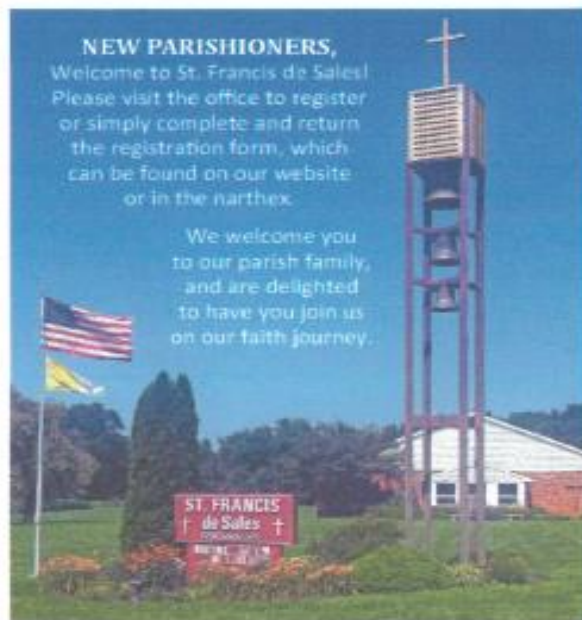


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## PASTORAL STAFF

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

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

**RECONCILIATION:** Thursday 9:30 am - 10:30 am &  
5:30pm - 6:15 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.



## October 5, 2025 ✠ The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### *Mass Schedule for the Week:*

#### Saturday, October 4, 2025

5:00 PM Mary Jane Ziemba

#### Sunday, October 5, 2025

8:00 AM Our Parishioners

10:30 AM Mary Ann Flemming

#### Monday, October 6, 2025

9:00 AM

#### Tuesday, October 7, 2025 ~ NO MASS

9:00 AM

#### Wednesday, October 8, 2025

9:00 AM Kathleen Dartington

#### Thursday, October 9, 2025

9:00 AM Intentions for Ken Jackson

#### Friday, October 10, 2025

9:00 AM John Milia

#### Saturday, October 11, 2025

5:00 PM Living & Deceased Boulanger family members

#### Sunday, October 12, 2025

8:00 AM Our Parishioners

10:30 AM Elizabeth Crampton

### Parish Schedule/Announcements

**Monday – Friday: 6:30 – 8:30am**  
**Eucharistic Adoration**

Sunday, Oct. 5: 9:00am - PREP {Parent & Student}

Wednesday, October 8: 6:30pm - ALPHA Course

Thursday, October 9: 9:30am – 3:00pm - Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 3:00pm; Reconciliation from 9:30-10:30am.

Thursday, October 9 @ 4:30pm - Confirmation

Sunday, October 12: 10:00am - Pray the Rosary

### Lector & Server Schedule

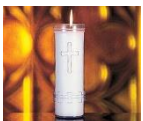
#### Saturday, October 11

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

#### Sunday, October 12

**8:00 AM ~ Servers:** Palm-Rittle **Lector:** Huck Hook

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



*~ Living Flame ~*

Will burn the week of October 5, 2025

*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, Michael B. Hasenauer, Nicholas M. Headley, Karen Houck, John Hopko, Rose Howard, John Jones, Leslie & Janet Livinghouse, Florence Kapuscinski, Kathleen Miller, Tom Mirabella, Dave Mitchell, Connor Mocey, Drea Moyer, Joe Noll, Pat Snyder, Layla Rose Stockinger, Andrew Strangarity, Logan Weaver, Eleana Wilson*



### *Readings for the Week*

#### *Sunday*

*Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10*

#### *Monday*

*Jon 1:1 – 2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37*

#### *Tuesday*

*Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42*

#### *Wednesday*

*Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4*

#### *Thursday*

*Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13*

#### *Friday*

*Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26*

#### *Saturday*

*Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28*

#### *Sunday*

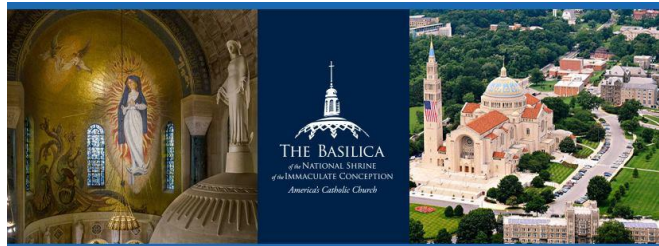
*2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19*

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## Our Return to the Lord

Week of September 28, 2025 ~ \$ 4,128.00

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### 2025 Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Basilica Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

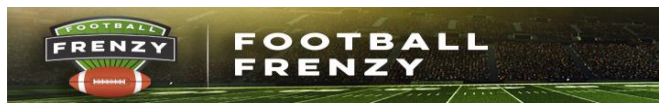
Event will begin at 10:00am and will conclude  
with Mass @ 3:00pm

The bus will depart from St. Francis de Sales  
parking lot @ 8:45am. It will leave the Shrine  
following Mass approximately 4:30pm and will  
include a stop for dinner (on your own); arriving  
back in Robesonia around 8:00pm.



### Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration October 4-10.

All are invited to Holy Guardian  
Angels to join in this Nation-wide  
perpetual adoration taking place in  
Berks County. You may sign up for adoration times  
or even drop any time during that week. *The closing  
Mass is at 6:00 p.m. in the HGA church on October  
10.* All are welcome to this Eucharistic Mass of  
thanksgiving. More information can be found on  
the poster and flyer.



Football Frenzy is back!! Tickets will be available  
beginning NEXT weekend and are \$10 each. Cash  
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scholarships for Catholic Education. Please see any  
K of C member for more details and to purchase  
your tickets now!!



### STAND UP FOR LIFE AND LIBERTY

At the Berks County Life Chain

Penn Ave, West Reading

**Sunday, October 5, 2025**

2:00 – 3:30 PM

Come out and PRAY!

Take a public stand in support of LIFE!! We  
must pray together for God to change hearts  
and minds.

Saturday evening @ 5:45 pm provides  
another opportunity to come out and prayer-  
walk Penn Avenue to ask God's blessing on  
the Chain which begins at St. James  
Church, West Reading. For more details,  
please contact Pam Snyder 610.790.9197 or  
[pjsnyd@comcast.net](mailto:pjsnyd@comcast.net)



### Coffee with Grandparents

You are invited to the  
Catholic Grandparents  
Association Ministry  
where we meet once a  
month to share ideas and  
skills to enrich and nourish  
our faith to then be able to share and  
pass along on to our families.

Our next meeting is scheduled for  
Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00AM in  
the John Paul II Room, which is located  
to the left from the narthex in St.  
Ignatius Loyola Church.





Today's Scripture readings ask us to look a little deeper into our faith. We just heard the disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith. He tells them that even a little faith has great power, because faith is ultimately a gift of God.

As Paul reminds Timothy, God has given us the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit who dwells in us makes us strong, loving and wise. Our response to the Spirit's presence within us is to stir that gift into a flame for living.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us that living out our faith commitment is our response to God's gift. God has gifted us beyond anything we could expect. No matter how long and how well we serve the Lord, we do not earn our way to heaven. All we can do is be grateful and show our gratitude by faithful service.

But faith demands trust. If we believe all that Jesus has told us about our God, then we must learn to trust that God's love for us is never-ending. God loves us even in our sinfulness and he sent Jesus among us as a sign of his love for us. Jesus died and rose so that you and I can share his new life, the life of God (grace). That sharing is a gift we are freely given because God loves us. We can do nothing to earn it. All we can do is be thankful and love in return.

Trusting in God's love means that we must learn to see everything that happens to us as part of God's plan for our salvation. Everything that happens in life ultimately is meant to bring us to eternal union with God, even the hardships of daily striving to live as Jesus taught us. That's the message God delivers through the prophet Habakkuk. Nothing that we encounter in this life can alter God's final purpose for us. The prophet encourages us to be patient; God's love for us will become clear. The person who trusts in God and lives by faith will have life to the full.

May we have the faith and trust needed to see the events of each day as coming from God's hand. They are leading us toward eternal union with him. God's Spirit is always with us; we have nothing to fear. Let us stir into flame each day the gift God has given us. Let us be thankful and trust in his providence for us.



## A new way to make your impact for life!

Have you heard of **DAF Day**?

It's a **national initiative to raise awareness about Donor Advised Funds (DAFs)**—and to encourage people across the country to use them to support nonprofits they care about most.

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Wouldn't it be powerful if this national awareness effort helped National Right to Life grow its presence across the country—giving us the resources to strengthen programs, reach more people with education, and take our life-saving work to the next level?

You don't have to wait until October 9—DAF Day gifts can be made right now, but the program closes on that date.

👉 [Learn more and make your gift here](#) or go to <https://nrlc.org/daf>.

Your participation in this nationwide day of giving will equip National Right to Life to expand education and outreach that defends life.

For Life,  
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