

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.

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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610-693-5851

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www.stfrancisrob82.org

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

**Diocesan Victim
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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.



September 6, 2026 ✠ 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule for the Week:

Saturday, September 5, 2026

5:00 PM Intentions for Nancy, Donna, & Sandra Boulanger

Sunday, September 6, 2026

8:00 AM Bonnie Chasse

10:30 AM Intentions for Murry and Gerri Frink
celebrating their 75th Wedding Anniversary

Monday, September 7, 2026

9:00AM Members of the Jackson Family

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

9:00 AM Intentions for Jason Hart

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

9:00 AM C Robert Brezler, Jr.

Thursday, September 10, 2026

9:00 AM Rev. Anthony M. Drouncheck

Friday, September 11, 2026

9:00 AM Rev. Felix A. Losito

Saturday, September 12, 2026

5:00 PM John Hoffa

Sunday, September 13, 2026

8:00 AM Intentions for Shirley Wojnarowski

10:30 AM Joe Boess

Parish Schedule/Announcements

Monday, September 7 - Offices will be closed in observation of Labor Day.

Thursday, September 10: 9:30am – 11am; 5 – 7pm - Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:00pm; Reconciliation from 9:30-10:30am & 5:45 – 6:45pm

Sunday, September 13: 10:00am - Pray the Rosary

Lector & Server Schedule

Saturday, September 12

8:00 PM ~ Servers: Starling Lector: Starling

Sunday, September 13

8:00 AM ~ Servers: R. Kalinofski Lector: Eckenroth

10:30 AM ~ Servers: Lector: Hampson

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, JoAnn Bartnick, Lisa Boess, Betty & Harold Brown, Rosemary C., Joseph Disabella, Savannah Ferrell, Judith Goeltz, Alice Bernardo-Gold, Michael B. Hasenauer, Suzanne L. Mark-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 Mocey, 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

Sunday

Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Monday

1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Wednesday

1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38

Friday

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday

Sir 27:30 – 28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Our Return to the Lord

Week of August 30, 2026 ~ \$ 4,734.00



Today is your last opportunity to give a **free-will offering**, a **voluntary** contribution toward supporting Fr. Stephen's school in Ghana. Your gift, no matter the amount, can help provide essential educational resources, support students in need, and contribute toward creating a better learning environment. If you wish to contribute in support of this special cause, please do so TODAY to the parish office or in the collection basket in a marked envelope. Fr. Stephen returns home this Wednesday, September 9th so no donations will be accepted after this weekend. Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and support for the children and teachers in Ghana.

The Scriptures today focus on our responsibility as members of the Church community.

We heard St. Paul tell us that the commandments can be summed up in one: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." As Paul sees it: "Anyone who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law." Paul sees love as the debt that binds us together as a community.

The Scriptures have presented two aspects of love for our consideration. The first Paul considers as obvious: "Love never does any wrong to the neighbor." Christian love is not a feeling; it's choosing a manner of living with others that does good to them. That's the reason why Francis de Sales encourages us to be conscious of God's presence and grace often each day to and direct our intention as we begin each new activity of our day.

This practice is meant to assist us in choosing to do good to one another - to love -and so avoid doing wrong to one another as we go about daily living in community. Our recent General Chapters have encouraged us to spend some time prayerfully considering the early Jerusalem community described in the Acts of the Apostles and using it as a model for our daily living as Oblates. Each of these practices is meant to assist us in choosing the loving things to say and do as we go about our day.

Today's Gospel presents a second aspect of love - the mutual responsibility we have for each other as members of the community. We are responsible for supporting one another in our practice of love. There may be times when that responsibility will call us to correct a member who strays or is having a bad influence on the larger group. Our concern in this situation should be marked by our love and by the care we take to admonish such a person in as private a way as possible. Mutual love and support must be our only reason for speaking up.

In this way we are building up the community, not destroying it.

May the words of today's Scriptures strengthen us in our resolve to grow in a loving attitude toward all we say and do each day. In this way, Jesus is better able to live once again in our love for one another.

<https://www.oblates.org/sundays-salesian/twenty-third-sunday-in-ordinary-time-september-6-2026>

"Can you not stay awake one hour with me?" Matthew 26:40

Spend time with Our Lord Jesus Christ in adoration.

Oct 3 - 9, 2026
7 days/nights of perpetual adoration
in the Holy Guardian Angels (left side chapel).
The rosary will be recited hourly on the hour.

EUCCHARISTIC ROSARY CONGRESS IN BERKS COUNTY

Beginning Saturday, October 3 at 5:15pm

Ending Friday, October 9 Closing Mass 6:00 pm with Bishop Alfred A. Schlerf

The Chapel at the Holy Guardian Angels Parish 3121 Kutztown Road Reading, PA 19605

Scan for details or visit: tinyurl.com/ERCBerks2026

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE of ALLENTOWN CELEBRATING 65 YEARS

Thanks to the hour with Our Lord, our meditations and resolutions pass from the conscious to the subconscious and then become motives of action. A Holy Hour is not a devotion; it is sharing in the work of redemption.
- Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen | www.RosaryCongressUSA.org

A large, ornate golden monstrance with a central image of the Virgin Mary and Child Jesus. Below it is a string of blue and white rosary beads with a large cross at the end.

The adoration times for St. Francis de Sales are Tuesday, October 6 from 12 am – midnight.



What is Alpha?

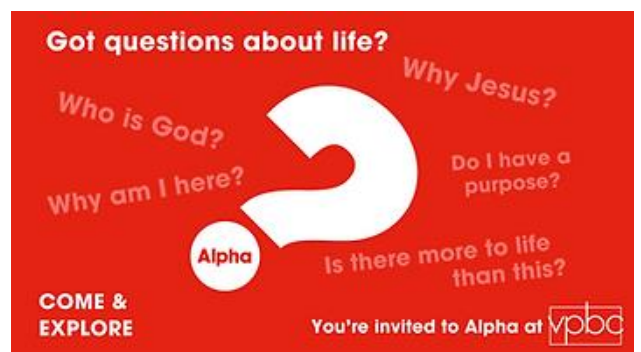
Alpha is a space to explore life's big questions in a relaxed, welcoming environment. Each week includes food, a dynamic video, and open conversation.

No pressure, no cost—just honest discussion with others on a journey.

All are welcome—no matter where you are in your faith or life. Come and see.

Who is Alpha for?

Alpha is for everyone and anyone. The beauty of Alpha is that there are no questions that are too hostile, too silly, or too simple. Alpha has no prerequisites whatsoever. We come together with one another as we are, free to be ourselves.



How can I take part?

Simply visit our church website:

<https://www.stfrancisrobby.org> and click on the COME and EXPLORE image to be directed to the ALPHA page which includes the signup link.

Course begins Tuesday, September 8 @ 6:30pm.



Can I invite others?

Absolutely ~ Bring a friend! Alpha is open to anyone from anywhere!



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Once again, Miller-Keystone Blood Center and the Diocese of Allentown are teaming up to host a diocese-wide blood drive in honor of Saint Januarius, the patron saint of blood banks.

Parishioners are encouraged to donate blood at one of MKBC's donor centers beginning on the Feast Day of Saint Januarius, **September 19th**, through **December 16th**, one of the miracle dates of his blood liquification.

All donors who provide their parish's **Sponsor Code** at the time of their appointment will receive a Saint Januarius medallion, blessed by Bishop Schlert. Donors who already have a medallion may choose a Saint Januarius prayer card or magnet instead.

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