



# St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

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***Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe***

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*XXIV.XI.MMXIX*

***Dominica XXIV post Pentecosten***

## ***From the Pastor***

This is the month of the Holy Souls. We pray at Mass each day for all of the faithful departed, in particular for those departed loved ones whose names you submitted & which have been placed on our altar. *Dona eis requiem sempiternam!*

Holy Mass will be offered here at 9 am on Thanksgiving Day. I pray you and yours will find your hearts filled with thanks to the Lord for many

## **Morning Offering Prayer**

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, sorrows and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of Your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father. Amen.

## **Stewardship**

Current needs:

Rectory oil tank balance \$1256.00

Lights and ballasts for hall \$216.00

To designate a gift please place your check or cash in a plain envelope labeled with your offertory number or your name, the amount enclosed, and which expense you are designating. If using a check, please also include your offertory number and the

## **Tabernacle Vigil Light in Memory of Margaret Welch**

A \$25 contribution dedicates the lamp each week to the memory or intentions of a family member or loved one. Contributions will help to defray the cost

## **Sanctuary Beautification Update**

We thank our team members who have been working hard designing the side altars with a local Mennonite carpenter & ordering hardware for installing our altar rail gates from a metalsmith in PA. The gates will be fitted before arranging the marble work which will be needed to restore the commun-

## **Scandal and Reparation**

“In the Church today there is a form of giving scandal that has become far too common: silence in the face of sin and error. Too many clergy and parents, as well, are silent in the midst of today’s moral meltdown. Fearing for their well-being, desiring future promotions, or just wanting to avoid the unpleasantness of conflict, many refuse to teach against — or even talk about — moral error and sin.

“We will all have to answer for our silence to the degree that we had an obligation to speak. *Qui tacet consentire videtur* (He who remains silent is seen to consent). “He who winks at a fault causes trouble” (Proverbs 10:10). In a 1933 letter to Pope Pius XI, Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross wrote, “Those who remain silent are responsible.”

“As Catholics, we cannot avoid responsibility for the current moral morass. Too many of us have been silent, some even collaborating with evil and error. The primary responsibility lies with the clergy, but none of us is entirely exempt from the duty to repudiate error and speak the truth.

“All of this reflection leads us to a difficult-yet necessary cry of the heart to our bishops and to the Holy Father himself. It is painful to admit that too many of us clergy are a source of scandal either by action or inaction. The faithful are not only discouraged, they are confused and scandalized. Many have been led to think that sins like divorce and remarriage, homosexual acts and idolatry are compatible with the Catholic faith. They are not! Yet some of the most awful things have been done and said by Church leaders (purportedly or definitively) without any clear explanation, let alone attempts at refutation.” (From “The Silence of the Church Deafens the World” Msgr Pope, National Catholic Register)

## **Prayer for Suffering Souls in Purgatory**

O Lord, who art ever merciful and bounteous with Thy gifts, look down upon the suffering souls in purgatory. Remember not their offenses and negligences, but be mindful of Thy loving mercy, which is from all eternity. Cleanse them of their sins and fulfill their ardent desires that they may be made worthy to behold Thee face to face in Thy glory. May they soon be united with Thee and hear those blessed words which will call them to their heavenly home: “Come, blessed of My Father, take possession of the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.”

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**REGULAR MONTHLY BILL AND OFFERTORY COMPARISON**

**OCTOBER 2019**

ASSESSMENTS \$926.53  
 HEALTH CARE \$3460.00  
 PROPERTY INS/CATH STANDARD \$769  
 FUEL OIL \$719.00  
 WIFI HOTSPOT \$114.16  
 INTERNET/PHONES \$248.92  
 ELECTRIC STREETLIGHT \$20.31  
 ELECT/AC HALL \$152.13  
 ELECT/AC CHURCH \$121.20  
 ELECT/AC RECTORY \$134.58  
 SECURITY SYSTEM \$164.92  
 PAYROLL \$3077.05  
 PAYROLL TAXES \$1289.80  
 RETIREMENT ADW MATCHING \$312.60  
 PENSION/LIFE INS \$1901.78  
 PRIEST/STAFF FOOD \$379.56  
 PASTOR RETREAT \$400  
 ADW PRIEST CONVOCATION \$700  
 MISC. PARISH/RECTORY EXP \$1262.22  
 BANK FEES \$74.17  
 WATER BILL \$70.26

**EXPENSE TOTAL \$16,298.19**

**OFFERTORY TOTAL**  
**\$13,304.00**

Please pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Betsy Behne, Irving Chappellear, Mary Douglas, Harold Gardiner, Dorothy Hume, Linda Javorski, Ray Stublarec, Miles & Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn & Rosemary Vendemia.

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,

**Rite of Christian Initiation**

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church at Easter or be confirmed next Spring will be offered at the rectory on Wednesday evenings from 4:30-5:45 and from 7:30-8:45 pm.

Classes are also offered in partnership with Sacred Heart Parish in

**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 through the Church in our lives. 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. Email Donna at markboat55@yahoo.com.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before

**Holy Sweepers for the Weeks of November 24 and December 1**

**Long Family**

**UPCOMING:**

**November 28:** Thanksgiving Day Holy Mass, 9 am

**December 7 & 8:** Second Collection, Retirement Fund for Religious, after all Masses

**MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24 Nov</b>	<b>9:00 am**</b>	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	<b>Thirty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		<b>11:00 am</b>	†All Souls	<b>Dominica XXIV post Pentecosten</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>25 Nov</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	S Catherine
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>26 Nov</b>	<b>NP*</b>	†All Souls	S Sylvester
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>27 Nov</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	Adoration & Confessions	
		<b>7:00 pm</b>	†All Souls	Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>28 Nov</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	†All Souls	Thanksgiving/S Catherine Laboure
<b>Friday</b>	<b>29 Nov</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	†All Souls	S Saturninus
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>30 Nov</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	†All Souls	S Andrew
		<b>5:30 pm**</b>	Deployed military/families	Vigil
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1 Dec</b>	<b>9:00 am**</b>	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
		<b>11:00 am</b>	Intns Regina Carr	<b>Dominica I Adventus</b>

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:** Mr. Stephen Krautle  
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**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

**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