



# St. Francis de Sales Church

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*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, BDW 623*

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*Dominica Quinquagesima*

*Colossians 3, 12-17; Psalm 26, 4; Luke 2, 42-52*

## From the Pastor

Parishioner Shirley Gregory fell asleep in the Lord last week and will be buried from Ascension Church in Bowie with Mass at 11 am this Tuesday, February 13th, Monsignor Chimiak presiding. Please offer prayers for the peaceful repose of her soul.

Lent is the most important penitential season of the year. Penance is not optional to our salvation as we are all sinners in need of repentance. Plan to make a good confession this Lent in addition to the obligatory fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for the Spring Oyster Fest on Saturday, March 24th. If you are unable to clear your calendar that day, please take a flyer for family or friends who may be interested.

God bless all our families,

**Ash Wednesday and Lent Disciplines** Ash Wednesday this year falls on Saint Valentine's Day. The Lenten discipline of the Church must take precedence. On this day we are obligated to fast and abstain. We, as Catholics in good standing, should be willing to have a discussion with our family members who are not practicing the Faith about the necessity of modifying our planned meals that day in order to lovingly accommodate our own need to do so. Join us during Lent for confessions and adoration followed by Mass on Wednesdays from 6-7:30 pm and on Fridays for dinner at the hall, 6 pm, followed by Stations of the Cross in church at 7 pm. Keep in mind that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and all Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence from eating of flesh meat, as is the case all year.

**Flea Market - St. Mary's Church Bryantown Indoors**  
RAIN OR SHINE Saturday, March 3rd, 2018 from 8 am to 1 pm Tables available for rent for \$20. Please reserve by 2/23/2018. Lunch and baked goods available. Questions? Call Mary Branick at (301) 274-4507 Sponsored by St. Mary's Church Social Concerns

Committee to help supplement the Emergency Sharing Fund for the less fortunate.

**2017 Charitable Contribution Letters** Thanks to our bookkeeper Joan your year-end contribution letters have all been mailed at this time. If you have not received yours or if you need to submit documents for a correction please email Father Cusick. Thank you for your generous support all year.

**First Sunday of Lent: Redemptorist Mission** Plan to join Father David Verghese, CSsR, for a Lent afternoon mission on Sunday, February 18 beginning at 3 pm in the church. Father will arrive around 2 pm and join us for lunch at the hall so you can meet and chat with him. The mission will include Eucharistic adoration and opportunity for confession, concluding around 5 pm.

**Ash Wednesday Schedule** The obligatory works of Ash Wednesday are fast and abstinence. For those who wish to also attend Mass that day we will offer the liturgy at 8 am in Latin, 6 pm in English and at 7 pm in Latin. The fast means one full meal and two, other, smaller meals that together do not constitute another full meal.

**Faith on Twitter** "There is no love – no charity without truth, just as there is no real mercy separated from a framework of justice informed and guided by the Gospel." – Archbishop Chaput  
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**First & Third Fridays With Homeschool**

Gather with home moms and children for 9 am Mass and at hall for activities, a meal and adult conversation first and third Friday. See or email Carolyn for more info at [parsonfamily07@yahoo.com](mailto:parsonfamily07@yahoo.com).



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Monthly Financial Report
October 2017
Offertory including fuel fund \$13,080.00
Other Revenues \$2340.00
Total Income \$15,420.00
Total Expenses \$13,240.00
Dedicated/2nd Collections
World Mission Sunday \$355.00
Thanks for your generous support.

**Please pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound:** Betsy Behne, Richard Estes, Dorothy Hume, Miles & Elizabeth Torreyson. Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

### Children’s Faith Formation

Our Church teaches that parents are the first teachers in the ways of Faith for all of our young people. No one has more power or responsibility before God for witnessing to our children of the fact of the Lord’s Resurrection and His presence in our lives through the Church. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are welcome to enroll children for classes at the hall on Sundays at 10 am and Wednesday afternoons at 4 pm. Email Donna at markboat55@yahoo.com.

### Week at a Glance

**Holy Sweepers for the Weeks of February 4 and 11**  
**Scarlata Family**  
 Long Family

<b>February 17</b>	<b>February 18</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Lector</b>
Melissa Tyner	Jon Kay
<b>Altar Server</b>	<b>Altar Server</b>
Teams as assigned	Teams as assigned

### UPCOMING

Tuesday, February 13: Pancake Supper, Hall, 5-9pm  
 Wednesday, February 14: Ash Wednesday: See bulletin for scheduled Mass times  
 Friday, February 16 and all Fridays of Lent: Supper at Hall, 6 pm, Stations at church, 7pm  
 Saturday, March 24: Oyster Fest, Hall, 12-3 pm

### Mass Intentions and Schedule this Week

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>11 February</b>	<b>9:00 am**</b>	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	<b>Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
		<b>11:00 am</b>	Intns Patricia D’Onofrio	<b>Dominica Quinquagesima</b>
Monday	12 February	NP*	☞Souls in Purgatory	Seven Holy Founders Servites
Tuesday	13 February	8:00 pm	☞Liz Marcus	Feria
Wednesday	14 February	8:00 am	☞Liz Marcus	<b>Ash Wednesday/S Valentine</b>
		6:00 pm**	Intns Jessica Stecklein	
		7:00 pm	Intns Jane & Kevin Mulcahy	
Thursday	15 February	8:00 am	☞Frank Ricco	Ss Faustine & Jovita, Mm
Friday	16 February	9:00 am	☞Andrea Hampston	Friday in Lent: Abstain
Saturday	17 February	9:00 am	Intns Ellen Weisbrod	Saturday after Ash Wednesday
		5:30 pm**	Deployed military/families	Vigil
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>18 February</b>	<b>9:00 am**</b>	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	<b>First Sunday of Lent</b>
		<b>11:00 am</b>	Intns Jessica Stecklein	<b>Prima Domenica Quadragesima</b>

**\*\* Mass in English \*Not public**

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com, stop by the parish office during regular business hours, drop a note in the collection basket or see Father after Mass. The customary offering for a Mass, per Archdiocesan guidelines, is \$10.00.

Staff Director of Liturgy/Secretary: Stephen Krautle Rectory: Irene Nowakowski Hall: Donna Long  
 Grounds: Mark Long

### Mass and Sacrament Schedule

**Sunday...** 9:00am \*\* Traditional Latin 11:00am  
**Weekday Masses in Latin:** See schedule in bulletin.  
**Saturday....** 9:00am and Vigil of Sunday 5:30pm\*\*  
**Holy Day Masses:** 8:00am and 6:00pm\*\*, 7:00pm  
**Confessions** offered prior to all weekend Masses  
 \*\* English language Masses

**Baptisms and Marriages:** By appointment 6 months in advance. **Bulletin Deadline:** Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to braun.cait@gmail.com or call the rectory 301-274-3416. **New Parishioners: Welcome!** Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church, and return it to Father or drop in the collection basket.