



# St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland

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Dominica II post Epiphaniam

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



## From the Pastor

*I recently completed our statistical report for the fiscal year ending June 2021. We continue to thrive with the signs of vitality in the Lord who always gives growth where He is loved and worshipped in spirit and in truth. We thank Him for the blessing of families and of members young and not so young. More details are included in this bulletin.*

*Your charitable contribution letters will be available later this month. Thank you for your commitment and generous support.*

*“Pray always”*

## Epiphanytide Blessing of Homes

Please be sure to take home blessed chalk and write above the door of the house the year, along with the initials of the Three Kings, like so: **20 + C + M + B + 22**

Your chalk received a priestly benediction on the Feast of the Epiphany with the following prayer from the Roman Ritual:

*“Bless, O Lord God, this creature chalk to render it helpful to Thy people. Grant that they who use it in faith and with it inscribe upon the doors of their homes the names of Thy saints, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar, may through their merits and intercession enjoy health of body and protection of soul. Through Christ our Lord.”*

The following prayer may be said by the head of the household with the sprinkling of the rooms with Epiphany Water, available from the parish Holy Water tank:

**Be enlightened and shine forth, O Jerusalem, for thy light is come, and upon thee is risen the glory of the Lord, Jesus Christ born of the Virgin Mary.**

**Nations shall walk in thy light, and kings in the splendor of thy birth.**

**R: And the Glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.**

**Let us pray. Bless, O Lord, almighty God, this home that it be the shelter of health, chastity, self-conquest, humility, goodness, mildness, obedience to the commandments and thanksgiving to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. May Thy blessing remain for all time upon this dwelling and them that live herein. Through Christ our Lord.**

**R: Amen**

## The Sunday Holy Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to John  
**John 2:1-11**

At that time, there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there. And Jesus also was invited, and his disciples, to the marriage. And so on.

Homily by St. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo.  
**Tract. 9 in John**

Even setting aside any mystical interpretation, the fact that the Lord was pleased to be asked, and to go to a marriage, showeth plainly enough that He is the Author and Blesser of marriage. There were yet to be those of whom the Apostle hath warned us as forbidding to marry; who say that marriage is a bad thing in itself, and a work of the devil. Yet we read in the Gospel that when the Lord was asked, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause? He answered that it was not lawful, except it were for fornication. In which answer ye will remember that He used these words: What God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

## 2021 Statistical Report

Our statistical report measures various aspects of parish life. Here are some of the numbers from the fiscal year ending in June 2021:

77 men, 84 women, 93 children, 87 registered households, 12 widows, 3 widowers and 7 “other adults”.

We welcome all who come, visitors and friends, but are especially thankful for those of you who are with us and support us regularly and generously, through your time, talent or treasure. Being a committed spiritual family brings great rewards in this life and the next.

## 2022 March for Life on January 21st

Join us at 9 am Mass and then travel with our group to park at the subway in Camp Springs for the journey to the city where we will March for Life together. Last year our group was quite small, but consistent presence is always more powerful and important than numbers.

It is edifying to see how the many young adults are willing to demonstrate their Catholic Faith in a lively and public manner despite the various hardships involved, such as withstanding the March’s typically bitter cold, but also the lengthy travel for many groups. We hope to see you there.

## Sanctuary Lamp In Honor of

**Deployed Military Parishioners**

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

## Stewardship Last Sunday:

Offertory: \$1885.40  
 Parish use/restricted:  
 \$985.00  
 Website Paypal portal wkly  
 avg: \$200  
 Maintenance labor/supplies:  
 \$55.00  
 Fuel \$205.00  
 Votives \$4.00

-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](mailto: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](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 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 16 and 23

#### Percich 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](mailto:1619surfer@gmail.com)

**UPCOMING:** ProLife prayers every second Saturday of the month, **and next on February 12th**, from 10-11 am at Waldorf Planned Parenthood, 3975 St. Charles Parkway, Gateway Plaza, 20602

### Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>16 Jan</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	Sr Dede Byrne	<b>Dominica II post Epiphaniam</b>
		<b>9:00 am*</b>	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	<b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		<b>11:00 am</b>	Dr & Mrs Brian Condon	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>17 Jan</b>	9:00 am	Tony Mazzucco	S Anthony of Egypt, Abbott
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>18 Jan</b>	**	Olewiler Family	S Prisca, V.M.
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>19 Jan</b>	6:00 pm	<i>Adoration/Confessions</i>	Ss. Marius, Martha, Audifax etc Mm
		7:00 pm	†Requiem: James A McGeogh	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>20 Jan</b>	9:00 am	Tony Mazzucco	Ss Fabian P. & Sebastian, Mm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>21 Jan</b>	9:00 am	†Babies Murdered in the Womb	S Agnes, V.M.
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>22 Jan</b>	9:00 am	Christopher JF Ruggiano	Ss Vincent & Anastasius, Mm
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>23 Jan</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	†Helen Sheehy	<b>Dominica III post Epiphaniam</b>
		<b>9:00 am*</b>	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	<b>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		<b>11:00 am</b>	Pope Francis	

\* 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.