

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Community

August 16, 2020



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MASS SCHEDULE

**TEMPORARY SCHEDULE IS
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FOR UPDATES
THANK YOU**

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

Check website or bulletin for information
about virtual meetings

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Pres. Pat Ruane: 688-5357

Parish Council Secretary: Joline Streiff

Fr. Raphael Iannone, O.F.M., Cap.: 688-5617

PARISH COUNCIL LEADERS

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Communication: Pam Hammond..... 688-2642
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Finance: Mike Ruane..... 688-5357
Liturgy: Contact Father Raphael..... 688-5617
Parish Hall: Laurie Brown 657-9652
Community & Adult Faith Formation:
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 Mass 1st Sunday of the month (March – November)

President: Pam Hammond – Vice-President: Patti Payette

Secretary: Elizabeth Quinn – Treasurer: Irene Jordan

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. See website for more parish info.

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Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people.”

-- Matthew 15:21-28

Mass Intentions

AUGUST 15TH – AUGUST 30TH

Sat	8/15	5:00p	Mass for Father Raphael, req. by Joe Vallie (Feast of the Assumption)
Sun	8/16	10:00a	Mass of Thanksgiving for Ava Buchhalter req. by Helen Morelli
Sat	8/22	5:00p	Intention of the Vallie Family, by Joe Vallie
Sun	8/23	10:00a	†Angie Valentino req. by the Payette and Umhey Families
Thur	8/27	9:00a	Open Intention
Sun	8/30	10:00a	Anniversary Mass for Rosario Ragonese and Vincent Martorano

The Second Collection: Utility/Fuel Fund

PLEASE LEAVE YOUR OFFERINGS IN COLLECTION BASKETS AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.
THANK YOU.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS (845) 688-5617
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY 9am-12pm
We are deeply grateful to Fr. Kiely and all the priests celebrating Mass in our Church. We ask that you please pray for them. Thank you!

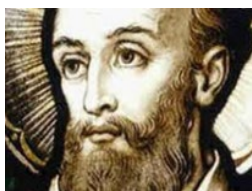
Readings for the Week of August 16 (Year A)

Monday: Ez 24:15-23; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Mt 16:13-20

RECENT COLLECTIONS: 8/9/20

Regular: \$1251
Church in Africa: \$147

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – OUR PATRON:



“Faith fills a man with love for the beauty of its truth, with faith in the truth of its

beauty.” - St. Francis de Sales

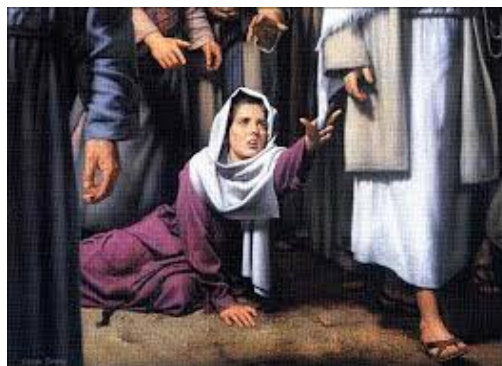
Scripture Reflection

Great is Your Faith!

This passage (Matthew 15:21) describes the only occasion in which Jesus ministered outside of Jewish territory. (Tyre and Sidon were fifty miles north of Israel and still exist today in modern Lebanon.) A Gentile woman, a foreigner who was not a member of the Jewish people, puts Jesus on the spot by pleading for his help. At first Jesus seemed to pay no attention to her, and this made his disciples feel embarrassed. Jesus does this to test the woman to awaken faith in her.

What did Jesus mean by the expression "throwing bread to the dogs"? The Jews often spoke of the Gentiles with arrogance and insolence as "unclean dogs" since the Gentiles did not follow God's law and were excluded from God's covenant and favor with the people of Israel. For the Greeks the "dog" was a symbol of dishonor and was used to describe a shameless and audacious woman. There is another reference to "dogs" in Matthew's Gospel where Jesus says to his disciples, "Do not give to dogs what is holy" (Matthew 7:6). Jesus tests this woman's faith to see if she is earnest in receiving *holy things* from the hand of a holy God. Jesus, no doubt, spoke with a smile rather than with an insult because this woman immediately responds with wit and faith - "even the dogs eat the crumbs."

Jesus praises a Gentile woman for her faith and for her love. She made the misery of her child her own and she was willing to suffer rebuff in order to obtain healing for her loved one. She also had indomitable persistence. Her faith grew in contact with the person of Jesus. She began with a request and she ended on her knees in worshipful prayer to the living God. No one who ever sought Jesus with earnest faith - whether Jew or Gentile - was refused his help. **Do you seek the Lord Jesus with expectant faith?** Source: (c)2020, *Servants of the Word, Don Schwager. www.dailyscripture.net.*



“What does it cost us to say, ‘My God help me! Have mercy on me!’...this little will suffice to save us if we be diligent in doing it.” -St. Alphonsus Liguori

SPECIAL OCCASIONS & CELEBRATIONS

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



“Happy Birthday!”

Siobhan (8/2); Fr. Raphael (8/4); Anne Shea (8/7); Nancy Zorn, Debbie Oliviero, (8/8); Faye Storms & Emily Sorbellini (8/9); Ed Zorn (8/12); Jeff Collins (8/22); Kathy Tretter & Lou Csurics (8/30). *May your special day be filled with JOY and LOVE and may you know that GOD is always with you. Happy Birthday!*

“Happy Anniversary!”

Larry & Sue Miller (8/10); Christy & Mark Signore (8/11).

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

PRAYERS FOR FATHER RAPHAEL

Cards and letters can be mailed to:

Fr. Raphael Iannone
c/o Adira at Riverside
120 Odell Ave. Room L03Door
Yonkers, NY 10701

Father Raphael is doing better and appreciates the prayers and well wishes!

ROSARY AND PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISH

La Salette Sodality members invite you to pray the Rosary **Tuesday, August 19 at 11 AM** for Fr. Raphael and to help preserve our parish. Join them in church or from home. The Rosary and short devotional prayers last about 35 minutes.

GROWING IN FAITH AUGUST ISSUE:

Why do Catholics have so many titles for Mary?

Everything we say about Mary, ultimately, is about Jesus, including her “devotional” titles. Each title highlights an aspect of God’s saving plan and Mary’s role in it. Many of them have to do with her sinlessness and her motherhood. For example, Mary is called the “Mirror of Justice”, Theotokos (“God-bearer”), “Seat of Wisdom”, “House of Gold,” etc. Mary’s titles – like Mary – are meant to draw our focus not to Mary, but to Jesus. Mary always leads us to her Son.



NEW ADDRESS FOR PARISHIONER:

Aldo Valentini welcomes cards or any correspondence you may want to send him since his recent move. Aldo is an active member of the American Legion Post 950 and life member of the VFW Post 2837 of Shandaken NY. Aldo is one of two oldest veterans in Shandaken. He served in the Navy in WWII. Write to him c/o Mountain Valley Manor, 213 Wilbur Ave. Kingston NY 12401.

FATHER TOM – VISITING PRIEST

Fr. Tom Wilhelm is a member of Voluntas Dei, a Secular Institute whose members live and work "in the world."

Fr. Tom began his ministry as an Augustinian priest, and spent 9 years in Chile before returning to get his MSW in Social Work. He currently works with families in a hospital in Stamford, CT, and volunteers as a prison minister.



UNDERSTANDING THE BIBLE: The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops lists 10 points for “fruitful scripture reading:” 1) **Bible reading is for Catholics.** The Church encourages Catholics to make reading the Bible part of their daily prayer lives. Reading these inspired words, people grow deeper in their relationship with God and come to understand their place in the community God has called them to in himself. The full list: www.usccb.org/bible/understanding-the-bible. See next week’s bulletin for additional points.



Russell Abbrecht, Luisa Armani, Lauren 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, Dave Franze, Ernest Fudge, Sr., Lois Giambone, Dorothy Gorman, Trish Graig-Tiso, Brandon Grasso, Chris Hall, Victoria Hall, Catherine Hand, Rosemarie and Erwin Hildenhagen, Laurie Hoy, Jenny Jarrette, Don Kearney, Justin Kolb, Josephine Klonfas, Kathy Kretschmer, Amada Lumbaca, Julie Moloney, Helen Morelli, Gerry Nilsen, Janet Oakes, Florence Palmer, Claire Paultre, Judy Pavone, Nicholas Percoco, Fr. Raphael, Franca Ravetier, Joel Rivera, John Rossett, Mary Ellen Rury, Jon Rowe, Catherine Ryan, Christie Ryan, Michael Ryder, Zoila Santa, Martha Santicola, Ronald Santicola, Anne Shea, Bert Shafer, Gladys Gilbert Spiegler; Marie Stutman, John Sylak, Fr. Phil Tran, Sonja Turner, Jaime Umhey, Sharon Umhey, Stephanie Vesely, Bob Walsh, Ellen Watson, Catherine Whitelaw, Greg Zaff. *Please also pray for our men and women in military service.*

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY




















On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: “We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory.” The Assumption was already a common belief in the early Church and taught in homilies dating back to the sixth century. Source: U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops



PRAYER FOR THE ASSUMPTION

Lord Jesus Christ, You have destroyed the power of death and given the hope of eternal life in body and soul. You granted your Mother a special place in your glory, and did not allow decay to touch her body. As we rejoice in the Assumption of Mary, give to us a renewed confidence in the victory of life over death. You live and reign forever and ever. Amen. Source: Pray More Novenas

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 style="text-align: center;"> <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>

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