DECEMBER 18, 2022 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES Oratory



ORATORY CLERGY:

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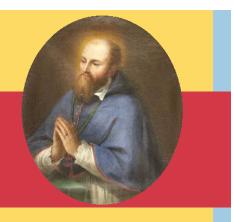
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Mr. Jon Roché Accounting Manager Mrs. Mary Hayworth Office Administrator Mr. James Marck Director of Sacred Music

"Few reach perfection because most do not have full confidence in God, with total abandonment to His fatherly Providence." -St. Francis de Sales



HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday Schedule Mass 8:00am and 10:30am

> Monday - Saturday Mass 8:00am

> > **Tuesday** Mass 6:30pm

Mon. Wed. Thurs. Fri. 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



INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, December 18 Fourth Sunday of Advent, 1st Class 8:00am Low Mass – Scott Anthony Traubitz 10:30am Solemn Mass - Bob Keithly

Monday, December 19 Feria of Advent, 2nd Class 8:00am Low Mass - Eleanor Patterson 12:15pm Low Mass - Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, December 20 Feria of Advent, 2nd Class 8:00am Low Mass - Ramone M. Escapa † 6:30pm Low Mass - Benefactors

Wednesday, December 21 St. Thomas the Apostle, 2nd Class 8:00am Low Mass - - Theodore J. & Carol S. Dubuque † † 12:15pm Low Mass - Kathleen Paul Mooney †

Thursday, December 22 Feria of Advent, 2nd Class 8:00am Low Mass - Mary Scheindler **12:15pm Low Mass -** Eugene Maloy † 6:30pm Adoration

Friday, December 23 Feria of Advent, 2nd Class 8:00am Low Mass - Grave Family Intentions 12:15pm Low Mass– Michael Higgins †

Saturday, December 24 Vigil of the Nativity, 1st Class 8:00am Low Mass - Stefan Petrasko † 8:45am Solemn Prime

Sunday, December 25 Nativity of Jesus Christ, 1st Class Midnight Mass— Mary Brandwein & Rosemary Martinek 8:00am Low Mass – Maria Raphaella Nguyen– Truong † & Family 10:30am Solemn Mass - Peter Frollo Family

SERVER SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 18 8:00am Low Mass Acolytes: Joel Miller, Peter Grgrich 10:30pm Solemn Mass Master of Ceremonies: Michael Ruggiero Thurifer: Salvatore Vitellaro Acolyte 1: Louis VandenBergh Acolyte 2: Thomas Schuepfer Choir Master of Ceremonies: Alex Vega Crucifer: Maximus AuBuchon Torchbearers: Ezio LaZella, Raymond Pekny, Joseph Shany, Jackson Huber, Dominic Ruggiero, Emil Johnson

Thursday, December 22

6:30pm Adoration Master of Ceremonies: Joseph Pekny Thurifer: Gus Pekny Acolyte 1: Trent Hickey Acolyte 2: Jack Daub Torchbearers: Raymond Pekny, Roland Purgahn

Saturday, December 24

8:00am Low Mass Acolytes: Joseph Pekny, Camden Scobey 8:45am Solemn Prime Master of Ceremonies: Abbé Alex Barga 2nd MC: Campion Purgahn Thurifer: Raymond Pekny Acolyte 1: Gus Pekny Acolyte 2: Ezio LaZella

Sunday, December 25 Midnight Solemn Mass Master of Ceremonies: Joseph Pekny Thurifer: Gabriel Ruggiero Acolyte 1: Liam Aufmuth Acolyte 2: Elias Johnson Choir Master of Ceremonies: Raymond Pekny Crucifer: Maximus AuBuchon Torchbearers: Joseph Shany, Jackson Huber, Ezio LaZella, Benjamin Lowe, Charles LeBlanc, Finn Daub



NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 16-24: CHRISTMAS NOVENA DECEMBER 25: CHRISTMAS DAY JANUARY 1: OCTAVE DAY OF CHRISTMAS JANUARY 6: EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JANUARY 8: A REMAINING CHRISTMAS JANUARY 29: CHILI COOK-OFF FEBUARY 3: TRIVIA NIGHT FEBUARY 11: BALLROOM DANCE

LETTER FROM THE PROVINCIAL

Dear faithful and friends of the Institute,

On behalf of our Prior General, Monsignor Gilles Wach, I offer you my deepest gratitude for the very large number of generous donations received in the semi-annual collection on the Feast of Christ the King for our international seminary of St. Philip Neri in Gricigliano, Italy. The total sum raised in the various apostolates of the Institute across the United States comes to **over \$132,000**. May Christ the King reward you abundantly for your sacrifice for these seminarians who are your priests of tomorrow!

All of the 110 total seminarians, including the 38 men from North America, pray daily for you and your intentions. Holy Mass is frequently offered in our seminary chapel for our benefactors both living and deceased.

Assuring you of my profound appreciation for your charity, I wish you and your families a very blessed time of preparation of Advent, and I remain,

Faithfully yours in Christ the King,

Matthew L. Talan

Rev. Canon Matthew Talarico U.S. Provincial Superior

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CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 24, 2022

8:00am Low Mass 8:45am Solemn Prime 11:30pm Blessing of the Crib

Sunday, December 25, 2022

Midnight Solemn High Mass 8:00am Low Mass 10:30am Solemn High Mass

Monday, December 26, 2022 NO 8:00AM LOW MASS 12:15pm Low Mass

Tuesday, December 27, 2022 NO 8:00AM LOW MASS 12:15pm Low Mass Blessing of St. John's wine after Mass

Wednesday, December 28, 2022 NO 8:00AM LOW MASS 12:15pm Low Mass

Thursday, December 29, 2022 NO 8:00AM LOW MASS 12:15pm Low Mass 6:30pm Adoration

Friday, December 30, 2022 NO 8:00AM LOW MASS 12:15pm Low Mass

Saturday, December 31, 2022 8:00am Low Mass 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Te Deum and Benediction

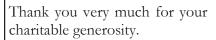
> Sunday, January 1, 2023 8:00am Low Mass 10:30am Solemn High Mass



AN EASY WAY TO DONATE

There is now a new and simple way to make donations securely online by using your cell phone. Open the camera function on your phone and place the screen over the QR Code below. A window banner will appear at the top from eservicepayments.com and then follow the prompts to donate to the Oratory's general fund or restoration fund. You will also have the option to donate to the U.S. Provincial Headquarters in Chicago to support the work and mission in the USA.

If you have any questions please contact the rectory of-fice.



DE SALES HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The **DeSales Heritage Foundation** is in existence since January 2018. This entity is a public charity, taxexempt under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). All donations made to the Foundation are therefore tax deductible according to IRC Section The governing instrument of this Founda-170. tion provides that its purpose is to promote and support the restoration, preservation and improvement of our church building, an historically and architecturally significant structure listed on the National Register of Historic Places. This narrow objective is meant to encourage companies, associations and other entities that may not wish to support religion, as such, to contribute to the important cause of the restoration of our magnificent church.

Many corporations match donations made by employees to a recognized non-profit, such as DeSales Heritage Foundation. Please inquire about your company's employee gift matching program and guidelines. If you need to provide details to qualify DeSales Heritage Foundation for your company's program, please contact us at (314) 771-3100 or desalesheritage@gmail.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 **2022-2023** insurance assessment is **\$103,356.00**. 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 2022 - JUNE 2023 WEEKLY COLLECTION GOAL: \$10,500.00

Envelopes Mailed: 337

DECEMBER 11

LOOSE:	\$5,369.00
Envelopes:	\$8,588.19
ONLINE DONATIONS	\$1,549.23
TOTAL:	\$15,506.42

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: \$4,624.90

YTD STEWARDSHIP GOAL:	\$241,500.00
YTD STEWARDSHIP:	\$355,548.38
YTD SURPLUS/DEFICIT:	\$114,048.38

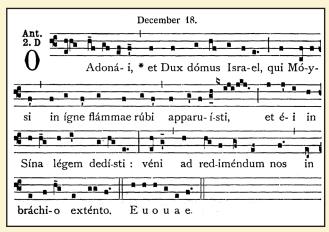
Archdiocesan Insurance Assessment 2022-2023

\$103, 356.00 \$8,613.00 A MONTH \$2,153.25 PER WEEKEND





CHRISTMAS NOVENA TO THE INFANT KING



V. Roráte, cæli, désuper, et nubes pluant iustum.R. Aperiátur terra, et gérminet Salvatórem.

Orémus. Excita, quésumus, Dómine, poténtiam tuam, et veni: et magna nobis virtúte succúrre; ut per auxílium grátiæ tuæ, quod nostra peccáta præpédiunt, indulgéntia tuæ propitiatiónis accéleret: Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre, in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum. R. Amen.

Novena Prayer to the Infant King

O Divine Infant Jesus, I have recourse to Thee. Please, through Thy Blessed Mother, assist me in this necessity (mention intention here), because I firmly believe that Thy Divinity can help me. I hope with confidence to obtain Thy holy grace. I love Thee with all my heart and with all the strength of my soul. I repent sincerely of my sins and I beg Thee, O Good Jesus, to grant me the strength to triumph over them. I resolve never more to offend Thee and I come to offer myself to Thee with the intention of enduring everything rather than to displease Thee. Henceforth, I desire to serve Thee with fidelity and, for the love of Thee, O Divine Infant, I will love my neighbor as myself. All powerful Infant, O Jesus, I implore Thee again, assist me in this need. Grant me the grace of possessing Thee eternally with Mary and Joseph and of adoring Thee with the angels in the heavenly court. Amen.

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

Friday, December 16th to Saturday, December 24th after each Mass

> Novena Prayer at the crib and O Antiphon (starting Dec. 17th)

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY

ORATORY CLEANING Sunday, December 18: St. Martha Sunday, December 25: St. Veronica Sunday, January 1: St. Benedict



LIKE ABBÉ ALEX AND ABBÉ MARK? Support Abbé Alex and Abbé Mark as well as our oblate candidates by purchasing our elegant, traditional Christmas Cards this year! 10 cards/envelopes per pack, assorted designs), Recipients remembered Christmas Day at Mass by Canon Talarico \$20/pack or \$50/3-pack. (2021 model on clearance: \$12/pack) Contact rectory.

COFFEE & DONUT HOUR

Sunday, December 18: Tim Wichmer Sunday, December 25: No Coffee Hour Sunday, January 1: No Coffee Hour

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

Send email to: Epiphanyhouseblessing@gmail.com Include name & complete address. Last week to register.

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CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS

There is still time before Christmas to purchase SCRIP gift cards to give to friends, family members and co-workers. Gift cards make great stocking stuffers as well. Each purchase helps to raise money for the Oratory! The Oratory also has a stock of gift cards on hand at popular restaurants and stores. If you place special orders by December 11th and you can pick them up before Christmas.

Mrs. Bonnie Shea will be selling the gift cards in the church hall after both Masses today and next Sunday. Please contact the Rectory Office at (314) 771-3100 for more information.

A REMAINING CHRISTMAS: ORATORY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, January 8th RSVP before Christmas at remainingchristmas@gmail.com



Mystery. Majesty. Messiah Midnight Mass-Dec. 24th St. Francis de Sales Oratory Ohio Ave. at Gravois

SUNDAY ROSARY LEADERS Sunday, December 18: Clary Redd Sunday, December 25: Patrick Daub Sunday, January 1: Chuck Brandwein

JOIN US FOR THE FIRST EVER WHISKEY WHITE ELEPHANT!

Please see date correction! 01/14/2023 @ 7:00 PM St. Francis de Sales Convent

St. Drostan's Whiskey Club is hosting the first ever Whiskey White Elephant night at St. Francis de Sales Oratory. This event is meant to be an introduction to the newly formed St. Drostan's Whiskey Club. There will be information available on the goals/purpsoe of this new club.

For the event please bring a bottle of whiskey (fully wrapped or Bagged) in the \$50-\$60 price range. There will also be a drawing for a TBD NICE bottle of whiskey and a raffle for a bottle of Blanton's. Please also bring an appetizer or snack to share. RSVP required by 01/10/2023.

For information and to RSVP please email stdrostansfds@gmail.com



BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

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



Asian Cuisine Lunch and Dinner Soulard Farmer's Market 730 Carroll Street

Sat. 7am -5pm / Wed. thru Fri. 10am-4pm Booths # 85 and 86

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.

TOURS:

Stained Glass Window Tours are given on the first Sunday of the month after the 10:30am Mass.

ORATORY RECTORY:

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