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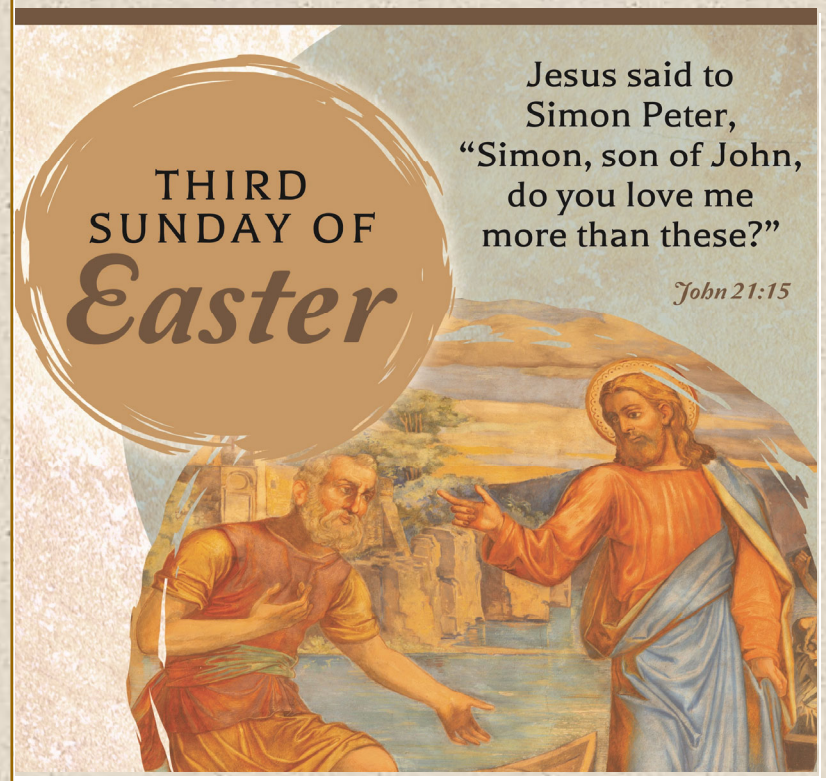
St. Francis de Sales Church

Welcome to St. Francis de Sales Parish

We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our Church.
We hope you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished.
Your prayers, your presence, and your talent are most welcome. May God bless all of us.



We Invite You to Celebrate

Eucharist:

Saturday (Vigil):	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM
	10:00 AM
	12:00 PM

Morning Mass:

Monday through Friday	8:30 AM
Saturday (Memorial Mass)	8:30 AM

Holy Days: 7:00AM, 8:30AM, 12:00 PM, 7:30PM

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 PM

Adoration :

First Friday 9:00AM - 12:00 Noon

Served By:

Rev. Chris Barkhausen, Pastor
Deacon Dennis Gil
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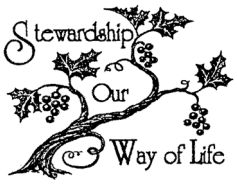
Pastor Emeritus Rev. John Boland



Mission Statement

As a parish family of St. Francis de Sales Church, we are committed to stewardship as our way of life. We place God first in all things. Centered in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, we devote ourselves to proclaim the Gospel. We are dedicated to grow as a faith community to holiness through prayer, sacraments and service to all God's people.

Third Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2019

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing." — Revelation 5:12

Mass Intentions

04 - **Saturday**
8:30 AM Saturday Memorial Mass
5:00 PM Alfonsina Dodd req by Marie & Bob Snow

05 - **Sunday**
8:00 AM Phil Capobianco req by The Mitchell Family
10:00 AM Audrey Gunn req by Pamela Tilli
12:00 PM James McDonald req by The McLeod Family

06 - **Monday**
8:30 AM Phil Capobianco req by The Gunness Family

07 - **Tuesday**
8:30 AM Peggy Kosen req by The Family

08 - **Wednesday**
8:30 AM Barry Simon-Struber req by The Delhauer Family

09 - **Thursday**
8:30 AM Joseph P. Fitzgerald req by The Carney Family

10 - **Friday**
8:30 AM People of the Parish

11 - **Saturday**
8:30 AM Saturday Memorial Mass
10:00 AM First Holy Communion
5:00 PM Betsy Vandenberg req by Friends at St. Francis

12 - **Sunday** ***Mother's Day***
8:00 AM Violet Malinowski req by Alberto Cho Staff
10:00 AM Linda Saso req by The DeYoung Family
12:00 PM Anthony Fusco req by The Family

Gluten-Free Communion Hosts

Are you or a family member allergic to gluten?
To receive gluten-free Communion :

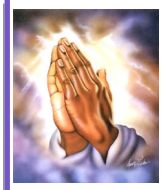
- **Arrive 10-15 minutes before Mass and speak to an usher.**
- **You must receive communion from the priest.**
- **When it is your turn to receive; remind the priest that you require a gluten-free host.**

TALENT

Talent is wanting something bad enough to work for it.
—Anonymous

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday:	Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30



SATURDAY MEMORIAL MASS

The 8:30AM Saturday Mass during the month of May will be offered for the souls of : Frank Curran, Catherine & Edward DeYoung, Stephen Fava, Msgr. Edward Matash, Helen & Michael Matash, Frank Sabat, Albert & Marion Sinforosa, Jennifer Kirchmer Young

To live in the hearts of others is never to die.

Liturgical Schedule

May 11-12, 2019

Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers
SAT., 5PM May 11th, 2019		
E1 Bob Snow	Janet Kubik	Elise Giroux
E2 Val DeBuck	Bob Kusma	Abby Sokolewicz
E3 Mike Molloy		
C1 Chuck McGill		
C2 Kim Muller		
C3 Kelly Leavitt		
C4 Rick Braun		
SUN., 8AM May 12th, 2019		
E1 Cheryl Avery	Hal Avery	Owen Baez
E2 Heather Baez	Frank Garrity	Joanne Baez
E3 Marc Kolonoski		
C1 Deacon Dennis		
C2 Claire Schmidt		
C3 Laura Reilly		
C4 Janice Tanguay		
10AM		
E1 Ken Mahouchick	Dee McAree	Kelsey Callahan
E2 Bea Harrigan	Jeannie Diemer	Brenna Sopov
E3 Carolyn Kelly		
C1 Joan Stellingwerf		
C2 Ed DeYoung		
C3 Ed Ferrazano		
C4 Barbara Reed		
XC Cindy Ferrazano		
12PM		
E1 Sheila Reitter	Isabel Lazo	Maddie MacPherson
E2 Natalie Callahan	Rich Sorce	Gabe Scotto
E3 Bob Springer		
C1 Luann Lambert		
C2 Cathy Randazzo		
C3 Michelle Oroho		
C4 John Oroho		

Parish Membership: A Parishioner is one who belongs to our parish family. As such, he/she is registered and is committed through active participation in the life of the parish community by regularly attending Mass, joining ministries, and financially supporting the parish. For Sponsor Certificates for Baptism and Confirmations, recommendations, etc. please see Fr. Chris. The person requesting such must be registered and be an active member of our Parish community. We request that you register at our monthly welcome meetings so that we can better serve you.

Please pray for those who are sick, especially: Alexander, Mike Annunziata, Sr., Shirley Baldwin, Michael Balinski, Scott Bartlett, Susan Broers, Jacob Bonebreak, Barbara Boniface, Chris Behrens, Rev. Eugene Boland, Brian Braun, Kevin Braun, Carol Carmody, S. Chmara, Sean Connell, Joyce DeLeo, Jeanie Diemer, Evie Dixon, Robert A. Drogo, Sr. Mary Emmanuel, Mary Fahy, Bill Fredericks, Sandy Fredericks, Linda Geary, Jerry Granato, Barbara Greco, Bob Haley, Teresa Hayward, Rob Izbicki, Laurie, Janiece, Ray Kacyon, Anne Kolibas, Joseph Kolibas, Laura Leigh, Debbie Lechowicz, Ryan Mahoney, Alberta Mahouchick, Hayden Marshall, Debbie Melanson, Lisa Merck, Ken Meredith, Michael, FM, Alan Newell, Janice Peak, Jimmy Pier, Kathleen Plaisance, Michael Regan, Dick & Marlene Reighter, Baby James Ryan Simpkins, Vito Siblano, Glenn Sloves, George Stewart, Elaine Stroppel, Fr. Fred Walters, Patricia Wetterlind, Brenna Whitson, Bill Wolverton, Michael & Irene Ruth Yachnik, Skippy Zaccaro

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD
Sunday during 10:00 AM Mass

Baptismal Prep Classes
Next class will be on
Wednesday, May 15th, 2019 at 7:30 PM.
Call Cathy in the office to sign up
(973)827-3248 x 300.

Do you have a Sponsor/Godparent form that needs to be signed? See Father Chris after Mass.

STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TREASURE

Stewardship offering for April 28, 2019	$ 8,661.00
Online Giving April 28, 2019	$ 1,895.00
Total For April 28, 2019	$ 10,556.00
Same Sunday Last year:	($12,889.00)

For our parishioners who contribute electronically, the next upcoming special collection is:

May 19th Diocesan Assessment
May 26th Holy Father- Peter's Pence
May 30th Ascension Thursday

Thank you to our envelope and online giving users.

Diocesan Assessment Collection April 28, 2019	$349.00
(Envelopes $144.00 & Online Giving $205.00)	
Diocesan Assessment (July 2018 - 2019)	$75,397.00
Diocesan Assessment Collection fiscal YTD	**$24,020.00**
St. Francis payments YTD	$65,972.37

ONLINE GIVING OPTION

We are pleased to announce that our parish website has a link to sign up for online giving. Simply go to www.stfrancisvernon.org, where you will find the link under the home tab. Or if you prefer, go directly to the site.

https://osvonlinegiving.com/4244

As always, we thank you for your support of our parish.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

04 - Saturday	8:30 AM Jesus Day 11 - 12 AA (SCB)
05 - Sunday	Regular Mass Schedule 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM 1:00 PM Mother's Day Tea for Birth Haven
06 - Monday	6:30 PM Circle of Friends (109-110) 7:00 PM Youth Music Ministry (YR) 7:00 PM MAB Meeting (SCB)
07 - Tuesday	9:00 AM Circle of Friends (109-110) 9:30 AM Rosary Makers & Prayer Shawl (103) 4:30- 6:00 PM Communion Rehearsal 7:30 PM Morning Glory (Fr. Chris) (CSH)
08 - Wednesday	9:00 AM Morning Glory (Cheryl Avery) (CSH) 5:30 - 7:00 PM Military Families 7:30 PM Bible Study (210)
09 - Thursday	9:00 AM Vietnam Vets 5:30 - 6:30 PM Communion Rehearsal 7:00 PM Yoga (CSH) 7:30 PM Choir
10 - Friday	No Activities
11 - Saturday	10:00 AM First Holy Communion 11 - 12 AA (SCB)
12 - Sunday	Mother's Day Regular Mass Schedule 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM 10:00 AM Mass May Crowning

Prayers for the Sick and Dying

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is one of the best means of assisting the dying. Jesus revealed the power of this prayer to St. Faustina. The Lord gave many promises regarding recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the sick and/or dying.

There are parishioners who regularly pray the chaplet. We have a prayer chain and are accepting prayer requests.

If you are interested in joining the prayer chain, please contact Bea Harrigan at (973) 827-0083. If you have a special prayer request, or prayers for a loved one who is sick and/or dying, you may call Bea Harrigan, Cheryl Avery at (973) 702-1342, or Denise Drogo at (973) 875-6863.

Emmaus Ministry Presents:
"Thoughts on Brotherhood"
with Fr. James O' Rorke
Friday, May 10.
Pizza at 6:45 pm, Presentation at 7:15
followed by group discussion.
RSVP to Mike Randazzo at
michaelrandazzo@hotmail.com or
248-495-0995.

St. Francis de Sales Parish

Super Grand Raffle

Cost: $10.00 per Ticket
(Books of 10 Tickets - $100.)

Please help support OUR PARISH, by purchasing and selling tickets to family, friends, & co-workers!

Great Chances - 7 WINNERS !

THE MORE WE SELL. . .
THE BIGGER THE PRIZES!

Grand Prize - 30% of total receipts
2nd Prize - 10% of total receipts
3rd Prize - 5% of total receipts
(4) **4th Prizes - 1.25%** of total receipts

CALL THE OFFICE FOR MORE TICKETS
(973) 827-3248 x 300
Tickets are available at the Gift Shop too!
2018's Grand Prize was $7005.
Plus 6 other winners !

Drawing at the Parish Picnic
Sunday, June 9, 2019 4:00 PM

LIFELONG SERVICE

"I am going fishing." What an announcement! If asked who made it, and not told it was a Bible quote, we might guess "Grandpa" or "Uncle Fred," or admit, "I said that last summer!" But it is a Bible quote, from today's Gospel. The person who said it also once declared, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Yes, it's Peter! So today's announcement seems quite the comedown. Last Sunday Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." But Peter seems determined to return to his pre-apostolic occupation, until Jesus intervenes, making Peter's later announcement deeper, "Lord, you know that I love you," and Peter's apostolic calling clearer, "Tend my sheep." Peter does so. Acts presents the consequences: Peter declares, "We must obey God rather than men." As Revelation proclaims, "Worthy is the Lamb"—to receive Peter's lifelong service, and ours. copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Do you enjoy Sewing, Quilting? Craft Project, Crocheting, Knitting? Would you like to work on your project with some company? Need room to spread out? Want to learn how?
We have the group for you!
Join our CIRCLE OF FRIENDS MINISTRY
Monday Evenings: 6:30 PM
Tuesday Mornings 9:30 -11:30 AM
Thursday Evenings: 6:30 PM
Room 109-110 - Park in the rear lower parking lot.
Contact: Debbie Gonzalez 973-476-3853

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Gospel today sees Peter and his colleagues after the Resurrection, returning to Galilee and resuming the family business. They are fishing by night. Although it is true that fish feed by night, the mention of darkness here is more about the human spirit than it is about fishing advice. Modern life keeps darkness effectively under control; much of the world has been glowing radiantly through the night for a century. Yet just as surely as the Risen Christ breaks into Peter's fishing, so does He break into the usual patterns of our own darkness, electric lights notwithstanding. It is Easter, and we are the people of the light.

In our tradition, Evening Prayer, celebrated in monasteries, parishes, cathedrals, and homes everywhere, is a kind of solemn protest against the darkness and its claims, an act of praise for our light-bearing God, and a commitment to carrying that light forward. Sunset is a turning point of our day, felt less acutely in an electrified world, but still an effective reminder that one day darkness overtakes us all. Yet our Eastering has taught us in a hundred ways that the victory belongs to the Bearer of Light. Easter summons us to transform our everyday "blackouts," perhaps in a way as simple as a whispered prayer of thanks at evening for the blessings of the day. —James Field,
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St. Francis de Sales Annual PICNIC !

Great Times ahead!
Sign Ups coming soon

Sunday, JUNE 9th, 2019
12 Noon

- Arrive at Noon.
- Outdoor Mass 12:30 PM
- ** No Noon Mass in the Church**
- Bring Chairs
- Snacks to Share
- Lunch will be served 2 PM
- Games, Face Painting
- Super Grand Raffle Drawing

HELP! Volunteers are needed to sell Super Grand Raffles After Masses and at Stores. Please sign up using this link.
https://signup.zone/st-francis-vernon

Please sign in adding your information. Only your name will appear. Your Email & Phone will only be seen by Admin.
THANK YOU!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Service Hour Opportunities

Remember to check the service board located outside of the Religious Education office for Service Opportunities for 7th, 8th and High School Students.

7-8th Grades: 10 hours per year.
Check the bulletin board.

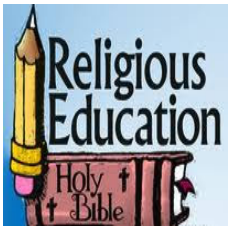
9-10th Grades Confirmation: 40 hours over 2 year program.
Check the service table on Sunday nights, as well as the bulletin board during the week

2nd Grade

UPCOMING DATES

Communion Rehearsal Mandatory
Tuesday May 7th 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM
& Thursday May 9th 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

First Holy Communion
is Saturday, May 11th at 10 AM



Registration for Fall 2019
Grades 1 - 10 has begun. Please stop into the office.
Monday - Friday 9 AM - 2 PM
to register your children.

**If your child is new to the program, please also bring a copy of their Baptismal Certificate (unless, they were baptized here).

ROAR!

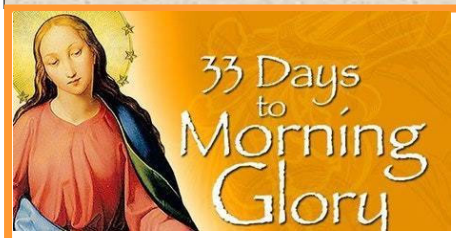
Vacation Bible School will be
July 8th – 12th, 2019
Monday - Friday
9 AM –12 PM
REGISTER NOW

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

FORMED
Your faith connection Online !
PARISH CODE: RX7GDK www.FORMED.org

We have many opportunities for Adult Faith Formation....

- Did you know we have CDs in the Atrium on multiple topics. You can listen and learn while commuting to work, driving to pick up your children... Cost: $4.00 each.
- Bible Study groups meet at many different days and times... Why not join a group!
- Day to Day Scripture readings, and Advent daily reflections and Novena books are available at the Gift Shop.



You're Invited

A NEW Adult Faith Formation Opportunity! 6 Weeks
Tuesday Evenings 7:30 PM with Fr. Chris
or
Wednesday Mornings 9:00 AM with Cheryl

This 33 day journey begins this week April 30th/May 1st. Father or Cheryl will guide you through the 33 days of "spiritual readings and prayerful ponderings."

This program will inspire and empower anyone to draw closer to Jesus through Mary, because she brings us most intimately into that encounter with Jesus.

Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC has written; "Because the act of consecrating oneself to Jesus through Mary marks the beginning of a gloriously new day, a new dawn, a brand new morning in one's spiritual journey. It's a fresh start, and it changes everything." It highlights the teachings of St. Louis de Montefort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Saint Teresa of Calcutta & St. John Paul II.

"The Association of Marian Helpers is dedicated to knowing and proclaiming the mercy of God, and the key ally, the key person to help us, is Mary Immaculate."

Consecration Mass is Friday May 31st at 7:30 PM
With the Final Class on June 4th/5th

LIKE US ON facebook

Be the first to know...Stay connected all week...
Our Parish Website is: stfrancisvernon.org
www.facebook.com/StfrancisVernon

Little Angels Learning Center

OPEN HOUSE & Field Trip
THURSDAY, MAY 16TH 1:00 PM
Classroom: St. Francis Room 101

See the school, meet other students and parents, join activities and have fun Learning!

Then you are welcome to journey with us as we take our accumulated recycling to the ***Vernon Recycling Center***. After that, we will be touring the ***Vernon Twp. Animal Shelter.*** Parents must stay with their children and drive them to our destinations. Contact: Linda Stengel littleangels@stfrancisvernon.org

St. Francis Food Pantry

We gratefully accept all donations of non-perishable goods. Soups, stews, cereal, tuna, beans, vegetables, peanut butter and jelly, pasta sauces, personal toiletries, etc. Donations may be dropped in the Church Social Hall.

Thank you for your continued support !

New Jersey Catholic Youth Rally at Six Flags Sunday, May 19th

Spend the day at Six Flags with catholic youth and families from throughout the state. Open to families, young adults, high school and middle school students, the event includes a **special concert featuring Matt Maher** from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Tickets are $50 per person and include park admission, all you can eat buffet lunch, and evening concert. ***Tickets are only available online.***

For more information or to purchase tickets visit insidethewalls.org/six-flags-great-adventure.

Set Free: Journey of Recovery through Christian Virtues

Our Addictions do not make us less loved by God. Jesus reminds us that with Him, we are capable of living in freedom. So if God believes in us, why don't we believe in ourselves? Join us for lecture and group discussions on Tuesday, May 21st.

For information visit: **insidethewalls.org/set-free**

Sacred Heart Spirituality Center

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Newton, NJ 07860
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E-Mail: shretreatcenter@gmail.com Web site: www.sacredheartspiritualitycenter.org

WOMEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

REGISTER NOW Come join us for our Women's Weekend Retreat at Sacred Heart Spirituality Center on May 31st to June 2nd, 2019. Our Theme for this Retreat is "Compassion". The Retreat begins at 5:00 PM on Friday, May 31st and finishes at 1:30 PM on Sunday, June 2nd. There is also an option to attend for the day on Saturday, June 1st.

Registration forms are available on our website.

For further information, visit our web site: sacredheartspiritualitycenter.org, e-mail us at shretreatcenter@gmail.com. or call 973-383-2620.

LOOK on the back of the bulletin!

We are able to provide the bulletin each week without cost to the parish because of the advertisers. Please patronize our Advertisers!

St. Francis de Sales Gift Shop

To Honor the Blessed Mother, The Gift Shop is Offering a 20% Discount on Mary related items during May!!

Including: Statues, Rosaries, Rosary Bracelets, Miraculous Medals over $5.00
Open after all Masses

Early - Mother's Day Tea

Sunday May 5, 2019
1:00 PM
in Boland Hall

Sponsored by : The Columbiette's & St. Francis de Sales Parish
benefitting the
Expectant Mothers at Birth Haven
In Newton

We are asking for donations for the mothers-to be.
If you are attending , please bring the donation with you. Otherwise, there are baskets in the Church Social Hall .

Mother's Wish List: Twin Size Sheets, Mattress covers, comforters, Pajamas & robes (all sizes), ladies slippers (all sizes), Toiletries: Body wash & Lotion, soap, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, bath towels, laundry baskets, pillows, Gift Cards, (Walmart, Babies R Us, ShopRite, Marshalls, Kohl's)

Birth Haven Home is also in need of: Liquid Hand Soap, Cleaning Supplies- Lysol/Clorox wipes, Windex, Swiffer liquid & wet pads, paper towels, kitchen garbage bags.

Please join us.