Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY April 19, 2020



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Welcome!

Please register and become part of our parish community. You may fill out a registration form in the parish office during business hours.

O**ffice Hours** - M-F 8:30am-4pm (Office closed between 12noon and 1:15pm daily)

Moving? If you are leaving the parish, please let us know by calling or dropping a note.

Sunday Masses Saturday Vigil - 5pm Sunday - 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:15pm 5pm (Mass with contemporary music)

Daily Masses Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday -6:30am and 9am Friday - 6:30am & 12 noon Saturday - 9am Check the bulletin for Holy Days of Obligation

Adoration/Benediction

<u>Friday</u> - Adoration is held every Friday following the 12 noon Mass through Benediction before the 9am Mass on Saturday morning. The Rosary is prayed at 12:30pm and the Divine Mercy Chaplet is at 3pm.

Sacraments

Confessions:

Friday 10:30am; Saturday 8am and 3:30pm - Confessions are heard in Rooms 107 & 113 in Catholic Education Center Sunday - one half hour before each Mass in the Chapel Anytime by appointment

<u>Matrimony</u>: Parish couples planning to be married must make arrangements with the Office at least six months prior to the intended date of marriage.

<u>Baptism</u>: Baptisms are typically held on the second or third Sunday of the month at 1:30pm. Please note, dates are subject to change. Baptism class is the last Friday of the month at 7pm. Call the office for details.

<u>Anointing of the Sick</u>: We are privileged to bring Holy Communion and administer the Holy Anointing to the sick and homebound upon request. Please call the office to let us know your needs.

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"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

– John 20:29b



Please don't forget this Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. On Sunday afternoon please join us for a Mass for Divine Mercy at 2 PM. <u>https://vimeo.com/event/31282</u>

Starting this week, the nightly Confession Schedule will change. to 7 PM on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday only. If the elderly would like an outdoor run at Confessions at 10:30am on Saturday morning, please contact Father Gould ahead of time. 703-626-8113 or frgould@gmail.com

GET REAL!

Those of us who flatter ourselves that we have a "realistic" view of the world may listen to the first reading today and say, "Get real!" when we hear Luke's account of the early, Elysian days of the Christian movement. All seems to be rosy, lots of wonders are performed, everyone shares selflessly, they eat together in "exultation," and the Lord added to their numbers? Well, who wouldn't be attracted to a group like this? From the wind that swept through the upper room at Pentecost as the Spirit of God blew over the face of the waters in Genesis, and the fire that appeared over each disciple as the light appeared at the dawn of creation, Luke's intent in Acts is to show a new creation, a restoration of creation's original goodness through the working of the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit who continues to make us into the Body of Christ. We may occasionally, like Thomas in the Gospel, say, "Get real!" but our ultimate reality in the Spirit is to work continually to make our Christian community a new creation, one in which others will find God's joy and beauty. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17;
	Mk 16:15-20
Sunday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;
	1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Masses for the Week

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Saturday, April 18	Saturday within the Octave of Easter
9:00 am	Special Intention
Saturday, April 18	Vigil: Sunday of Divine Mercy
5:00 pm	+ Neal Brown
Sunday, April 19	Sunday of Divine Mercy
8:30 am	The Fitzgerald Family
10:30 am	Special Intention of Jennifer Dize
2:00 pm	+ Neal Brown
Monday, April 20	Easter Weekday
6:30 am	+ Les Arquette
8:00 am	+ Delores M. Manley
<u>Tuesday, April 21</u>	Easter Weekday
6:30 am	+ Brian Luppi
8:00 am	+ John R. Robinson
Wed., April 22	Easter Weekday
6:30 am	+ Bernie Halprin
8:00 am	Maralan O'Neil
Thursday, April 23	Easter Weekday
6:30 am	+ Rudy Daye
8:00 am	The Peppiatt Family
<u>Friday, April 24</u>	Easter Weekday
6:30 am	+ Monte Burgett
8:00 am	Agnes O'Neill
Saturday, April 25	Saint Mark
9:00 am	+ Wilson Felder
Coundary Amuil OC	
<u>Sunday, April 26</u>	3rd Sunday of Easter
8:30 am	<i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i> Zurschmeide Family

Due to a change in Mass schedule, some Mass Intentions have been reassigned. Please note that all Mass Intentions will be honored.

Join us via live streaming for all **weekend** Masses: <u>vimeo.com/event/31282</u>

Join us via live streaming for all **weekday** Masses: <u>www.gotomeet.me/StFrancisdeSales/mass-liturgyofthe-</u> <u>hours</u>

Join us via live streaming of the Liturgy of the Hours and Rosary: www.gotomeet.me/StFrancisdeSales/massliturgyofthehours

Mass

Sunday – 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Saturday – 9 AM Monday thru Friday – 8 AM (no 6:30 AM Mass while Confessionals are being built) (No one is allowed to join us at Mass during the time of the pandemic)

Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary

Morning Prayer – 7:30 AM Evening Prayer – 5 PM Rosary – 8:30 PM Night Prayer – 9 PM

Adoration - EVERYDAY 3-7 PM until further notice

Father Gould's 'Dear Folks' letters wil continue to be posted regularly on the website and sent to the parish via Constant Contact to keep the parish up to date through the COVID-19 situation. Please be sure to visit <u>www.saintfrancisparish.org</u> for Father's wisdom and insight! Let us continue to pray for on another.





People in need can find help on our website www.ccda. net/ with food, housing, medical care, counseling, legal assistance, and other services, click on 'Need Help'. Visitors will find opportunities to serve the poor under 'Give Help' or donate by clicking on 'Support Us.' This website features compelling images, resources, current events and news, and described Catholic Charities' more than 20 programs and locations, as well as the Catholic principles that inform its work. '*All good and all transformative love comes from the cross. We*

thought it was the best way to convey the ongoing and neverending love of Christ that animates Catholic Charities and our Church." - President and CEO Art Bennett

A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT THE 5 CAR RAFFLE DRAWING IS SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH. If at

all possible, please purchase tickets and return them to All Saints Catholic Church as soon as possible.Please mail your envelopes by *Tuesday, April 21st* at the latest. Many thanks to those who have already purchased their tickets and to those who have picked up additional tickets. Additional tickets can be purchased by sending a check made payable to All Saints Catholic Church for \$5/ ticket, along with a note with name(s), address and phone number. If you would like a stub returned, enclose a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope, although this is not necessary to claim your prize.

Our thoughts and prayers are with ...

The **Names of The Deceased** will be remain until the first anniversary of their death. Thereafter the deceased will be remembered on the first Sunday of the monthly anniversary of their death in a special column.

Names of The Sick and **Our Military Members** are included by request of the individual or family. If you would like to publish the name of a loved one who is sick, please contact Janice Rees at <u>j.rees@saintfrancisparish.org</u>. Please let us know if there any changes to military rank, or if you would like name taken off Names of the Sick.

COUNSELING OFFERED AT SFDS

Jennifer Barry, LCSW from Catholic Charities' Family Services will take appointments offering Individual, Family or Couples Counseling. Jennifer is a licensed clinical social worker who received her Master of Social Work (MSW) from the Catholic University of America. *Jennifer can now be reached for teletherapy or for a free consultation.* If you are interested in scheduling a consultation, please contact her at 703-772-4022.

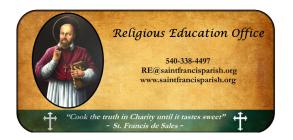
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Our Military Members: MAJ Chuck Marshall; Lcpl John Owen Patterson; Sgt. Tim Marshall; 2nd Lt. Patrick Gutierrez, MAJ Andrew Cahan; 1st Lt Matthew Ryan, Capt. Patrick Godfrey, LT Scott Cypher, Capt. Vincent Jovene, Capt. Jamie (Jovene) Liddle, SSgt. Joshua Jovene, 1LT Jared Willard, Joe Pultro, LCpl Paul Cotter, 1stLt Rachel Jovene, GySgt Jose O Ruiz Pedroza, PFC Jorge A Lara Pedroza, Capt.. Ross Mentzer, 2nd LT Ryan Patrick Grady; PFC Stephen G. Beard, Sgt. Ernesto G. Castro, LCpl Frankie Thyson **The Sick**: Dominic Corcoran, Jack Lehtonen,Mary Jane Arens, Phyllis Heller, Madeline Gonzalez, Mike O'Brien, Bill Wieliczko, Sarah Nolan, Liz Keller; Bob Cote, Jerry Pollard, Joanne Harrington, Rebecca Alvarez, Charles Williams **The Deceased:** Michele Mackey, Margaret Maykrantz, Fr. Edwin Thayer Tewes, Eleanor Szemborski, Zach Miller, Danielle Krill, Carolyn Woodland. Ryan Martin, Kimberly Merline, Valerie Wieliczko, Thomas Moorcones, Mary Owen Lyon Chatfield-Taylor, Martha Ann Harlow, Ann Vaudry Williams



Dear Families,

Happy Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday!

We hope that you've found the materials on the parish website helpful as you celebrated Holy Week and the beginning of the Easter season with your children at home. We will do our best to continue to post resources for you at that link. Our hope is that you and your children will continue growing in the Faith together, learning about our Lord and the beautiful Church he gave us!

We now have a beautiful booklet available for your children that lists prayers to be learned from first through eighth grades. As stated in my note in the beginning of the booklet...

The prayers and lists in this booklet are a small part of the beautiful treasury of traditional prayers and devotions of our Catholic Faith. They help provide us with a glimpse into the foundations of our Faith, and a base from which our children can learn how to live holy lives...

I will mail an electronic copy to all families, that you can print at home. Also, they'll be available on a table outside the Religious Education Office if you'd like to stop by and pick up a copy for your children (one copy per child, please). The building is open at 7 pm each day for confessions.

I will send any information I receive regarding First Holy Communion and Confirmation rescheduling as soon as I receive word. Let's all pray that will be soon!

Vacation Bible School is still planned from July 6-10, but we will send any updated information as it becomes available. As always, please check the parish website.

Registration for religious education classes will begin in early June, and we will mail packets to all families. We hope all parents will register their children in kindergarten through high school. Please be looking for that information in the early summer.

We're all hoping and praying to be together very soon! Please make sure to check the parish website (and this bulletin update) periodically. I will do my best to communicate through email, also, so please make sure we have your correct contact information. Let us know if there's anything else we can do for you.

Easter blessings to all!

With prayers, Kim



Emily Glass Director of Youth Ministry 540-338-6381 or e.glass@saintfrancisparish.org

<u>ZOOM YOUTH NIGHTS!</u> – Join us on Zoom! Come catch up with friends, share your experiences, and talk about how we can stay close to Jesus during this crazy time.

For ALL high schoolers: Sundays at 7:30 PM AND Wednesdays at 7:30 PM.

For Seniors: Wednesdays at 4 PM

Access info for the Zoom gathering is in an e-mail. Contact <u>e.glass@saintfrancisparish.org</u> if you haven't received this e-mail yet.

WORKCAMP UPDATE – Unfortunately, we've made the difficult decision to cancel our Workcamp trip this summer. For both health and financial reasons, it's in the best interest of all involved that we do not attend Workcamp this year. An e-mail with more details was send on Thursday, April 9th but if you did not receive it, please contact me at e.glass@saintfrancisparish.org and I will make sure you get the full info.

<u>YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS</u> – Sign up to receive free Remind.com text message updates, reminders, and upcoming virtual meetings. Text @sfdsteens to the number 81010. Also, follow the Youth Ministry Instagram account St.FrancisYouth for event updates and announcements.

VBS Mark Your Calendars!

We have been encouraged by the Bishop's Office to keeps plans going for VBS, something we can all look forward to! We needs lots of volunteers, pleae contact us if you would like to help!



This summer's VBS will take us on an exciting adventure with Moses, and God's people, the Israelites. Mark your calendars for **July 6-10**, **9am-12noon**.

We hope all of our 'veteran' volunteers will return, and **we welcome new Adult and Youth volunteers!** Please contact the RE office at <u>re@saintfrancisparish.org</u> for more information. Youth volunteer positions fill up fast so start planning on it! If you are a returning volunteer and would like the same spot as last year or would like to try

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - APRIL 2020

Freedom from Addiction We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

St. Francis Council 11136 News

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<u>NEXT COUNCIL MEETING</u>: will be on Monday May 11. We will be using Skype unless things change.

MAY 3RD PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Unfortunately, is cancelled.

IF YOU ARE A 3rd DEGREE, CONSIDER BEING A COUNCIL OFFICER. EMAIL ME, YOUR COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!!!

CAR RAFFLE IS STILL ON, DRAWING APRIL 25th SEE EMAIL FROM PARISH: You can also buy more tickets. For more information send email to me below.

SHARE SUNDAY "POSTPONED" BUT THERE IS A PARISH FOOD DONATION DRIVE-BY & DROP OFF: On April 19th from 2-5 pm. Please place your food donations in plastic grocery bags and come to church. Drive around the circle by the Parish Center, mailbox and food trailer. Look for the Knights. Pull your car up and unload your donation in the designated space. Then jump back in your vehicle with a Thanks from us and continue. We will take the food to the Catholic Charities Leesburg Food Bank. If you need help let us know and we will unload for you. This keeps all of us safer by social distancing.

"DIRE NEED OF CHECK/GIFT CARD DONATIONS TO THE LEESBURG CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD BANK": God Bless you all!! Thank you for your generous donations!! Our April 10th collection was \$3,530 in Cash/Gift cards!! Two collections total \$7,370. NEXT collection will be April 24th. Please see the Parish website home page to help our Food Bank. Also see blurb in the bulletin. The need is greater than ever!

Have You Ever Considered Becoming a Knight and Helping Others

in Your Parish and Community? Find out how you can be a part of the largest Catholic men's organization in the world. Discover how the Knights can support you, your family, your faith and your community. Contact GK Scott Grimard or Chancellor Rae Edmonson (raedmons@gmail.com) or look for any man wearing a Knights of Columbus name badge. Let your Light Shine.

May God bless you!

Scott Grimard, Grand Knight St. Francis Council #11136 Knights11136@gmail.com

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DIRE NEED OF CHECK/GIFT CARD DONATIONS FOR THE LEESBURG CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD BANK

Your Knights of Columbus Council with the support and generosity of the Parishioners of St Francis de Sales this year since August have donated 18,124 pounds of food and since February has donated \$9,003 in cash and gift cards to the Leesburg Catholic Charities food bank to help thousands of Loudoun's most food needy. We all are now faced with new challenges. The Covid 19 virus is affecting every part of our society, including the cancellation of Masses at our respective churches, the increase need of those who are holding lower wage jobs who are not working, those who have had jobs but now are not getting paid. The demand for food has increased because of the above. While the food bank has sufficient food for the short term, they anticipate having to obtain more goods in the near future. While some will come from the St. Lucy Food Project warehouse in Manassas, their ability to meet the need is limited. Our Share Sunday/milk and egg collections are currently suspended but the need is more than ever needed! Please read below to see how you can help We beseech you to consider making a monetary contribution (gift cards from any grocery store and/or checks payable to "St. Francis Council 11136") so we can make a payment to the Catholic Charities St Lucy Project so they can order and buy groceries online. Please mention "Food Donation" in the memo line of checks. We will collect checks to mail to the food bank on April 24th and then the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month until this crisis ends. Checks and gift cards should be sent to:

> St. Francis Council 11136 PO Box 1274 Purcellville, VA 20134

Thank you and God Bless!!

HOST THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE

You can schedule to sign up for hosting the Pilgrim Virgin in your home. Go to <u>saintfrancisparish.org/</u><u>hosting-the-pilgrim-virgin/</u> and pick a date. Then just sign up at j.rees@saintfrancisparish.org and pick up the statue in the narthex after the Sunday Mass you attend and return it no later than Saturday afternoon for the next person to host our Blessed Mother. Great blessings will come along your way when you invite Our Lady and pray the rosary in your home. She will not be outdone in generosity!