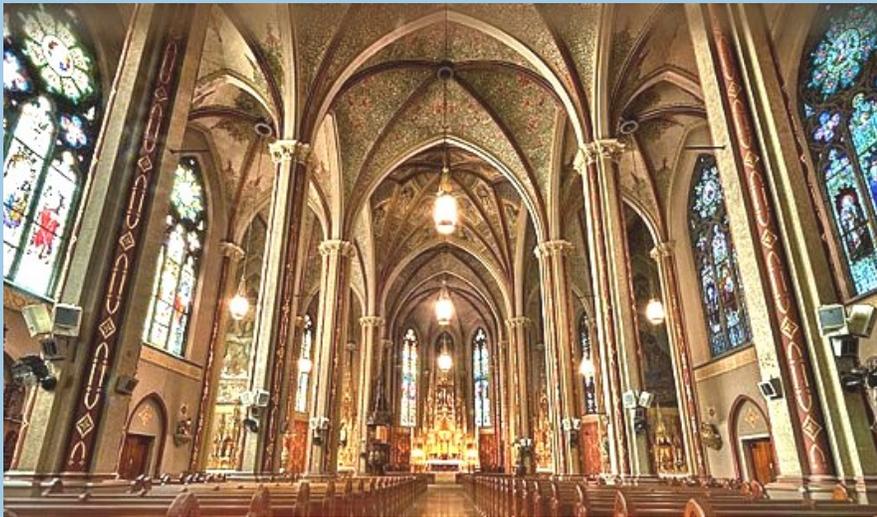


MAY 10, 2020
4th Sunday after Easter

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY



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Director of Sacred Music

“Whenever you feel temptation or despair, turn to the Mother of Mercy for help.”

- 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

All public Masses this week will be offered privately on the scheduled day and listed in the bulletin but the times will vary.

PRIVATE MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, May 10

4th Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class

Private Mass - Isabelle Grace Burns
Private Mass - Catherine Suetterlin and Keota Crane

Monday, May 11

Sts. Philip & James, 2nd Class

Private Mass - Kristina Schmidt

Tuesday, May 12

Sts. Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla & Pancras, 3rd Class

Private Mass - Holy Souls in Purgatory
Private Mass - Restoration & Benefactors of St. Francis de Sales Oratory

Wednesday, May 13

St. Robert Bellarmine, 3rd Class

Private Mass - Abbé Christian Juneau
Private Mass - Canon Aaron Huberfeld

Thursday, May 14

Commemoration of St. Boniface, 4th Class

Private Mass - Canon Michael Wiener

Friday, May 15

St. John Baptist de LaSalle, 3rd Class

Private Mass - John Andrew Mooney

Saturday, May 16

St. Ubaldo, 3rd Class

Private Mass - Kristin Kalinowski

Sunday, May 17

5th Sunday after Easter, 2nd Class

Private Mass - Catherine Imgrund
Private Mass - Patricia Cornell

MESSAGE FROM HIS GRACE, ARCHBISHOP CARLSON

*Below is a portion of the Archbishop's letter to the faithful.
To view full letter please visit: www.archstl.org*

“The Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson, Archbishop of St. Louis, has announced that parishes in the Archdiocese of St. Louis are permitted to begin resuming public Masses on Monday, May 18th...

The detailed policy will be provided to parishes early next week, and will include directives and guidelines that must be followed carefully by each parish in order to resume public Masses...”

Deo Gratias!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!



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)



NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends and Faithful,

The reopening process has started in earnest in many parts of the country. The most recent indications from the Archdiocese of St. Louis permit that though the obligation of attending Sunday Mass will remain suspended, we may resume public Masses on Monday, May 18th. After such a long hiatus we look forward to public worship of the one true God, Jesus Christ. Deo Gratias!

We will inform you in the coming weeks of the details associated with the Masses and our exercising due diligence concerning mitigating the effects of the pandemic. Thank you for your continued patience during this extraordinary situation.

That being said, fear and apprehension still color the reactions of so many people as we move forward. Some desire and insist everyone to stay put until the disease passes, such that not one person shall be cut down by the scythe of this terrible menace. Not one live shall be lost, some dramatically claim. Given that millions upon millions of people have been infected in the United States alone, such a course of action will not likely bring about an end to the malady's progression and would seem to give people a baseless hope that it will all just somehow disappear if we wait long enough. We must live in reality and we must act as true believers in the Resurrection.

While recently reading *The Masque of the Red Death*, a short story composed by Edgar Allan Poe, it struck me how his story, though fictional, illustrates the natural truth concerning death...and in a way very fitting for our current situation. The author describes a fictional land under the scourge of a pandemic called the Red Death. Prince Prospero, the sovereign of that land decides to retire into a fortified palace with over 1,000 of his illustrious lords, knights and ladies, none of whom are ill. They weld the gates shut and stay safely protected from the epidemic for several months, all the time reveling in games and parties.

After 5 or 6 months a masque ball is held, the most sumptuous of the entertainments during the stay. The costumed guests carry on gaily for hours into the night as though death neither could nor would ever touch them. Mysteriously though, there is a great clock in one of the grand entertaining parlors, itself decked in black velvet which is cause for reflection. Each time the clock strikes the hour, the music stops, as the musicians and the guests are uneasy about its resounding toll. It is as though it reminds them of something they would rather deny and forget. These thoughts are soon suppressed and the party goes on. At midnight, a great figure dressed in a costume allegorizing the Red Death grasps the attention of everyone. They are all aghast, offended and panicky. Who had dared remind them of the Red Death raging outside those walls, spoiling their revelry?

Indignant, Prince Prospero orders the macabrely dressed guest unmasked so they will know who to hang from the walls at dawn for this insolence. No one is able to come near the imposing figure though. Finally, in a fury, the prince precipitates upon the guest with a dagger to kill him. To the horror of all present, the figure turns to face the man rushing forward. The prince immediately drops the dagger and dies. The guests seize upon the cloaked figure, but only clothes and a mask remain. Flesh and bones are nowhere to be found. The Red Death had entered into the protected walls of the palace and the guests were all now subject to him.

As careful as we may be, like Prince Prospero and his guests we cannot escape death. Therefore, it does not make sense that we stop living human lives, sealing ourselves off from the world, or creating diversions like the splendid palace and parties in Poe's story in order to ignore reality. Whether by disease, by accident, by the infirmities of old age, death shall find us today or tomorrow and we must accept that with dignity and grace.

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HOLY SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

November 7, 2020 at 10:30am

Confirmations at St. Francis de Sales Oratory according to the traditional ceremonies of the Church will take place on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 10:30am.

Please contact the rectory office if you or your child(ren) would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. More information to follow.

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:	\$37,847.21
Non Pledge Donations:	\$125,774.98

277 Households - 245 Households Participating

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

COLLECTION FOR : MAY 3

ENVELOPES MAILED: 222

ENVELOPES TURNED IN: 75

LOOSE:	\$0,000.00
ENVELOPES:	\$8,763.43
TOTAL:	\$8,763.43

YTD STEWARDSHIP GOAL:	\$368,000.00
YTD STEWARDSHIP:	\$391,611.22
YTD SURPLUS/DEFICIT:	\$23,611.22

Insurance Assessment 2018-2019
\$96,467.00

\$40,211.50 YTD

ROSARY LEADER

We now have the 5th Sunday Rosary leader for when we have Masses publicly again. Thank you very much for volunteering to assist the Oratory with this beautiful devotion.



(continued...)

The usefulness of Poe's story ends here, for no hope is given concerning life beyond that natural world. However, St. Paul's words in his letter to the Thessalonians do give us that hope that no natural reflection can replace. He gives us supernatural hope: "Brethren, we will not have you ignorant concerning them that are asleep, that you be not sorrowful, even as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them who have slept though Jesus will God bring with Him."

The revelers described by Poe did not have this belief in Christ, much less the hope of Resurrection. Behold the reason for their futile reclusion behind the castle walls and their even greater dismay upon learning that death eventually found them there. Let us not act as though we have weak belief in Our Savior.

We must have faith and courage, trying to go about our lives to the best of our ability. Christ has conquered! Be brave!

Canon Benjamin Coggeshall

MEMORARE

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

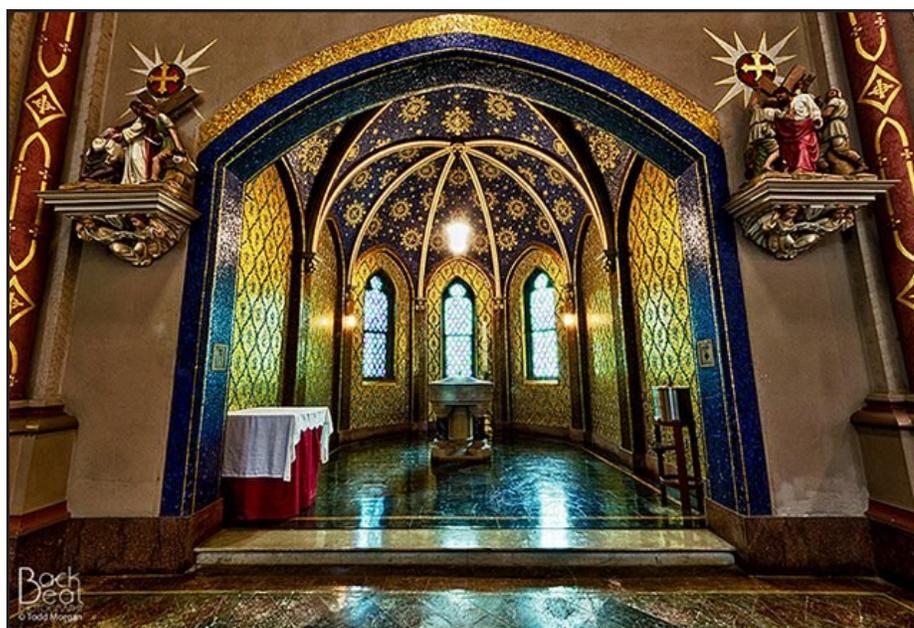
IN TIME OF PESTILENCE

(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.

DID YOU KNOW...

Above the doorway of the baptistery, the golden mosaic trim has embedded in it the phrase "Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us." The mosaic baptistery replaced a shrine to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Acclaimed historian Fr. John Rothensteiner referred to the chapel of "Our Lady of Perpetual Succor" in his work covering St. Louis Catholic history up to 1928. The shrine was therefore sometime thereafter moved to the front of the church in the right semi-apse.





ORATORY ORGANIZATIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CONFERENCE OF SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL **Spirituality, Friendship, Service**

SVdP at St. Francis de Sales is very happy to be able to serve our Neighbors in Need within SFDS's geographic boundaries. We would love to have your help! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturday mornings at 9am in the building that houses the Oratory gym. We begin with a short meeting and then pair up to visit those neighbors who have called us for help during the week. For more information, please contact Jim Shaver at: (314) 629-9650 or jim.shaver@charter.net.

PRO-LIFE APOSTOLATE **STAND-UP FOR LIFE**

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.

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

GREETINGS AND GOOD WISHES
OF THE
St. Francis de Sales Benevolent Society
ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CHURCH
Gravois Ave. and Ohio Ave.



ORGANIZED APRIL 19, 1874
By 55 Members

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

My Daily Offering

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day in union with the holy sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart: the salvation of souls, reparation for sin, the reunion of all Christians. I offer them for the intentions of our bishops and of all the apostles of prayer, and in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father this month.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

First Holy Communions at St. Francis de Sales Oratory will be rescheduled without delay when public Masses are possible once again. Please contact the rectory office to schedule an appointment for your first communicant to meet with Canon Coggeshall as soon as possible.

ORATORY SUPPORT

A NOTE FROM THE RECTOR

In addition to the much needed prayers, your generous support gifted to the Oratory during this difficult time has been a moving testimony to your love for the Oratory, our priests, our oblates and the Traditional Latin Liturgy. Thank you so much for helping us meet our goals which help run and preserve our apostolate here in St. Louis.

As far as supporting the Oratory is concerned, some may remark that we are already well above our weekly support goal and have been so for a considerable period of time. Though this is indeed a reason for satisfaction, it is necessary to recognize that we still have our yearly property insurance obligation to meet as is evidenced by the numbers in our weekly bulletin. This amount is not currently figured into our weekly collection goal and we encourage those who are able to help us cover this important expense.

In an effort to optimally manage the Oratory resources, starting this July, the beginning of the new fiscal year, we will be including our property insurance obligation in our weekly collection goal. While this will increase the weekly goal as seen in the bulletin every week, it will not mean an increase in expenditures at the Oratory. It will simply more accurately render the financial state of the Oratory. We will benefit by having a clearer picture of support necessary to maintain the Oratory and our activities herein.

STAINED GLASS WINDOW TOUR

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

SCHEDULE FOR MAY 11-17:

— Live Stream —

Monday, May 11

8:00am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Tuesday, May 12

5:30pm Rosary

6:30pm Mass

Wednesday, May 13

8:00am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Thursday, May 14

8:00am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Friday, May 15

8:00am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Saturday, May 16

8:00am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

Sunday, May 17

8:00am Mass

10:00am Mass

5:30pm Rosary

— Confession Schedule —

Monday, May 11

7:30-8:15am

Tuesday, May 12

7:30-8:15am

6:00-6:45pm

Wednesday, May 13

7:30-8:15am

11:45am-12:30pm

Thursday, May 14

7:30-8:15am

6:30-7:15pm

Friday, May 15

7:30-8:15am

Saturday, May 16

7:30-8:15am

Sunday, May 17

7:15-8:30am

9:30-10:45am

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:

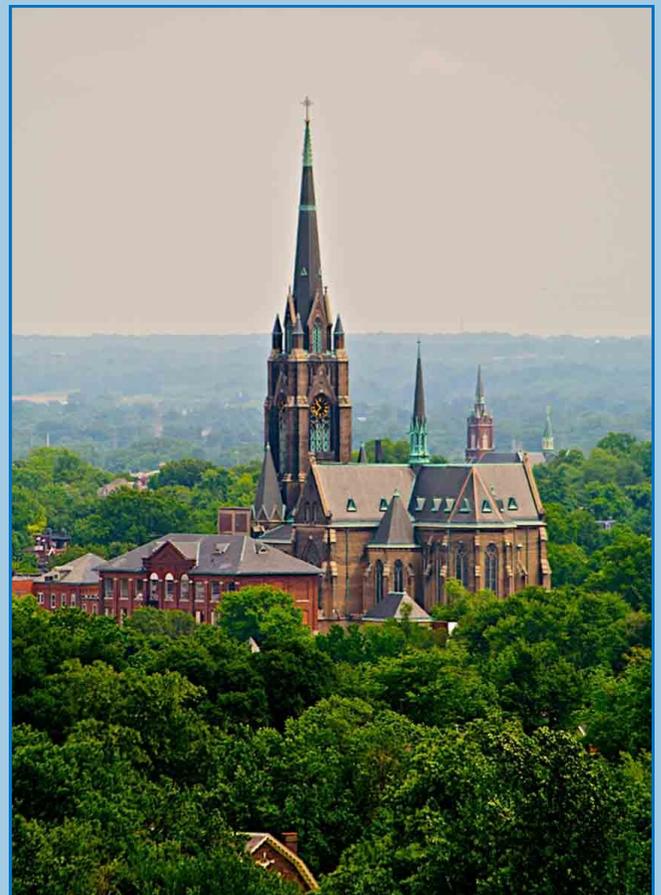
Couples planning to marry at the Oratory must call the rectory for the proper instructions.

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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