FAITH – AUGUST ISSUE:

Attending Mass is the most important thing Catholics do each week, but even the most committed can fall into a Sunday slump. The main article on page two offers ideas to make the Lord's Day truly special. The August issue of Growing in Faith is available in our church vestibule. Take a copy home - share your faith with others!

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION - AUGUST

Families, Schools of Human Growth

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."



A SAINT'S REFLECTION: “Many people [in authority] oppose us, persecute us, and would like even to destroy us, but we must be patient. As long as their commands are not against our conscience, let us obey them, but when the case is otherwise, let us uphold the rights of God and of the Church, for those are superior to all earthly authority.”

— St. John Bosco (1815-1888)

Also known as “Don Bosco,” this Italian saint was a follower of the spirituality and philosophy of St. Francis de Sales and started the Salesians, an order of priests that helped educate and care for poor children. Sources: The Catholic Company and Saints Resource

“In this life no one can fulfill his longing, nor can any creature satisfy man's desire. Only God satisfies, he infinitely exceeds all other pleasures. That is why man can rest in nothing but God.” — St. Thomas Aquinas

ABOUT OUR PARISH SERIES:

This is the next article in our series about St. Francis de Sales Parish. Parishioners and visitors are encouraged to participate in the many activities and ministries available in our faith community. We welcome you!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Our bible study group brings together women of different backgrounds and ages as we journey through the Bible and discuss how it impacts our lives. Our group meets twice a month for approximately an hour-and-a-half. We use a practical series of Bible discussion guides that fit into a concise 6-week format. The guides provide meaningful insights into scripture, prompting lively discussions as we share our faith experiences with each other. We enjoy expressing the richness of our Catholic Traditions as taught since our youth yet are open to looking at our lives today and how faith plays a vital role in different ways. We are eager to learn more about Jesus' life through scripture and to discuss how we can model those principles in our own lives. If you are interested in participating, please call Marge Tiso (845) 688-5898.



Thank you for your heartfelt prayers for healing. Please contact the rectory to add or remove someone's name. Thank you for your courtesy.

Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Laureen Aversa, Jerry Baltz, Cheryl Bender, Rick Bicanovsky, Sheila Madera-Brown, Ellen Burmeister, Ryan Callahan, Helen Cammardella, Liam Casey, Bill Caton, Ben Cole, Ed Dannen, Lillian DiPasqua, Betty Djerf, Iris D'Agostino, Jean Druffner, Honey Fecci, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Lois Giambrone, Dorothy Gorman, Trish Graig-Tiso, Chris Hall, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Etta Hanigan, Dolores Harvey, Rosemarie and Erwin Hildenhagen, Fr. George Hommel, Laurie Hoy, Don Kearney, Justin Kolb, Josephine Klonfas, Kathy Kretschmer, Amada Lumbaca, Helen Morelli, Doris Murphy, Gerri Nilsen, Janet Oakes, Florence Palmer, Claire Paultre, Judy Pavone, Karla Pavone, Nicholas Percoco, Fr. Raphael, Franca Ravetier, Joel Rivera, John Rossett, Mary Ellen Rury, Jon Rowe, Catherine Ryan, Michael Ryder, Zoila Santa, Martha Santicola, Anne Shea, Bert Shafer, Gladys Gilbert Spiegler; Theresa Strauss, Marie Stutman, 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

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| Aug 11 | Sun | Parish Picnic at 12 noon on lawn between rectory and parish hall (Rain or Shine!) |
| Aug 12 | Mon | Parish Council Meeting in the Rectory at 7:00 pm |
| Aug 14 | Wed | Women's Bible Study at 3:30 pm in the Fr. Gorman Hall |
| Aug 14 | Wed | Men's Bible Study at 7:00 pm in the Rectory |
| Aug 15 | Thu | The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation) |
| Aug 18 | Sun | Coffee Klatch on the Rectory Porch after 9:00 and 10:30 am Masses. All welcome! |
| Aug 27 | Tues | Tai Chi in the Parish Hall with instructor, Celeste. 3:00 to 4:00 pm |



















ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC – SUNDAY AUGUST 11

12 NOON – JOIN US!



Everyone is invited – bring your families! Celebrate with delicious hot dogs, hamburgers, chicken, side dishes, and desserts PLUS lots of fun for all beneath a large tent! There will be a children's activity table and pre-registration for Fall classes.

SPIRITUAL BOUQUETS

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| <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>Stephen, Your brothers and your mother and father miss you always. – The Chesire Family</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, Bruce A. Wallace and 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