



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

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The Most Holy Name of Jesus

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The Epiphany of Our Lord



From the Pastor

“Pray always.”

Oration for Feast of the Holy Name

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

O God, Who hast appointed thine Only-begotten Son to be the Saviour of mankind, and hast commanded that His Name should be called Jesus, mercifully grant that we who here on earth do worship that most Holy Name may be made glad in heaven by His Presence.

Through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son, Our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Here in the United States, when we phrase "The Twelve Days of Christmas" we usually think of the famous English Christmas Carol by that name.



But the song itself is actually referring to the 12 days of joyful celebration observed by Catholics in honor of the holy Nativity of Our Redeemer, the Christ Child.

To help restore the Christian spirit of celebrating the season of Christmas - which begins with the Midnight Mass, not Thanksgiving Day - continue the activities of feasting, inviting guests to visit, gift-giving and greeting others with the joy of Christmas through the Solemnity of the Epiphany.

Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of Tony & Catherine Kreft

The Holy Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Luke 2:21

In that time: when eight days were accomplished, that the child should be circumcised, his name was called Jesus, which was called by the angel, before he was conceived in the womb. And so on.

Homily by St. Bernard, Abbot (of Clairvaux)

1st on the Circumcision

Behold a mystery, great and full of wonder! The Child is circumcised, and His Name is called Jesus. Why are these two things thus mentioned together? It would seem that circumcision should rather be for the saved than for the Saviour; that the Saviour ought rather to be Circumciser than circumcised. But behold here the Mediator between God and men, how even from His childhood He joineth the things of the Highest to the things of the lowest, the things of God to the things of men. He is born of a woman, but her womb is made fruitful without the loss of the flower of her virginity. He is wrapped in swaddling-bands, but these swaddling-bands are a theme for the jubilation of angels. He is laid in a manger, but a bright star standeth in heaven over the place. So also in His circumcision, the ceremony gave proof of the reality of the Manhood which He had taken, and that Name which is

Thank You Caitlin Sanders

For several years Caitlin has assisted our parish in various ways, more recently as a bulletin editor. We wish to thank and recognize her for her generous service as she is now stepping down from this task. Please offer a prayer of thanks for her intentions.

Please note that now bulletin items should now be submitted through the parish office or emailed to sjkrautle@gmail.com. Thank you!

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

Stewardship Last Sunday:

Offertory: \$1473.00
 Parish use/restricted:
 \$2915.00
 Christmas \$4144.00
 Website Paypal portal wkly
 avg: \$200
 Maintenance labor/supplies:
 \$170.00
 Fuel \$200.00
 Christmas Flowers \$20.00
 Votives \$70.00

-Thank you for your generosity

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Ray Stublarec, Neal Sullivan, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Daniel Rodriguez, Paul Custer, and Jerome and Jean Malsack.

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 January 2 and 9

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 contact the parish office.

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, **and next on January 8th**, from 10-11 am at Waldorf Planned Parenthood, 3975 St. Charles Parkway, Gateway Plaza, 20602

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

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| Sunday | 2 Jan | 8:00 am | Mickey Morelli | Sanctissimi Nominis Jesu |
| | | 9:00 am* | <i>Pro pópulo</i> | The Epiphany of Our Lord |
| | | 11:00 am | †Hurley Family | |
| Monday | 3 Jan | 9:00 am | †Donna Conlon | Octave of Saint John |
| Tuesday | 4 Jan | ** | †Parker Family | Octave of Holy Innocents |
| Wednesday | 5 Jan | 6:00 pm | <i>Adoration/Confessions</i> | |
| | | 7:00 pm | †Brown Family | Vigil of Epiphany |
| Thursday | 6 Jan | 9:00 am | Bassford Family | The Epiphany of Our Lord |
| Friday | 7 Jan | 9:00 am | Vennemann Family | Within Octave of Epiphany |
| Saturday | 8 Jan | 9:00 am | Tony Mazzucco | Within Octave of Epiphany |
| Sunday | 9 Jan | 8:00 am | Annmarja Balan | Sanctæ Familiæ Jesu Mariæ Joseph |
| | | 9:00 am* | <i>Pro pópulo</i> | Baptism of Our Lord |
| | | 11:00 am | Christmas Flower Donor Intentions | |

* Mass in English **Father away - no public Mass

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email meitl.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 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 sjkrautle@gmail.com or call the rectory at 301-274-3416.

New Parishioners: Welcome! Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church and also at <https://www.stfrancisbenedict.org/registration-form/>. You may email it, return it to Father, or drop it in the collection basket.