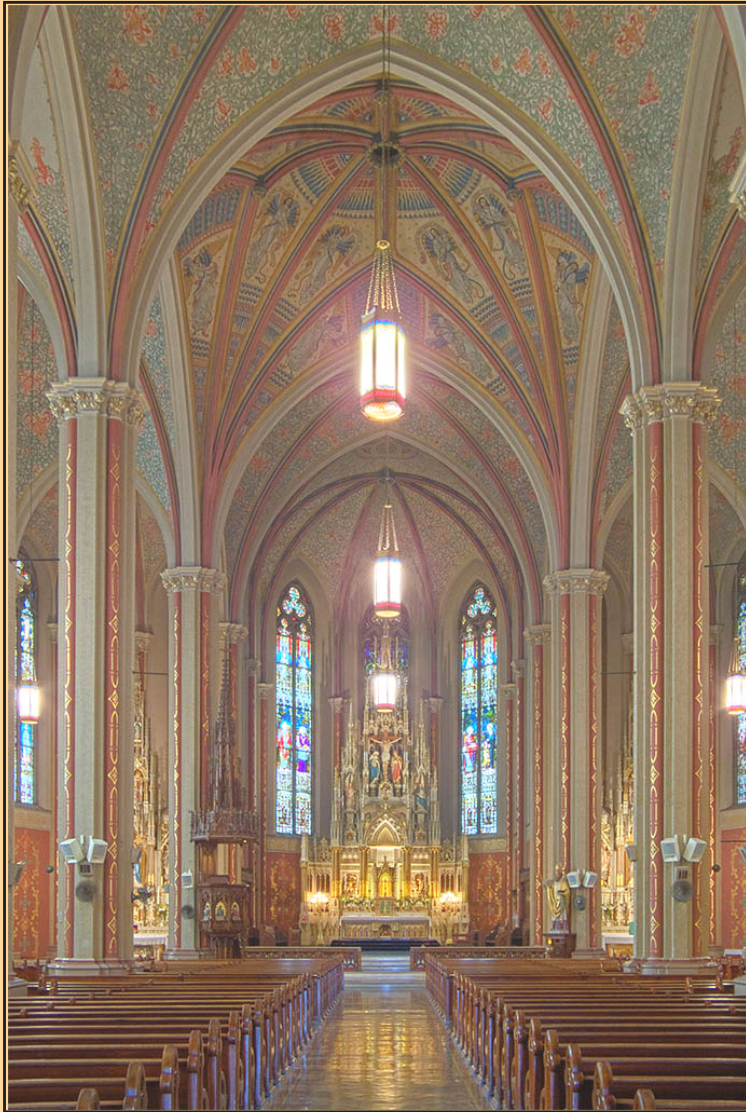


INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY



Sunday in the Octave of Christmas
26 December 2010

ORATORY CLERGY:

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Vicar General, Provincial

Rev. Canon Michael K. Wiener,
Rector, Episcopal Delegate
for the implementation of the *Motu Proprio-
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SCHEDULE:

Sunday:	Low Mass 8:00 am; High Mass 10:00 am
Monday-Saturday:	Low Mass 8:00 am
Tuesday:	Low Mass 6:30 pm followed by Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
Wednesday:	Low Mass 8:00 am and 12:15 pm
Thursday:	Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament 6:30 pm
First Fridays:	High Mass and Devotions 6:30 pm
Holy Days:	Low Mass 8:00 am and 12:10 pm; High Mass 6:30 pm Confessions daily 30 minutes before all Masses



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY DECEMBER 26

SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY

8:00am: Low Mass w/Organ

“Frank Sewyer”

10:00am: High Mass

“Victoria Avellone, R.I.P.”

MONDAY DECEMBER 27

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

8:00am: Low Mass

“Members of the Cardinal Mindszenty Foundation”

TUESDAY DECEMBER 28

THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

8:00am: Low Mass

“Mary Giacolone”

6:30pm Low Mass w/Organ

“The Restoration & Benefactors of the Oratory”

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 29

FIFTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY

8:00am: Low Mass

“Mary Kate III”

12:15pm: Low Mass

“Sister Adorers”

THURSDAY DECEMBER 30

SIXTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY

8:00am: Low Mass

“Mr. and Mrs. John J. Grimm, Jr. R.I.P.”

6:30pm Adoration/Benediction

FRIDAY DECEMBER 31

SEVENTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY

8:00am: Low Mass

“Bertrand Bergerot”

SATURDAY JANUARY 1

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

8:00am: Low Mass

“Rhomane Bulcher”

10:00am High Mass

“Anita Pollard, R.I.P.”

SUNDAY JANUARY 2

SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY

8:00am: Low Mass

“Paul E. Dubuque”

10:00am: High Mass

“Robert Lee Martinek, R.I.P.”

SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

8am Low Mass

Acolytes: Dominic Buckley, Joseph Buckley

10:00am High Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Abram Brandwein

Thurifer: Scott McCann

Acolyte 1: Joseph Grahek

Acolyte 2: Stephen Kenney

Crucifer: Steven Gilroy

Choir Master of Ceremonies: Matthew Serafino

Torchbearers: Kellen Kenney, Christopher Hall, Ronell

Kenney, Luke Clinton, Sam Kenney, Peter Clinton

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

8am Low Mass

Acolytes: Curt Wichmer, Candidate

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

8am Low Mass

Acolytes: Abbé Alex Barga, Joseph Reidy

6:30 pm Low Mass

Acolytes: Matthew Serafino, Candidate

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

8am Low Mass

Acolytes: Stephen Kukielski, Philip Kukielski

12:15pm Low Mass

Acolytes: Abbé Alex Barga

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

8am Low Mass

Acolytes: Joseph Grahek, Candidate

6:30pm Adoration

Master of Ceremonies: Michael McCann

Thurifer: Evan Underwood

Acolyte 1: Evan Underwood

Acolyte 2: Abbé Alex Barga

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

8am Low Mass

Acolytes: Candidates

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

8am Low Mass

Acolytes: Candidates

10am Solemn High Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Abram Brandwein

Thurifer: Matthew Serafino

Acolyte 1: Michael McCann



ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, December 31 - 8:00 AM Low Mass; 5:00 PM Benediction & Te Deum
Saturday, January 1 - Circumcision of Our Lord—Masses at 8:00 and 10:00 AM
Sunday, January 2 - Holy Name of Jesus—Masses at 8:00 and 10:00 AM
Thursday, January 6 - Epiphany—Masses at 8:00, 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM

Acolyte 2: Kellen Kenney
Crucifer: Stephen Kukielski
Choir Master of Ceremonies: Michael Stamos
Torchbearers: Christopher Stamos, Curt Wichmer, Joseph Grahek, Stephen Kenney, Sam Kenney, Thomas Serafino

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

8am Low Mass
Acolytes: Joseph Buckley, Dominic Buckley
10:00am High Mass
Master of Ceremonies: Matthew Serafino
Thurifer: James Schmidt
Acolyte 1: Evan Underwood
Acolyte 2: Cole Underwood
Crucifer: Sean McCann
Choir Master of Ceremonies: Abram Brandwein
Torchbearers: Patrick Stamos, Isaiah Kenney, Sam Aufmuth, James Kahre, Thomas Stamos, Aidan Goff

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

Is your child unable to attend catechism class at our home school co-op?
Starting in January 2011 the Canons will offer bi-weekly catechism classes on

THURSDAYS AT 5:00—6:00 PM.

One class will prepare children for First Holy Communion (next available date: Sunday, May 8, 2011), the other will cover general catechetical topics for the age group 6-9.
Please contact the rectory if you would like your child to participate.

CARDINAL RAYMOND L. BURKE TO VISIT THE ORATORY JANUARY 8TH AT 5:00 PM

A few weeks after his elevation to the College of Cardinals by the Holy Father, His Eminence Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke is coming home to St. Louis. St. Francis de Sales Oratory will have the great honor of receiving His Eminence on Saturday, January 8, 2011 at 5:00 PM. Cardinal Burke will celebrate a Solemn Te Deum of thanksgiving with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. After the ceremony all the faithful are invited to the church hall for a reception in the Cardinal's honor. Please join us on this glorious occasion when we will have the opportunity to congratulate His Eminence personally and to thank him for all that he has done for St. Francis de Sales Oratory.

CHURCH CALENDAR 2011

Last Sunday we received the new Institute calendar for the year 2011. Featuring "Twenty Years of Service to the Church," the 2011 calendar is again a collection of many beautiful photos of the life of the Institute (letter size, 8 ½ x 11).

The calendars are available at the following prices: 1-4 calendars for \$5.00 each; 5-9 calendars for \$3.00 each, and 10 or more calendars for \$2.50 each.

The calendar is a beautiful gift and an effective tool to introduce the Institute to friends and family.



FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

MY DEAR FAITHFUL AND FRIENDS AT ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY,

Christmastide at the Oratory has begun with the glorious Midnight Mass and the two morning Masses of Christmas Day. May this be the beginning of many blessings for all our faithful, our families, and all visitors to the Oratory. Our blessings continue into the New Year, when we will receive a special visitor.

Cardinal Burke ordained me priest in 1999 when he was still Bishop of La Crosse. I was the first priest of the Institute to be ordained by him, and Canon Huberfeld was the latest. It will truly be a delight for us to welcome him to the Oratory as a Cardinal of the Universal Church. As Archbishop of St. Louis Cardinal Burke invited the Institute's Prior General, Monsignor Wach, to establish the Oratory. In Cardinal Burke God has given us an effective and generous instrument of His grace through which we all have received and continue to receive countless blessings and sometimes even gifts which allowed us to make decisive steps in our spiritual life: conversions, baptisms, confirmations, confessions, marriages, first communions and many other occasions on which God allowed us to taste the sweetness of heaven here in St. Louis.

Cardinal Burke's joyfully anticipated visit is a reminder of the numerous blessings God has bestowed, and continues to bestow, on St. Francis de Sales Oratory. Members of the Institute here at the Oratory – Canon Huberfeld and myself, Abbe Alex, the candidates and the entire staff, are especially grateful for the warmth, kindness, and un-failing support which you the faithful have given us. Along with the rest of the Institute, we thank you and promise our fervent prayers as we look forward to the New Year.

Canon Michael K. Wiener

DECEMBER 31 PLENARY INDULGENCE TE DEUM

At the end of the year we all have reason to praise God and to thank Him. In *Te Deum Laudamus*, Holy Mother Church gives us the words which are most fitting. She invites us to join in the annual liturgical exercise of exposing the Blessed Sacrament and praising God Who is really present and Who came to us as man to enable us to thank God Almighty through Him.

A plenary indulgence is granted, if the *Te Deum* is recited publicly on December 31. The usual conditions apply: Sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, Prayer for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff (one Our Father and one Hail Mary). It is further required that all attachment to sin, even venial sin, be absent. If the latter disposition is in any way less than perfect or if the prescribed three conditions are not fulfilled, the indulgence will be partial only.

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION GOAL: \$10,900.00

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: DECEMBER 19

LOOSE:	\$1,136.00
ENVELOPES:	\$6,005.00
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>\$7,141.00</u>

YTD STEWARDSHIP GOAL:	\$545,000.00
YTD STEWARDSHIP:	<u>\$288,988.50</u>
SHORTFALL:	(\$256,011.50)

Our Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for us!
St. Joseph, pray for us!
St. Francis de Sales, pray for us!



POPE BENEDICT XVI.

HOMILY CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS 2009

What is it that these first witnesses of God's incarnation have to tell us?

The first thing we are told about the shepherds is that they were on the watch – they could hear the message precisely because they were awake. We must be awake, so that we can hear the message. We must become truly vigilant people. What does this mean? The principal difference between someone dreaming and someone awake is that the dreamer is in a world of his own. His “self” is locked into this dream-world that is his alone and does not connect him with others. To wake up means to leave that private world of one's own and to enter the common reality, the truth that alone can unite all people. Conflict and lack of reconciliation in the world stem from the fact that we are locked into our own interests and opinions, into our own little private world. Selfishness, both individual and collective, makes us prisoners of our interests and our desires that stand against the truth and separate us from one another. Awake, the Gospel tells us. Step outside, so as to enter the great communal truth, the communion of the one God. To awake, then, means to develop a receptivity for God: for the silent promptings with which he chooses to guide us; for the many indications of his presence. There are people who describe themselves as “religiously tone deaf”. The gift of a capacity to perceive God seems as if it is withheld from some. And indeed – our way of thinking and acting, the mentality of today's world, the whole range of our experience is inclined to deaden our receptivity for God, to make us “tone deaf” towards him. And yet in every soul, the desire for God, the capacity to encounter him, is present, whether in a hidden way or overtly. In order to arrive at this vigilance, this awakening to what is essential, we should pray for ourselves and for others, for those who appear “tone deaf” and yet in whom there is a keen desire for God to manifest himself.

CHRISTMAS AT THE ORATORY

Sunday, December 26 – *Sunday in the Octave of Christmas*

8:00 am, Low Mass; 10:00 AM High Mass

Friday, December 31 - *7th Day in the Octave of Christmas*

8:00 AM Low Mass;

5:00 PM Benediction & Te Deum

(Plenary Indulgence available at Benediction)

Saturday, January 1 - *Circumcision of Our Lord*

8:00 AM, Low Mass; 10:00 AM High Mass

Sunday, January 2 - *Holy Name of Jesus*

8:00 AM, Low Mass; 10:00 AM High Mass

Thursday, January 6 - *Epiphany*

**8:00 AM Low Mass; 12:15 PM Low Mass;
6:30 PM High Mass**

SURVEY

PLEASE HELP US TO GATHER INFORMATION

We would like to ask you kindly for your cooperation in providing us with important information about our congregation: Please fill out a survey form available in the bulletin and at the entrances of our church as well as online at <http://tinyurl.com/24c3at7>.

All personal information will remain confidential. Registration is anonymous. This survey provides us with important information which will serve us in our work for all faithful in the St. Louis region.

Thank you again for your help and God bless you!



ORATORY ORGANIZATIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTHERS OF THE VISITATION

The Mothers of the Visitation is a group of women who help out mothers primarily post partum with meals. If you are registered at the Oratory and would like assistance with meals after your baby is born, or would like to assist the mothers in our endeavors by helping to prepare meals, please contact the following:

Mrs. Jenny Pekny 314-457-1993
(jennypekny@charter.net)

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY CHOIR

If you enjoy singing sacred *a cappella* music from the enormous treasury of the Catholic Church, if you relish the prospect of singing in one of the most beautiful churches in St. Louis, if you welcome the challenge of performing extraordinary repertoire - then the Saint Francis de Sales Choir is for you. Prior experience of choral singing is essential, and you must be able to read music. Contact Mr. Botkins for audition details: (314) 771 – 3100

COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

Today, December 26:

8:00 Stephen Chicosky
10:00 Eric Cartwright

Sunday, January 2:

8:00 James Kahre
10:00 Frank Aufmuth

Sunday, January 9:

8:00 Mike Kenney
10:00 William Haines

In order to give more long-range visibility to this schedule, we are printing assignments two weeks in advance as well as the current Sunday. If you cannot meet your commitment call Tom Leith at 314-435-8494, or email him at trleith@alum.wustl.edu.

Thank you, everyone, for your help!

ORATORY CLEANING

The Oratory Cleaning Crews put the church in order after the final Mass each Sunday. This involves light dust mopping and clearing the pews of handouts, etc. New volunteers will be most welcome and can call the office at 314.771.3100

Here are the next assignments:

Today, December 26: St. Veronica
Sunday, January 2 : St. Benedict
Sunday, January 9: St. Martin de Porres

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS



Want to become a Knight of Columbus? Know a Catholic gentleman who is not a Knight? Why not invite him to be a brother Knight? Contact Mr. Dennis Roach, Grand Knight, 314-520-6604.

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 Oratory for the financial help of its members in time of need. For more information on this charitable and friendly group, contact Mr. Dick Carr at 314. 772. 9489 or Mr. Wally Feld at the Oratory. 314.771.3100.

Advertisers

TO ALL OUR GUESTS...

Canon Wiener 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 the 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 please fill out a contact card available at the entrance of the church. 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 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:

Public tours are available Monday-Friday. Contact the Oratory office for availability.

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