

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

August 25, 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

Rev. Christopher Berean, Parish Administrator
 845-217-3333

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: Pamela Hammond, 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

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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Twentieth-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

“I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.” Luke 13:22-30

Mass Intentions

Week of August 24th – August 29th

Sat 8/24 5:00p †Eileen Tomaselli req. by Barbara DeMaria
 Sun 8/25 9:00a †Sylvia Persons req. by Peggy & Don Kearney
 Sun 8/25 10:30a
 Mon 8/26 8:00a
 Tues 8/27 8:00a
 Wed 8/28 8:00a
 Thur 8/29 8:00a

Second Collection is the Utility/Fuel Fund

Weekend of August 31st – September 1st

Sat 8/31 5:00p Don & Peggy Kearney, Restoration of Health req. by Barbara DeMaria
 Sun 9/01 9:00a †Margaret (Peggy) Kingston req. by Peggy & Don Kearney
 Sun 9/01 10:30a †Sylvia Persons req. by Maria Gomez & Michael Moran

Weekend Lectors

Sat 8/24 5:00p P. & M. Ruane
 Sun 8/25 9:00a Tretter, Quinn
 Sun 8/25 10:30a Brown, Rowe



Weekend Eucharistic Ministers

Sat 8/24 5:00p DeMaria, Barrack, Washer, Fiore
 Sun 8/25 9:00a Colagrande, Nilsen, M. & G. Gormley
 Sun 8/25 0:30a Bloodgood, Pavone, Ullmann, Devoti



Weekend Ushers

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

Aug. 18 Regular Collection: \$1,791
 Utility: \$720/Assumption: \$375
Thank you for your generosity

Readings for the Week of August 25th (Year C)

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Mk 6:17-29
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Lk 14:1, 7-14

Scripture Reflection

Do not risk being shut out

Many rabbis held that all Israel would be saved. After all, they were specially chosen by God when he established a covenant relationship with them.

But Jesus warns that we can be excluded if we do not *strive to enter by the narrow door*. What did Jesus mean by this expression? The door which Jesus had in mind was himself. *I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved*. God sent his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to open the way for us to have full access to the throne of God's grace and mercy. Through Jesus' victory on the cross he has freed us from slavery to sin, hurtful desires, addictions, and he has made us sons and daughters of God and citizens of his heavenly kingdom. We are free now to choose which kingdom we will serve - the kingdom of truth and light ruled by God's wisdom or the kingdom of falsehood and darkness ruled by Satan and the world system or society of people who are opposed to God and his laws.

To enter the kingdom of God we must struggle against every force or power of opposition - even the temptation to remain indifferent, apathetic, or compromising in our faith and personal trust in Jesus. The good news is that we do not struggle alone. God is with us and his grace is sufficient! As we *strive side by side for the faith of the Gospel*, Jesus assures us of complete victory! Do you trust in God's grace and help, especially in times of testing and temptation? *Copyright 2019, Don Schwager: www.dailyscripture.net. Reprinted with permission.*



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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Novena to Our Lady of La Salette:

Monday, August 26 after 8:00 am Mass, we pray the 8th 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!

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



SONGS – 9:00 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: "In My Father's House"

Come and go with me, to my Father's House, to my Father's house, to my Father's house. Come and go with me, to my Father's house where there's Joy, Joy, Joy!

Jesus is the way to my Father's house, to my Father's house, to my Father's house. Jesus is the way to my Father's house where there's Joy, Joy, Joy!

All is peace and love in my Father's house, in my Father's house, in my Father's house. All is peace and love in my Father's house where there's Joy, Joy, Joy!

ABOUT OUR PARISH SERIES – RELIGIOUS ED

The St. Francis de Sales Religious Education Program is unique in the Archdiocese of New York because we have "Sunday School." The families attend Sunday Mass with their students, then go to the Parish Hall for "group time." Pre-class activities include the students learning hymns they will be singing with the

congregation during Mass and having snacks while enjoying some brief socializing time. Afterward, the children join their respective teachers in the classrooms.

All the teachers undergo training, and several are certified by the Archdiocese to teach in our program. They are all certified through the State Registry to work with children. In addition, two of our coordinators are also



certified with the Archdiocese of New York.

During the year, the students have suggested and implemented programs to serve their community. One project collects food donations for the area Food Pantry to honor the canonization of Mother Teresa to sainthood. In the three years the collection box has been on the altar, parishioners have made generous donations of food, and the box has rarely been empty! The students have also collected school supplies for a school in the Florida Panhandle destroyed in last year's hurricane.

Our students and their families truly embody the meaning of Christ's call to service and community both here and elsewhere!

PLEASE HELP US COMPILE AN UP-TO-DATE PARISH CONTACT LIST

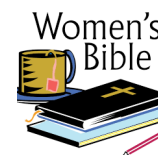
Occasionally our Parish needs to reach out – announcing change in Mass schedules (like August 11), Parish events, service opportunities, etc. The Archdiocese, which maintains a census of parishes, also wants to reach parishioners directly to share information and communication from Cardinal Dolan, as well as opportunities for faith formation and for fund-raising. ArchNY recently asked for our contact information.

Parish Council wants to reply as accurately as possible, while respecting people's privacy concerns. Please take a moment to fill out one of the forms in the pews. You can check the "opt-out" box on the form if you prefer NOT to share updated information beyond our Parish. Fold your completed form and leave it in the box at the back of the church on your way out. Thank you for your cooperation.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – WED. AUG 28

The 2nd week of the Genesis Series: "Family Dissensions." Covers Genesis 15:1 - 11, 17-18; 16:1-6. **Wednesday, August 28th at 3:30 PM** in the Fr. Gorman Hall (behind rectory).

Booklets are available for those wishing to join our group study. This series from Genesis 12 - 23 covers "Abraham's & Sarah's Journey." For any further information please contact Marge Tiso 688-5898.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY – WED. AUG 28

The Study Group meets in the Rectory at **7:00 PM**.

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!



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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:

Why not take a copy home - share your faith with others! August copies still available in our church vestibule. Coming Next Week: our September Issue.

COFFEE KLATCH WEEKENDS:

Thank you, members of Our Lady of La Salette Sodality for sponsoring last Sunday's Coffee Klatch. Great job, ladies! The last Coffee Klatch of the season



will be held **Sunday, September 15th**. Save the date! All welcome.



HOLY COMMUNION PYX NEEDED:

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

MASS INTENTIONS for 2019:



Offer a Mass for a living or deceased loved one by calling the Rectory preferably in the mornings from 9 am to noon. 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, including Spiritual Bouquets memorials are remembered at our Masses.

****** 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.

St Francis de Sales Prayer: Direction of Intention



My God, I give you this day. I offer you, now, all of the good that I shall do and I promise to accept, for love of you, all of the difficulty that I shall meet. Help me to conduct myself during this day in a manner pleasing to you. Amen.



Thank you for your heartfelt prayers for healing. Please contact the rectory to add or remove a person'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 Kloufas, 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.*

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PARISH CALENDAR

Aug 27	Tues	Tai Chi in the Parish Hall with instructor, Celeste. 3:00 to 4:00 pm
Aug 28	Wed	Women's Bible Study at 3:30 pm in the Fr. Gorman Hall
Aug 28	Wed	Men's Bible Study at 7:00 pm in the Rectory
Sept 8	Sun	Our Lady of La Salette Sodality Meeting after 10:00 am Mass in the Rectory
Sept 8	Sun	New Sunday Mass Schedule begins today. (See details below)
Sept 15	Sun	Parish Coffee Klatch on Rectory porch after 10:00 Mass. Rain or Shine

REMINDER – NEW SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 8

With fall approaching, summer crowds dwindling, and considerations for Father Raphael's well-being, Parish Council has determined that our community can remain healthy and stable with ONE Sunday liturgy. On September 8 (weekend AFTER Labor Day), the new schedule will go into effect. There will be two weekend liturgies: SATURDAY at 5 pm and SUNDAY at 10 am. We see this change as permanent, until such time as we can get another priest to assist. Thank you for your understanding and adjustment.

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>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><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, 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