

**JANUARY 14, 2024**  
*2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY*

# ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY



## ORATORY CLERGY:

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Mr. James Marck  
Director of Sacred Music

“Be patient with everyone, but above all with yourself.”

- 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, January 14**

**2nd Sunday after Epiphany, 2nd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Schafbuch Family

10:30am Solemn Mass - Nathan Andorf

**Monday, January 15**

**St. Paul, the first Hermit, 3rd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Alice Agnes †

**Tuesday, January 16**

**St. Marcellus I, 3rd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Raimunda & Levindo Alves  
Pereira

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

**Wednesday, January 17**

**St. Anthony, Abbot, 3rd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Anne Marty Family

12:15pm Low Mass - Mr. & Mrs. Bob Lober

**Thursday, January 18**

**Votive Mass of the Chair of St. Peter**

8:00am Low Mass - Anthony Summers

6:30pm Adoration

**Friday, January 19**

**Votive Mass for the Removal of Schism**

8:00am Low Mass - Margaret Summers

**Saturday, January 20**

**Sts. Fabian & Sebastian, 3rd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - For the Intentions of Nighisti  
Tecele

**Sunday, January 21**

**3rd Sunday after Epiphany, 2nd Class**

8:00am Low Mass - Jeremy John Cotter †

10:30am Solemn Mass - Fr. Richard Wesman †

### SERVER SCHEDULE

**Sunday, January 14**

8:00am Low Mass

Acolytes: Michael Podesta, Peter Grgurich

10:30am Solemn Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Michael Ruggiero

Thurifer: Joseph Pekny

Acolyte 1: Ethan Westbrook

Acolyte 2: Brentan Hickey

Crucifer: John Paul Davidson

Choir Master of Ceremonies: Liam Aufmuth

Torchbearers: Joseph McDonald, Ben Cassibry,

Oliver Purgahn, Henry AuBuchon, Dominic

Shany, Dominic Ruggiero

**Thursday, January 18**

6:30pm Adoration

Master of Ceremonies: Gus Pekny

Thurifer: Garrett Krings

Acolyte 1: Campion Purgahn

Acolyte 2: Rafe Daub

Torchbearers: Finn Daub, Jack Daub

**Sunday, January 21**

8:00am Low Mass

Acolytes: Steven Engel, John Wichmer

10:30am Solemn Mass

Master of Ceremonies: Joseph Pekny

Thurifer: Luke Allcock

Acolyte 1: Peter Grgurich

Acolyte 2: Elias Johnson

Crucifer: Matthew Allcock

Choir Master of Ceremonies: Mark Stamos

Torchbearers: Austin Huber, George Grgurich,

Raymond Pekny, Gus Pekny, John Schuepfer,

Michael Podesta



## NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**JANUARY 25:** CATECHISM CLASSES RESUME

**JANUARY 28:** SOLEMN VESPERS AT 6:00PM

**JANUARY 28:** CHILI COOKOFF!

**JANUARY 29:** FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

**FEBRUARY 2:** PURIFICATION OF OUR LADY

**FEBRUARY 11-13:** 40 HOURS DEVOTION

**FEBRUARY 14:** ASH WEDNESDAY



**Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Following the 10:30am Mass**



**Contestant Registration  
Deadline 01/21/2024**

SFDS.Event.Volunteers@gmail.com (573)330-8839

## ORATORY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

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AT:

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## BEESWAX CANDLES FOR PURCHASE ON JANUARY 21 & 28

After the 8:00am and 10:30am Masses  
in the Church Hall



## FROM THE RECTOR

The Rector wanted to thank Canon Bell and all of the volunteers who worked so tirelessly to present the Oratory members with a festive Remaining Christmas Party last Sunday. The Christmas Hog, Carols, Games and Decor were all thoughtfully in place to help make Christmas memories for our family here in South Saint Louis while showing to the world that Christmas is still very much in season. The generosity of Our Lord was manifest in your efforts. Please God, may it serve as a stepping stone to even greater acts of generosity for his honor and the benefit of Holy Mother Church!

## CATECHISM CLASSES RESUME

Catechism Classes will be resuming on Thursday, January 25th at 5:00pm. For more information please contact the rectory office.





## HELP RESTORE THE SACRED HEART RETREAT CENTER!

A new chapter in the Institute's life in the United States has begun. Divine Providence has given us the future Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Burlington, Wisconsin. Please consider joining us in this great new mission for the good of souls in honor of the Most Sacred Heart of Our Savior!

Learn more about the future retreat center and how you can help at [institute-christ-king.org/retreatcenter](http://institute-christ-king.org/retreatcenter) or by scanning the QR code:



## ORATORY CLEANING TEAMS

January 14: St. Anthony  
January 21: St. Cecilia  
January 28: St. Martha

## SUNDAY ROSARY LEADERS

January 14: Mark Everetts  
January 21: Clary Redd  
January 28: Michael Hayworth

## COFFEE & DONUT HOUR

January 14: J. Valenza / N. Dibley  
January 21: J. Thorpe / M. Dvorak  
January 28: P. Daub/A. Wegrzyn

## GLUTEN ALLERGY

If you are unable to receive Holy Communion due to a serious allergy to gluten, and wish to receive these consecrated Hosts, please be at the end of the Communion line and let the priest know that you need the low-gluten Hosts.

## 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: 589**

**JANUARY 7**

LOOSE:	\$2,663.00
ENVELOPES:	\$14,014.40
ONLINE DONATIONS:	\$2,278.16
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$18,955.56</b>

YTD STEWARDSHIP GOAL:	\$294,000.00
YTD STEWARDSHIP:	\$478,610.43
YTD SURPLUS/DEFICIT:	<b>\$184,610.43</b>

**ARCHDIOCESAN  
INSURANCE ASSESSMENT  
2023-2024**

**\$110,964.00**

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



## A REMAINING CHRISTMAS

Thank you to all the who were able to attend the Remaining Christmas luncheon this past Sunday . Many thanks to all the volunteers who made this fun event possible . God bless each of you!





## HISTORY OF THE BAPTISTERY AT ST. FRANCIS DE SALES (CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK)

Although the baptistery dates from 1941, the current baptismal font was not installed until December of 1943, as described in the parish bulletin *Die Pfarrbote*, known in English as “The Messenger.”

“During the week before Christmas our baptismal font was installed. Last year we prepared the baptistry by removing the Perpetual Help shrine, which formerly occupied that place, to the front of the church. Our good people will be very pleased to know that we now have a liturgically correct, as well as architecturally harmonious baptistery and font. The initial expense of this installation was borne by the Christian Mothers' Society, which gave us a splendid Diamond Jubilee gift of \$500. The font was designed by Albert T. Schrader of St. Louis. The Schrader family (Schrader & Conradi) has done much of the marble work in the Catholic churches of the Middle West, including the Cathedral of St. Louis. The font was constructed by the Pickel Stone Company, also of St. Louis.

Since the church, as a whole, is of the German geometric period, with its lofty clustered shafts and general towering, large and massive, similar characteristics were sought in the designing of the baptismal font. It is constructed of material well chosen for its practical as well as color values: Mankato Fleuri (cross-cut limestone), for the general body and Red Levanto marble, imported from Greece, for the supporting columns. The bronze cover, with its simple, pleasing contour, lends itself to a most fitting climax. The architectural decorations on the capitals associate well with the foliation prevalent throughout the church. The inscription, the words of our Blessed Savior Himself in the Gospel of St. John, warns us that “Unless a man be born again of water and the Holy Ghost, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God.

Those who look for symbolism will find it readily. They will see in the main column and basin a symbol of Holy Mother Church. Indeed, ecclesiastical writers call the baptismal font the womb of the Church. The four exquisite supporting columns will symbolize the four Gospels, upon which the Church rests and which give her the strength of truth and extend her mission to the four corners of the earth. The large stone of the foundation will suggest the Rock of St. Peter, upon which Christ built the church.”



The Mother of Perpetual Help Shrine,  
in what is now the baptistery.



Current Baptistery



## APARTMENT FOR RENT

Very clean 1 bedroom UPSTAIRS apartment, lots of natural light, hardwood floors, 1,000 square feet., quiet neighborhood, \$800 month. Only 12 minutes to the Oratory! Owned by an Oratory member. Please call: (720) 548-0239.

## MOVIE CLUB AT THE ORATORY

If you're interested in meeting up with family, friends and fellow parishioners for regular movie nights, please contact Vincent Cortese at [cenocortese@gmail.com](mailto:cenocortese@gmail.com) or text at (314) 243-6308

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AT ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ORATORY



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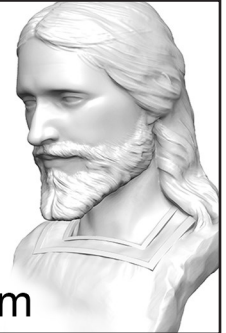
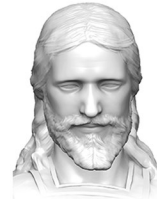
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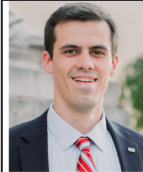


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The Benevolent Society is a Catholic Men's organization that was founded in the early years of St. Francis de Sales church for the financial help of its members in time of need. For more information on this charitable and friendly group, please contact Mr. Wally Feld at:

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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.

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