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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 ----- Administrator
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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 - 12:00 Noon and
Saturday 4:00 - 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 27, 2024 ✠ Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule for the Week:

Saturday, October 26, 2024

5:00 PM Living & Deceased members of the
Boulangier Family

Sunday, October 27, 2024

8:00 AM Intentions for Nurture & Protection of Children
10:30 AM Julie Bohanick

Monday, October 28, 2024

9:00 AM Our Parishioners

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

9:00 AM Tom Suchon

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

9:00 AM

Thursday, October 31, 2024

9:00 AM John Milia

Friday, November 1, 2024 ~ All Saints

12:00 PM Dennis Flemming
6:30 PM Earnest Wagaman

Saturday, November 2, 2024

5:00 PM James Girard

Sunday, November 3, 2024

8:00 AM Mark Hawley
10:30 AM Peter Sabinsky

Parish Schedule

This Weekend - World Mission Sunday

Wednesday, October 30: 6:30pm - St. Monica Ministry

Thursday, October 31: 9:30am - 6:30pm - Eucharistic
Adoration with Benediction at 6:30pm; Reconciliation
from 9:30-10:30am & 5:00-6:15pm

Sunday, November 3 @ 9:00am - PREP

Saturday, November 9 @ 9:00am - Parish Mission Team
Meeting

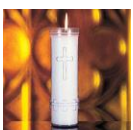
Lector & Server Schedule

Saturday, November 2nd

5:00 PM ~ Servers: Bross Lector: Ruth

Sunday, November 3rd

8:00 AM ~ Servers: Palm-Rittle Lector: Batchelder
10:30 AM ~ Servers: Marinari-Gonzalez Lector: Balthaser



~ Living Flame ~

Will burn the week of October 27, 2024
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).

Spiritual Thought

Some people pray with their bodies only, saying words with their mouths, while their minds are far away; in the kitchen, in the marketplace, in the inn. Pray in the Spirit when the mind reflects on the word the mouth utters. To this end, the hands should be joined, to signify the union of heart and lips.

St. Vincent Ferrer

Pray For Our Sick

Delphine Altland, Alicia Balkjy, Camille Bernardo, Lucia (Lucy) Bernardo, Lisa Boess, Jim Bross, Sr., Betty & Harold Brown, Rosemary C., Mary DeLong, Joseph Disabella, Savannah Ferrell, Pat Fleagle, Mary Ann Flemming, Savannah Ferrell, Judith Goeltz, Michael B. Hasenauer, Nicholas M. Headley, Karen Houck, Rose Howard, John Jones, Leslie & Janet Livinghouse, Florence Kapuscinski, Kathleen Miller, Dave Mitchell, Connor Macey, Joe Noll, Mercedes Rodriguez, Pat Snyder, Layla Rose Stockinger, Andrew Strangarity, Logan Weaver, Eleana Wilson



Readings for the Week

Sunday

Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Monday

Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

Tuesday

Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday

Eph 6:1-9; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday

Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35

First Friday

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

First Saturday

Wis 3:1-9 Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9 Jn 6:37-40

Sunday

Dt 6:2-6, Heb 7:23-28, Mk 12:28b-34

Our Return to the Lord
Week of October 20 ~ \$ 4,654.00



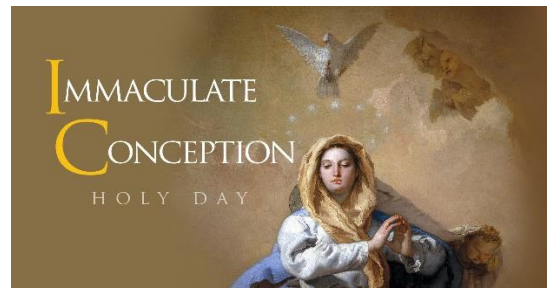
The Parish Mission Prep Team will meet again on Saturday, November 9th from 9am - 11am.



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 your 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 3rd @ 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.

Julie Bohanick ~ Annette Edinger
Dennis Flemming ~ Helen Furhman
Dennis Gaston ~ James Girard ~ Russell Henne
~John P. Hoffmann ~ Carolyn Schultz
Ronald Stanislaw ~ Maura E. Twohig



In a memo to the U.S. Bishops, the Vatican confirmed that the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception usually celebrated on the 8th day of December must be transferred and observed as a Holy Day of Obligation on the 9th day of December since the 8th day of December in 2024 is the 2nd Sunday of Advent. In light of this new directive, the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is to be observed as a Holy Day of Obligation on Monday, December 9, 2024. Therefore, Mass will be celebrated at St. Francis de Sales Parish Monday, December 9th at 12:00 Noon and 6:30pm.**

Becoming a Knight of Columbus can transform your life!

The St. Francis de Sales Knights of Columbus are reaching out to the young men of our parish to join in our mission of Charity, Unity, and Patriotism. As a Knight, you have the opportunity to support your parish, give back to the community, and grow in your faith. We are a band of brothers dedicated to doing good in the service of God and our neighbor. We have various open positions {one position in particular, a Financial Secretary} we are hoping to fill and will provide the appropriate training. If interested in learning more or becoming a Knight, please talk to any of our members or go to kofc.org/join.

A graphic for St. Ignatius Loyola Regional School. It features the school's logo at the top, which includes a flame and the text "ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA REGIONAL SCHOOL Faith In Every Child". Below the logo is a white paper pinned with a blue pushpin. The paper says "We want you to join our family! We're Hiring" in large blue letters. Below this is a blue box with a magnifying glass icon and a list of job openings: "Part Time Pre-K Assistant", "Substitute Teachers", and "Extended Care Workers". At the bottom, it says "Please send your resume to eward@stignatiusvikings.org or call 610-678-0111".



Parish Religious Education Program

Date: 10/20/24	Chapters/Lessons Covered Theme for the Week	Homework or Out of Class Activity	Additional Notes
Level 1		Two at-home activities for your child to complete with your help. https://www.tinytap.com/activities/g3pf/play/my-catholic-faith https://isr.findinggod.com/fq_g1_s1 (you do not need to email your results)	
Level 2 (First Communion)	Session 4: Forgiveness and Healing	Work on learning prayers from packets that were sent home.	Retreat with parents during next class on 11/3
Level 3	Session 4: How to trust God and others. How to make good choices. How to set good examples.		
Level 4	Session 4: God calls us to obey Saint Peter.	Complete page 36	
Level 5	Unit 1, Session 5: Ordinary Time Genesis 3-6		
Level 6	Unit 1, Session 5: Ordinary Time All Saints Day & All Souls Day		
Level 7 (Confirmation Prep)	Session 4: The prayer process.	Watch 4.4 at home Crossword page 109	Find silence and pray every day

Link to 2nd Grade Videos: <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/plus/blessed-seasons.html>

Link to 7th Grade Videos: <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/plus/decision-point.html>

*Attendance is VERY important. Each grade has its own curriculum which builds upon the prior year and prepares for the next year. PREP allows children to build a strong foundation of their faith, it brings them closer to God and gives them the proper tools to lead a life that follows Jesus. Classes may need repeated in the following year if there is an excess of absences. Please value the importance of these classes and also **Mass attendance**. Be sure to fill out the sticker chart in the church hall for Mass attendance. Thank you for valuing the importance of your child's faith.*

Our next Class is November 3rd (Levels 1 - 7) and First Penance Retreat



In today's Gospel, we experience Jesus' compassion as He heals the blind man who has faith in His healing power. St. Francis de Sales notes:

Your heart is held in God's hand of mercy. God will never abandon you even if you are troubled and in anguish. You never want to leave God when you are feeling sad and bitter. Instead call out to our Lord and our Lady, who never stops loving you. God's goodness with its gentle strength comes to our aid if we accept the needed help. In no way must we lose heart. If we cooperate with God's loving care for us, God's goodness will give us another, even greater help. God's mercy leads us from good to better so that we may advance in holy love.

By frequently lifting up your heart to God during the day, you will strengthen your mind against useless and habitual thoughts that upset and torment you. You can say: "Yes Lord, I want to do this action because You want it." Choosing to endure difficulties so as to achieve what is better for us is a very powerful prayer before God, regardless of the complaints that come from our feelings. If you happen to fail, don't be disturbed. With great confidence in God's mercy, pick yourself up and continue to walk peacefully and calmly, as before, in faith. Even though we are weak, our weakness is not nearly as great as God's mercy toward those who want to love and hope in God.

I have seen few people make progress without experiencing trials, so you must be patient. After the squall, God will send the calm, for you are God's child. Our divine Savior never forgets to show that his mercy surpasses his justice. That his love and desire to forgive is infinite, and that he is rich in mercy. Consequently, Our Redeemer wishes that all be made whole through his divine love. Have faith in God's healing power.





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