



# St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland

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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Dominica XVII post Pentecosten

## From the Pastor

*Our crew completed installation of our new pine floor in the church and applied four coats of tung oil. Now we wait. After a sufficient period, when it is safe to do so, the crew will reinstall the pews. About 30 days are required for the floor to fully cure after which on October 13 we will return to the church to honor Our Lady of Fatima and begin a 40 hours devotion to thank our Lord. Please plan to join us.*

*I have been humbled and edified by your generous support. Thank you. Last week we deposited \$2520 for the project. As we will not need to take out a loan, your donations are now paying back our expenditure from savings.*

**Join us for the Life Chain here in Benedict at Route 231 on Sunday, October 3 from 2—3:30 pm.**

*Please pray for our deceased William Benjamin and Msgr. John Brady*

*“Pray always.”*

**“The life of a Christian is nothing but a perpetual struggle against self; there is no flowering of the soul to the beauty of its perfection except at the price of pain.”**

**- St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina**

## 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 Sunday Holy Gospel

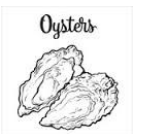
At that time, the Pharisees came unto Jesus, and one of them, which was a lawyer, asked Him a question, tempting Him, saying: Master, which is the great commandment in the Law? And so on.

*Matt 22:34-46*

When the Pharisees had heard that Christ had put the Sadducees to silence, they gathered themselves together for a fresh attack just when it behoved them to be quiet, they willed to contend and so they put forward one of themselves who professed skill in the law, not wishing to learn, but to lay a snare. This person therefore proposed the question: "Which is the great commandment in the law?" The first and great commandment is: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God," but they expected that He would make some exception or addition to this in His Own case, since He made Himself God. **John x. 33.** With this expectation they asked Him the question, but what said Christ? To show that they had adopted this course, because they were loveless, and sick with envy, He answered: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

- Saint John Chrysostom

## Mark your calendar and join us for Oysterfest on November 6



Plan to join us for our Fall fundrasier on the first Saturday of November from 12-3 pm. Invite friends and family. We will need help at the raw bar and assistance with side dish preparation.

Let Father Cusick or Mark Long know if you are available to volunteer.

## Area Sunday afternoon TLMs

The traditional Mass is offered by Saint John’s in Hollywood at 3 pm and at Saint Joseph’s in Morganza at 6 pm every Sunday.

## Stewardship

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

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

**Expense: Chandeliers** \$3,045.00\*

**Maintenance Balance:** +\$6,419.00\*

(\*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:**  
**\$83,982.05\***  
(Parish/Mail: \$66,042.05; GoFundMe \$17,940.00)  
**Shortfall covered by savings:**  
**\$162,012.93\***  
**Total amount remitted to John Tiedemann, Inc.**  
**\$245, 999.98**  
*Thank you for your generous support!*  
*\*Amounts updated weekly*

**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

**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.

- UPCOMING:**
- Oysterfest, Saturday, November 6 from 12-3 pm
  - 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**

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>19 Sept</b> | <b>9:00 am*</b><br><b>11:00 am</b><br><b>5:30 pm</b> | <i>Pro pópulo</i><br>†Barbara M Perusse<br>†Mary Ann Giacobbe                     | <b>Twenty-fifth Sunday</b><br><b>Dominica XVII post Pentecosten</b>  |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>20 Sept</b> | 9:00 am  | †John Marc Garland  | S Eustace & Companions   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>21 Sept</b> | **   | Intns Sr Dede Byrne   | S Matthew  |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>22 Sept</b> | 6:00 pm<br>7:00 pm                                   | <i>Eucharistic Adoration/Confessions</i><br>†Baby Rogers #2                       | S Thomas of Villanova  |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>23 Sept</b> | 9:00 am  | Intns Dorothy Spika   | S Linus  |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>24 Sept</b> | 9:00 am  | †Tyler Borza  | Our Lady of Ransom   |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>25 Sept</b> | 9:00 am  | Reparation Hearts IHS/BVM   |  |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>26 Sept</b> | <b>9:00 am*</b><br><b>11:00 am</b><br><b>5:30 pm</b> | <i>Pro pópulo</i><br>Intns Robert Carr<br>Mackenzie, Savannah, †Baby #3 Frederick | <b>Twenty-sixth Sunday</b><br><b>Dominica XVIII post Pentecosten</b> |

\* 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**

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| <b>Director of Liturgy/Secretary:</b> Mr. Stephen Krautle | sjkrautle@gmail.com      |
| <b>Hall and Grounds:</b> Mrs. Donna and Mr. Mark Long     | markboat55@yahoo.com     |
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| <b>Physical Plant/Maintenance:</b> Mr. Jamie Scarlata     | 1619surfer@gmail.com     |

**Mass and Sacrament Schedule**

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| <b>Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays</b> 11:00 am, 5:30 pm<br><b>Weekdays:</b> Mon 9 am, Wed 7 pm, Thurs-Sat 9 am<br><b>Holy Days:</b> 8:00 am, 7:00 pm<br><b>English: Sundays 9 am, Holy Days 6 pm</b><br><b>Confessions</b> offered prior to all weekend Masses | <b>Baptisms and Marriages:</b> By appointment 6 months in advance. <b>Bulletin Deadline:</b> Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to braun.cait@gmail.com or call the rectory 301-274-3416. <b>New Parishioners: Welcome!</b> Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church, and return it to Father or drop it in the collection basket. |
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