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St. Francis de Sales Parish



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday,
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Please call the parish office at 330-644-2225
to make arrangements for

**Baptisms | Anointing of the Sick
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Arrangements for weddings are to be made at
least six months prior to the wedding date.

EDUCATION

St. Francis de Sales Parish School
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PSR, Youth Ministry & Faith Formation

Call the parish office at 330-644-2225
to enroll or find out more.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.
Monday-Saturday: 8:15 a.m.
Thursday: 6:30 p.m.

Confessions

Thursday: 5:30-6:15 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00-9:45 a.m.
or call the office to make an appointment.

Adoration

Monday: 7:00-8:00 a.m., 6:00-10:00 p.m.,
Tuesday-Friday: 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
(breaking for Masses)

**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
MAY 31, 2026**

*Masses For
The Week*



SUNDAY, MAY 31, THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

- 7:30 a.m. Helen Holosy (Gary Skinner)
9:00 a.m. Maria Sensius (Kathy Michels)
11:00 a.m. Marcelline Trunck
(Rosanna & George Frankovich)

MONDAY, JUNE 1, ST. JUSTIN MARTYR

- 8:15 a.m. Jim Durkin (Family)

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, SS. MARCELLINUS & PETER

- 8:15 a.m. William Cinadr (Gerry Sharp)
Helen Deibel – Month's Mind

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, ST. KEVIN OF GLEN DALOUGH,
ST. CHARLES LWANGA & COMPANIONS**

- 8:15 a.m. Jack & Bev Brown (Gary Skinner)
6:30 p.m. St. Kevin Mass for those who
have lost a child
Margaret Kimble – Anniversary of Death
Louis DeMarco – Anniversary of Death

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

- 8:15 a.m. Bill Bertsch (Family)
6:30 p.m. Anointing Mass Domenico Berardi
(Jackie Heilman)

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, ST. BONIFACE

- 8:15 a.m. Fred Boggs (Kathy Boggs)

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, ST. NORBERT

- 8:15 a.m. Stephen Keplinger Jr. &
James Cosgarea, Jr.
(Paul & Anne Williams)
5:00 p.m. Pro Populo

**SUNDAY, JUNE 7, THE MOST HOLY BODY &
BLOOD OF CHRIST**

- 7:30 a.m. Judy Rambacher (St. Francis Friends)
9:00 a.m. Ruth & Clair Over
(John & Helen Deibel)
11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of the Shea &
Kish Families (Bill & Pat Shea)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** 2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Tim 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tim 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34
Friday: 2 Tim 3:10-17; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday: 2 Tim 4:1-8; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday: Deut 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor 10:16-17;
Jn 6:51-58



PROJECT UPDATES

As the school year ends, we thank God for our teachers and staff at both the day school and PSR programs. Our prayers are with the homeschoolers as well! We love you all and thank you for all the hard work you put forth this year. Summer is a gifted time for recollection and restoration. But at the same time, it is a chance to accomplish projects that need done around the campus. Here are a few to be aware of in the days to come...

Turf Grass Project. Beginning this first week of June, you will notice work being done on the east section of the playground. We will be moving the dinosaur to the east section and installing a new swing set. New turf grass will be installed north of the Memorare Center to give our children a place to play no matter how muddy and dirty it gets. It will also be used for athletics! This was funded by this year's Night of Giving as well as last year's Color Run.

Art Room Project. If you didn't know, our school has been growing and we have unfortunately had to turn some student applicants away. We are working on how to respond to this long term. In the short term, building an art classroom above the old office will enable us to expand in a little way and help us solve some space issues. This is in the planning phase and will be accomplished over the next school year, once we get diocesan approval in the months ahead.

Shrine to the Holy Cross. Perhaps you have seen the J. Williams landscaping team at work pouring sidewalk and building the retention wall on the north side of the church. This summer, as part of an Eagle Scout project, we hope to have a cross and landscaping installed. This will give us a peaceful place to pray and celebrate Mass outside. Providentially, I am working with Henningers to get the altar from Immaculate Conception moved to the shrine location so that we can continue to celebrate Mass on the altar and remember the community of Immaculate Conception in the years to come.

In all of this, please pray that God blesses this work and brings it to completion!

**Blessings to you this summer,
Fr. Jeremy**

P.S. Don't forget that next weekend is Fr. David's last weekend here. He will preach every Mass and will celebrate his last Mass at 11:00 a.m. on June 7. There will be a reception in the gym afterward.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 31

- Fundraiser for Ukraine Basket Raffle, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (Pavilion)
- Scouts, 4:30-6:00 p.m. (Pavilion)

TUESDAY, JUNE 2

- VIRTUS Training, 6:00 p.m. (Refectory)
- The Wild Goose, 7:00 p.m. (Memorare Center)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

- Moms of Littles, 10:00 a.m. (Playground)
- St. Kevin Mass for those who have lost a child, 6:30 p.m. (Church)
- Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m. (Church)
- AA/Al-Anon, 7:30-9:00 p.m. (Refectory)

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

- Food Pantry Open, 6:00-6:30 p.m.
- Anointing Mass, 6:30 p.m. (Church)
- Stephen Ministry Continuing Education, 6:30 p.m. (St. Gerard Room)
- Sanctuary for Catholics Course, 7:15 p.m. (Memorare Center)

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

- Men's Group, 7:00 a.m. (Holy Family Room)
- First Saturday Devotions & Rosary, 8:45 a.m. (Church)

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

- Send-off for Fr. David, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass (Gym)
- Scouts, 4:30-6:00 p.m. (Pavilion)

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

May 23 & 24

	Offertory
Sunday	15,171.00
Assessment	35.00
Capital	10.00
School	854.00
Special Collections	142.00
TOTAL	\$16,212.00

Thank you for your generosity!

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN FORMATION

Please pray for those in our parish who are in formation:

Joshua Stecz – Seminarian

Joe Hercules – Candidate for Permanent Diaconate

Keith Obermeier – Candidate for Permanent Diaconate

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

“Every call from the Lord is, above all, a call to His joy.”

– Pope Leo XIV

Every week, families or individuals bring the vocation crucifix into their home to pray for vocations. **John & Karen Niles** received the Vocation Crucifix this weekend.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Philip Grey**. May he enter into the eternal joy of the Trinity and may God console his family and friends.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

II Joseph Durkin & Kelly Shaw

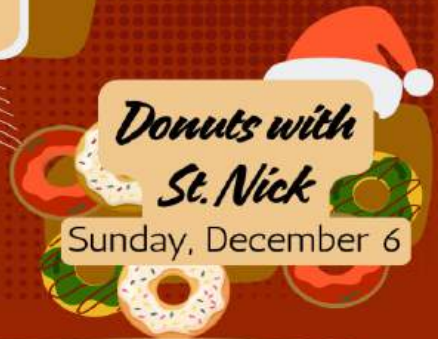
Fall Family Event Volunteers Needed!



**Family
Movie Night**
Saturday, October 24



**Eucharistic Devotions
Praise & Worship XLT**
Saturday, November 14



**Donuts with
St. Nick**
Sunday, December 6

Help us make new traditions this fall! Our parish council has brainstormed monthly family - focused events to build up our community.

We are looking for families to take the lead in making them happen. Volunteers will handle tasks such as planning refreshments, advertising, and set up and tear down for the event. If your family is willing to take on one fall event, please contact Elena Dunn at edunn@stfparish.com to sign up. If you'd like to work together with another family to organize an event, let us know!

SENDOFF FOR FR. DAVID & WELCOME FOR FR. CAMERON

On Sunday, June 7 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass all are welcome to a farewell celebration for Fr. David in the gym. Come say thank you for his great care and service to St. Francis de Sales and wish him well in his new assignment at St. Francis Xavier in Medina. The following Sunday, come back for Donut Sunday on June 14 to meet Fr. Cameron!

ADORERS NEEDED

Adorers are needed for the following times.

Half-hour slots are available:

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Thursdays, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Friday, 4:00-5:00 p.m. & 8:00-9:00 p.m.

Please call Joanne at 330-338-4810, if you are able to help with these times.

St. Kevin's Day Mass
Wednesday, June 3, 6:30 pm
St. Francois de Sales Parish



This annual Mass is offered for those who have lost a child. All are welcome to come pray in solidarity.

THE WILD GOOSE

Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. June 2 through August 25, join Fr. Jeremy in the Memorare Center for weekly sessions to watch *The Wild Goose* video series by Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, President of Franciscan University and discover the work of the Holy Spirit in your life. Each video will be followed by group discussion and prayer. Please RSVP with the QR code or by calling the Parish Office, 330-644-2225.



PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Have you grown weary with an illness or burden and just resigned yourself to it? Perhaps the Lord wants to lift that burden, increase your strength, or even heal you completely! Come on the 4th Sunday following the 11:00 a.m. Mass and the St. Francis de Sales Healing Ministry will pray with you.

HEARING LOOP

St. Francis de Sales Church is equipped with an active Hearing Loop System. This system can enhance your worship experience if you have a hearing aid with an activated tele-coil (T-coil). Please be sure that your hearing aid with an activated tele-coil is on the correct setting. If you are unsure if your hearing aid has a tele-coil, contact your audiologist to inquire. Each section of pews in the main church area has been wired for the hearing loop. The following are tips to maximize the hearing loop experience with an active tele-coil in your hearing aid:



1. Sit toward the front of the pew sections. This ensures proximity to the Hearing Loop wires; therefore, the signal is stronger.
2. Sit toward the end of the pew closer to the aisle. This additionally ensures you are closer to the Hearing Loop wires since the Hearing Loop wires are where the carpet and tile meet.

If you have any questions, please contact Colleen McVicker, Director of Music, at the Parish Office, 330-644-2225, ext. 212.



The photo above is the woman's special needs orphanage in Berezhany, Ukraine that Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church in Akron, has been supporting for the last 15 years. Fr. Wolodymyr runs the orphanage named The Light of Christ and it relies totally on donations to function and survive! The photo shows Fr. Wolodymyr with some of the residents during this past winter. The ongoing war has suffocated the economy and makes daily living exceedingly difficult. Fr. Wolodymyr said that without the support from Holy Ghost, he does not know if they could have made it through these years.

This year, Holy Ghost is doing a basket raffle for the first time! There are over 16 outstanding premium baskets, plus two Club Seat tickets to a Guardians game including unlimited food and soft drinks and free stadium parking!

Raffles will be held at Holy Ghost Church and St. Francis de Sales!

The dates and times are:

St. Francis de Sales Pavilion
 Saturday, May 30 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 Sunday, May 31 from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Your support is greatly needed and appreciated! Individual donations are also welcome! Please help in any small way possible. Mother Teresa said, "If you cannot feed a hundred people, then just feed one."

Any questions? Please call Chris Ross at 330-620-8108. Chris has visited the orphanage twice and can testify to the important good works taking place there! Thank you for marking your calendar!

YOUNG AT HEART

The next Young at Heart meeting will be on June 1 at 1:00 p.m. in the Queen of Heaven PLC. Come and see and hear about the work of a local artist. It promises to be a fun show!! Guests, non-members and those not quite 55 are welcome.



HELP FEED THE HUNGRY

Join our St. Vincent de Paul Society and volunteers from Mother of Sorrows Parish and Visitation of Mary Church to help distribute food at the Ozanam Center to distribute food at the Ozanam Center at Visitation of Mary Catholic Church, 93 Kent Street, Akron, OH 44305 on Saturday, June 6. Volunteers will meet at the center at 9:00 a.m.

THE ITE PROJECT ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE

The ITE Project, a Catholic Young Adult Mission, is hosting its annual clothing drive at St. Francis de Sales Parish on Saturday, June 13. This is a great time to evaluate your closets and bring your unneeded items to the pavilion from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 13! Volunteers will help unload your car, sort the donations, and then redistribute them to other charities which give away items to the needy. This event is rain or shine!

Young adults are invited to volunteer that day between 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come when you can and leave when you must. A lunch is provided for those volunteering. Find more details and RSVP at <https://www.theiteproject.com/events/clothingdrive26>.



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How can a church become a sanctuary—a place where individuals living with mental health challenges feel safe, supported, and a sense of belonging?

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"These signs are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name." John 20:31



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On this monthly calendar, each day is designated for one of the seminarians of our diocese as well as our Pope, Bishops, Clergy, and other related intentions. Please use this insert and keep it in a place where you can see it each day and thoughtfully say a prayer of support for the name listed on that day.




June 2026



Seminarian Calendar prepared by Parents of Priests – Diocese of Cleveland
 Calendar at: seminarians.parentsofpriests.com
 Priests and Seminarians calendar online at: priests.StPatrick.cc



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	<i>1</i> Noah Polman Borromeo	<i>2</i> Luke Liptak Borromeo (Youngstown)	<i>3</i> Adam Osbourne Borromeo (Capuchin)	<i>4</i> Dylan Perman Borromeo	<i>5</i> Andrew Bendahan Borromeo	<i>6</i> Steven Vasko Borromeo (Youngstown)
<i>7</i> <i>Pray for Bishop Gries, OSB</i>	<i>8</i> Stephen Vavro Borromeo	<i>9</i> Brent Feorene Borromeo	<i>10</i> Joseph Hoang Borromeo (Capuchin)	<i>11</i> Jacob Huzyak Borromeo (Youngstown)	<i>12</i> Daniel Jordan Borromeo	<i>13</i> Vincent Labosky Borromeo
<i>14</i> <i>Pray for the Rector, Fr. Turner</i>	<i>15</i> Thomas Byrne Theology II	<i>16</i> Jake Cermak Theology II	<i>17</i> Gregory Hovan Theology II	<i>18</i> Daniel Liberatore Theology II	<i>19</i> William Martzaklis Theology II (Youngstown)	<i>20</i> Nathan Menkhaus Theology II
<i>21</i> <i>Pray for the Vocations Director, Fr. Garris</i>	<i>22</i> John Scantling Theology II	<i>23</i> Connor Trout Theology II	<i>24</i> Christopher Villarreal Theology II	<i>25</i> Donald Bailey Theology III (Youngstown)	<i>26</i> Benjamin Baratian Theology III	<i>27</i> Johannes Benninghoff Theology III
<i>28</i> <i>Pray for all Pastors</i>	<i>29</i> Jonathan Green Theology III	<i>30</i> Simon Park Theology III	<i>“Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to Adoration.” St. Teresa of Calcutta</i>			

A MESSAGE FROM STEPHEN MINISTRY

The flowers are blooming, the grass is so green, yet sometimes we are so preoccupied with our daily worries and struggles we fail to see the miracles around us. Sometimes all we need is someone to talk with. A Stephen Minister can be that non-judgemental person who is actively present and listening. Allow yourself the time to process what is happening in your life with a Stephen Minister. Contact Ann Clark (aclark2@stfparish.com) or put your contact information in our prayer box located in the back of the church to find out more about Stephen Ministry. Stephen Ministers continue to lift up all prayer intentions from the prayer box at each Stephen Ministry meeting.



Donate Blood

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

South Akron Knights of Columbus and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming blood drive on Wednesday, June 17 from 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at the South Akron Knights of Columbus Hall, 2055 Glenmount Ave, Akron, OH, 44319. Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today! Visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive>.

HEALING MASS

Catholic Renewal Ministries' Traveling Charismatic Healing Mass for June will be held at St. Hilary Parish on Friday, June 19, 7:00 p.m. Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. Praise and worship will begin at 7:00, and the liturgy will start at 7:30. Healing prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual prayer. The Church is located at 2750 West Market St. in Fairlawn 44333. For more information, please contact CRM at 440-944-9445. All are Welcome. Come, Sing and Praise God with Joy!

RETREATS AT LOYOLA RETREAT HOUSE

Loyola Retreat House in Green is pleased to welcome Father Joe Blas Nolasco, who will host two retreats in July. Father Joe is a Catholic priest, hospital chaplain, author, and experienced retreat facilitator with over 15 years of pastoral ministry. His work is rooted in accompanying individuals and communities through moments of suffering, healing, discernment, and spiritual renewal. Drawing from chaplaincy, storytelling, and Benedictine spirituality, Fr. Joe offers retreats that are pastorally grounded, relatable, and deeply human, creating spaces where participants can encounter God in the reality of their lives. He will offer two retreats: *From Wounds to Wisdom: Healing the Stories We Carry*, and *Still Called, Still Chosen: The Gift of Life's Later Years*. For more information and to register for one or both retreats, visit our website, loyolaretreathouse.com.

SHRINES OF SPAIN PILGRIMAGE

Dc. Robin Adair will lead a pilgrimage to holy sites in Spain, June 14-22, 2027 with Fr. Jeffrey Lindholm as spiritual director. Pilgrimage sites include Barcelona, Madrid, Montserrat, and Santiago de Compostela. The trip costs \$6,696.00 per person (double occupancy) which includes airfare from Cleveland (CLE), first-class hotel accommodations, and two meals daily. There is an optional post tour to Rome June 22-25. For more details, visit www.206tours.com/deaconadair and use booking code RA061427.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

The Enthronement of the Sacred Heart Diocesan Center will have the annual Mass of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 7:00 p.m. June 12 at St. Therese Church, 5276 E. 105th Street, Garfield Heights. The Rosary will be prayed before Mass at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to attend this special Mass on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to make public reparation to the Sacred Heart and ask Jesus' help for all our families, our Church, and our world. Call Donna 440-232-7725 or Marlene 216-447-9375 for more information. All are welcome!

GIRL'S BASKETBALL CAMP

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Girl's Basketball, reigning OHSAA Division III State Runner-Up, is offering a girls-only summer camp, June 15-17 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. for girls entering grades 2-8. Skills, drills, camp shirts, female empowerment, mentorship, and much more! Visit <http://www.stvm.com/camps> for more information and to register.



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