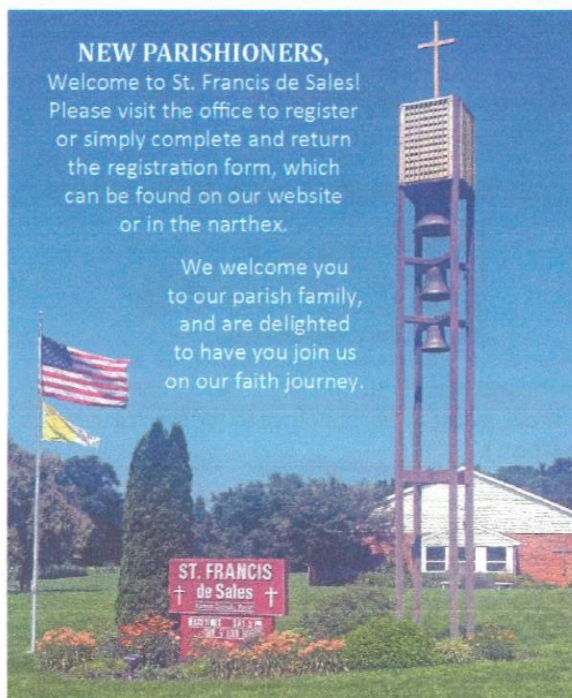


# ST. FRANCIS de SALES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## NEW PARISHIONERS,

Welcome to St. Francis de Sales! Please visit the office to register or simply complete and return the registration form, which can be found on our website or in the narthex.

We welcome you to our parish family, and are delighted to have you join us on our faith journey.

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& CLOSED Fridays

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## PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. John A. Frink, M.Div ----- Administrator  
Alison Snyder ----- Director of Religious Education  
Christina Kopinski ----- Administrative Assistant

## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil ----- 5:00 pm  
Sunday ----- 8:00 am & 10:30 am

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday ----- 9:00 am

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Thursday 9:30 am - 7:00 pm  
and Benediction at 7:00 pm

**RECONCILIATION:** Thursday 9:30 am - 12:00 Noon and  
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

**SPIRITUAL CARE OF THE SICK:** Please contact the office when a parish member has been admitted to the hospital or has become home bound. Upon request, the Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated and Holy Communion will be brought monthly.

## THE MISSION OF ST. FRANCIS de SALES PARISH

*Guided by the gentle spirit and practical teachings of St. Francis de Sales, we strive to "Live Jesus" in our daily lives. We proclaim the Gospel, celebrate the Holy Eucharist, and are nourished through prayer, worship, love, and service to others. Together we are building a community that brings joy to our faith and light to the world, which one day will become the City of God.*

**BAPTISM:** The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated during Mass or on Sundays after the 10:30 Mass. Parents are asked to contact the parish office to arrange a time for preparation and to schedule the baptism.

**CONFIRMATION AND EUCHARIST:** Each child must have received a full year of religious education at St. Francis prior to beginning the sacramental preparation classes.

**MARRIAGE:** In order that the requirements for marriage preparation may be fulfilled, couples are to contact the parish office at least six months before the desired wedding date.

**WILLS AND DONATIONS:** Please consider designating St. Francis de Sales Parish in your last will and testament so that the blessings the Lord has given you can continue to build His Kingdom here on earth.



## July 7, 2024 ✠ Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Mass Schedule for the Week:

(There will be **NO WEEKDAY MASSES** this Wednesday - Friday.)

#### Saturday, July 6, 2024

5:00 PM Dennis Flemming

#### Sunday, July 7, 2024

8:00 AM John L. Switay

10:30 AM Joseph J. & Julia Savitsky

#### Monday, July 8, 2024

9:00 AM Our Parishioners

#### Tuesday, July 9, 2024

9:00 AM

#### Saturday, July 13, 2024

5:00 PM Jennifer Marie Papay

#### Sunday, July 14, 2024

8:00 AM Our Parishioners

10:30 AM Anna Zubris



### Parish Schedule

ADORATION - There will be **NO ADORATION** on Thursdays during the month of July. Adoration will resume Thursday, August 1 from 9:30am – 6:30pm with Benediction at 6:30pm.

### Lector & Server Schedule

#### Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

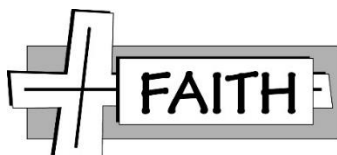
5:00 PM ~ Servers: Bross Lector: Stine

#### Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM ~ Servers: Palm-Rittle Lector: Batchelder

10:30 AM ~ Servers: Quinlivan Lector: Misterkiewicz

If you are a homebound parishioner or know of a homebound parishioner unable to attend Mass due to an illness, please notify the office so we can reach out to you (them).



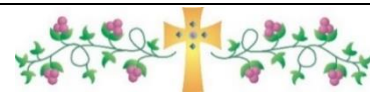
### *Spiritual Thought*

*O Father, the first rule of our dear Saviour's life was to do your will. Let his will of the present moment be the first rule of our daily life and work. Help us to follow it faithfully so that, doing what you will, we will be pleasing you.*

*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

### *Pray For Our Sick*

*Delphine Altland, Edward Bellina, Camille Bernardo, Lucia (Lucy) Bernardo, John Binder, Jim Bross, Sr., Betty & Harold Brown, Rosemary C., Mary DeLong, Joseph Disabella, Savannah Ferrell, Mary Ann Flemming, Judith Goelz, Michael B. Hasenauer, Nicholas M. Headley, Karen Houck, Rose Howard, Mark Hyde, John Jones, Leslie Livinghouse, Florence Kapuscinski, Dave Mitchell, Connor Macey, Casper Morreale, , Walter Muir, Joe Noll, Mercedes Rodriguez, Pat Snyder, Layla Rose Stockinger, Andrew Strangarity, Logan Weaver, Eleana Wilson*



### *Readings for the Week*

#### *Sunday*

*Ez 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a*

#### *Monday*

*Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26*

#### *Tuesday*

*Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38*

#### *Wednesday*

*Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7*

#### *Thursday*

*Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Mt 10:7-15*

#### *Friday*

*Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23*

#### *Saturday*

*Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33*

#### *Sunday*

*Am 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; Mk 6:7-13*



## Our Return to the Lord

Week of June 30 ~

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St. Paul has shared with us a very intimate detail of his life – a humbling detail – and an important lesson that he learned. Paul shared it because what he learned is vital for all of us to hear and take to heart.

Most of us don't care to dwell on our weaknesses. Usually, we spend lots of energy trying to overcome them. For most of us, weaknesses are liabilities. And, like Paul, we have asked the Lord to take them away from us.

Paul must have been surprised when he first heard the Lord's words: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." With some prayerful reflection, his "thorn in the flesh" was taking on a new meaning. It was no longer his weakness. It was now the place in him where the power of grace could dwell and transform him.

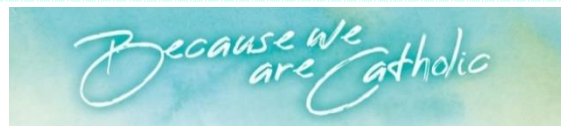
In the humble acceptance of his weakness, Paul found the power of Jesus which made him strong. This transforming experience would lead Paul to be content with weaknesses and hardships, "for when I am weak, then I am strong" as he would tell us.

In our Salesian tradition, Francis encourages us to learn to "love our abjections" not just put up with them but embrace them. He writes this to us because he has understood Paul's message. He knows from his own experience that the humble person acknowledges that grace alone has the power to make one strong.

What about us? We all have our weaknesses and hardships. Do we continue to spend lots of our energy trying to overcome them? How do we hear the Lord's words: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness?" We all have our abjections. Am I learning anything about loving them? Am I learning with St. Paul: "when I am weak, then I am strong?"

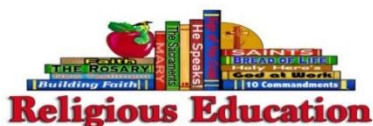
Each of us might benefit greatly by taking the Lord's words to prayer. Let us be more eager to listen than to talk. May the Lord lead each of us to the humility that will open us to the transforming power of divine grace in our daily lives.

<https://www.oblates.org/sundays-salesian/fourteenth-sunday-in-ordinary-time-july-7-2024>



2024 Parish Total Goal .....	\$ 21,011.00
Pledges & One Time Gifts.....	\$ 15,545.00
Number of Donors.....	66
Percentage of Goal.....	73.98%

We are grateful to all who pledged their support thus far to the 2024 BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL. Your gift will allow our diocese to meet the many and varied needs of the people of this diocese. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. If you did not take the opportunity to make your gift, you may do so at any time over the next few weeks by placing your pledge form in the collection basket, visiting the Appeal website at [BecauseWeAreCatholic.org](https://www.BecauseWeAreCatholic.org) or simply scan the QR code. Thank you for your support!



***It's that time again to start planning your child's religious education!*** Classes for the upcoming PREP year will begin **Sunday, September 8, 2024 for all grades 1-8 from 9:00 – 10:20 am.** If your child is enrolled in 1<sup>st</sup> grade for the 2024-2025 school year, please sign him/her up: <https://www.stfrancisroby.org/wix-prep-registration-form>. The deadline for registration is Sunday, **August 11<sup>th</sup>** to avoid the late fee!! For our complete registration packet and calendar of class dates, please visit our Religious Education page on our website [www.stfrancisroby.org](https://www.stfrancisroby.org).

Confirmation will be **Wednesday, October 2, 2024 @ 4:30 PM** at St. Ignatius Loyola Church.

**Volunteers needed!!** Our PREP program does not exist without your help. We ask you prayerfully consider adding your talents as a volunteer to our classrooms as a teacher, aide, or helper. You do not need to have a child in the program to assist. Please contact the DRE for additional information or any questions: [prep\\_stfrancis@comcast.net](mailto:prep_stfrancis@comcast.net).





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