



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland

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Dominica XVI post Pentecosten, Commemoratio: Sanctissimi Nominis Mariae Virginis

From the Pastor

Installation of our new wood floor concludes next week, followed by finishing details, sanding and applying the oil, which will need to cure for about fifteen days before pews can be installed. About 30 days are required for the floor to fully cure, leading up to October 13 when we hope to be in the church once again for Wednesday evening adoration, confessions and Mass in honor of, and in thanksgiving to, Our Lady of Fatima.

I have been humbled and edified by your generous support and your notes honoring family members in whose name you have given financial gifts. Thank you. Last week we deposited \$7686.00 for the church project, applied toward our spending from savings.

As you can see, we are still in need of your generous help. Please prayerfully consider my appeal for a gift of \$1,000 per family if you have not done so already.

Please pray for our deceased William Benjamin and Msgr John Brady

“Pray always.”

“He who wishes for anything but Christ, does not know what he wishes; he who asks for anything but Christ, does not know what he is asking; he who works, and not for Christ, does not know what he is doing.”

- St. Philip Neri

Cardinal Gregory: President Biden is “not demonstrating Catholic teaching”

The Archbishop was responding, in recent remarks at the National Press Club, to Biden’s recent denial about human life in the womb and support for legalized murder of preborn boys & girls. He further stated, “The Catholic Church teaches and has taught that life, human life, begins at conception.” The Church also teaches that anyone who shares Biden’s erroneous opinion is not to present himself or herself for Holy Communion.

Sanctuary Lamp Dedicated to the Repose of the souls of Marines and Sailor KIA in Afghanistan

Dedication of the sanctuary lamp each week to honor or recognize the living or deceased. Offering \$25 and proceeds help defray the cost of candles.

The Holy Gospel for Sunday

At that time: As Jesus went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees, to eat bread on the Sabbath-day, they watched Him. And, behold, there was a certain man before Him, which had the dropsy. And so on.

- Luke 14:1-11

Now is healed this man sick of the dropsy, in whom too much watery matter had well-nigh drowned the functions of life, and quenched the fire of understanding. Anon, a lesson is given in lowly-mindedness, when it is forbidden to the guests at a marriage feast to go and sit down unasked in the highest room, albeit the Lord spake gently, that the teaching of courtesy might forestall a harsh rebuke, reason prevail by dint of persuasion, and the desires be bent to follow the instruction. And upon this, as next-door neighbour, cometh courtesy, which is so called by the Lord, when it is shown to the poor and weak, since to show it to them from whom we are to receive ought, is but a movement of self-interest.

- Saint Ambrose

Please pray for our benefactors

In addition to hundreds of people via GoFundMe from all over the country, donor checks have arrived in the mail from Arizona, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Hawaii, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, Washington, DC, and other states giving generously to help us complete our church restoration. All have responded because they learned about us thanks to kind souls who posted on our project at prominent websites, blogs and newspapers. Please keep these spiritual friends in your prayers, especially at holy Mass.

Indeed someone might say,
“You have faith and I have works.”

Demonstrate your faith to me without works,
and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.

- James 2

Stewardship

All gifts designated for maintenance will be assessment free for three years.

Expense: Wood for church floor \$5,694.00*

Expense: Chandeliers \$3,095.00

Maintenance Balance: +\$5,494.00*

(*Amount changed this week)

“Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church” is now on Facebook. “Like” us today!

Ceiling and Church Plaster Repair

Current total raised:

\$81,462.05*

(Parish/Mail: \$63,522.05; GoFundMe \$17,940.00)

Shortfall covered by savings:

\$164,537.93*

Total amount remitted to John Tiedemann, Inc.

\$245, 999.98

Thank you for your generous support!

**Amounts updated weekly*

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Betty Lasko, Frances Ricco, Ray Stublarec, Neal Sullivan, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Daniel Rodriguez.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at cusickk@adw.org 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. 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 in our lives through the Church. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are asked to contact the parish office.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before children can receive first sacraments.

Holy Sweepers for the weeks of September 12 and 19

Sara Buck

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.

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

UPCOMING:

ProLife prayers every second Saturday of the month, 10-11 am, at Waldorf Planned Parenthood - 3975 St. Charles Parkway, Gateway Plaza, 20602

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	12 Sept	9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	Twenty-fourth Sunday
		11:00 am	†Adaline N Gallagher	Dominica XVI post Pentecosten
		5:30 pm	†Fr Aloisius Garrido Collantes	
Monday	13 Sept	9:00 am	†Requiem: Pauline D'Elia Tate	
Tuesday	14 Sept	**	†Grace Adames	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Wednesday	15 Sept	6:00 pm	<i>Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions</i>	
		7:00 pm	Souls in Purgatory	Sorrows of Our Lady/S Nicomedes
Thursday	16 Sept	9:00 am	Buck Family Protection	Ss Cornelius & Cyprian
Friday	17 Sept	9:00 am	David Ponton	Imprinting of Stigmata of S Francis of Assisi
Saturday	18 Sept	9:00 am	Maura Garland Freeman	S Joseph of Cupertino
Sunday	19 Sept	9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	Twenty-fifth Sunday
		11:00 am	†Barbara M Perusse	Dominica XVII post Pentecosten
		5:30 pm	†Mary Ann Giacobbe	

* 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, 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

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Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 11:00 am, 5:30 pm

Weekdays: Mon 9 am, Wed 7 pm, Thurs-Sat 9 am

Holy Days: 8:00 am, 7:00 pm

English: Sundays 9 am, Holy Days 6 pm

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 it in the collection basket.