

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland

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From the Pastor

As we enter into Autumn and approach the close of the liturgical year, our thoughts naturally turn to the Last Things. Holy Mother Church proposes for us to meditate upon the Triumph of Christ the King in time and eternity and the rewards and intercessory power of the elect in heaven, and to pray for our beloved dead who are still undergoing purgation and await the reception of the Beatific Vision. With that in mind, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King today. The 11am High Mass will be followed by a Eucharistic procession through town. High Masses will be sung for All Saints and All Souls Day, both at 7 pm.

Please note that, during the month of November, all mass intentions are for the Souls in Purgatory. Please use the All Souls envelopes to include your deceased loved ones by name in our offering of Masses. The envelopes will be placed on the altar as Father offers holy Mass for them daily.

"Pray always."

Nuptial Congratulations

Please join in congratulating Michael Evartt and Cicilia Juliyanti who were joined in holy matrimony on October 30th. Please keep them in prayer as they begin their new life together as man and wife.

October is Registration Month

If you wish to register, be assigned an envelope number and have your email added to the parish list, please fill out the registration form you'll find on our web site here: https://www.stfrancisbenedict.org/registrationform/ and email or drop it in the collection basket.

Sunday Evening TLMs in Saint Mary's Co.

Keep in mind if you're running late on the Lord's Day that Sunday evening traditional Mass is offered weekly at both Saint John's in Hollywood at 3 pm and at Saint Joseph's in Morganza at 6 pm.

Traditional Men's Formation and Spirituality Opportunity Beginning Soon

More information about a monthly men's fraternal opportunity formed along traditional Catholic lines will be forthcoming soon. In the meantimr please let Jamie Scarlata know if you' be interested. His email is always on the back of the bulletin.

Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of Military KIA

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

John 18:33-37

In that time: Pilate said to Jesus: Art thou the king of the Jews? Jesus answered: Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or have others told it thee of me? And so on.

Homily of St. Augustine, Bishop

What great matter was it for the King of all worlds to become King of men? For Christ was not King of Israel for exacting of tribute, or arming a host with the sword, and visibly subduing enemies: but King of Israel that he should rule minds, that he should counsel for eternity, that he should bring unto the kingdom of heaven them that believe, hope, and love. Being then, Son of God, the Word by whom all things were made, that it should be his will to be King of Israel is condescension, not preferment, a betokening of mercy, not an increasing of power. For he who was called on earth King of the Jews is in heaven Lord of the Angels. But is Christ King of the Jews only, or also King of the Gentiles? Yea, of the Gentiles also. For when he said in the prophecy: But I am set by him as King upon Sion his holy mountain, preaching the precepts of the Lord, lest on account of the Mount Sion, any should say that he was set as King only of the Jews, he hath straightway subjoined: The Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son: this day I have begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thy inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

NEXT SATURDAY: Join us for Oysterfest November 6

Please plan to join us for our Fall fundraiser at the hall from 12-3 pm. Tickets available at the door. Take a flyer and invite friends and family.

Let Father Cusick or Mark Long know if you are available to volunteer. Fest Oyster unpaid balance: \$282.00.

Catherine Foundation Baby Bottle Boomerang

Please take an empty baby bottles you will find at the church and hall. Over the next two to three weeks fill it with change (or cash or check). Then return it here to the parish in order to support the Catherine Foundation Pregnancy Resource Center and their ministry which supports mothers and babies. Thank you!

A Request

You may have noticed that our newly restored church is very sensitive acoustically due to the hardwood floors. Sounds that were cushioned before can now be loud and distracting, so I would like to ask that parents of small children please try to be sensitive to the needs of the other parishioners by using the cry room (which is also the baptistry) to quiet your children if needed before rejoining the congregation in the nave of the church. We ask everyone for patience as we make the adjustment to being back in church.

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

Stewardship

Balances:

Parish use/Restricted: +\$1750.00 Savings deposit: (church floor, hall): +\$9,075.00 Maintenance labor/supplies: +\$6,156.07

(*Amount changed this week)

-Thank you for your generosity

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 Chappelear, Dorothy Hume, Ray Stublarec, Neal Sullivan, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Daniel Rodriguez, Paul Custer

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 October 24 and 31

Ponton 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. 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
- November 14: Second Collection for Priests of the Archdiocese Retirement Fund

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	31 Oct	8:00 am	Arnold Family	Feast of Christ the King
·		9:00 am*	Pro pópulo	Thirty-first Sunday
		11:00 am	Richard Anthony Fiora	
Monday	1 Nov	9:00 am	†Souls in Purgatory	Feast of All Saints
		6:00 pm*	†Souls in Purgatory	
		7:00 pm	†Souls in Purgatory	
Tuesday	2 Nov	9:00 am	†Souls in Purgatory (All Souls)	Feast of All Souls
		9:30 am	†Souls in Purgatory (War Dead)	
		7:00 pm	†Souls in Purgatory (Parish Dead)	
Wednesday	3 Nov	6:00 pm	Adoration/Confessions	
		7:00 pm	†Souls in Purgatory	S Martin de Porres
Thursday	4 Nov	9:00 am	†Souls in Purgatory	S Charles Borromeo
Friday	5 Nov	9:00 am	†Souls in Purgatory	Feast of the Holy Relics
Saturday	6 Nov	9:00 am	†Souls in Purgatory	First Saturday
Sunday	7 Nov	8:00 am	†Souls in Purgatory	Dominica XXIV post Pentecosten
		9:00 am*	Pro pópulo	Thirty-second Sunday
		11:00 am	†Souls in Purgatory	
			* 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 **Bulletin:** Mrs. Caitlin Sanders **Choir:** Miss Jenni Scarlata

Director of Liturgy/Secretary: Mr. Stephen Krautle **Hall and Grounds:** Mrs. Donna and Mr. Mark Long

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Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 8 am & 11 am Weekdays: Mon 9 am, Wed 7 pm, Thurs-Sat 9 am

Holy Days: 8 am, 7 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.