

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



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

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

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Office Hours
Monday - Thursday:
8:30 am - 12 noon
& CLOSED Fridays

**Diocesan Victim
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CATHOLIC BISHOP ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE: If you have an
allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic
Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or
phone 800-276-1562.

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.



May 17, 2026 ✠ Seventh Sunday of Easter

Mass Schedule for the Week:

Saturday, May 16, 2026

5:00 PM John Milia

Sunday, May 17, 2026

8:00 AM Intentions for Chloe Palm-Rittle Celebrating College Graduation

10:30 AM Intentions for Raquel & Emma

Monday, May 18, 2026

9:00AM Mother's Day Intentions/Memorials

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

9:00 AM Jean Russo

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

9:00 AM Jean L. Edinger

Thursday, May 21, 2026

9:00 AM Ernest Boulanger

Friday, May 22, 2026

9:00 AM Mother's Day Intentions/Memorials

Saturday, May 23, 2026

5:00 PM Joni Boulanger

Sunday, May 24, 2026 ~ Pentecost Sunday

8:00 AM Cesarine (Susie) Brendel

10:30 AM John Milia

Parish Schedule/Announcements

Wednesday, May 20: 1:00pm - Prayer Shawl

Thursday, May 21: 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

NEXT MONDAY, MAY 25 -
NO DAILY MASS as Fr. John will be
away for spiritual direction.

Lector & Server Schedule

Saturday, May 23

8:00 PM ~ Servers: Starling **Lector:** Schmoyer

Sunday, May 24

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

10:30 AM ~ Servers: Hook **Lector:** Stine

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, Betty & Harold Brown, Rosemary C., Joseph Disabella, Savannah Ferrell, Pat Fleagle, Judith Goeltz, Alice Bernardo-Gold, Michael B. Hasenauer, Karen Houck, John Hopko, Rose Howard, John Jones, Leslie & Janet Livinghouse, Florence Kapuscinski, Mary Ann Kirkpatrick, Richard L. Mark, Kathleen Miller, Tom Mirabella, Dave Mitchell, Connor Moecey, Drea Moyer, Joe Noll, Mary Ann Savitsky, David Snyder, Pat Snyder, Barbara Lucas Stencel, Andrew Strangarity, Logan Weaver, Eleana Wilson, John Wroblewski



Readings for the Week

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:12-14; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a

Monday

Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday

Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday

Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday

Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday

Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 1:12-14; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a

Our Return to the Lord
Week of May 10, 2026 ~ \$ 5,404.00



Wernersville State Hospital is seeking Eucharistic Ministers who would be willing to visit the hospital monthly to distribute Holy Communion to residents who are unable to attend Mass. In addition, they welcome volunteers to lead praying the rosary for those who wish to participate. These visits offer meaningful spiritual support, comfort, and connection for individuals who may otherwise have limited access to the sacraments and communal prayer. They are happy to coordinate scheduling and ensure that all hospital policies and procedures are followed. If you are open to supporting this ministry, please see Fr. John to discuss next steps.

Thank you for your time and for your continued service to the faithful in our community.

Catholic Student Scholarship



The **Dennis Gaston Memorial Catholic Education Scholarship** is available to any St. Francis de Sales active parishioner enrolled at either **St. Ignatius Loyola Regional School or Berks Catholic High School** for the upcoming 2026-2027 academic year. This scholarship is awarded through the St. Francis de Sales Knights of Columbus Council 15778. Application deadline is **June 21**. You must request an application no later than **May 31** from Jeff Chaiko: jeffreychaiko@gmail.com, or Bill Price: lkwjp@aol.com. Recipients will be notified by **July 14** and recognized at a future Mass.

For the upcoming months of June, July, & August, eucharistic adoration will be **9:30am – 12:30pm** with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 12:30pm. Fr. John will hear confessions from 9:30-10:30am. All day adoration will resume again in September.

St. Ignatius Loyola Regional School presents:

CARLO: WIRED FOR HEAVEN

The story of Carlo Acutis, a teen who lived his short life devoted to God.

Auditions:
Open to School, Parish and PREP families
Sunday, May 17th at 1pm
Monday, May 18th at 3pm

Open to students currently in grades 4 through 7

Rehearsals to be held over the summer and dates will be announced by June 4th, then after school hours in September.

Performances will be in October 2026

For more info contact Carol Toomey at rainbowact@aol.com

Open to SFDS parishioners in grades 4-7

We have just heard that Jesus is praying for us – the ones who believe that the Father has sent him. And when the apostles returned to Jerusalem after the Ascension, we hear that they are devoted to prayer with one accord. Spending time in prayer allows us to be present to our loving God and receive the strength we need for daily living.

As Peter reminded us, we will have a share in the sufferings of Christ as part of his Body, the Church. He encourages us to rejoice in this sharing, because we will rejoice exultantly when the glory of Jesus is finally revealed.

How can we do this? St. Francis de Sales suggests a daily prayer practice: begin each new action mindful of God’s presence and ask for his grace, so that all we do will be done in God’s name. Then no matter what we encounter, God will help carry us through it, even sufferings. With God’s help, we can keep a peaceful, gentle heart throughout the day.

Today’s Psalm Response provides us with an encouraging prayer: “I believe that I will see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.”

<https://www.oblates.org/sundays-salesian/7th-sunday-of-easter-may-17-2026>



ESTATE PLANNING WORKSHOP
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Saint Francis of Assisi Church, Parish Hall
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5:30 pm Meet & Greet
6:00 pm Presentation

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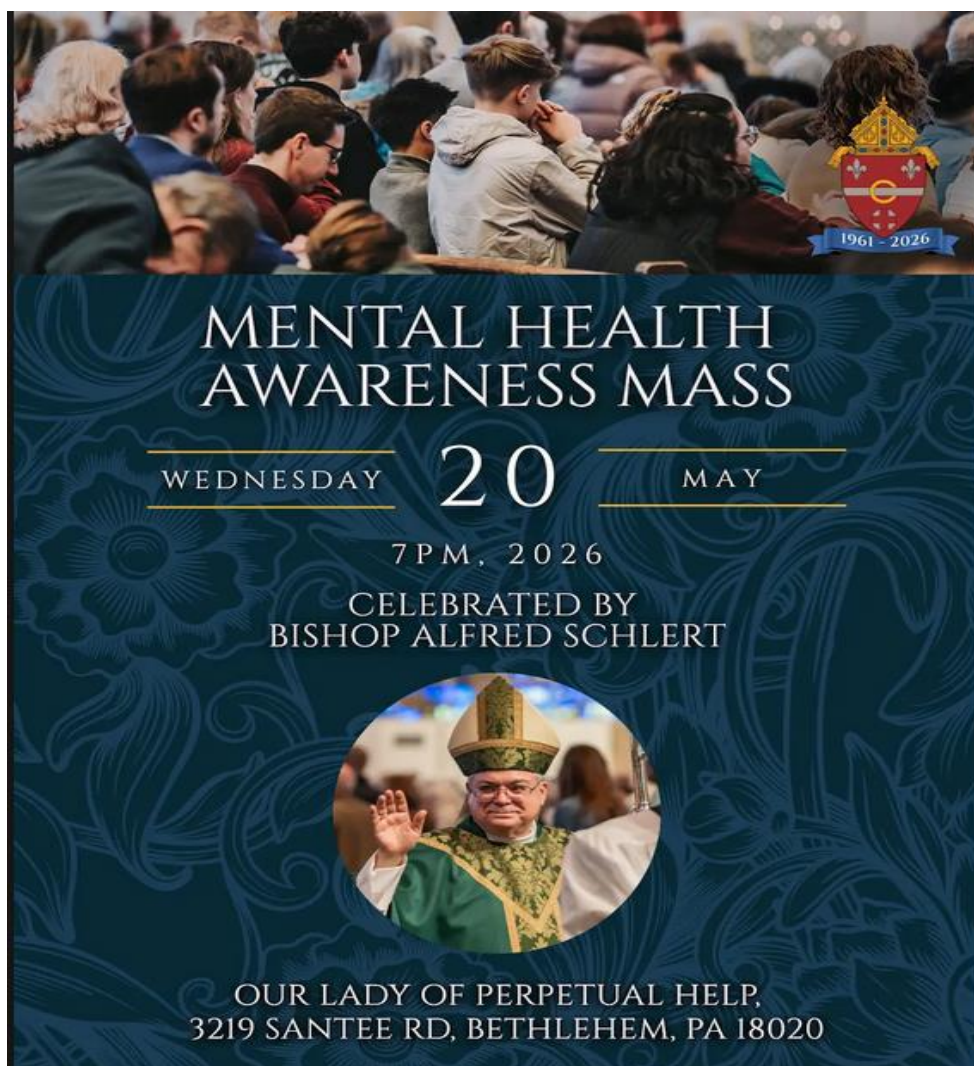
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May is primarily recognized as Mental Health Awareness month, a major national observance focused on reducing stigma and providing support for mental health conditions.

- ✝ The Diocese of Allentown will host a **Mental Health Awareness Mass** on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Bethlehem. Celebrated by Bishop Alfred Schlert, this Mass will offer an opportunity for prayer, reflection, and support for those experiencing mental health challenges, as well as for their families, caregivers, and all who work in mental health ministry. All are invited to gather in faith and solidarity as we pray for healing, hope, and greater awareness of mental health in our communities.



- ✝ **Mental Health Presentation: When to Pray and When to Call a Doctor**
All are invited to attend *“Faith, Hope, and the Brain: When to Pray and When to Call a Doctor,”* presented by Dr. Michael Kaufmann, psychiatrist, and former Chair of Psychiatry at Lehigh Valley Health Network. Event is May 26, 2026 at 7:00 PM at the Marian Inn, adjacent to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Bethlehem.

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