

# ST. FRANCIS de SALES CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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



## November 6, 2022 ✦ *The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### *Mass Schedule for the Week:*

Saturday, November 5, 2022~32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Peter Sabinsky

Sunday, November 6, 2022~32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Efrain Rodriguez

10:30 AM Paul Sosna

Saturday, November 12, 2022~33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Living & Deceased Boulanger Family Members

Sunday, November 13, 2022~33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Special Intentions for Frank & Joan McGuigan  
celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

10:30 AM Tara Mirabella

### *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 Kasprouciz, Robert Koch,  
Leslie Livinghouse, Walter Muir, Joe Noll, Pat Snyder,  
Andrew Strangarity, Tom Suchon, Eleana Wilson

### Lector & Server Schedule

Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM ~ Servers: Bross      Lector: Gaston

Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM ~ Servers:              Lector: Broskey

10:30 AM ~ Servers: Mirabella   Lector: Misterkiewicz

### Parish Schedule

Thursday, Nov. 3 @ 10am – 12 Noon ~ Adoration

10:00am - Exposition

10:00am – 12 Noon - Adoration.

12 Noon - Mid Day Prayer and Benediction

Sunday, Nov. 6 @ 9 am ~ PREP

### *Spiritual Thought*

*Don't let a day go by without praying a little!  
Prayer is a duty, but it is also a joy because it is a  
dialogue with God through Jesus Christ,*

*Saint Pope John Paul II*

### ***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 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; 2 Thes 2:16 – 3:5;

Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

*Monday*

Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6

*Tuesday*

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10

*Wednesday*

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

*Thursday*

Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25

*Friday*

2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37

*Saturday*

3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

*Sunday*

Mal 3:19-20a; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

*Our Return to the Lord*  
*Week of October 30, 2022 ~ \$ 4,117.00*

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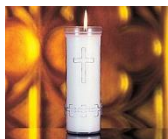
## PRIEST CONVOCATION

The priests within the Diocese of Allentown will be attending the yearly priest convocation the week of Monday, November 7 – Friday, November 11. Therefore, there will be **NO DAILY MASS** at St. Ignatius Church or any surrounding parishes in Berks County.

## Women of the Parish

**Our Parish Nurse Ministry cordially invites you to their Annual Christmas Dinner Thursday, December 1, 2022 6 PM @ Calabria Italian Restaurant, 6646 Penn Avenue, Wernersville**

***ALL women of our parish are invited to attend this festive evening of fun, food and fellowship. Please RSVP no later than November 22<sup>nd</sup> to Carolyn Schultz 610-927-3293.***



~ *Living Flame* ~

Will burn the week of November 6, 2022  
*For Special Intentions*



## Holy Souls

The church has set aside the month of November to remember the Holy Souls: the great company of the Saints in Heaven as well as the poor suffering souls in Purgatory. Purgatory is still a wondrous teaching of the church. As found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church (para. 1030): “From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice. So that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God. The church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead.” We will place our All Souls envelopes on our altar throughout this entire month. At every Mass, we shall remember these deceased loved ones and commend them to God’s mercy, peace and glory.

A Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated at St. Francis de Sales next **Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 am.** During this Mass, we remember, in a special way, all the beloved of our parish who have passed away during the year. All are welcome to attend as we commend our recently departed Brothers and Sisters to the mercy and peace of God.

- † Cecelia T. Hoffmann
- † John M. Jones
- † Gerard Paul Leblanc
- † Edward T. Zdravecki
- † Edwin Leo Zeltzer





Today Jesus reminds us that there is life after death - a resurrected life that will transform our whole existence.

Belief in life after death affects the way we live here and now - as we heard recounted for us in today's first reading from the Old Testament. Anyone who is baptized has been given a share in the very life of God, a life that does not end. When we choose to live by that grace, we choose to live and love as Jesus did.

Jesus is the model for graced human living, because he is both God and human. That is the gift we now share. He shows us how to live our new life in a way that gives witness to our dignity - a dignity that has been given to us by the merciful grace of God.

In today's second reading, St. Paul summarizes how a believer lives - a believer's life is a life ruled by God's love and the constancy shown by Jesus. Jesus knew that his Father loved him. He returned this love by doing his Father's will.

That is how we are urged to live - trusting in God's love for us and making every effort to understand our Father's will for us today and then choosing to do his will to the best of our ability. Living this way each day with the strength of God's grace is how we can respond to the gift of God's life within us. It also prepares us for the fullness of life promised us when we die.

St. Paul's prayer can be our prayer: Lord Jesus, you have shown us our Father's love for us. Console our hearts each day and strengthen them for every good work and word. May the life you share with us make us fully human and bring us to the fullness of life you have promised in heaven.

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## FOR ROBESONIA SENIORS 75+

The Conrad Weiser Lions Club is hosting the **Annual “Life Begins at 75”** Christmas Party:

**Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**12 Noon**

**St. Daniel’s Lutheran Church, Big Spring Road.**

Those “seasoned citizens” who live or attend church in the Robesonia area are invited for a festive dinner, entertainment and fellowship with friends. Please RSVP to Steve Bright ~ 610-693-6420. Transportation available if requested.



The St. Ignatius Seniors November Hike will be on Tuesday, November 15 at 10:30 am {weather permitting}. We will meet at The Reading Museum parking lot and then gather for lunch afterwards at GNA Restaurant, 421 Penn Avenue, West Reading. Any senior is welcome to join us for the hike and/or lunch, which we expect to begin approximately 11:30 am. Please contact Barb with any questions 610-763-1383.

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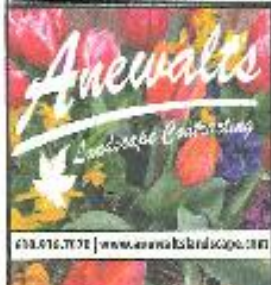
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