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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

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.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday at 4:00 - 4:45 pm. At any other time by appointment.

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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.

NEW MEMBERS: Please register at the office, or pick up a form in the back of the church. We are delighted to welcome you.

WILLS AND DONATIONS: Please consider designating St. Francis de Sales Parish in your last will and testament so that the blessings the



October 9, 2022 * The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule for the Week:

Saturday, October 8, 2022~28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM Living & Deceased Members of Boulanger Family
Sunday, October 9, 2022~28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Our Parishioners

10:30 AM Nurture & Protection of Children

Saturday, October 15, 2022~29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Melody Dynes

Sunday, October 16, 2022~29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM John Milia 10:30 AM Paul Sosna

Pray For Our Sick

Edward Bellina, John Binder, Rosemary C., Mary DeLong, Rick & Wren Dillon, Joseph Disabella, Dennis & Mary Ann Flemming, Mary Fletcher, Judith Goelz, Nicholas M. Headley, Lorraine Held, Karen Houck, Rose Howard, Mark Hyde, John Jones, Raymond Kasprowciz, Robert Koch, Leslie Livinghouse, Walter Muir, Joe Noll, Pat Snyder, Andrew Strangarity, Tom Suchon, Eleana Wilson, Edwin Zeltzer

<u>Lector & Server Schedule</u>

Saturday, October 15th

5:00 PM ~ Servers: Bross Lector: Giacobbe

Sunday October 16th

8:00 AM ~ Servers: Wagner Lector: Broskey
10:30 AM ~Servers: Mirabella Lector: Hampson

Parish Schedule

<u>Thursday, Oct. 13 @ 10am – 12 Noon</u> ~ Adoration 10:00am ~ Exposition 10:00am – 12 Noon ~ Adoration. 12 Noon ~ Mid Day Prayer and Benediction

Spiritual Thought

"If we truly think of Christ as our source of holiness, we shall refrain from anything wicked or impure in thought or act and thus show ourselves to be worthy bearers of his name. For the quality of holiness is shown not by what we say but by what we do in life."

Saint Gregory of Nyssa – Treatise on Christian Perfection

St. Ignatius Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Monday – Friday 6:30 & 8:00 AM Saturday 8:00 AM First Friday 7:00 PM

Weekends: Saturday: 4:00 PM Vigil Mass Sunday: 7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM; 12 Noon; 5:30 PM

Eucharistic Day of Prayer/Adoration (Chapel)
Tuesdays ~ Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament after 8:00 AM Mass until 10 PM
AND

Wednesdays ~ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6 AM until 7 PM Evening Prayer & Benediction

Confession: Saturdays: 3:00 - 4:00 PM



Readings for the Week

Sunday 2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

Monday Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 – 5:1; Lk 11:29-32

> **Tuesday** Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54

Friday Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12

Sunday Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tim 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8

Our Return to the Lord Week of October 2, 2022 ~ \$ 4,290.00



Are you looking for a deeper and more meaningful relationship with the Mass and your home parish here at St. Francis de Sales? Active involvement and participation are a great way to enhance an experience. Our liturgical ministries, of which include lectors, ushers, greeters, Eucharistic Ministers, and altar servers, can use your help. Please prayerfully consider donating your time to a ministry the Lord is inviting you to be a part of in an amazing way. The rewards are great!

To volunteer or learn more about each ministry, please contact either Deacon Rick or Lori Caman respectively by email or phone:

Flanciano@allentowndiocese.org or 610-693-5851; LCAC1982@comcast.net; or 610-451-0332.



Please remember in your prayers the students of our parish who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Alfred A. Schlert this Thursday, October 13th @ 4:30 PM at St. Ignatius Loyola Church.



~ Living Flame ~

Will burn the week of October 9, 2022 *In Honor of Joe Savitsky*



The healing of the ten lepers is unique to Luke's Gospel.

Lepers were outcasts of society because of their disease. These ten must have heard about Jesus because they risk approaching him and asking for a cure. Jesus tells them to go and show themselves to the priests so they could be certified as healthy. Then they could return to their families and friends. We're told that on the way they were cured.

Imagine how happy they must have been. They were outcasts no longer. Only one of them goes back to Jesus to thank him. Jesus' words are filled with sadness: "Were not all ten made whole? Where are the other nine?" But he turns his attention to the one who has returned to give thanks. He reminds him that faith has been his salvation. "Go your way" and nourish your newfound gift of faith.

Many times, we can be like the lepers in the Gospel. We ask for healing or strength or grace. Often, we're very aware that God has given us what we need at the time. Luke is asking us: what do you do when you have received your gift? Are you thankful? Do you nourish your newfound gift? Or do you keep returning and asking, never taking the time to be thankful?

Often our thankfulness is shown by the way we nourish the gifts we have already received. We can nourish our gifts through faithful prayer, through Scripture reading, through accepting patiently all that God sends us each day. We can also nourish our gifts by reaching out to others who are suffering and offering them the comfort of our presence and care.

It's interesting that Jesus didn't take back the healing he had given to the other nine. God's faithfulness doesn't change. Saint Paul's hymn in today's second reading reminds us of this truth: "If we have died with Jesus, we shall also live with him; if we hold out to the end, we shall also reign with him. But if we deny him, he will deny us; if we are unfaithful, we will still remain faithful, for he cannot deny himself."

Let us be thankful; our God is always faithful in caring for us.

https://www.oblates.org/sundays-salesian-feed/tewnty-eighth-sunday-in-ordinary-time-October-9-2022



Date: 10/2/22	Chapters/Lessons Covered Theme for the Week	Homework or Out of Class Activity	Additional Notes
Level 1	Chapter 1 Lesson 3-5 Old vs New Testaments The Holy Trinity & The Holy Spirit	Say a prayer with your family.	We made hearts saying, "God Loves Me" to remind us that we are cared for and loved every day!
Level 2 (First Communion)	Session 2 Episodes 3 & 4 The Best Version of Yourself	Practice the Act of Contrition	
Level 3	Chapter 4 Session 4 Jesus is with Us	Think of times God has helped you. Continue to practice praying.	
Level 4	Unit 2 Session 7 The Beatitudes, St Francis of Assisi, Saint Fabian, Kingdom of God	Write your own Beatitudes. Compete the "With my Family" worksheet.	Practice your faith!
Level 5	Unit 4, Session 4 God calls us to Obey, The Beatitudes, Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Fabian, Kingdom of God	Complete the "With my Family" worksheet.	Practice your faith!
Level 6	Unity 1, Session 4 Noah to Abraham to Isaac, Angels in Matthew, Luke and Mark	Saint of your choice paper. Ask parents about Bible words.	Read a Bible.
Level 7 (Confirmation Prep)	Session 3 & 4 What is a prophet? How Jesus changes our life radically	Spend some time praying in a quiet place.	
Level 8 (Confirmation Class)	Confession Confirmation Family Feud	Mandatory Confirmation Practice* - 10/12 6:45pm Confirmation - 10/13 4:30pm (arrive by 3:20)	*sponsor or adult stand-in must attend practice with student.

Please be sure any out-of-class assignments are completed prior to the next class. Our Next Class is Sunday, October 16, 2022.

Please remember: Attendance is VERY important. Each grade has its own curriculum which builds upon the prior year and prepares for the next year. PREP allows children to build a strong foundation of their faith, it brings them closer to God and gives them the proper tools to lead a life that follows Jesus. Please value the importance of these classes and also Mass attendance. Classes may need repeated in the following year if there is an excess of absences. Thank you for your attention to this matter.



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"At this moment when the human race is under-going so deep a transformation, women impregnated with the spirit of the Gospel can do so much to aid mankind in not falling." Pope Paul VI

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022 ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KUTZTOWN BILINGUAL MASS 8:30 AM MAIN EVENT 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

REGISTER BY OCTOBER 15

English and Spanish Sessions
Basket Raffle



\$15.00 to attend includes light breakfast and three speaker sessions

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register.allentowndiocese.org/day-of-reflection

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- A Discussion of the Dignity of Life
- · Authentic Femininity
- A Woman's Mission in the Church
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