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3rd Sunday after Pentecost
21 June 2009



MASS INTENTIONS AND DEVOTIONS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY JUNE 21

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00am: Low Mass w/organ
"John Zivnuska, R.I.P."
10:00am: Sung High Mass
"Mark Kohrs"

MONDAY JUNE 22

ST. PAULINUS, BISHOP AND CONFESSOR

8:00am: Low Mass
"Nick and Charlie Herres"

TUESDAY JUNE 23

VIGIL OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:00am: Low Mass
"Brigid Elizabeth MacKenzie"
6:30pm: Low Mass w/organ
"Restoration and Benefactors of the Oratory"

WEDNESDAY JUNE 24

THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:00am: Low Mass
"Sr. Denise Gauthier, R.I.P."
12:15pm: Low Mass
"Private Intention"

THURSDAY JUNE 25

ST. WILLIAM, ABBOTT

8:00am: Low Mass
"Mary Ann O'Donnell"
6:30pm: Adoration & Benediction

FRIDAY JUNE 26

SS. JOHN AND PAUL, MARTYRS

8:00am Low Mass
"Bonnie Heibel, R.I.P."

SATURDAY JUNE 27

THE BLESSED VIRGIN ON SATURDAY, SALVA, SANCTA PARENS

8:00am Low Mass
"Winifred Kerschbaum"

SUNDAY JUNE 28

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:00am: Low Mass w/organ
"Thomas Geiss"
10:00am: Sung High Mass
"Katie III"

SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

8:00am: Low Mass w/organ
Acolytes: Joseph Buckley, Dominic Buckley
10:00am: High Mass
MC: Sean Kenney
Thurifer: Michael McCann
Acolytes: Curt Wichmer, Thomas Serafino
Crucifer: Sean McCann
Choir MC: Abram Brandwein
Torchbearers: Scott McCann, James Schmidt, Kellen
Kenney, Philip Kukielski, Joseph Grahek, Stephen
Kenney

MONDAY, JUNE 22

8:00am: Low Mass
Acolytes: Curt Wichmer, Candidate

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

8:00am: Low Mass
Acolytes: Candidates
6:30pm: Low Mass w/organ
Acolytes: Vinnie Scanga, Matthew Serafino

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

8:00am: Low Mass
Acolytes: Stephen Kukielski, Philip Kukielski
12:15pm: Low Mass
Acolyte: Candidate
6:30pm: High Mass
MC: Vinnie Scanga
Thurifer: Abram Brandwein
Acolytes: Sean McCann, Scott McCann
Crucifer: Daniel Maschmeier
Choir MC: Candidate
Torchbearers: Michael McCann, Curt Wichmer, Antoine
Maschmeier, Andrew Maschmeier

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

8:00am: Low Mass
Acolytes: Candidate, Max Kaiser
6:30pm: Adoration/Benediction
MC: Matthew Serafino
Thurifer: Evan Underwood
Acolytes: Cole Underwood, Steven Gilroy
Torchbearers: Thomas Serafino, Candidate

FRIDAY, JUNE 26

8:00am: Low Mass
Acolytes: Candidate, James Schmidt

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

8:00am: Low Mass
Acolytes: Candidates

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

8:00am: Low Mass w/organ
Acolytes: Dominic Buckley, Peter Herres
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From the Rector's Desk...

My dear Friends at St. Francis de Sales Oratory,

What is hope? The catechism answers: "Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire and await from God eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying on the help of the grace of the Holy Ghost to merit it and to persevere to the end of our earthly life." This Sunday's liturgy puts special emphasis on this important virtue. "Look Thou upon me, O Lord, and have mercy on me; for I am alone and poor", sings the psalmist in the Introit of the Mass. "O God, the protector of those who put their trust in Thee ..., multiply upon us Thy mercy ...," asks the Church in the collect, and in the offertory we say even more explicitly: "Let them trust in Thee who know Thy name, O Lord; for Thou hast not forsaken them that seek Thee ..."

The two fundamental elements of Christian hope are desire and confidence: Hope is the confident desire of obtaining eternal beatitude. Faith leads us to desire God as supreme and eternal good; hope gives us confidence in obtaining God's mercy on the way to Him. This continuous effective help is given to us in numerous ways, but it is certainly through and in the sacraments that we experience this divine assistance in the most obvious way.

We should remind ourselves that it is most important to cultivate true Christian hope. Signs of hopelessness are always easy to see, especially today. It is only through the repeated experience of God's mercy and love that we are strengthened in hope. Without this help, without Divine Grace, we wouldn't be able to attain God and to be united with Him. The help of the grace of the Holy Ghost – this is the gift which generates hope in us and makes us confident in God's love.

The St. Francis de Sales Oratory is therefore a sign of hope in many different ways: It is a sign of hope in itself because of the revitalized life around our church, once a magnet of Catholic culture in this city. It is also a sign of hope because of the still growing number of faithful who expect to be strengthened in the Christian virtues from the celebrations of the liturgy in its highest form. It is finally a sign of hope because it is here that the Institute wants young men who are called to the priesthood or to the oblatehood to experience the character of our community for one year as candidates, immersed in the beauty and richness of the liturgy and exposed to the culture of the Catholic life.

Last Wednesday Abbe Jason Apple left for Florence in Italy where he will receive the sacred ordination to the priesthood from the hands of His Grace, Archbishop Burke on July 2. And this Sunday, right after Mass, Abbe Alex, our sacristan, will follow him to receive the tonsure in Gricigliano on June 30 from His Excellency John Basil Meeking, Bishop Emeritus of Christchurch, New Zealand. Please pray for both members of our community here in St. Louis and their safe return.

With my sincere best wishes I am faithfully yours in Christ the King,

Canon Michael Wiener

Rector

SERVER SCHEDULE (Cont'd)

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

10:00am: Sung High Mass

MC: Matthew Serafino

Thurifer: Daniel Maschmeier

Acolytes: Cole Underwood, Thomas Serafino

Crucifer: Michael Stamos

Choir MC: Vinnie Scanga

Torchbearers: Christopher Stamos, Patrick Stamos, Steven Kenney, Stephen Kukielski, Francesco Scanga, Curt Wichmer

SUNDAY COLLECTION

June 14:	Loose	\$ 883.00
	<u>Envelopes</u>	<u>\$ 3,428.00</u>
Total:		\$ 4,311.00

Thank you for your generosity!



The Rector Thanks...



Rita Stoker and her volunteers for their landscaping work in the front yard of the rectory. Since last fall, they have planted, weeded and mulched the borders around the rectory's entrance way. They developed planting beds, removed the old dead plants, pruned the good ones, added many new bushes, then lined the beds with white rocks, all at their own expense. This spring, they added color by planting some annuals and cleaning up any winter caused problems. They plan on completing these improvements this autumn. They also plan on fixing and repainting the statue of Christ the King, located near the front door, when we are able to build a short pedestal for it.

Their work has made a marked improvement to the curb side appeal of the rectory, presenting the visitors using the front door a more pleasant walk through the court yard.

Also, to **Jim Ludwig of Precision Fence & Iron** for donating and installing the decorative wrought iron gate between the church and the rectory buildings in this same court yard area. This replaced an old, broken, wooden gate that was an eyesore and ineffective for security purposes. He also donated the labor to install a similar wrought iron gate in the alleyway behind the gym to help secure that area.

WELCOME VISITORS

Let Us Treat You to a Cup of Coffee



The clergy, staff, and lay faithful of St. Francis de Sales Oratory are always pleased when new visitors come to this beautiful church to join us in the celebration of Holy Mass in the Extraordinary Form. We have a coffee hour after each of our Sunday Masses. Please join us and the coffee and donut are on us—just let the cashier know you are a first-time visitor.

We hope that all our faithful are making regular use of the coffee hour to meet their friends and catch up on the latest news.



Every Tuesday...

Mass at 6:30 pm followed by devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help at her altar.



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS # 14067

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. Jim Kahre, Grand Knight, 314-680-9520, or email, jameskahre@hotmail.com.

"HANDYMEN" NEEDED

Our buildings are old and need continuous maintenance, and we would be most grateful for "handyman" assistance.

If you think this could be a way you can serve Our Lord, please contact Mr. Feld to set up a time to come in. He can be reached at the rectory, 314-771-3100.

Thank you to all volunteers!



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Sienna will donate a portion of its income from you to Friends of St. Francis de Sales, but you need to state this intention. Those of you who use the Schnuck's scrip card are generating an average of \$100-250/month income for the Oratory.

PRAYER NETWORK...

The Telephone Prayer Network is a ministry for the purpose of praying for anyone's intentions for health, job search, marriage, etc. Please contact Genny Davis at 314. 843. 4368 or Jennifer Pekny at 314. 457. 1993 with your prayer requests.





CALENDAR

OF EVENTS

PRO-LIFE

St. Francis de Sales Pro-Life Apostolate stands in prayer outside Planned Parenthood every fourth Saturday from 9am-11am. Women have left because someone was standing outside the abortion mill. Will you be that someone?

If you would like to join this peaceful demonstration, please contact Mrs. Mary Maschmeier at defenseless@sbcglobal.net, or call 314-346-9052.



COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

A Note from Tom Leith

As we've heard, the devil is the author of confusion and, since he doesn't like what we do, he sends us a lot. Since there seems to be some confusion about it, here's the Coffee Hour schedule that includes all dates up to the BBQ. If you can't make your date, please contact me as soon as you know.

We have a couple of newcomers. I suggest you come on a date that isn't yours in order to learn the ropes from an "old hand." Thanks to everyone for his service to SFdS Oratory.

June 21	8:00	Stephen Chicosky
	10:00	Eric Cartwright
June 28	8:00	Mike Kenney
	10:00	William Haines, Sr.
July 5	8:00	Thomas Leith
	10:00	James Kahre
July 12	8:00	Dennis Roach
	10:00	Kevin Kenney
July 19	8:00	Raymond Stephens
	10:00	Mark Kukielski
July 26	8:00	Kevin Madden
	10:00	Chris McCann
August 2	8:00	Michael Miller
	10:00	Edward Schmidt
August 9	8:00	Dennis Roach
	10:00	Larry Miller
August 16	8:00	Stephen Chicosky
	10:00	Frank Aufmuth

UPCOMING EVENTS:

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

Friday, June 19
Low Mass at 8:00 a.m.
Sung High Mass at 6:30 p.m.

NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Wednesday, June 24

FEAST OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

Monday, June 29
Low Mass at 8:00 a.m.
Sung High Mass at 6:30 p.m.

FEAST OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

Wednesday, July 1

ORDINATION OF ABBE' JASON APPLE

Thursday, July 2
(Feast of the Visitation)
In the Church of Santi Michele e Gaetano
in Florence, Italy

TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF CANON WIENER'S ORDINATION

Tuesday, July 14
(Actual Date of Ordination: June 30)
Details Later

SUMMER AT THE ORATORY

Saturday & Sunday, August 22-23
Barbecue and Festival

Every Thursday...

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction every Thursday night at 6:30pm.



ORATORY CLEANING SCHEDULE

Thank you to the faithful cleaning teams and their leaders for keeping the main body of the church tidy and neat. Here are the next assignments:

Today, June 14: **St. Veronica**
Next Sunday, June 21: **Knights of Columbus**





The Beginning and Culmination of the Clerical State

Two members of the Oratory will be away at the end of June and beginning of July. Abbé Alex leaves today (June 21) for the Institute's Seminary until July 4 to receive the tonsure on June 30 from His Excellency John Basil Meeking, Bishop Emeritus of Christchurch, New Zealand. The tonsure represents the desire to give oneself entirely to the service of Holy Mother Church. In the ceremony the Bishop cuts five locks of hair at the five points of a cross on the head (on the crown, back of the head, forehead and above each ear). The custom dates back to Saints Peter and Paul, who both wore the tonsure and is the sign of a cleric, a man of the Church, who must be detached from worldly vanities (symbolized by hair) in order to be entirely God's.

On Wednesday, June 16, Abbé Apple returned to Italy where, after a retreat, he will be ordained a priest on July 2 in the Church of Saints Michael and Cajetan in Florence by His Grace, Archbishop Raymond Burke, Prefect of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura and Archbishop Emeritus of Saint Louis. He will then return to Saint Louis on July 10 to serve at Saint Francis de Sales Oratory and celebrate his first Solemn Mass at 10 o'clock on Sunday, July 26. The priesthood, becoming "another Christ," represents the culmination of the desire of giving of oneself entirely to God's holy Church expressed in the tonsure ceremony.

Please remember Abbé Apple and Abbé Alex in your prayers, that Our Lady will help them be good and holy servants of Holy Mother Church.

FLOWER HELP NEEDED

One or two more good Samaritans are needed to help arrange flowers for the altar. We welcome men as well as women, and training will be provided—no special talents needed, just your good will. We usually arrange flowers on Friday morning after the 8:00 Mass.



We are trying to enlist enough people so we have substitutes we can call in case of sickness, etc. Please call Kathy Tehan at 636-394-5556 if you would like to pursue this opportunity to have your handiwork on the altar.



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Ave Maria

Gratia Plena

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.

The Oratory is looking for gentleman of all ages to join the ranks of Usher. We will soon be developing an Ushers Guild here at the Oratory. If you are a current usher please contact Mr. Roche in the Oratory office at 314. 771. 3100. Thank you.

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