

Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time July 12, 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.

Office 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

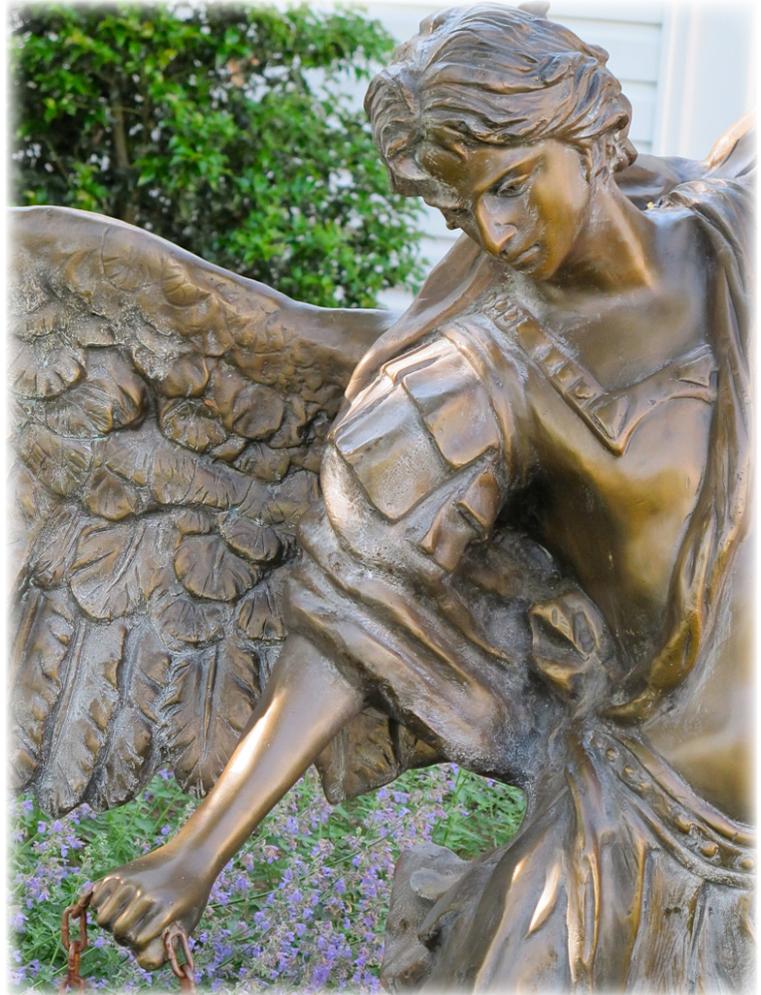
Saturday Vigil - 5pm
Sunday - 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:15pm,
2pm (masks required)
5pm (Mass with contemporary music)

Daily Masses

Monday through Thursday - 6:30am and 8:30am
Friday - 6:30am and 12noon
Saturday - 9am

Adoration/Benediction

Friday - Adoration is held every Friday following the 12noon Mass through the evening and overnight until Saturday morning before the 9am Mass



Sacraments

Confessions:

Friday 10:30am; Saturday 8am and 3:30pm ; Wednesday 8pm
Confessions are heard in Rooms 107 & 113 in Catholic Education Ctr.
Anytime by appointment

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

Baptism: 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.

Anointing of the Sick: 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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You have crowned the year with your bounty,
and your paths overflow with a rich harvest.
— Psalm 65:12

We are back to the full Schedule!!!

NEW!!! 2PM Sunday Mass for those with concerns regarding masks. Masks are required for anyone attending this Mass.

All Masses are now in the church and open to the public. Please see cover of bulletin for Mass, Confession and Adoration Times

Live streaming of all weekend and weekday Masses:
vimeo.com/event/31282

Modifications for the Weekend Schedules:

- There will be no music for the Masses.
- Every other pew will be available for seating but please sit apart from each other. Families may sit together. 50% occupancy.
- Masks are encouraged as we are still in the throes of the pandemic. No gloves for Communion in the hand.
- Communion will be given in the narthex as you are exiting the church. This will be done to avoid crowd movements in the church during the Mass.
- All parishioners over 60 and/or those who have health concerns will continue to have the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass in Phase Three.

Baptisms will be held on Sundays at 3pm during the pandemic, starting in August.

The Parish Administration offices will continue to be closed through the end of August. If you need to contact someone, please email Leslie Sheldon at l.sheldon@saintfrancisparish.org

GOD'S WORDS

Each day we are bombarded with thousands of words. From the moment our clock radios click on in the morning, until the last moment of the day when the television is turned off or someone bids us "good-night," our life is filled with words. Some words that we hear bring news that leaves us feeling low. Some words lift our spirits. Many of the words we hear are trying to get us to buy something. Some words are hurtful. Today the Church focuses our attention on hearing the word of God. Are God's words just more of the same — part of the endless stream of words that flow into our ears each day? The challenge today is to allow God's word to inspire us in new ways so that our outlook and attitudes align themselves more closely with the heart and mind of Christ Jesus. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



BACKYARD GARDENERS!

Please think of the Catholic Charities Food Pantry when you have leftover homegrown produce. We will deliver it to Leesburg. Please bring it to the narthex in a clearly marked bag or box. We'll deliver within a couple of days.

Masses for the Week

+ deceased

Saturday, July 11

9:00 am

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5:00 pm

Sunday, July 12

7:00 am

8:30 am

10:30 am

12:15 pm

2:00 pm

5:00 pm

Monday, July 13

6:30 am

8:30 am

Tuesday, July 14

6:30 am

8:30 am

Wed., July 15

6:30 am

8:30 am

Thursday, July 16

6:30 am

8:30 am

Friday, July 17

6:30 am

12:00 pm

Saturday, July 18

9:00 am

Saturday, July 18

5:00 pm

Sunday, July 19

7:00 am

8:30 am

10:30 am

12:15 pm

2:00 pm

5:00 pm

Saint Benedict

Donald Young

Vigil: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
+ Neal Brown

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Zurschmeide Family

John and Peggy Fancovic

People of the Parish

Loretta Farley

Victor and Jean Fenwick

Patricia Ferrante

Weekday

+ Cathy Admundson

John and Peggy Fancovic

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

Mary Anne and Selden Fritschner

25th Wedding Anniversary

William Firth

Saint Bonaventure

+ Jerry Lee

Ken and Francis Folk

Weekday

+ Norman Montoy

Lois Gallagher

Weekday

Merle and Theresa Garvis

+ Zachary Miller

Weekday

+ The Soul of Rita Stanek

Vigil: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Zachary Miller

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Joey Asaro

Judith Gaylord

Martin and Rose Ann Hamberger

Phyllis Heller

+ Antoinette Bridget O'Neil

Ruth Heying

Readings for the Week

Monday:

Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
Mt 10:34 — 11:1

Tuesday:

Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday:

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15;
Mt 11:25-27

Thursday:

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21;
Mt 11:28-30

Friday:

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16;
Mt 12:1-8

Saturday:

Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday:

Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16;
Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 [24-30]

Dear Folks,

Monday night began the Confirmation season for the parish. Seven students were confirmed. It was a night of strict observance where all were required to wear masks. Yesterday, 25 were confirmed, followed by the rest on July 18th and August 29th.

Confirmation in the early years of Christianity did not involve pandemics but they did involve the destruction of Jerusalem by the Roman army. I am sure many young Catholics found themselves challenged for their Faith and found solace in the presence of the Holy Spirit acting through the words and works of the Apostles themselves. The Romans killed one million and one hundred thousand men women and children. Many many more were carted back to Rome where they would be involved in the construction of the Coliseum. But that is another story.

I am sure every Catholic Family sat down in that year of 70 AD and asked for a context in understanding how they must endure such suffering. There was no context for them, as a collective, they were the first to meet persecution for their Faith in such a devastating scale. But there is a context for us. In both cases we look for God's providence to save us from these demonic times. The virtue is Hope. It is like the string that holds all the pearls together. I recently spoke to some of the kids of the Mars Project in context to their Confirmation. When God allowed the coming forth of creation there were seven steps that instantly came to play and would be reflected in our Mars Program. There has to be an idea of doing such a project. There has to be a design that is credible. These two support a creation for the project. That said, practical things come to bear: a delivery system, sustenance, and a return... Ah the question, "Does religion support science or does science support religion." Or may be better said by the cynic, "Does religion support science fiction or does science fiction support religion."

Each of the confirmandi are created in God's image, there is an idea,... and they deserve to be treated in His image. Every design has a development, hence they are trained in the context of family life and come to learn basic manners and a formal education with pictures and stories in their early religious learning, followed by the numbers of the religion clock, and ultimately venture into the concepts of morality and social justice. All in eighteen years. Every young person sets a new creation in the world by their vocation and occupation. The step of a vocation leads the heavenly gates and occupation helps to step into the world. The delivery system for them is that of God's loving grace. A grace that directs, protects, and sustains them in their vocations and occupations. The world is theirs and soon the solar system. Ultimately God sets a design for their return to Him in the Gates of Heaven. It all sets on the Eucharist and sacrament of Penance. As there are principles of physics there are principles of logic and morality. The key to success in the ventures abroad will be to honor the principles and the Lord who is the source of their reality. Recall, He is the way, the truth, and the life.



In Confirmation all the kids have names indicating their proud heritage from the Saints. My absolute favorite choice of Confirmation name from the young man who chose the patron saint of gravediggers. Go figure. I well remember one of my young nephews befuddling Fr. Pokorsky when he selected the name, "St. Cloud." You know, like Minnesota. Cute, very cute.

And the young ones all have a proud future marked with an adventure in a geometric Church of Angels and Saints as well as Poor Souls, and the militant of the earth. It marks a good group with a great heritage... and hopeful future. As the Lord wept over Jerusalem He may weep over us but that doesn't mean He will abandon us. The right people will be with us. The context of our Faith allows for suffering but finishes in the victory of the Resurrection. God bless the kids in the Confirmation Class 2020. Let us pray for one another.

Collegiate Answer: The Origin of Taps. The tune is a variation of an earlier bugle call known as the "Scott Tattoo", which was used to signal that the tavern taps were to be locked and men were to return to their barracks. It was used in the U.S. from 1835 until 1860, and arranged in its present form by the Union Army Brigadier General Daniel Butterfield. He was an American Civil War general and Medal of Honor recipient. Taps was first used to replace the three gun salute to the dead. Such was the case at Harrison's Landing, Virginia, in July 1862. As it was an active warzone no shots were allowed for burial of the troops fallen in battle.

Collegiate Question: For the literature devotees out there. What was Huckleberry Finn's famous cure for warts? Good hunting.

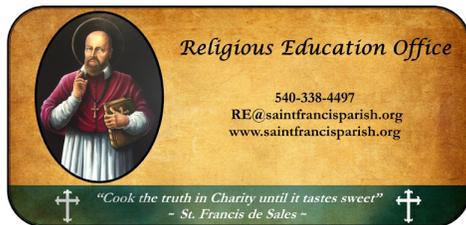
Our thoughts and prayers are with ...



Our Military Members: MAJ Chuck Marshall; Lcpl John Owen Patterson; SSgt. 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, Sgt. Peter Audi, Sgt. Nathaniel J. Quinn

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: 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



REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021 Religious Education...

We look forward to welcoming back all families to our program next fall. Please check your email for registration forms to be mailed in early July. Sessions are tentatively planned for Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays, as in years past. Class times will be determined when we are more certain of the number of families who will participate in our in-class program. Small class sizes, in order to adhere to current state guidelines. Sunday classes will begin at or after 10 am, and weekday classes will begin at or after 4:00 pm. We may add an additional session on another weekday, if necessary.

To reduce any undue burden on our families during this difficult time, **tuition rates have been simplified and no Sacrament fees will be added. Tuition fees for the 2020-2021 school year begin at \$100 for the first child, with \$25 dollars added for each additional child in the family.**

PLEASE REGISTER ALL CHILDREN IN GRADES 1 through HIGH SCHOOL!

Families are encouraged to register all children in first grade through high school who attend non-Catholic schools. As Father Gould wisely states... "We need to go back to a "family" parish program for all the kids to attend in all the academic years...the current practice of only utilizing selective years leaves us with a stagnation for our family formations." Please remember that we also teach classes for your children in kindergarten.

We will register most children for the **My Catholic Faith Delivered** online program (both those who are homeschooling and attending classes). In addition, all children will receive a **textbook**. The online program will facilitate learning the catechism at home between classes...very sound "homework" with interactive activities that your children will enjoy. In the classroom, we will develop, practice, share and live the Faith with our friends, the value of which can never be replaced.

MANY CATECHISTS AND ASSISTANTS WILL BE NEEDED! so please prayerfully consider helping this year. **To the parents of children in the program**...helping as an assistant in the classroom is a wonderful opportunity to serve the Church and learn alongside your child. It also gives you the opportunity to learn more about the role of catechist, if you'd like to consider that opportunity in the future.

And to our confirmed teens...if you enjoy working with younger children, we'd love to have your help! God bless you all for considering this work of mercy for our parish.

As a token of appreciation for their service, catechists and assistants receive free tuition.

All volunteers are asked to complete the child protection forms and Virtus class through the Diocese of Arlington. The Virtus class is now offered electronically. Please take advantage of this opportunity while you can.

Please call or email Kim Livaudais, Director of Religious Education to chat about how you might be able to help as a catechist or assistant for the next school year. We can't do any of our good work for Jesus without our wonderful volunteers!



Emily Glass
Director of Youth Ministry
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e.glass@saintfrancisparish.org

WELCOME, 9TH GRADERS! - Congratulations on finishing 8th grade, now you're officially a high schooler! That means that you are invited to get involved with the Youth Ministry! We hope you'll join us. Come to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic teen, meet new friends, and be a part of a supportive and strong community. Come as you are! We can't wait to meet you.

*To receive periodic e-mails with detailed event updates and other youth ministry information, please e-mail me at e.glass@saintfrancisparish.org with your name and I'll add you to the list.

* Most event updates are sent through [Remind.com](https://www.remind.com) free text messages. Please see the directions below on how to sign up for Remind.

ZOOM YOUTH NIGHTS! - Join us on Zoom! Come catch up with friends, pray together, share your experiences, and talk about how we can grow in our faith.

For ALL high schoolers: **Sundays at 7:30 PM**

Zoom meeting access information is sent out the hour before each gathering via the Remind.com text messaging service. Every meeting has a different access code and password so please see directions below on how to sign up for the texts. See you on Zoom!

YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS - Sign up to receive free [Remind.com](https://www.remind.com) text message updates, reminders, and upcoming virtual meetings. Text @ [sfdsteens](https://www.instagram.com/stfrancisyouth) to the number 81010. Also, follow the Youth Ministry Instagram account [St.FrancisYouth](https://www.instagram.com/stfrancisyouth) for event updates and announcements.

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM BEGINS THIS FALL

Religious education doesn't ever really end. High school is the perfect time for teens to engage in some of the deeper truths and defense of the Faith. As you know, Father Gould has set aside three time slots for our teens: Sunday afternoons, 4 to 5 pm, and Mondays, 5 to 6 pm and 7 to 8 pm. Any high school student (9th through 12th grade) is welcome to attend one of Father Gould's classes. The same course content will be taught for all three sessions each week to accommodate those teens who need to adjust schedules with sports and school commitments. Father Heisler will teach the older high school students (11th and 12th graders) on Mondays, 5 to 6 pm. Snacks will be provided for all the teens, of course!

St. Francis Council 11136 News



NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: will be in July after the Installation of the new Officers. We are currently planning the Installation for the Week of July 13th.

The Knights are busy planning for this new Fraternal year which started July 1st. As in the past, we are planning activities that will focus on Faith, Community, Family, and Life. These programs are a critical part of our Parish and Community and require many helping hands.

Why Are You A Knight? Be more than a Knight in name only. We help in the parish, the community and the world. Our Council will be focusing on the Knights of Columbus Program "Faith in Action". We will be focusing and looking for volunteers in these four main program types: FAITH, COMMUNITY, FAMILY and LIFE. Contact GK Bob Craig and tell me what would it take for you to come help your church and community. Be active again.

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. With nearly 2 million members and growing, discover how the Knights can support you, your family, your faith and your community. Contact GK Bob Craig or Chancellor John Losinski (skigators@icloud.com), or look for any man wearing a Knights of Columbus name badge. Let your Light Shine!

May God bless you!
Bob Craig, Grand Knight
St. Francis Council #11136
Knights11136@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION

Please congratulate and continue to pray for the following Confirmation candidates who were confirmed in the Holy Spirit, July 6 and July 11. We will have two more small group Confirmations during the months of July and August.

Leonardo Becerra	Sarah Kelly
Bradley Bernard	Nathan Ky
Anita Bhatti	July Mancilla
Ella Costello	Luke Manson
Connor Cronin	Marlena McKim
Kaitlyn Crowley	Carly Mock
Lily Donovan	Viktorija Petraitis
Gerald Foley	Nestor Reyes
Lauren Foley	Julia Seeley
Evan Franzen	Jack Slepetz
Taylor Franzen	Jenna Slepetz
Gabriel Galdo	Veronica Smith
Andrew Green	Nicholas Volpe
Grace Hall	Rylan Wells
Julia Hogan	Julian Youngblood
Jill Jencen	John Yriart

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 **24,310** pounds of food and since the March 27th (COVID-19) collection has donated **\$19,948** dollars in cash and gift cards to the Leesburg Catholic Charities food Pantry to help thousands of Loudoun's most food needy. The Covid -19 virus is affecting every part of our society, to include the increased 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 all the above. While some food will come from the St. Lucy Food Project warehouse in Manassas, their ability to meet the need is limited. Please read below to see how you can help: We beseech you to consider making a monetary contribution or give gift cards from any grocery store and/or checks payable to "St. Francis Council 11136". We can make a payment to the Catholic Charities St Lucy Project in Leesburg so they can either purchase food or assist them in the food operations of the food pantry. Please mention "Food Bank" in the memo line of checks. We will collect checks on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month.

St. Francis Council 11136

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

While May is the traditional month that we celebrate our children's reception of First Holy Communion, this year our situation is unprecedented. Throughout the month of May and June, many of our young children received Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament with their families in attendance. Those who attended the livestreamed Masses were able to participate in prayer with them at this most special time in their lives.

Many other families will celebrate the reception of their child's First Holy

Communion July and August. We look forward to those celebrations soon to come.

Please pray for the children listed below who are the most recent to have received our Lord, and all of our children preparing to receive our Lord in the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

<i>Gabriella Andino</i>	<i>Benedict Hon</i>	<i>Audrey Seeley</i>
<i>Hannah Bratrud</i>	<i>Lyoia Hrutkay</i>	<i>Henry Shields</i>
<i>Dominic Buckley</i>	<i>Lily Jeffers</i>	<i>John Seiter, Jr.</i>
<i>Daniel Chaplow</i>	<i>Giancarlo Jusino</i>	<i>Sophie Showman</i>
<i>Quinn Clarke</i>	<i>Milanna Kakar</i>	<i>Carl Smith</i>
<i>Liam Costello</i>	<i>Olivia Lesko</i>	<i>William Smith</i>
<i>Caroline Davis</i>	<i>Teaghan Kulinski</i>	<i>Anthony Sparbanie</i>
<i>Stella Debreczy</i>	<i>Wilfred Lo</i>	<i>Matthew Speegle</i>
<i>Maeve Decie</i>	<i>Jackson Lucas</i>	<i>Evelyn Stallcup</i>
<i>Lillian Deverse</i>	<i>Bryce Mason</i>	<i>Emma Steele</i>
<i>Deklynn Diemar</i>	<i>Grace McKenna</i>	<i>Braden Stotlar</i>
<i>Brock Fletcher</i>	<i>Elizabeth Menuey</i>	<i>Logan Stotlar</i>
<i>Teagan Gaffney</i>	<i>Giulia Micci</i>	<i>Mikayla Suta</i>
<i>Cecilia Gavin</i>	<i>Madison Micci</i>	<i>Julia Swartz</i>
<i>Joseph Glass</i>	<i>Lucas Monarch</i>	<i>Claire Tracy</i>
<i>Teresa Gryz</i>	<i>Catherine Peppiatt</i>	<i>Kellie Wench</i>
<i>Alden Harrison</i>	<i>Viktoria Reyes</i>	<i>Joseph West</i>
<i>Kimberly Henne</i>	<i>Elyse Roberts</i>	<i>Julia White</i>
<i>Benjamin Hill</i>	<i>Peyton Schuman</i>	<i>Kellie Wojtkun</i>
<i>Mirabel Hersch</i>	<i>Zoey Schutte</i>	<i>Dominic Woolwine</i>
<i>Peter Hogan</i>		<i>Ellee Young</i>

MUSIC IS RETURNING TO MASS ON SUNDAY!

On the weekend of July 12th, music will be returning to our Sunday Masses at 8:30 am and 10:30 am, this note will discuss how that is to take shape.

There is a concern that congregational singing significantly increases the transmission of virus germs. Unfortunately, because of this risk, for the time being we will not encourage congregational singing. Instead, singing will be led by the cantor and will be limited to the entrance, responsorial psalm, Gospel acclamation, offertory procession, communion procession, and instrumental music. The congregation should listen attentively to the singing. An important note on the responsorial psalm: the nature of the psalm is such that it ought to be sung when possible – the very act of singing is a great help towards understanding the spiritual meaning. Under normal circumstances, the preferred method is *responsorial singing*, in which the congregation sings the refrain. There is another option, known as *direct singing*, in which the cantor sings the psalm alone and the congregation listens (c.f. *Lectionary*, 20). We will be using this second option of direct singing for the near future. Please do keep in mind that the psalm is still a “responsorial psalm”, and though we cannot respond with voices, we should still respond with our hearts and minds. We will apply this same practice to the Alleluia and its corresponding verse.

Let this be our approach towards this challenging time in which we have limits set on our participation, that what is lacking in our ability to respond externally, we can take as a challenge to focus on our inward response. We could apply this idea to gestures as well as song. Perhaps, since I cannot give the sign of peace to my brother, sister, husband, wife, I can take the missing opportunity to give them a spiritual sign of peace inwardly at Mass and then externally, later. It is both a right and duty of the faithful to fulfill their liturgical role through full, conscious, and active participation. Unfortunately, we cannot do this now in ways that we are used to, like singing and shaking hands. However, it is important to remember that this participation has not only an outward, but also an inward element. While both elements are needed, it is actually the inward response that has the greater place. When we join our minds and hearts to what we hear, we cooperate with heavenly grace (c.f. *Musicam Sacram*, 15).

I hope that by bringing back some elements of the music, that we will be brought closer to our Lord in worship and more fully united in community.
Michael Galdo
Music Director



The Legion of Mary Our Lady of Victory Praesidium

We meet on **TUESDAY** evenings at 7pm. All are welcome to come as a guest to see if the LOM is for you! Please visit the LOM link on our parish website saintfrancisparish.org/the-legion-of-mary/ for more information about the Legion and the types of membership. ALL parish families are invited to host the Pilgrim Virgin statue once a year for one week. The Visitation week ends with an Enthronement of

the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts in your home by one of our priests. Please see the sign up genius on the website, or at www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a4cabaa2ba7fb6-pilgrim and consider welcoming Mary and her abundant graces into your domestic Church!

Lectors Needed

Adult and Teen Lectors are needed for all Masses. As a lector, you may choose which Mass and dates you would like to lector through an online scheduling system. Adults may lector at any Mass. Teens may lector at the Teen Mass, as well as opportunities on Holy Days of Obligations and subs for weekend Masses. If you have a love for the scriptures and a commitment to live the message of the scriptures, consider joining the Lector Ministry. Training is required and provided. Please contact Michael Galdo (m.galdo@saintfrancisparish.org) or Jim Widzinski (jwidzinski@yahoo.com) for more information.

Sunday, July 12th from 7am – 12noon

BLOOD DRIVE

**Harmony Hall at the Hamilton Fire station
(near the intersection of Route 7 and Hamilton Station Road in Hamilton)**

Please register at: inova.org/donateblood
Use Sponsor code #3026

Walk-ins are welcome. Masks are required.

Please remember that there is a critical need for certain blood types. There is no substitute for human blood and the shelf-life is short.

All blood collected is used locally.

The best gift is the gift of life

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus of St. Francis de Sales and Inova Blood Donor Services.

Women's Prayer Group

Please join us for a new women's prayer group, to reflect on the upcoming Sunday's readings and to pray for our intentions (i.e., personal, parish, the Holy Father, our Church, etc.). We will meet every Saturday morning from 8-9am in the Knights of Columbus Hall. The prayer time will be followed by Mass at 9am (optional).

Starting date is Saturday, July 11.

Bring your bible/missal if you have one, and something to write with (optional)

For more information, contact Maria Byrd at Marina.nog.byrd@gmail.com

Living Nazareth High School celebrates Carmel

On Thursday July 16th, the feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, we will host third order Carmelite Nora Bucy joining us to give a reflection on the Marian devotions of Carmelite saints at St. Bridget of Ireland Catholic Church in Hobert Hall at 6pm. This joyful evening will feature light refreshments, door prizes, and opportunities for Q&A on both the topic of the evening and the new high school. Admission is free of charge, but donations toward our student scholarship fund would be gratefully accepted. For more details and to RSVP please call the school at 540-686-1057 or see Living Nazareth High School's facebook events. We look forward to celebrating with you!

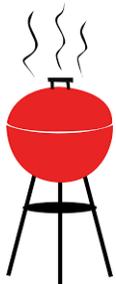
Hello,

My name is Isabel Losinski and I am a recent Woodgrove HS graduate and member of the St Francis de Sales Youth Group. Before attending VT starting in Fall 2021, I am devoting a year to serving with the Regnum Christi Mission Corps. I have been selected to go to Cincinnati, Ohio for the 2020-2021 school year. During this year, I will be working with middle and high school girls, planning and leading retreats, camps, activities, evangelizing, community service projects, growing deeper in faith and more. In order for this year to be successful, I need to raise \$7,500 to help the mission corps with room and board and other service associated costs. Your support, with both your prayers and financial support, are much appreciated to aid in helping others. All donations are tax deductible. I will be outside the front of the church after all masses on July 11/12 and July 18/19 to answer any questions you may have, as well as accepting donations and selling bath salts and sugar scrubs as a fundraiser. There will also be a blue colored basket in the narthex, next to the church's collection basket where you can place your donations. There are various ways in which you can donate to RCMC to include cash, check, my Gofundme page, or monthly recurring donations. All checks can be made out to RCMC and should include my name (Isabel Losinski) on the bottom memo line and dropped off in the donation basket. My gofundme page link is: www.gofundme.com/f/isabel-losinski. Thank you so much for your prayers and donations. God bless you.



Friday Family Fun at Saint Francis de Sales!

Please join Seminarians Ryan and Caleb for the last fun Friday event! The last Friday event will be on July 17th. The fun event will take place in two parts and two locations. The first part of the day will be at Woodgrove Park (17020 Evening Star Dr, Round Hill). Meet at Woodgrove Park at 5:30 pm. Ryan and Caleb will play soccer/frisbee/other sports until 6 or 6:30 pm. Make sure to wear athletic clothes (cleats if you have them) and bring lots of water.



The second part of the fun Friday will take place at St. Francis de Sales. Ryan and Caleb will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs for dinner and will have dinner ready for 7:30 pm. Dinner is being offered a little later to offer people the opportunity to go home to shower before dinner if they wish. Dinner and socializing will occur until 8:45 pm.

At 8:45 pm Ryan and Caleb will show a movie on the homemade projector screen. For the movie please bring lawn chairs or blankets since we will be outside (weather permitting). Ryan and Caleb have a plan to still show the movie indoors should there be inclement weather. Feel free to come to any or all parts of this last fun Friday event.



Parish Homeless Ministry



The need is greater than ever! The homeless are still homeless, but others are desperately in need. Therefore, we are planning a Blessing Bagging event on **Wednesday, July 29th** in the Knights of Columbus Hall (located in the main church building)

Time: 5 - 7 PM

Sign Up Genius link will be emailed and will be included on the St. Francis de Sales website. The Sign Up Genius will include all items needed for donation, as well as the volunteer time slots for the bagging event. Please be sure to scroll all the way down.

Thank you in advance for your support of this event!

To ensure a safe environment for our event, we are doing the following:

Scheduling groups for a specific bagging time. These times will be 20 minutes apart, only four groups per 20 minute slot.

- Tables will be spaced 15 feet apart.
- Tables will be disinfected after each group.
- Masks for volunteers will be required.
- Gloves will be provided or bring your own.
- Volunteers will enter Knight's Hall through exterior double doors and exit up the staircase to the Narthex.

***Any questions please contact Bev Bryant via bbteachkids@gmail.com

Summer Basketball Camps at St. Francis July 27th- 31st

Grades: 3rd-7th 9am -12pm

Grades: 8th-12th 1pm - 4pm

Cost: \$125 per athlete (\$100 for siblings)

Registration is now open and closes on Wed., July 17th

To register or for more information, please contact us at:

ssasummercamps@gmail.com

Register today to secure your spot! All guidelines current at the time of the camps regarding COVID will be followed.

Our goal for this basketball camp is to introduce new skills and sharpen the ones you already have in an instructive, positive and supportive environment, and to create enthusiasm for additional future sports programs at St. Francis de Sales. The camp is sponsored by the St. Sebastian Arrows.

What to Wear/Bring: A good pair of athletic shoes, athletic attire, a basketball with your family name on it, a water bottle, and a snack (preferably something healthy).

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - JULY 2020

Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance

