

**FEBRUARY 11, 2024**

*QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY*

# ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY



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“Half an hour's meditation each day is essential, except when you are busy. Then a full hour is needed.”  
-St. Francis de Sales

## HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

### Sunday Schedule

Mass 8:00am and 10:30am

### 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  
(1 hour before 8am Sun. Mass)



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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

### MASS INTENTIONS:

**Sunday, February 11**

**Quinquagesima Sunday, 2nd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Sherin & Jubie Shany

**Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament**

10:30am Solemn Mass - Peter Edward Proulx

**Monday, February 12**

**The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order**

8:00am Low Mass - Luke Zeigemeier

**Votive Mass for Peace**

**6:30pm Solemn Mass** - Nighisti Tecele

**Tuesday, February 13**

**Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament**

8:00am Low Mass - John Althoff

**6:30pm Solemn Mass** - Friends and Benefactors  
of St. Francis de Sales Oratory

**Wednesday, February 14**

**Ash Wednesday, 1st Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Audrey Pieper

12:15pm Low Mass - Anthony Summers

**6:30pm Solemn Mass** - Brother Christopher Maria

**Thursday, February 15**

**Feria of Lent, 3rd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Fr. Linus Dolce

6:30pm Adoration

**Friday, February 16**

**Feria of Lent, 3rd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Rev. Fr. Peter Fonseca

**Votive Mass of the Crown of Thorns**

6:30pm Low Mass - Raimunda & Levindo Alves  
Pereira

**Saturday, February 17**

**Feria of Lent, 3rd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Rachel Andorf

**Sunday, February 18**

**1st Sunday of Lent, 1st Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Ruiz Family

10:30am Solemn Mass - Douglas Fichter

### SERVER SCHEDULE

**Sunday, February 11**

8:00am Low Mass

Acolytes: Peter Grgurich, Liam Miller

10:30am Solemn Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Gabriel Ruggiero

Thurifer: Liam Aufmuth

2<sup>nd</sup> Thurifer: Mark Stamos

Acolyte 1: Raymond Pekny

Acolyte 2: Ezio LaZella

Crucifer: Sam Huber

Choir Master of Ceremonies: Charlie Kahre

Torchbearers: Emil Johnson, Dominic Ruggiero, Gabriel

Davidson, Gus Pekny, Ethan Westbrook, Jackson Huber

**Monday, February 12**

6:30pm Solemn Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Joseph Pekny

Thurifer: John Paul Davidson

Acolyte 1: Garrett Krings

Acolyte 2: Luke Ball

Crucifer: Cullen Dittmar

Torchbearers: Gus Pekny, Vincent Pekny, Gabriel Davidson,

Raymond Pekny

**Tuesday, February 13**

6:30pm Solemn Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Steven Gilroy

Thurifer: Joseph Pekny

2<sup>nd</sup> Thurifer: Charlie Kahre

Acolyte 1: Michael Ruggiero

Acolyte 2: Gabriel Ruggiero

Crucifer: Cullen Dittmar

Choir Master of Ceremonies: Raymond Pekny

Torchbearers: Gus Pekny, Dominic Ruggiero, Vincent Pekny

**Wednesday, February 14**

6:30pm Solemn Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Michael Ruggiero

Thurifer: Maximus AuBuchon

Acolyte 1: Dominic Ruggiero

Acolyte 2: Joseph McDonald

Crucifer: Charlie Kahre

Choir Master of Ceremonies: Gabriel Ruggiero

Torchbearers: Henry AuBuchon, Brentan Hickey, Gus Pekny,

Peter McDonald, Raymond Pekny, Vincent Pekny

**Thursday, February 15**

6:30pm Adoration

Master of Ceremonies: Luke Ball

Thurifer: Gus Pekny

Acolyte 1: Raymond Pekny

Acolyte 2: Dominic Ruggiero

Torchbearers: Campion Purgahn, Ezio LaZella



## NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**FEBRUARY 11-13: 40 HOURS DEVOTION**  
**FEBRUARY 13: ADULT CHANT CLASS BEGINS**  
**FEBRUARY 13: FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE SOCIAL**  
**FEBRUARY 14: ASH WEDNESDAY**  
**FRIDAYS IN LENT: 6:00PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND 6:30PM LOW MASS**  
**MARCH 9: A MORNING WITH LEILA & PHILIP LAWLER TALKS, LUNCHEON, AND BOOK SIGNING**  
**MARCH 10: FAMILY DANCE & POTLUCK**

### Processional

Allegro in C minor, Georg Benda (1722-1795)

### During Offertory

Toccata, Eugene Gigout (1844-1925)

### During Communion

Tu Solus, Josquin des Prez (1450-1521)

O Bone Jesu, Marco Antonio Ignegneri (1535-1592)

### Recessional

*Today's Mass ends in silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.*



## FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

Can you stay with me for one hour? An hour or more in prayer is the perfect chance to sit silently in the company of Jesus. Sign up sheets for 40 Hours Devotion are in the north vestibule and in the vestibule near the elevator.

### **Sunday, February 11**

8:00am Low Mass

10:30am Solemn Mass followed by Exposition, Procession and beginning of the 40 hours devotion

6:00pm Solemn Vespers

### **Monday, February 12**

8:00am Low Mass

8:45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:00pm Reposition

Votive Mass for Peace

6:30pm Solemn Mass


### **Tuesday, February 13**

8:00 am Low Mass

8:45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:30pm Solemn Mass in the presence of the exposed Blessed Sacrament

followed by Procession, Benediction and the end of the 40 hours devotion



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND  
LOW MASS  
Every Friday  
During Lent**

**6:00PM STATIONS THEN MASS  
(STATIONS AT 5:30PM MARCH 1ST)**

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### **Sunday, February 18**

8:00am Low Mass

Acolytes: Steven Engel, Michael Podesta

10:30am Solemn Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Joseph Pekny

Thurifer: Maximus AuBuchon

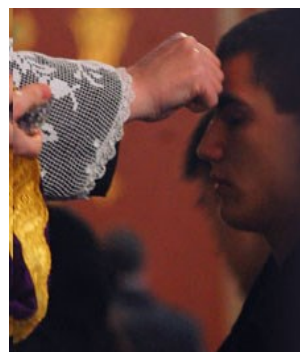
Acolyte 1: John Paul Davidson

Acolyte 2: Emil Johnson

Crucifer: Liam Aufmuth

Choir Master of Ceremonies: Gus Pekny

Torchbearers: Raymond Pekny, Dominic Shany, Campion Purgahn, Ezio LaZella, Henry AuBuchon, Ben Cassibry



**ASH WEDNESDAY  
February 14th**

Masses at:

8:00am  
12:15pm  
6:30pm

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## 2023 Contribution statements are available now!

Please contact Mr. Roche at (314) 771-3100 ext. 118 or email him at [jroche\(@\)institute-christ-king.org](mailto:jroche@institute-christ-king.org) to receive a printed or emailed copy. Thank you for your generosity.

## FAMILY DANCE & POTLUCK

Laetare Sunday, March 10th  
following the 10:30 Mass



*Family Dance* 2024

~ Free but RSVP ~

Bring a pie! ~ Savory or Sweet!

\*Please bring your own drinks\*

And enjoy a family-friendly dance, featuring live caller and fiddle music courtesy of St. Louis Irish Arts

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B084BABAFA2FAOFDO-47261242-rsvp>



Questions:  
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## SFDS CHESS CLUB

Are you interested in playing chess with other members of the Oratory? We welcome players of all skill levels, from beginners to advanced players, to come and join us for a good time. Whether you are looking to improve your chess skills, socialize with other Oratory chess players, or simply enjoy a fun and relaxing afternoon, the SFdS Chess Club is the place for you. To sign up, if you have any questions or if you would like more info, please email [SFdS\\_ChessClub@protonmail.com](mailto:SFdS_ChessClub@protonmail.com)

## ORATORY CLEANING TEAMS

February 18: St. Anthony  
February 25: St. Cecilia

## 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 2023-2024 insurance assessment is **\$110,964.00**. We are relying on your continuous prayers and generous donations which you exercise by using your insurance envelope. Please help us off set this cost by donating today. Thank you very much!

## STEWARDSHIP

JULY 2023 - JUNE 2024

WEEKLY COLLECTION GOAL: \$10,500.00

ORATORY FAMILIES: 587

FEBRUARY 4

LOOSE:	\$3,991.00
ENVELOPES:	17,021.40
ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$1,978.07
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$22,990.47</b>

YTD STEWARDSHIP GOAL:	\$336,000.00
YTD STEWARDSHIP:	\$543,746.75
YTD SURPLUS/DEFICIT:	<b>\$207,746.75</b>

ARCHDIOCESAN  
INSURANCE ASSESSMENT  
2023-2024

**\$110,964.00**

**\$9,247.00 MONTHLY    \$2,311.75 APPROX. PER WEEKEND**



## DEAR ORATORY MEMBERS

Lent will soon be upon us. Ash Wednesday is already this coming week! We invite you to start thinking about how to make this season meaningful and beneficial for your souls. Many of you have already chosen those spiritual and corporal works that you will undertake to enter more fully into the spirit of the upcoming penitential season. However, should you desire some suggestions to facilitate your choice, please consider some of the following possibilities for your fasting, prayer and almsgiving this year:

### Fasting

-Fast with the Oratory Clerics during all of Lent. Members of the Oratory may formally join the St. Francis de Sales Oratory Clerics in their Lenten fast which starts on Ash Wednesday and then ends at the Easter Vigil. The fast covers every day of Lent, except Sundays and First Class feasts, (Specifically, March 7th - St. Thomas Aquinas, March 19th - St. Joseph, and March 21st - St. Benedict). Practically, the fast means that participants are allowed one normal meal per day with two small snacks replacing the other meals. No snacking between meals is permitted on the fast days. Participants should formally sign up by way of the QR code in the bulletin. The Easter Vigil Mass will be offered for them specifically and their intentions. One can also sign up by calling the Office. Registration will be closed after the First Sunday of Lent.



### Prayer

- Attend Stations of the Cross and Friday evening Mass every Friday During Lent
- Attend every Thursday Adoration during Lent
- Attend every Saturday Morning during Lent or another set day of the week
- Attend the Feast Day Masses of St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Joseph and St. Benedict
- Attend Sunday Vespers at St. Francis de Sales Oratory
- Attend all of the Major Holy Week Liturgies, (Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday Tenebrae and Mass, Good Friday Tenebrae and Mass of the Presanctified, The Holy Saturday Tenebrae and Vigil Mass and Easter Sunday).

### Alms

-Participate in the Annual Lenten Collection for the Institute's North American Province

These are only suggestions and members of the faithful many consult any of the Canons as to what would be most appropriate for them. We are looking forward to spending time in prayer with you!

In Christo Rege,  
Canon Benjamin Coggeshall  
Rector

St. Francis de Sales Oratory Presents:

## A Morning with Leila & Philip Lawler

Saturday March 9, 2024 at 9:30 AM  
Salesian Basement Hall



"Festivity and  
Catholic Culture"

<https://likemotherlikedaughter.org/>



"A Catholic Views the  
American Founding"

<https://thomasmorecollege.edu/faculty-staff/philip-lawler/>

## Two Talks, Convivial Luncheon, Book Sale and Signing

Ages 14+ (nursing babies welcome)

Reserve your spot for \$25 per person by March 1, 2024  
Online or in person at the rectory  
or in the basement following Sunday Masses



<https://sfdisoratory.flocknote.com/signup/152183>

Questions: [sfdslawlertalk@gmail.com](mailto:sfdslawlertalk@gmail.com)  
or call Patty ~ 815-582-0342





## INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

*Living the Truth in Charity*

Lent 2024

Dear Friends in Christ our King,

Thanks in large part to your prayerful and generous support, the Institute's U.S. Provincial Headquarters harnessed great growth in 2023—new apostolates, national retreat center, and a fine crop of new vocations.

Twenty men entered the pre-seminary program and the oblate formation program in 2023 through the efforts of the U.S. Provincial Headquarters which maintains the year-round application process and assistance for these men in vocational discernment.

At the invitation of local Bishops, two new apostolates were opened—a Shrine in Cleveland, Ohio, and an Oratory in Warren, Massachusetts—such that the Institute clergy are now serving in 21 dioceses coast to coast across America. As our spiritual family continues to grow in the pews of every one of these apostolates, the U.S. Provincial Headquarters provides more leadership support, administrative services, and outreach efforts in order to offer our priests, oblates, sisters, seminarians and staff everything they need to continue building spiritual homes for the salvation of souls. The Institute has already received invitations from Bishops to open more apostolates in 2024/2025.

This family of souls nationwide is united together in one supernatural mission: **to spread the benevolent reign of Christ the King to all aspects of human life including Catholic Liturgy and culture in America.** To develop this mission even further, we obtained our own national retreat center last year when we purchased a 70,000 sq. ft. historic monastery building located on 100 acres in the wooded countryside southwest of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the major airports of Milwaukee and Chicago being within a 35 minute and a 70 minute drive respectively. Sacred Heart Retreat Center is currently undergoing building improvements such as a plumbing upgrade (including dozens of private bathrooms) and a chapel renovation in order to host retreats for people of all ages starting later in 2024.

To provide unity and collaboration among all of these apostolates, the U.S. Provincial Headquarters is responsible for ensuring this mission in every apostolate by caring for the members of each Institute household. **This Lent, would you be willing to make a sacrifice to help the Institute maintain and expand this providential growth in the United States?** Consider making a sacrifice of **\$80, just two dollars a day during these 40 days of Lent.**

On **Sunday, February 18**, there will be a special second collection for your donation to help the Institute continue its work for the salvation of souls. Last year's collection raised **\$152,194**. It was such a great help over this past year in the common mission which we share with all of you. Thank you for your generous support to help the Institute grow in the United States. May God bless you always!

Yours devotedly in Christ our Infant King,

*Matthew Talarico*

Rev. Canon Matthew Talarico

U.S. Provincial Superior



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**FAT TUESDAY  
PANCAKE SOCIAL**



**Tuesday February 13th  
after 6:30pm Mass**

**Young Adults aged 18-40**

**Parish Hall**

*Please bring a sweet or savory topping to share!*



Scan to RSVP by Feb. 7th  
or visit  
<http://tinyurl.com/deazv2yh>

**SUNDAY ROSARY LEADERS**

February 11: Mark Everetts  
February 18: Clary Redd  
February 25: Michael Hayworth

**COFFEE & DONUT HOUR**

February 11: J. Jasper / M. Daub Family  
February 18: A. Podesta / J. Stein  
February 25: E. Johnson / F. Aufmuth

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Gravois Ave. and Ohio Ave.

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](mailto:wfeld@charter.net)

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By 55 Members

# 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.

## ORATORY RECTORY:

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