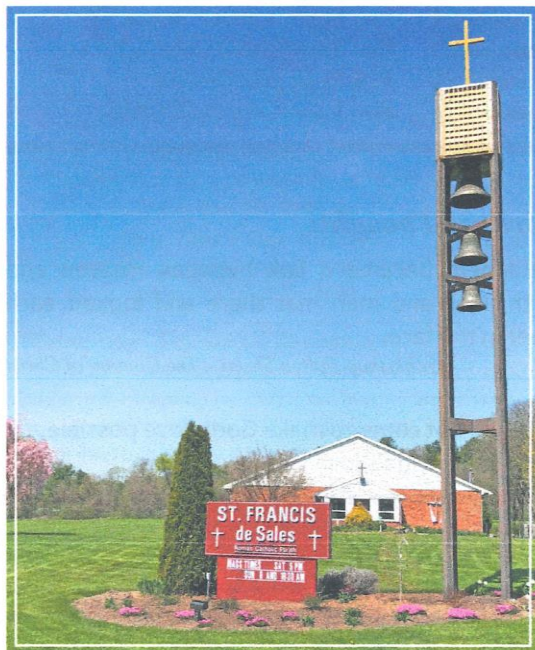


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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil ----- 5:00 pm
Sunday ----- 8:00 am & 10:30 am

HOLY DAY & WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE: Since times may vary, please check the weekly Mass schedule inside the bulletin.

SPIRITUAL CARE OF THE SICK: Please contact the office when a parish member has been admitted to the hospital or has become home bound. Upon request, the Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated and Holy Communion will be brought monthly.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday at 4:00 - 4:45 pm. At any other time by appointment.

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THE MISSION OF ST. FRANCIS de SALES PARISH

Guided by the gentle spirit and practical teachings of St. Francis de Sales, we strive to "Live Jesus" in our daily lives. We proclaim the Gospel, celebrate the Holy Eucharist, and are nourished through prayer, worship, love, and service to others. Together we are building a community that brings joy to our faith and light to the world, which one day will become the City of God.

BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated during Mass or on Sundays after the 10:30 Mass. Parents are asked to contact the parish office to arrange a time for preparation and to schedule the baptism.

CONFIRMATION AND EUCHARIST: Each child must have received a full year of religious education at St. Francis prior to beginning the sacramental preparation classes.

MARRIAGE: In order that the requirements for marriage preparation may be fulfilled, couples are to contact the parish office at least six months before the desired wedding date.

NEW MEMBERS: Please register at the office, or pick up a form in the back of the church. We are delighted to welcome you.

WILLS AND DONATIONS: Please consider designating St. Francis de Sales Parish in your last will and testament so that the blessings the



June 6, 2021 ✠ The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Mass Schedule for the Week:

Saturday, June 5, 2021 ~ FIRST SATURDAY

9:00 AM NO MASS
5:00 PM Jorge Clavijo

Sunday, June 6, 2021 ~ The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

8:00 AM Stanley Hain
10:30 AM Our Parishioners

Monday, June 7, 2021

9:00 AM Christine Rady

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

9:00 AM Bill Byrne

Wednesday, June 9, 2021 (St. Ephrem)

9:00 AM Joe Kluscarits

Thursday, June 10, 2021

12:00 PM Don & Joni Boulanger

Friday, June 11, 2021

9:00 AM Phyllis Rearden

Saturday, June 12, 2021

5:00 PM Our Parishioners

Sunday, June 13, 2021 ~ 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Ethel Hawley
10:30 AM Leonard Kopicz

Lector & Server Schedule

June 12th ~ 5:00 PM

Servers: Bross Lector: Echeverri

June 13th ~ 8:00 AM

Servers: Wagner Lector: Broskey

June 13th ~ 10:30 AM

Servers: Lector: Areiza

Parish Schedule

Sunday, June 6 @ 9:00 AM ~ K of C Meeting

Tuesday, June 8 @ 7:00 PM ~ Holy Hour

Pray For Our Sick

Edward Bellina, John Binder, Jim & Joan Bross, Rosemary C., Mary DeLong, Rick & Wren Dillon, Joseph Disabella, Dennis & Mary Ann Flemming, Judith Goelz, Nicholas M. Headley, Lorraine Held, Rose Howard, Mark Hyde, Raymond Kasproicz, Robert Koch, Leslie Livinghouse, Annamaria McCormick, Walter Muir, Joe Noll, Pat Snyder, Andrew Strangarity, Bill Straw, Eleana Wilson, Edwin Zeltzer

The one
who feeds
on this Bread
shall live forever



Let us pray for our priests:

June 6, 2021 Rev. Frans Berkhout, MEd.
June 7, 2021 Rev. Msgr. Robert Biszek
June 8, 2021 Rev. Kevin Bobbin, MDiv.
June 9, 2021 Rev. Msgr. Ronald Bocian, MDiv.
June 10, 2021 Very Rev. Thomas Bortz, V.F.
June 11, 2021 Rev. Ronald Bowman, MDiv.
June 12, 2021 Rev. Richard Brensing, MDiv.



Spiritual Thought:

Put a good bunch of grapes under the winepress, and a delicious juice will come out. Under the winepress of the cross, our soul produces a juice that feeds and strengthens us. When we haven't got any crosses, we are dry. If we carry them with resignation, what happiness, what sweetness we feel!

St. John Vianney – The Triumph of the Cross

The one who complains about the way the ball bounces is likely the one who dropped it.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Monday

2 Cor 1:1-7; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday

2 Cor 1:18-22; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday

2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday

2 Cor 3:15 – 4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26

Friday

Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37

Saturday

2 Cor 5:14-21; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday

Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

Our Return to the Lord

Week of May 30, 2021

Offertory ~ \$ 3,788.00



We are currently in need of forming additional two-person teams to count our weekend Mass offerings. This ministry is one more way of living out the Call of Stewardship for our parish and it would be asking for a once per month commitment. If you are interested in volunteering to become a Sunday Offering Counter, please contact the parish office at 610-693-5851 or email us at stfrancisrob82@verizon.net.

Farewell Gathering

With much thanks and gratitude to God for the past 5 years, I find myself leaving SFDS and being sent to St. John's in Shillington. The blessings, favors, and joys during these years cannot be numbered! A time to remember and to celebrate. Therefore, I reach out to all the parish for the opportunity to say 'Farewell' **THIS Sunday, June 6, beginning @4pm** 'til whenever the last person leaves (please know that I start to get myself ready for sleep @9:30pm). A tent with table and chairs will be set up on the front lawn of the church property. Goodies/sweets and drinks will also be provided. Should the weather become inclement, the farewell gathering will take place in the downstairs social hall. Hope to see all of you there!

M.L. O'Sullivan Muir Scholarship

A financial scholarship is available to any student seeking (or presently enrolled in) a catholic education at either **Berks Catholic High School or St. Ignatius Loyola Regional School**. Through the generosity of the late M.L. Muir, this need-based scholarship was established in memory of her husband, Dr. Robert W. Muir. The Muir family was one of the founding members of St. Francis de Sales. In striving to "Live Jesus", Mrs. Muir had established the M.L. O'Sullivan Muir Scholarship. To apply for this scholarship, please submit a letter expressing your reason for pursuing a catholic education for your child/children and your reason for financial assistance. Letters may be sent to: St. Francis de Sales Parish, Attn: Parish Office, 321 N. Church Street, Robesonia, PA 19551.

Letters for the **2021-2022** school year are due no later than **June 30, 2021**.



Today the Church celebrates the fulfillment of God's great desire to be one with his people –to establish an everlasting covenant with us – a covenant which guarantees our forgiveness and reconciliation.

Jesus' body is broken, and his blood poured out for us on the Cross. Jesus' willingness to sacrifice himself so that we can be reconciled to God and to one another completes his Father's loving plan – a new covenant is made permanent.

Today's Gospel account reminds us that Jesus gave us a continuing memorial of his loving sacrifice – a way for us today to share in his saving death and resurrection. Each time we come together to celebrate Eucharist, we break bread and share a cup that signifies the Body of Jesus broken and his Blood poured out for us.

The Blood of Christ reminds us of an earlier covenant between God and his people. Like Israel of old, Jesus' Blood forms us into a new people of God – the Church. During each Eucharist we proclaim, as they did, "All that God has said, we will do."

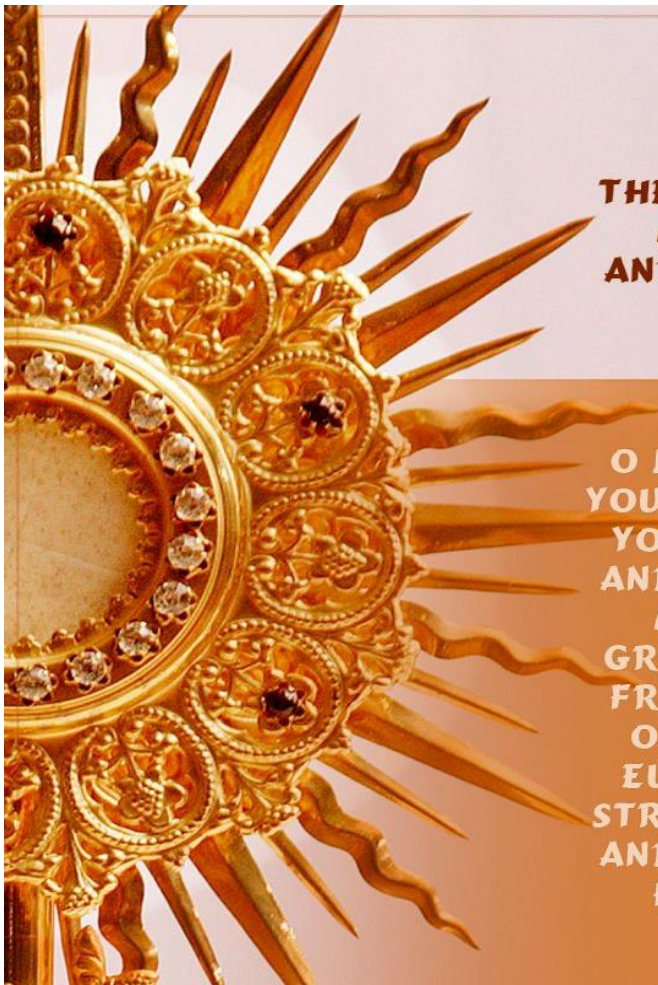
As we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus, we enter a deeper communion with Jesus and with one another. We become the Body of Christ present in our world. Like Jesus, we must become willing to do our Father's will, opening ourselves to accepting a share of the sufferings that may entail.

We are never alone in our efforts because sharing in Eucharist makes us a covenant community. Our oneness in Eucharist must lead us to oneness in daily living.

Today's feast is a strong reminder of the realities of our Christian life:

- Our God desires to be intimately one with us and the Eucharist is the place where that happens most clearly. As we eat Jesus' Body and drink his Blood, he becomes one with us and we with him.
- Our sharing in Eucharist also draws us into deeper communion with all the members of the Church. We become more fully the Body of Christ.
- As the Body of Christ in our world, we continue the mission of Jesus to announce the good news of God's love to all our brothers and sisters, especially those who need to hear that God loves them.

As we give thanks today for the great gift of the Body and Blood of Jesus in Eucharist, let us re-dedicate ourselves to living out our oneness in Jesus as we go about the daily tasks of living this week.



**PRAYER FOR
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE
MOST HOLY BODY
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
(CORPUS CHRISTI)**

**O LORD JESUS CHRIST,
YOU WHO HAVE GIVEN US
YOUR PRECIOUS BODY
AND BLOOD TO BE OUR
MEAT AND DRINK,
GRANT THAT THROUGH
FREQUENT RECEPTION
OF YOU IN THE HOLY
EUCCHARIST, I MAY BE
STRENGTHENED IN MIND
AND BODY TO DO YOUR
HOLY WILL. AMEN.**



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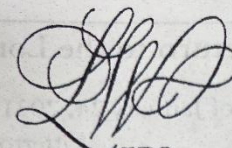
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