

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*August 12, 2018*



**Monday, August 13**

8:15 a.m. Patti Szempruch (Family & Friends)

6:30 p.m. Ron Deger (Lisa Deger & Family)

**Tuesday, August 14 – St. Maximillian Kolbe**

8:15 a.m. Mary Schafer (Daughter)

6:30 p.m. Ruth Magoulick (Karen Combs)

**Wednesday, August 15 –The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:30 a.m. Fr. Byrider (St. Francis de Sales Parish)

9:00 a.m. John & Margaret Miskalo (Ukrainian Veterans)

6:30 p.m. Richard J. Slivinski (Family)

**Thursday, August 16**

8:15 a.m. Russell Miraglia Jr. (Family)

6:30 p.m. Nathaniel Angeletti (Jeff & Gail Angeletti)

**Friday, August 17**

8:15 a.m. James Kennedy (Maria Curk)

6:30 p.m. Mary Speck (Marriage Encounter)  
*Month's Mind – Paul Hagen*

**Saturday, August 18**

8:15 a.m. Bill Osborne (Williams Family)

5:00 p.m. Dana Lonteen (Family)

*August 19, 2018*

*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 am - Pro Populo, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Scripture Readings for the Week:

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday  
Saturday

*“Whoever eats this bread will live forever.”*

*-John 6:51-*



All around the globe Christians continue to meditate on the Eucharist in light of the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the time when those who believe gather together in worship and praise of God. We join in prayer, song and in movement, kneeling, standing, sitting, processing, and so on. This prayer together orbits that cosmos changing moment when the simple bread and wine are transubstantiated into the very Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit and the will of the Father. Heaven invades earth. The ordinary becomes the location of our encounter with the extraordinary when we approach with faith. These are the deep truths of the Eucharist. Here are some practical suggestions to facilitate your reverent consumption of Holy Communion during Mass. Your mindful attitude when receiving also helps those who distribute the Eucharist.

When receiving the Host by mouth, please make sure to open your mouth wide enough for the person to place the Consecrated host on your tongue. Also, if receiving by mouth, please make sure to extend your tongue enough to help the Eucharist minister offer the Host without worrying about It falling onto the floor. If receiving in your hand, please make sure to extend both hands (as you are able) with the receiving hand on top and the hand you use to place the Host in your mouth on the bottom. Also, please make sure to have your hands fully open and, please consume the Host immediately after the Host has been placed in your palm.

It is such a moving moment to witness a Church approaching the altar to receive the Eucharist. Jesus Christ desires to nourish our lives with the immensity of His love. May this time of reflection on John 6 also be a time to be attentive to the way we receive the Precious Body of Christ. How awesome our God is! He longs to be held by you and consumed by you and me! Alleluia!

Peace & Joy,  
Fr. Bearer

*Here's What's Happening  
Around the Parish This Week...*

**Sunday, August 12**

- Crêpe Sunday, after 11:00 Mass (Pavilion)

**Monday, August 13**

- Avila Holy Hour for Vocations, after 8:15 a.m. Mass (Church)  
- Directory Photos, 2:00-8:30 p.m. (Upper Room)

**Tuesday, August 14**

- Ladies Book Study, 10-11:30 a.m. (Pavilion)  
- Directory Photos, 2:00-8:30 p.m. (Upper Room)

**Wednesday, August 15**

- Feast of the Assumption, Masses at 7:30, 9:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.  
- Kindergarten Parent Meeting, 5:00-6:00 p.m.  
- Kindergarten & New Family Picnic, 6:00-7:00 p.m. (Pavilion)  
- Opus Angelorum, 7:15-8:45 p.m. (Upper Room)  
- AA/Al Anon, 7:30-9:00 p.m. (Refectory)

**Friday, August 17**

- Family Parish Movie Night, 9:00 p.m. (Outdoors)

**Saturday, August 18**

- Men's Scripture Study, 7:00-8:15 a.m. (Upper Room)



The parish can always use more volunteers to receive the Vocation Crucifix. Even if you've received it before, you may receive it again. There's no limit! Vocation prayers are always needed and appreciated! Please call the parish office at 330-644-2225 to have your name added to the list.

**Theresa Dougherty** received the Vocation Crucifix this weekend.



Please remember in your prayers the soul of parishioners **Marian Miller** and **Eloise Aberth**, as well as **Angela Davis**, sister of parishioner Tom Vatalaro. May perpetual light shine upon them.



**Opus Angelorum**

Since the Feast of the Assumption coincides with the Opus Angelorum discussion night, **the August meeting will begin following the 6:30 Mass until 8:45** in the Upper Room on 8/15. There will be a discussion on commemorating the Passion of Christ and drawing strength from the Eucharist. (Letters 10 and 11). In September, all parishioners are invited to hear Fr. Wolfgang Seitz's talk on "The Trial of the Angels and the Battle of the Human Family". This talk will be in the church on Wednesday, September 19th and will be followed by Mass. Come and bring a friend.

SFDS Youth Group cordially invites you...



Outdoor Movie Night  
Friday, August 17, 9 PM

**THE GREATEST SHOWMAN**  
**9PM**

St. Francis de Sales parking lot (if raining, in the gym)  
**BRING YOUR FAMILY**  
**& ENJOY THE SHOW UNDER THE STARS!**  
Admission is free & SFDS YG will be selling concessions.  
**SEE YOU THERE!**

Save the Date!  
St. Francis de Sales Parish

**Parish Picnic**

**September 9, 2018**  
Noon-4:00 P.M.

**COLLECTION INFORMATION**

Aug. 5 \$18,086.00  
Our parish is blessed by your generosity!

**WEDDING BANNERS**

II Farbod Rohani & Christine Young



**Have you been thinking about becoming a Catholic?  
Do you know of someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic?  
Were you baptized Catholic but never received your 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion or Confirmation?**

*Join us for prayer, reflection, and learning on Tuesday evenings, starting September 11, 2018, from 7:15-8:30 pm in the Upper Room*

If you would like to register or have questions, please call Kathleen Ott at (330) 644-2225

### **St Francis de Sales Parish 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 5K Run/Walk**

In Celebration of the 70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee, the Anniversary Committee and the PPC would like you to join us in a 5K run/walk. We are looking forward to bringing our parish cluster community together for this amazing event! This event will take place on Sat, Sept 8th starting at 9am. This trail course run/walk is being held at our beautiful Portage Lakes State Park. (This course is not stroller friendly). There is a \$25 registration fee to participate. All participants who register before August 21<sup>st</sup> will receive a commemorative t-shirt. All profits will be donated to the Barberton Pregnancy Center.

Registration information for this event is <https://runsignup.com/stfrancisdesales5k> . Get your running shoes ready!!



### **Save the date for KICKBALL!**



**NEXT SUNDAY- AUG 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**Kickin' up some Fun at St. Francis**

Remember playing kickball in grade school? Now you can relive those days. A FUN Kickball Night is scheduled for Sunday, August 19th. Bring the whole family: children, parents, even the grandparents. Anyone 6 and under always gets on base! Welcome new parishioners and meet new families. Spectators and volunteers who may want to help parents keep an eye on those too young to play are also welcome. We will meet at the baseball field at 6:30 PM Sunday August 19. Refreshments will be served after one hour of play. All are welcome. Come join the FUN!

### **Evening of Prayer**

St. Francis de Sales will be holding an Evening of Prayer and Praise before the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday, September 8th from 8:00-9:30 PM. This will be a time to gather as a parish family in thanksgiving for our parish. We will be outside and under a tent. Bring your lawn chairs and invite friends and family for a beautiful time to praise the Creator of the stars under the night sky. See you and your friends there!

# THANK YOU

The **SFDS Youth Group** sends a huge Thanks! to all who donated to **OPERATION BACKPACK!**

Because of your donations, we were able to prepare 24 backpack care packages with assorted toiletries, snacks, clothing items, water, and gift cards as well as 80 bagged lunches prepared by our teens. **WOW!**

These were all distributed to the needy souls at Second Chance Village in Akron

Thank you so much for your generous and loving hearts!

## **+** **BLOOD DRIVE** **+**

We would like to thank all the wonderful and generous people who helped to make our July 27<sup>th</sup> **Blood Drive** a HUGE success! We had 53 donors and collected 47 pints of much needed blood. Many lives were saved because of your donations.

We would also like to thank the great volunteers that kept the drive running so smoothly. *We hope to see you again on **October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018***. Thanks again, and may God bless you all!

"Bloom Where You Are Planted"



*St. Francis de Sales Parish 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Jubilee*

## **Crêpe Sunday**

In honor of St. Jane Frances de Chantal's Feast Day (our companion Saint to St. Francis de Sales), we will be serving crepes and ice cream after the 11:00 Mass today, Sunday, August 12.

Please join us under the pavilion for crepes with your choice of toppings.

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## **Photo Directory Submittals**

If you couldn't have your picture taken by our professional photographer, we still have space for you in our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Photo Directory! You can submit a "portrait". Here are the details:

- Your photo needs to be a minimum of 600 x 900 resolution.
- .jpg, .pdf, or .tif files accepted
- Email your picture to Michele Steurer: [Shellbell601@gmail.com](mailto:Shellbell601@gmail.com), (330-618-5545)
- In your email, please list your names as you would like them printed in the directory (ex. Kathleen -vs- Kathy).
- Michele will send an email to confirm receipt of your photo. If you do not get a confirmation email; please reach out to Michele.

### **Tips for taking a good "portrait":**

- Neutral background
- Close up of faces
- No sunglasses or hats
- Big smiles!

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL IS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2018.**

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### **- Lift Up Your Heart -**

#### ***A Small Group Study, Beginning This September***

For more than four hundred years, *Introduction to the Devout Life* by St. Francis de Sales, Doctor of the Church, has been regarded as the essential guide to holiness and loving God. This spiritual classic takes on new life in *Lift Up Your Heart*, where Rev. John Burns has interpreted ten meditations for the modern reader and distilled them into a ten-day mini-retreat that can easily be completed in the midst of a busy life.

This practical book goes right to the heart of helping you kick the habit of floating along on your spiritual journey to start actively pursuing holiness and devotion to God. During the course of the retreat, you'll learn the basics of forming a daily prayer routine, including how to offer yourself to God, meditate on his love, maintain peace in the face of suffering and clarity in the midst of temptation. See you there!

### Road Trip with St. Paul Parish

Come and join St. Paul Parish in Akron on Saturday, September 15, 2018 they head to Columbus, Ohio to visit the Jubilee Catholic Museum that is hosting the LEGO Vatican. They will also visit some of the historical churches of Columbus. Lunch will be enjoyed in German Village at Schmidt's Sausage House. Departure from St. Paul Parish, South Parking Lot will be at 8:00 a.m. Cost of the trip is \$89 and is all inclusive. To reserve a seat on the bus call Deacon John Amedeo 330-310-1628 or the Rectory Office 330-724-1263.

### The Dominican Sisters of Peace, Akron

Are you feeling called to a deeper spirituality? Consider Becoming an Associate of the Dominican Sisters of Peace The Office of Associates of the Dominican Sisters of Peace extends an invitation to lay Christian women and men interested in deepening their personal spiritual lives and reaching out to others with their gospel values. Associates of the Dominican Sisters of Peace carry out the gospel mission through prayer, study, community, and ministry. Please join us for this session: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 - 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. 1230 W. Market St., Akron, Ohio 44313 For more information or to register please contact: Colette Parker, OPA 330.835.5688 or cparker@oppeace.org

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY for our cluster parishes will meet Tuesday Aug. 14th, 10:00 AM at Nativity of the Lord Jesus Church. Please remember to bring your completed shawls for blessing, your current shawl to work on and any left-over yarn to share with others as we celebrate God's love and blessings. New members are always welcome. Come join as we gather, pray, crochet & knit prayer shawls. Call Ginny 330-644-4132 or Barb 330-699-4769 with any questions.

### Gifts of IRA and Stocks

Will you have increased income as a result of the new tax changes? Perhaps you can consider increasing your offertory contribution to our parish. Changes in the tax law kept in place several popular and attractive charitable gifting options. Gifting appreciated stock (held more than 1 year) to St. Francis may allow you to deduct the stock's full value and bypass capital gains tax. Also, if you are 70 ½ or older, you may be able to reduce your taxable income this year with a gift more directly from your IRA to St. Francis. Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that a gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as St. Francis de Sales. Questions? Contact our parish office at 330.644.2225. You are also welcome to contact Mary Lou Ozimek of the Catholic Community Foundation: 216.696.6525 x4070 or mozimek@catholiccommunity.org

### Theology on the Rocks

Food, Fellowship, and Faith for Adults, Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy Fr. Peter Kovacina, Parochial Vicar St. Anthony of Padua, Parma present on Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI: Last Testament. Join us at D'Agnese's, 566 White Pond Dr. Akron. 7:00 pm Appetizers, 7:30 pm Speaker. \$10.00 Admission includes appetizers – Cash bar. Sponsored by St. Sebastian Parish, Akron

### The Rock AM1260

Going on vacation? **AM 1260 The Rock** can go anywhere you do! With our new mobile app, Cleveland Catholic Radio is as near as your mobile device. Download our app from the Google Play store or the iPhone app store to stay connected to Rock Solid Truth!

### Come and See Retreat!

Are you restless? Searching for "more"? The Franciscans of the Little Way invite single, Catholic women, 20 and older, to spend a day in prayer and discernment at our Come and See retreat on September 15. Our day begins with Mass at 8 am at St. Hilary Church (2750 W. Market St, Fairlawn), followed by prayer, talks, and adoration. Register online at [www.tinyurl.com/FLW-ComeAndSee](http://www.tinyurl.com/FLW-ComeAndSee) or contact Anne Rollick with questions at [franciscansofthelittleway@gmail.com](mailto:franciscansofthelittleway@gmail.com) or 330-794-7648.

### Conventry AARP Group

The Coventry 3920 AARP group will meet Monday, August 13 at 1:15 to hear a mystery speaker who just so happens to be a member of St. Francis de Sales Parish! If you like the Portage Lakes area, come and hear some history about what our mystery speaker has to say about this landmark area. You do not have to be a member to attend, nor do you have to join. All are welcome to attend, hear the speaker, enjoy refreshments after the meetings, and possibly win a door prize. This meeting is about the "land" not the man (the speaker)! If you have never been to this AARP's meeting, please call Merrilu at 234.678.0747 to RSVP. Hope to see a number of Parishioners in attendance!

### Help a FOCUS Missionary

**FOCUS Missionaries** spend time on college campuses ministering to the college students. They rely solely on the financial support from parishioners like you. One such missionary is working in Youngstown, **Monica**, and she is hoping to receive financial support. If you would like to **support Monica** in her effort to bring Christ to college aged students, please e-mail both **your full name and a phone number** to [frbearer@stfparish.com](mailto:frbearer@stfparish.com). He will forward that information to Monica and she will personally speak with you about her work and her needs. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERFUL DISCERNMENT OF YOUR SUPPORT.**

**Stop by the parish office this summer to purchase Scrip gift cards for the following:**

Acme	Bob Evans	Claire's	Handel's Ice	Lowe's	Panera	Steak 'n'
Aeropostale	Bonefish Grill	Cracker	Cream	Macy's	Pat Catan's	Shake
Amazon	Bravo	Barrel	Home Depot	Marathon	PF Chang's	Subway
Applebee's	Buehler's	CVS	HomeGoods	Marshall's	Pier 1 Import	Sunoco
Arby's	Burger King	Dick's	Honeymoon	Menches	Pizza Hut	Taco Bell
Banana	Carrabba	Dillard's	Grille	Brothers	Red Robin	Target
Republic	Grill	Dunkin	iTunes	Michael's	Red Lobster	TGI Fridays
Bath & Body	Chili's Bar &	Donuts	JCPenney	Old Navy	Regal	Tinseltown
Works	Grill	Game Stop	Jo-Ann	Olive	Cinema	Theaters
Bed Bath &	Chipotle	The Gap	Fabrics	Garden	Sam's Club	TJ Maxx
Beyond	Cinemark	GFS	Kohl's	Outback	Sheetz	Walgreen's
Best Buy	Circle K	Giant Eagle	Longhorn	Steakhouse	Speedway	Walmart
			Steakhouse		Starbucks	Wendy's