

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 06, 2024



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Monday, October 7th

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St. Francis de Sales ~ Pray for Us

SFDS PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

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If you use the envelopes in the pews, please make sure to write your envelope number (if known), your first & last name.

Thank you.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 06, 2024

Genesis 2:18-24

Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Hebrews 2:9-11

Mark 10:2-16 (or Mark 10:2-12)

MASS Times

Daily: 8:15 AM, Monday thru Friday

**Saturday: 8:15 AM and
5:00 PM → Sunday Anticipated Mass**

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12-Noon

Confessions: 4:00 PM on Saturdays

Baptisms and Weddings:

Please make arrangements by calling the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY	October 05
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Anthony Hee</i>
5:00 PM	<i>In Memory of Alexandra Thompson</i>
SUNDAY	October 06
8:00 AM	<i>In Memory of Alexandra Thompson</i>
10:00 AM	<i>In Memories of Zoltan & 2 Brothers Horosny</i>
12:00 PM	<i>In Memory of Rev. Monsignor Kevin Larkin</i>
MONDAY	October 07
8:15 AM	<i>For the Intentions of Robert John Reyes</i>
TUESDAY	October 08
8:15 AM	<i>For the Intentions of Cathy Plattner</i>
WEDNESDAY	October 09
8:15 AM	<i>For the Intentions of St. Expedite</i>
THURSDAY	October 10
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Alexandra Thompson</i>
FRIDAY	October 11
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Vittorio Carcione</i>
SATURDAY	October 12
8:15 AM	<i>In Memory of Alexander Gulowski</i>
5:00 PM	<i>In Memory of Jim Quesenberry and In Memory of Dennis Mallen</i>

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, 10/06	<i>27th Sunday In Ordinary Time; St. Bruno of Cologne; Respect Life Sunday</i>
Monday, 10/07	<i>Our Lady of the Holy Rosary</i>
Wednesday, 10/09	<i>St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest</i>
Friday, 10/11	<i>St. John XXIII, Pope</i>
Saturday, 10/12	<i>Saturday of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>

CONTRIBUTIONS to the CHURCH

Week of 09/27 - 09/30/2024

Collections: \$ 8,053.00

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The Dead**



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Did You Know?

Why are personal boundaries important?

Personal boundaries are critical for every relationship and interaction we have in ministry or volunteer work. We set boundaries to protect ourselves and the people with whom we are interacting. As an employee or volunteer in ministry, you have an inherent, perceived power over those you serve. Because of this position of authority and power, the employee and volunteer's priority should be the best interest of the person to whom they are ministering.

To learn more about setting appropriate boundaries, read the VIRTUS® article "Ministerial Boundaries, Power and Authority" at: lacatholics.org/did-you-know/

RECENT VANDALISM

Four events occurred in the last two months that I find very unsettling and disturbing. Each of these events took place at night. Here are the dates each incident was discovered in the light of day.

Wednesday, August 7th, the statue of St. Francis de Sales in front of the main door of the church was vandalized with yellow paint. In addition something was placed on the top of the concrete base and set afire.

Friday, August 16th, the window at the front porch of the rectory was set on fire.

Friday, September 20th the statue of St. Francis de Sales was vandalized again, this time with "chomo" written in black spray paint. Chomo is a slang term for child molester.

Saturday, September 28th, the statue was vandalized again with black spray paint.

Each of these incidents was promptly reported to the Van Nuys Division of the LAPD. Officers were here to take a report the first, third and fourth time. With the second incident the police officers called the arson investigators to examine the incident onsite. The third act of vandalism with "chomo" written on the statue is being treated by the LAPD as a hate crime.

Roberto, bless him, spent much time painstakingly cleaning the paint and burned residue off the marble of St. Francis de Sales. Once the statue was cleaned it suffered another paint assault.

To me our statues or any religious images are not merely marble or plaster or paint. They take our attention and direct our thoughts to the holy person they represent. In our Catholic lives defacing a statue or religious image is an assault on that holy person, an act of desecration. In addition, St. Francis de Sales is the patron saint of our parish and represents our parish. An assault on St. Francis de Sales Church is an attack on you, my parish family. An attack on our parish raises me to come to its defense.

I am in the process of having additional security cameras installed. As any number of business owners will agree, security cameras do not prevent vandalism. They may help deter vandalism and are the best we can do in hopes of identifying the assailant/s.

The burning of the rectory window frightens me. The fire burned through from the outside bottom right corner to the inside corner scorching the venetian blinds on the inside. The fire seemingly burned itself out before doing any further damage. The rectory could have easily caught fire. I attribute this deliverance from a house fire to the care of the all-holy Mother of God and my guardian angel.



September 25 – November 03, 2024

Join thousands across our nation to fast and pray and sacrifice and give silent peaceful witness to the gift of human life. Beginning September 25th, people across the world will gather outside abortion facilities once again to lift their voices in prayer for those who enter, the workers who provide abortion services, and the innocent lives lost. Those who commit to these 40-days of prayer and fasting, do so peacefully in the hope that someday we will see a world where the killing of unborn children is unthinkable.

The Lord Jesus tells us that some demons can only be driven out by prayer and fasting. The two go hand in hand. Prayer keeps us rooted in the fact that it is our desire to carry out God's will. Fasting is a sacrifice that helps us reach beyond our own limitations with God's help.

Each day during 40 Days For Life, individuals, churches, families, and groups will be asked to join together in prayer for a specific request so the entire Body of Christ can unite around a common focus.

People of faith are also invited to fast throughout 40 Days For Life. We believe that when God's people fast with a broken, repentant, and contrite spirit, our heavenly Father will hear from heaven and heal our lives, our churches, our communities, our nation, and our world.

The visible, public centerpiece of 40 Days For Life is a focused, 40-day, non-stop, round-the-clock prayer vigil outside a single Planned Parenthood center or other abortion facility on the east side of Sepulveda just south of Devonshire.

It is a peaceful and educational presence. Those who are called to stand witness during this 24-hour-a-day presence send a powerful message to the community about the tragic reality of abortion. It also serves as a call to repentance for those who work at the abortion center and those who patronize the facility.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

HARVEST FESTIVAL



CHILI COOK-OFF

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12
6:00 TO 9:00 PM

**Join us on a Spiritual Journey to Greece:
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including a Greek Isle Cruise.**

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Group Coordinator: Ms. Carla Kazimir

11-Day Itinerary: May 14 - 24 2025

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Sunday, November 3rd at 4:00 PM

FALL MEMORIAL CONCERT

St. Francis de Sales Choir
and Wagner Ensemble,
under the direction of Jeannine Wagner,
will perform Messe des morts by Charpentier,
Song for Athene by Tavener and In Paradisum
from Requiem by Fauré.

More information to come.



Our St. Vincent de Paul Society needs food gift cards.

Our St. Vincent de Paul society needs donations of small denomination market or Target gift cards for people who have food insecurity or are unhoused. They are looking for gift cards from any market; Ralphs, Vons or Target, etc. in denominations of \$25 or less to give to those less fortunate.

You can bring or drop-off the cards at the Parish Center marked St. Vincent de Paul Society.

LITTLE CHURCH REGISTRATION 2024-2025

Welcome to Little Church!

We are so excited to have you and your little ones join us at Little Church! This program is designed for parish children ages 3 (potty-trained) through Kindergarten. Together, we explore our Catholic Faith in a way that's fun and engaging for young hearts. Through storytelling and songs, we nurture each child's faith, teaching them about unconditional love, understanding, forgiveness, and acceptance.

Our syllabus is based on the Golden Rule: *"Treat others the way you want to be treated."* This guiding principle shapes the way we teach children to interact with others, fostering kindness and empathy in every lesson. At Little Church, everything we do revolves around love—whether it's through sharing, playing, keeping promises, or appreciating the wonders of God's creation. Our goal is to make faith a natural part of everyday experiences, like considering others' feelings and apologizing when necessary.

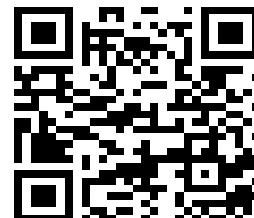
"See that you do not look down on one of these little ones.

***For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of My Father in heaven."* — Matthew 18:10**

Our dedicated ministry is run entirely by volunteers and is led by Rachel Munyaradzi, Carleen Evans, and Rosalie Stokes. All our volunteers are finger-printed, have undergone background checks, & completed the archdiocese-required VIRTUS Training. We are also grateful for the Notre Dame High School students who help us as part of their Campus Ministry Program.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out!

Contact: Rachel Munyaradzi
Number: (323) 561-8933
Email: rmunyaradzi@sfdsparish.com



LISTEN EVERYWHERE AT SFDS!

Having problems hearing the Sermon or the Priest saying Mass? We have a possible solution:

LISTEN EVERYWHERE is a system installed at SFDS that works through a free App, that you would download to your Smartphone. The audio is streamed directly through Head-sets or Ipods or Hearing Aids making speech louder and easier to hear. Our long-time parishioner MaryAnn Welker has happily used the system for years. She says, she's not an IT expert but is willing to help any parishioner set-up and use it. If you are interested, call or text **MaryAnn: (818) 321-4921**

Healthcare Professionals Annual Mass

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles and Mission Doctors Association cordially invites you to attend The Annual Healthcare Professionals Mass.

This Mass honors all of those involved in the healthcare field. Physicians, Nurses, Chaplains, Physical Therapists, Respiratory Therapists, Mental Health Caregivers, Chiropractors, Administration, Lab Workers and ALL those who work in the healthcare field are invited.

Blessing of the Hands of the Healthcare Professionals and those involved in the ministry of care will take place near the end of Mass.

October 13, 2024 at 3:30 PM **Cathedral of Our Lady of Angels** 555 W. Temple Street, Los Angeles 90012

Please RSVP at: <https://bit.ly/3zC5ifH> ***Reception Immediately Following in the Cathedral Conference Center.**

If you have any questions please contact: Ann Sanders **(213) 637-7655** or asanders@la-archdiocese.org



Virtual Diaconate Information Day

Sunday, October 13, 2024 | 2 pm–4 pm

Jesus, said
“...Go, sell what
you have, and
give to the poor
and you will
have treasure in
heaven...
... then come,
follow me.”



Has Jesus called you to follow him?

Have you considered a vocation as a deacon?

Come and see.

(Mark 10:21)

Presentaciones en Español

To register email Deacon Melecio Zamora at dmz2011@la-archdiocese.org

Next Sessions: January 12, 2025

The 52nd Annual Red Mass

Join us to celebrate The 52nd Annual Red Mass at the Cathedral on October 23rd at 5:30 PM with Archbishop José H. Gomez.

During this Mass, we honor and pray for all public servants and political leaders, so they can have guidance and strength to fulfill their professions. Members of all faiths and traditions are encouraged to attend.

The St. Thomas More Society of Los Angeles (“STMSLA”) invites you all to join this eucharistic celebration in-person at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels or via livestream at our Mass for the Homebound page.



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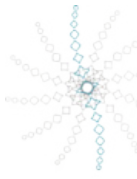
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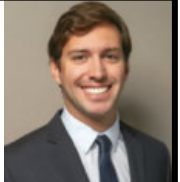
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