



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

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Dominica III post Epiphaniam

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Third 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 are available here in church. Thank you for your commitment and generous support.

“Pray always”

UPCOMING

Patronal Feast of S Francis de Sales

Next Sunday, January 30th, we will celebrate the External Solemnity of our Parish Patron, S Francis de Sales, with a High Mass at 11 AM, and at the English Mass at 9 AM. The 8 AM Low Mass will be of the 4th Sunday after Epiphany. A blessing with the relic of S Francis will follow all Sunday masses.

Feast of The Purification—Candlemas

On Wednesday, February 2nd, we will mark the conclusion of the Christmas season with the blessing of candles and High Mass of the Purification of Our Lady at 7:00 PM. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and confessions will precede the Mass as usual, beginning at 6:00 PM.

If you have additional candles from home you would like to have blessed, please bring them to the parish sometime before February 2nd if possible, so that they may be prepared in the sanctuary ahead of time. (Candles brought on the day of the Feast will still be accepted and blessed)

Wisdom of Saint Francis de Sales

**“Cook the truth in charity
until it tastes sweet.”**

The Sunday Holy Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to Matthew
Matt 8:1-13

At that time, when Jesus was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him: And behold a leper came and adored him. And so on.

Homily by St. Jerome, Priest **at Bethlehem.**

Bk. i, Comm. on Matth. viii

When the Lord was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him. They were not able to follow Him when He went up. And first there came a leper. This poor creature's disease had prevented him from hearing the Saviour's long sermon on the Mount. Let it be noted that he is the first person specially named as being healed. The second was the Centurion's servant; the third was Peter's wife's mother, who was sick of a fever at Capernaum; the fourth were they who were brought unto Christ as being troubled with evil spirits, from whom He by His word cast out the evil spirits, at the same time that He healed all that were sick.

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

A small group represented our parish family again this year at the March for Life in DC following our parish 9 am Mass. All those who love life are especially upbeat and visibly so in these days as the Supreme Court moves further and further in the direction of sending the fight for the sacredness of every human life from the federal level back to the states.

The prolife movement is very young: it starts in the womb for all of us! Thank you for all of your prayers and witness for the sacredness of every human life at home with the family every day.

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: \$1962.00
 Parish use/restricted:
 \$448.00
 Website Paypal portal wkly
 avg: \$200
 Maintenance labor/supplies:
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 Fuel \$120.00
 Votives \$

-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 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

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

Second Collection: Church in the Developing World, Ash Wednesday, **March 2**

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	23 Jan	8:00 am	†Helen Sheehy	Dominica III post Epiphaniam Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	
		11:00 am	Pope Francis	
Monday	24 Jan	9:00 am	David Ponton	S Timothy Bishop and Martyr
Tuesday	25 Jan	**	Souls in Purgatory	Conversion of S Paul
Wednesday	26 Jan	6:00 pm	<i>Adoration/Confessions</i>	
		7:00 pm	†Field/Mirch Family	S Polycarp Bishop and Martyr
Thursday	27 Jan	9:00 am	Priests	S John Chrysostom Bishop and Doctor
Friday	28 Jan	9:00 am	†James Anthony McGeogh	S Peter Nolasci Confessor
Saturday	29 Jan	9:00 am	†Father Mark Ervin	S. Francis de Sales
Sunday	30 Jan	8:00 am	†ADW Priests 2021	Dominica IV post Epiphaniam
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	External Solemnity S Francis de Sales
		11:00 am	†ADW Priests 2021	External Solemnity S. Francis de Sales

* 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.