

# 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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## PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. John A. Frink, M.Div ----- *Pastor*  
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

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

**RECONCILIATION:** Thursday 9:30 am - 10:30 am & 6:15pm -7:15 pm and Saturday 4:00 pm - 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.



## January 18, 2026 ✿ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Mass Schedule for the Week:

#### Saturday, January 17, 2026

5:00 PM Jim Bross

#### Sunday, January 18, 2026

8:00 AM John S. Milia

10:30 AM Debbie Daniel

#### Monday, January 19, 2026

9:00 AM Georgia Brezler

#### Tuesday, January 20, 2026

9:00 AM Rev. William Nessel

#### Wednesday, January 21, 2026

9:00 AM Mary Ann & Richard Kern

#### Thursday, January 22, 2026

9:00 AM Anne Marie Allen

#### Friday, January 23, 2026

9:00 AM Rev. Joseph M. Braudis

#### Saturday, January 24, 2026

5:00 PM Francis Devlin

#### Sunday, January 25, 2026

8:00 AM Carol Palm

10:30 AM Rose & Fred Opalek

### Parish Schedule/Announcements

#### Monday, January 19 ~ Offices CLOSED

#### Tuesday, January 20: 6:30pm ~ ALPHA

#### Wednesday, January 21: 6:30pm ~ Prayer Shawl

#### Thursday, January 22: 9:30am – 7:30pm ~

Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30pm; Reconciliation from 9:30-10:30am; & 6:15-7:15pm

### Lector & Server Schedule

#### Saturday, January 24

**5:00 PM ~ Servers:** Bross      **Lector:** Echeverri

#### Sunday, January 25

**8:00 AM ~ Servers:** Palm-Rittle      **Lector:** King

**10:30 AM ~ Servers:**      **Lector:** Balthaser



#### *- Living Flame -*

Will burn the week of January 18, 2026  
*For Special Intentions*

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).

### **Pray For Our Sick**

*Delphine Altland, Alicia Balkjy, Camille Bernardo, Lucia (Lucy) Bernardo, Lisa Boess, Jim Bross, Sr., Betty & Harold Brown, Rosemary C., Joseph Disabella, Savannah Ferrell, Pat Fleagle, Judith Goeltz, Alice Bernardo-Gold, Michael B. Hasenauer, Nicholas M. Headley, Karen Houck, John Hopko, Rose Howard, John Jones, Leslie & Janet Livinghouse, Florence Kapuscinski, Richard L. Mark, Kathleen Miller, Tom Mirabella, Dave Mitchell, Connor Mocey, Drea Moyer, Joe Noll, Mary Ann Savitsky, David Snyder, Pat Snyder, Barbara Lucas Stencel, Andrew Strangarity, Logan Weaver, Eleana Wilson*



### **Readings for the Week**

#### **Sunday**

*Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34*

#### **Monday**

*1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22*

#### **Tuesday**

*1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28*

#### **Wednesday**

*1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6*

#### **Thursday**

*1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12*

#### **Friday**

*1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19*

#### **Saturday**

*2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21*

#### **Sunday**

*Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10 – 13, 17; Mt 4:12-23*

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## Our Return to the Lord

Week of January 11, 2026 ~ \$ 4,403.00

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Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

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### January 26 – February 4, 2026

Fr. John will be away on retreat. Please be aware of the following changes to the schedule:

January 26 - February 4 - NO DAILY MASS;  
Thursday, January 29 - NO Eucharistic Adoration;  
Saturday, January 31 - NO CONFESSION

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Today we begin the cycle of ordinary Sundays of the year - a time when the Church once again focuses our attention on the reality of God's kingdom present among us in the life and ministry of Jesus.

In the gospel passage we just heard, John the Baptist identifies Jesus as "God's Chosen One," the servant spoken about by the prophet Isaiah. He is the One who is "a light to the nations" so that the salvation planned by our God may reach the ends of the earth.

Through our baptism, you and I have been incorporated into God's saving plan. As St. Paul tells us, we are "called to be a holy people, consecrated in Christ Jesus." We are members of his Church and therefore part of Jesus' continuing presence in the world. We share in his prophetic mission to be "a light to the nations," announcing the good news of salvation to the ends of the earth.

It's very easy to forget that you and I have an obligation to be light to the nations, even though most of us have little contact with "the ends of the earth." We have to remind ourselves frequently that we are essential parts of the body of Christ. While we may not be able to reach very far physically, we can give strength to those who do. The power of our prayer for those who minister the good news and for their people is invaluable. How often our brother Oblates who minister in Africa or South America or India have thanked us for our prayers which give them the strength they need to carry on their efforts for the Church.

Today might be a good time to renew our efforts of prayer on their behalf. We might even take a few minutes this week to write to one of them, reminding him (and ourselves) of our prayer for him and his people. As we prepare to celebrate the feast of Francis de Sales this week, we might offer a day of fidelity in our practice of the Directory for our brother Oblates who serve the Church far from home. In this way, we can stir up in our own hearts a sense of connection with the mission of the Church and, in the process, assist others in coming to know Jesus as God's Chosen One.

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God be praised!

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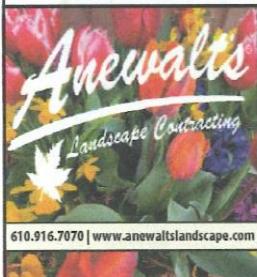
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