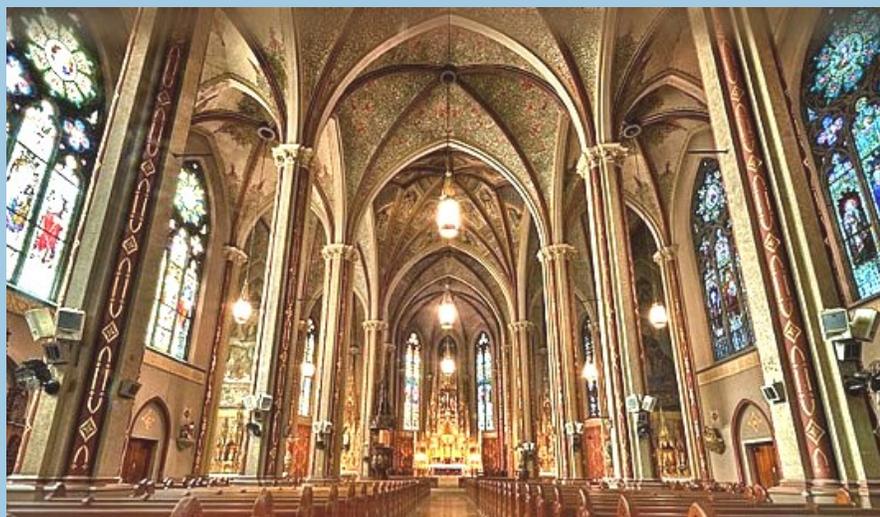


APRIL 12, 2020

Easter Sunday

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY



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“Love does just this; it makes the lover ready to suffer for the beloved.”

St. Francis de Sales

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday

Mass 8:00am & 10:00am

Monday - Saturday

Mass 8:00am

Tuesday

Mass 6:30pm

Wednesday

Mass 12:15pm

First Fridays

Mass 6:30pm

Holy Days of Obligation

Please consult the bulletin

SACRED DEVOTIONS:

Mother of Perpetual Help

Tuesday 8:00am & 6:30pm

Adoration

Thursday 6:30pm

CONFESSIONS:

30 minutes before all Masses



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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASS INTENTIONS

Until further notice, all public Masses will be offered privately on the scheduled day and listed in the bulletin but the times will vary.

PRIVATE MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, April 12

Easter Sunday, 1st Class

Private Mass - The Barga Family

Private Mass - Ed & Mary Schmidt and Family

Monday, April 13

Easter Monday, 1st Class

Private Mass - In Thanksgiving of St. Anthony

Tuesday, April 14

Easter Tuesday 1st Class

Private Mass - Jack & Ginette Cancila †

Private Mass - Restoration &
Benefactors of St. Francis de Sales Oratory

Wednesday, April 15

Easter Wednesday, 1st Class

Private Mass - Kristina Schmidt

Private Mass - Beverly McMeel

Thursday, April 16

Easter Thursday, 1st Class

Private Mass - Kristin Kalinowski

Friday, April 17

Easter Friday, 1st Class

Private Mass - Peter Frollo

Saturday, April 18

Saturday in Albis, 1st Class

Private Mass - Mary Anne Ngundue

Sunday, April 19

Low Sunday, 1st Class

Private Mass - Catherine Imgrund

Private Mass - Claudine & Henry Flickter †



AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love Thee above all things, and I desire Thee in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though Thou wert already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit not that I should ever be separated from Thee.

O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine!
(3 times)

PRAYER IN TIME OF PESTILENCE

(from the Collect of the Mass in Time of Pestilence):
God, who desirest not the death of sinners but their repentance, look mercifully upon thy people now that they turn to thee again; and take away from us, who give ourselves up to thy service, the scourge of thy displeasure: Through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

**ALL PUBLIC MASSES, ADORATION AND
DEVOTIONS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.**



NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

My Dear Friends and Faithful,

No amount of COVID-19 and quarantines can change the fact that Jesus Christ has conquered death! Though we may be still confined close to home, we still have reason to rejoice this Easter.

“O death! where is now thy kingdom? Sin had made us thy slaves; thy victory was complete; and now, lo! thou thyself art defeated! Jesus, whom thou didst exultingly hold under thy law, has set himself free; and we, after thou hast domineered over us for a time, we too shall be free from thy grasp.” (Gueranger, Dom Prosper. The Liturgical Year)

Though a certain cloud of uncertainty still hangs in the air regarding the pandemic, we must not let it control us, giving into a certain paranoia, sadness or fear. The preceding quotation from Dom Gueranger reminds us that death does not have the last word. This is what the Resurrection reminds us of.

None of those reading these Easter greetings presently has passed away during the night. You are here another day to continue glorifying God and working on your perfection. However, none of those same people is guaranteed to wake tomorrow. Should this frighten and sadden us? The point is we must always be prepared to meet our Maker, whether his call comes in the form of advanced age, illness or accident. We just need to make sure that we always keep our soul pure and in a state of Grace. The rest will be up to Divine Providence. Excessive fear and anxiety betray a lack of confidence in the promises of Christ.

What is true is that our death is not eternal fear or sorrow, eternal nothingness or separation from God. The Easter Victory of Christ shows us that death is not the end. Even more, not only is death not the end... that which is in store for the members of Christ's mystical body the Church exceeds even our best expectations.

From the Gospels relating the Resurrection, we do not read of Christ showing forth as some shadowy figure, ghost-like, drab or ordinary. The accounts state that he thundered forth from the grave. His body shown and his wounds sparkled like precious stones! This is what a resurrected body looks like. Do not forget as well, that Our Lord could also pass through walls with this same body and appear hear or there at a moment's notice. The expression on his face was one of serene confidence and peace. The miraculous image of our Lord's risen face at Manoppello testifies to this. This is a taste of what we have waiting for us should we persevere!

Knowing this truth, why do we hold on to this world? Our bodies are growing old with every second that passes. Even the infant marches day by days towards the grave. Jesus broke the chains of sin and death. Let us cast off those chains holding us to this passing world. In this way, we will not fear the death we know is coming today or tomorrow sooner or later. Christ has conquered!

Though I cannot be with you all in person to celebrate, I am with you in spirit and prayer. May Christ's Resurrection serve as a foundation of confidence for you all.

As long as is necessary, we will continue to live stream Masses and devotions. Pray fervently that Our Lord lifts the current scourge so that we may be able to worship together soon and benefit from the indispensable, precious Sacraments of His Holy Church. As helpful as technology is, it cannot replace our real, physical union to these channels of grace. We look forward to the freedom that is the right of the children of God once more. Pray and Persevere!

Sincerely yours,

Canon Benjamin Coggeshall
Rector



DR. KWASNIEWSKI'S TALK TO BE RESCHEDULED

The lecture from Dr. Kwasniewski scheduled for April 18, 2020 has been cancelled because of the ongoing pandemic. Though Dr. Kwasniewski is unable to come, he looks forward to arranging another date in the future. The Oratory staff will let you know as soon as we have a new date.

DE SALES HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The **DeSales Heritage Foundation** is in existence since January 2018. This entity is a public charity, tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). All donations made to the Foundation are therefore tax deductible according to IRC Section 170. The governing instrument of this Foundation provides that its purpose is to promote and support the restoration, preservation and improvement of our church building, an historically and architecturally significant structure listed on the National Register of Historic Places. This narrow objective is meant to encourage companies, associations and other entities that may not wish to support religion, as such, to contribute to the important cause of the restoration of our magnificent church.

Many corporations match donations made by employees to a recognized non-profit, such as DeSales Heritage Foundation. Please inquire about your company's employee gift matching program and guidelines.

If you need to provide details to qualify DeSales Heritage Foundation for your company's program, please contact Mr. Charles A. Redd at (314) 259-4534 or charles.redd@stinson.com.

PIPE ORGAN CAMPAIGN 2019/20

Campaign Goal:	\$400,000.00
Pledged Amount:	\$60,547.00
Pledge Received:	\$35,534.69
Non Pledge Donations:	\$122,601.02
277 Households - 241 Households Participating	

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PLANNED GIVING

Please remember St. Francis de Sales Oratory in your Will or Living Trust. An appropriate Will or Trust provision would be:

"I give _____ to The Friends of St. Francis de Sales Oratory, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, for the Oratory's unrestricted use."

INSURANCE ASSESSMENT

The Oratory's biggest annual financial obligation continues to be that of our property and liability insurance assessed by the Archdiocese of Saint Louis.

Our **2019-2020** insurance assessment is **\$96,467.00**. We are relying on your continuous prayers and generous donations which you exercise by using the "insurance envelope" and by your restricted gifts.

Please help us off set this cost by donating today. Thank you very much!

STEWARDSHIP

JULY 2019 - JUNE 2020

WEEKLY COLLECTION GOAL: \$8,000.00

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: APRIL 5

ENVELOPES MAILED: 220

ENVELOPES TURNED IN: 71

LOOSE:	\$0,000.00
ENVELOPES:	\$9,356.00
TOTAL:	\$9,356.00

YTD STEWARDSHIP GOAL:	\$320,000.00
YTD STEWARDSHIP:	\$339,219.26
YTD SURPLUS/DEFICIT:	\$19,219.26

Insurance Assessment 2018-2019
\$96,467.00

\$39,361.50 YTD

CATECHISM CLASS CANCELED

Catechism classes have been canceled until further notice.



WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME CHURCHES IN THE U.S. WERE CLOSED?

John Burger | Mar 19, 2020

It's difficult to find a precedent for the current suspension of public Masses, but St. Louis experienced this in 1918.

Catholic dioceses declaring a suspension of public Masses during the current health emergency seems to have little or no precedent in U.S. history.

By Thursday morning, pretty much every American Latin Catholic diocese and archdiocese, as well as Eastern Catholic eparchies, had instructed pastors that while they may and should continue to celebrate Mass privately, no congregants may be present. Churches may be open at times for the faithful to pray individually, but no gatherings should be allowed. Other Christian churches, synagogues, mosques and temples are also suspending services, as part of an effort to stem the spread of COVID-19 before the pandemic can overwhelm healthcare institutions. “I don’t think there is a precedent,” said John T. McGreevy, the Francis A. McAnaney Professor of History at the University of Notre Dame. “I can imagine it happened in 1918 but know of no other precedents.”

1918 was the year another pandemic took hold of America — and the world. The so-called “Spanish Flu” claimed some 50 million lives worldwide — 675,000 in the United States. It was during that pandemic that at least one diocese responded to public officials’ request to shutter churches, to help prevent spread of the flu. Elisabeth A. Eisele of KMOV in St. Louis prepared a report on the extraordinary measures taken by Max C. Starkloff, the St. Louis City Health Commissioner in 1918. It was in an Army barracks that St. Louis had its first influenza cases in early October of that year, and soon, city dwellers started getting sick. Starkloff “took aggressive action and began to shut down the city,” Eisele wrote. The health commissioner closed schools, theaters and places of amusement. He banned public gatherings of more than 20 people. Starkloff went on to close the court, playgrounds, library reading rooms, pool halls, and fraternal lodges. He limited the use of public transportation, and department stores operated under restricted hours.

Sound familiar?

“The following day, [Starkloff] closed churches for the first time in the city’s history,” Eisele wrote. “That earned him the ire of Archbishop John Glennon, who protested that decision, but he eventually temporarily suspended the weekly Mass obligation for Catholics.” Missouri Medicine, journal of the Missouri State Medical Association, in a retrospective on the centennial of the 1918 influenza pandemic, wrote that churches eventually were allowed to reopen, with strict attendance limits.

“Fr. Frederick Holweck, pastor at St. Francis de Sales Church, was turned in to the St. Louis police after 200 parishioners were seen in his church, a violation of the city’s anti-crowding ordinance,” the journal wrote. “Fr. Holweck explained that many worshipers had sneaked in through the church’s side windows out of his view. Charges were not pressed.”

Missouri Medicine added that despite the severe restrictions placed on houses of worship, saloons were allowed to remain open throughout the epidemic (in both St. Louis and Kansas City), three months before the Volstead Act established prohibition. The restrictions might have been annoying, but they resulted in St. Louis experiencing one of the lowest influenza rates of cities comparable to its size, Eisele wrote. “Of the 31,500 who got sick in St. Louis only 1,703 died.” Compare that to Philadelphia, where 2,600 deaths alone were thought to be traced to a big public parade held the week before.



ORATORY ORGANIZATIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Prayer Time @ Planned Parenthood

4251 Forest Park Ave 63108

* 6:30am Rosary every Saturday

* 10am 5th Saturday Jericho Walk

* 3rd Saturday after 8am Mass @ Cathedral
4431 Lindell 63108, Rosary/Walk to PP

Need more details? Contact Dave Benjamin at:
benjaminfamily6@gmail.com or (314) 706-2525

COFFEE & DONUT HOUR

We will not be having the Coffee and Donut Hour until further notice.

ROSARY LEADER NEEDED

We are in need of one of our men from the Oratory to help lead the Rosary before the 10:00am Mass on those months which have a 5th Sunday. If you can help please contact the rectory office.



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The Benevolent Society is a Catholic Men's organization that was founded in the early years of St. Francis de Sales church for the financial help of its members in time of need.

For more information on this charitable and friendly group, please contact Mr. Wally Feld at wfeld@charter.net

ORATORY CLEANING

The cleaning of the church has been suspended until further notice.

MAY 1-3: CHANT WORKSHOP CANCELED

MAY 3: MAY CROWNING

MAY 10: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

AUGUST 6: INSTITUTE PRIESTLY ORDINATIONS



WEDDING BANNS

Mr. and Mrs. Steven & Laura Howard of Chesterfield, MO announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Olivia Therese Fugate, to Mr. Patrick Caley Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick & Haidi Fox of Manchester, MO on May 16, 2020 at St. Francis de Sales Oratory. If anyone knows of an existing impediment which would prevent this marriage, he is bound to let the Rector know as soon as possible.

This is the third publication of the Banns.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

First Holy Communion for children of the Oratory will take place during the 10:00am Mass on Mother's Day, May 10, 2020. To register or for more information please contact the rectory office at: (314) 771-3100 by April 15th.

STAINED GLASS WINDOW TOUR

The stained glass window tour that normally is on the second Sunday of every month has been canceled for April. Please check the bulletin for the next tour date.

CHANT WORKSHOP

— CANCELED —

Because of the extended timeline concerning the social distancing measures associated with the COVID-19 we regret to announce that the Gregorian Chant Workshop that had been scheduled for the first weekend of May 2020 has been cancelled. In addition, the current international travel limitations make it impossible for Canon Leboq to come from Ireland. Canon Leboq wishes to express his regret for not being able to come. He looks forward to this yearly workshop and will miss working with you all. Chant participants who have already signed up will receive full reimbursement. Please contact our office secretary, Mrs. Mary Hayworth at (314) 771-3100 if you have any questions.

Though this is disappointing, we look forward to the possibility of hosting this event in the future when the situation is more favorable. Saint Cecilia, pray for us!

SCHEDULE FOR EASTER OCTAVE:

— Live Stream —

Monday, April 13

8am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Tuesday, April 14

5:30pm Rosary

6:30pm Mass

Wednesday, April 15

8am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Thursday, April 16

8am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Friday, April 17

8am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Saturday, April 18

8am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Sunday, April 19

8am Mass

10am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

CONFESSION SCHEDULE FOR EASTER OCTAVE:

Monday, April 13

7:30-8:15am

Tuesday, April 14

7:30-8:15am

6:00pm-6:45pm

Wednesday, April 15

7:30am-8:15am

11:45am-12:30pm

Thursday, April 16

7:30am-8:15am

6:30pm-7:15pm

Friday, April 17

7:30am-8:15am

Saturday, April 18

7:30-8:15am

Sunday, April 19

7:15am-8:30am

9:30am-10:45am

TO ALL OUR GUESTS...

Canon Coggeshall and the faithful of St. Francis de Sales Oratory welcome you, and hope that your time in the “Cathedral of South St. Louis” may be an opportunity to share in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Faith.

Please enjoy the beauty of this building dedicated to St. Francis de Sales, co-patron of the
INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST.

According to liturgical tradition, and the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, Holy Communion is received kneeling and on the tongue. All visitors who are not of the Catholic faith are welcome to join us in prayer, but are requested not to receive Holy Communion. Because the reception of Holy Communion is the sign of Divine and Ecclesial unity, only practicing Catholics who are free of mortal sin, and in full communion with the Catholic Church should present themselves for Holy Communion.

We pray for the full visible unity among all Christians.

To receive more information about the Oratory or if you desire to become a member of the Catholic Church, contact the rectory. St. Francis de Sales Oratory is an Oratory of the INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

All contributions to the Oratory are sincerely appreciated and are tax deductible.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY INFORMATION:

INFANT BAPTISM:

Parents requesting Baptism must be active registered members of the Oratory.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION:

For instructions please contact the Rectory.

HOLY MATRIMONY:

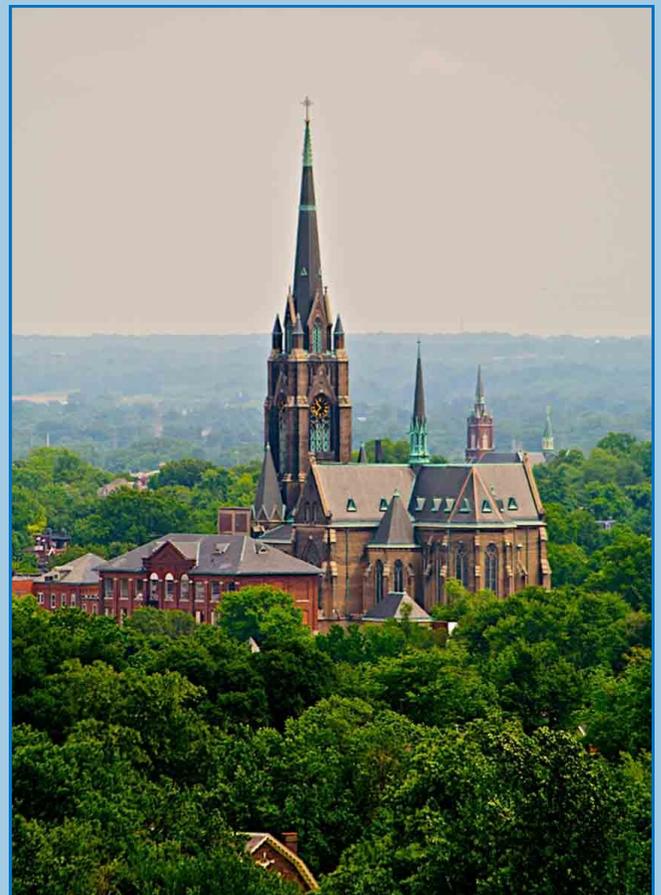
Couples planning to marry at the Oratory must call the rectory for the proper instructions.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Members facing surgery, serious illness, or even death may call (314) 771-3100.

TOURS:

Stained Glass Window Tours are on the second Sunday of every month after the 10:00am High Mass.



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