



# St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

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**Dominica XXIV post Pentecosten**

(Mass of the 6th Sunday after Epiphany)

*I Thessalonians 1:2-10; Psalm 43:8-9; Matthew 13:31-35*

15 November A.D. 2020

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; I Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30*

## From the Pastor

All of our Masses this month will be offered for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed. To enroll names for these Masses, please fill out the envelopes you will find in the pews and drop them in the collection. May all our departed souls rest in peace.

Please keep in mind that if we are able to attend Mass on Sunday we should do so. I continue to offer the Saturday vigil for those who have to work or travel on Sunday, and for some of our elderly who may struggle with the morning routine necessary for attending our Sunday 9 am Mass. *In particular families with children at home are asked to build faithful family life on Sundays as a foundation by word and example, with attendance together at Holy Mass as the highlight of the day.*

## Stewardship

To designate a gift that stays within the parish 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 designated expense on the memo line. Thank you.

- Oct Physical Plant Maint/Labor: \$500
- Weekly catechetical insert/The Wanderer: \$400\*
- Physical Plant Materials \$566.90

(\*Totals changed this week)

## Facing the Scandal of Joe Biden

“Former Vice President Joe Biden ran his presidential campaign on a pro-late-term abortion, pro-child sex-change, pro-gay marriage, pro-contraception mandate platform. Two of these positions stand in direct defiance of the Catholic Church’s “five non-negotiables,” one targets Catholic nuns, hospitals and adoption agencies, and the other targets children.” (Christopher Bedford, *The Federalist*)

Joe Biden claims to be a believing and practicing Catholic and yet publicly defies Catholic faith and morals. Please pray for his conversion and that no one who is weak in faith will be scandalized against the truth of Catholic Christian faith and morals by his sinful example.

## Oysterfest: Thank You

Many thanks to all of our parishioners, neighbors and friends for your support and patronage at our Fall Oysterfest.

Special thanks goes to Serenity Farms for donating a pig and to Randy’s Ribs for barbecuing it.

## Register for our parish

Fall time-frame is our annual **registration** drive. If you attend Mass weekly please register and support our parish family with your time, talent and treasure. Forms are available on the website and in church. Welcome!

## The Sunday Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

“At that time, Jesus said to the people a parable: The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field.... “

- Matt 13:31-32

The kingdom of heaven is the proclamation of the Gospel, and that knowledge of the Scriptures, which leadeth unto life, and whereof it is said to the Jews: The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof. **Matth. xxi. 43** Therefore is this kingdom like to a grain of mustard-seed, which a man took and sowed in his field. By the man that sowed it in his field, many understand to be meant the Saviour, because He is the Sower That soweth in the souls of believers; others understand every man that soweth good seed in his own field, that is, in himself and in his own heart.

- St Jerome

## Prepare!

“Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night.

When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief.” 1 Thess 5

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**July (monthly) Budgeted Expenses**  
**\$19,368.61**

**July 2020 Income**  
**\$8,575.24**

(Not including Poor Box and  
\$1,932.00 for vestment donations)

**Fiscal Year July 2019 - June 2020**  
**transfer from savings to checking**  
**\$19,003.76**

*Thank you for your generous  
support!*

**Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound:** Irving Chappelle, Dorothy Hume, Robin Magnelli, Ray Stublarec, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Carolyn Parson, Ruth Anne Carr.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at [mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com](mailto:mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com) to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

### **Rite of Christian Initiation - Adult Faith Formation Classes**

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church are scheduled by our faith formation director Aaron Percich. Email him to start formation: [aaron.percich@comcast.net](mailto:aaron.percich@comcast.net). Pick up a copy of the weekly Wanderer Newspaper available in church and see the "B" section for a basic adult catechetical resource.

### **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 asked to contact Aaron Percich to enroll children in weekly home lesson support at [aaron.percich@comcast.net](mailto:aaron.percich@comcast.net).

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before enrolling children.

### **Holy Sweepers for the weeks of November 8 and 15**

#### **Futrell Family**

Holy Sweepers are the families and individuals who graciously keep our church clean and tidy. They clean once a week, for a two week period, on a rotating basis. The more Holy Sweepers in the rotation, the more time between each assignment. If you would like to be a Holy Sweeper, please email Caitlin Sanders at [braun.cait@gmail.com](mailto:braun.cait@gmail.com).



### **Service on the Altar**

Training for all current and prospective members of the Society of Saints Aloysius and Alphonsus (SSAA) altar boy society will be held on the first Saturday of each month after the 9:00 am Mass.

All interested boys and men are invited to please contact Jamieson Scarlata at [1619surfer@gmail.com](mailto:1619surfer@gmail.com)

### **UPCOMING:**

**December 13:** Second Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious

### **Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week**

**Sunday 15 Nov 9:00 am\*** *Pro pópulo*  
**11:00 am** †All Souls

**Monday 16 Nov 9:00 am** †All Souls

**Tuesday 17 Nov \*\*** †All Souls

**Wednesday 18 Nov 6:00 pm** Adoration  
**7:00 pm** †All Souls

**Thursday 19 Nov 9:00 am** †All Souls

**Friday 20 Nov 9:00 am** †All Souls

**Saturday 21 Nov 9:00 am** †All Souls  
**5:30 pm\*** Military deployed/families

**Sunday 22 Nov 9:00 am\*** *Pro pópulo*  
**11:00 am** †All Souls

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Dominica XXIV post Pentecosten**  
(Mass of the 6th Sunday after Epiphany)

S Gertrude the Great  
S Gregory Thaumaturgus

Dedctn of Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul  
S Elizabeth of Hungary/S Pontian  
S Felix of Valois  
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Vigil of Sunday

**Christ, King of the Universe**  
**Dominica XXV post Pentecosten**  
(Mass of the 24th and Last Sunday after Pentecost)

\* Mass in English \*\* Father away; no public Mass.

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email [mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com](mailto: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**

**Bookkeeper:** Mr. Dennis Haspert

**Choir:** Miss Jenni Scarlata

**Director of Liturgy/Secretary:** Mr. Stephen Krautle

**Hall and Grounds:** Mrs. Donna and Mr. Mark Long

**Offertory Records/Bulletin:** Mrs. Caitlin Sanders

**Parish Council President:** Mr. Sid Marcus

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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, 6:00pm\* & 7:00pm

**Confessions** offered prior to all weekend Masses

\*Mass in English

**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](mailto: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 it in the collection basket.