

FEBRUARY 18, 2024

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY



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“Although we may be able to do but little, the enemy nevertheless stands more in awe of those whom he knows can fast.”

-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)



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, February 18

1st Sunday of Lent, 1st Class

8:00am Low Mass - Ruiz Family

10:30am Solemn Mass - Douglas Fichter

Monday, February 19

Feria of Lent, 3rd Class

8:00am Low Mass - Douglas Fichter

Tuesday, February 20

Feria of Lent, 3rd Class

8:00am Low Mass - Esther Andorf

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

Wednesday, February 21

Ember Wednesday of Lent, 2nd Class

8:00am Low Mass - Eddie Ill

12:15pm Low Mass - Anne Marty Family

Thursday, February 22

The Chair of St. Peter, 2nd Class

8:00am Low Mass - Margaret Summers

6:30pm Adoration

Friday, February 23

Ember Friday of Lent, 2nd Class

8:00am Low Mass - Alfred Pieper

Votive Mass of the Sacred Lance and Nails

6:30pm Low Mass - Dominic Griffard

Saturday, February 24

Ember Saturday of Lent, 2nd Class

8:00am Low Mass - Deceased of Myler Family

Sunday, February 25

2nd Sunday of Lent, 1st Class

8:00am Low Mass - Patricia Ann Miller

10:30am Solemn Mass - Tristan Engelmann

SERVER SCHEDULE

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, Ezio LaZella,

Campion Purgahn, Henry AuBuchon, Dominic
Shany, Ben Cassibry

Thursday, February 22

6:30pm Adoration

MC: Abbé Nicholas Tousignant

Thurifer: Garrett Krings

Acolyte 1: Finn Daub

Acolyte 2: Gabriel Davidson

Torchbearers: Rafe Daub, Jack Daub

Sunday, February 25

8:00am Low Mass

Acolytes: Steven Engel, Michael Podesta

10:30am Solemn Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Liam Aufmuth

Thurifer: Matthew Allcock

Acolyte 1: Jackson Huber

Acolyte 2: Patrick Daub

Crucifer: Luke Allcock

Choir Master of Ceremonies: Raymond Pekny

Torchbearers: Finn Daub, Giuseppe Cortese,
Ciaran Daub, John Wichmer, Nicholas Huber,
William Lipp



NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY: LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR ORATORY LENTEN FAST.

TODAY-FEBRUARY 20: SIGN UPS FOR EMBER DAYS.

FRIDAYS IN LENT: 6:00PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND 6:30PM LOW MASS

SUNDAYS IN LENT: 6:00PM SOLEMN VESPERS

MARCH 9: A MORNING WITH LEILA & PHILIP LAWLER TALKS, LUNCHEON, AND BOOK SIGNING

MARCH 10: FAMILY DANCE & POTLUCK

FAST THIS LENT LAST DAY TO SIGN UP!

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. One can also sign up by calling the Office.

Registration will be closed after the end of today.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND
Low Mass
Every Friday
During Lent**

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

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY

RELIC VENERATION
Of Saint Bernadette of Soubirous.
Today after both Masses

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY

SOLEMN VESPERS
Every Sunday During
Lent

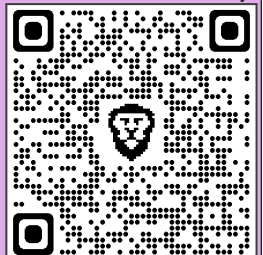
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SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY

**THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL 2ND COLLECTION
TODAY, SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18, FOR THE
INSTITUTE U.S. PROVINCE**

EMBER DAYS

The Ember Days take place this Wednesday, February 21, Friday, February 23rd and Saturday, February 24th. These days are traditionally days of fasting and abstinence. Though the current Code of Canon Law does not demand that we fast, we are still encouraged to do so. Monsignor Wach has repeatedly encouraged the Institute canons and oblates to fast for the benefit of Holy Mother Church in these trying times. Therefore, members of the faithful wishing to join the St. Francis de Sales Oratory community in fasting (2 small snacks and 1 meatless meal) these three days, may sign up via the QR code. The Oratory community will say their rosary for your intentions these days as well.





THE MUSIC OF LENT

As today we hear sung the words of Psalm 91, inscribed on the oratory's sanctuary floor, "*Upon the asp and basilisk shalt thou tread, and thou shalt trample upon the lion and dragon*", so begin the Sundays of Lent, which will feature music suited to conversion ("*Jerusalem, return to your God!*") and sacrifice ("*Build Thou the walls of Jerusalem, then shalt Thou be pleased with sacrifices!*").

The Lamentations are a collection of poetic laments for the destruction of Jerusalem by the Babylonians in 586 B.C., and their chanted recitation by the ministers of the sanctuary are an integral part of the Triduum to which the season of Lent crescendos. For the first three Sundays of Lent (Feb 18 & 25, and March 3) the choir will sing the polyphonic setting of the Lamentations by Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594).

The fourth Sunday of Lent (March 10, Laetare) will feature Josquin's *Tu Solus* and Dufay's trio setting of the Lenten Marian hymn, *Ave Regina Caelorum*. Two contrasting settings of the *Miserere Mei Deus* (Psalm 50) will adorn the final two Sundays of Lent: Antonio Lotti's (1667-1740) on the 5th Sunday of Lent (March 17, Passion Sunday) and Gregorio Allegri's (1582-1652) on Palm Sunday (March 24). Then, Triduum will be accentuated by di Lasso's *Tristis est anima mea* and Gjeilo's *Ubi Caritas* on Holy Thursday, and Victoria's polyphonic Passion choruses and Gombert's *O Crux* on Good Friday.

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



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 11

LOOSE:	\$1,682.00
ENVELOPES:	15,278.50
ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$1,178.03
TOTAL:	\$18,138.53

YTD STEWARDSHIP GOAL:	\$346,500.00
YTD STEWARDSHIP:	\$561,885.28
YTD SURPLUS/DEFICIT:	\$215,385.28

**ARCHDIOCESAN
INSURANCE ASSESSMENT
2023-2024**

\$110,964.00

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



FAMILY DANCE & POTLUCK

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



Family Dance 2024

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Questions:
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ASH WEDNESDAY PHOTOS:



St. Francis de Sales Oratory Presents:

A Morning with Leila & Philip Lawler

Saturday March 9, 2024 at 9:30 AM
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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



Questions: sfidslawlertalk@gmail.com
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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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February 18:
February 25: St. Cecilia
March 3:

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SUNDAY ROSARY LEADERS

February 18: Clary Redd
February 25: Michael Hayworth
March 3:

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



ORGANIZED APRIL 19, 1874
By 55 Members

COFFEE & DONUT HOUR

February 18: A. Podesta / J. Stein
February 25: E. Johnson / F. Aufmuth
March 3:

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.

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