

Saint Francis de Sales Parish
129-16 Rockaway Beach Blvd.
Belle Harbor, NY 11694

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MISSION STATEMENT

St. Francis de Sales, a parish steeped in tradition, rich in natural beauty and bountifully blessed with a community devoted in love to serve God and our neighbor. We seek to live actively the Word of God through the example of our patron saint, a life devoted to energetic, generous and constant fidelity to the will of God. Empowered by the Holy Spirit we will grow in our faith through continuous education, formation, communication, and out-reach, while passing these values on to our future generations. We endeavor to be a most vibrant community of faith which will effectively utilize the talents, resources, and treasures of our parish for the good of all God's people.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 9:00 am Saturday: 9:00 am and 4:30pm (Vigil)

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

8:00 am; 10:00 am and 12:00 Noon

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

Holy Day at 9:00am.

CONFESSION/SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays from 3:30-4:15pm - Seasonal Penance Services during Advent and Lent

CARE OF THE SICK

If there is an elderly, sick or infirm parishioner who wishes to receive Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Communal Celebrations of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will take place the first Saturday of each Month at the 9:00 AM Mass.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm Evening— by appointment Saturday—by appointment Sunday only.

BAPTISM

Parents are asked to contact the Parish Office to schedule an appointment with a priest or deacon to complete the Baptismal Registration Form. Parents are required to attend a Baptismal Instruction at 7:00pm on the First Thursday of the month. Baptisms are celebrated on the Second Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm.

MARRIAGE

Preparations for the Sacrament of Marriage are very important and take time. Couples planning to be married at Saint Francis De Sales are asked to contact the Parish Office no less than eight months prior to the wedding date. Please do not schedule the catering hall prior to making arrangements at the parish. Couples are required to attend the Pre-Cana Program of the Parish at least six months prior to the wedding.

PARISH WEBSITE:

sfdsparish.org

PARISH TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office/Rectory	718-634-6464
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Parish Email	sfdsparish@aol.com
Parish Religious Education Office	718-945-6911
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St. Francis de Sales Parish

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Masses for the week of October 29 – 5, 2023

Sunday

- 8:00 AM George E. Stathis 11th A
Peggy, Walter and John Moran
- 10:00 AM Eileen Coogan
Father James Cunningham
Hannah O'Neill
Kayleigh Mahoney
- 12:00 PM Sister Patricia Walsh

Monday

- 9:00 AM Dr. John Meringolo
Oranea Stathis Lauper 14th A

Tuesday

- 9:00 AM Patrick Joseph Keena Jr. 10th A
Sheila Buckley
Sister Margaret Murphy (B)

Wednesday – All Saints Day

Masses:

- 9:00 AM Joseph Vincent Caruana
Mary E. Kennedy (B)
Mary Monaco (B)
Theresa Zuccaro
Tom and Mary Cotter
William O'Hagan 53rd Anniversary
- 10:00 AM School Mass
- 12:00 PM All Deceased Members of the Sea
Breeze Golden Age Group
- 7:00 PM For Peace in the world

Thursday – All Souls Day

- 9:00 AM For all our deceased parishioners
and all our deceased religious

Friday

- 9:00 AM Bill Flaherty (B)
The Jones and Scanlon Families

Saturday

- 9:00 AM Michael McCormack
- 4:30 PM Eileen Carey
John Summa Jr. 6A

Sunday

- 8:00 AM Constant Denni
Todd Koehler
- 10:00 AM Bernice Olsen
Mary Jane Murray (B)
Noell Botting
Mary Higgins 1st A
Theresa Mure
- 12:00 PM Msgr. James Spengler

All Souls Day Nov. 2nd – There are All Souls envelopes in the back of church for you to remember your loves ones who are deceased.



Bread and Wine to be offered at the Masses for this week Kay and Frank Gallagher.

Winners for the week are: 500 Club:

Congratulations: for 2023-2024

\$100 #270 Ellen McGuinness

50 #248 Brian J. Keenan

25 #155 John L. Bryant

MASS BOOK IS OPENED FOR 2024..

Masses are \$15.00 per Mass and Bread and Wine is \$25.00, Candles are \$50.00 and Flowers are \$150.00. We appreciate if you make out your list of Masses and any other requests like Bread and Wine, etc., and drop it off at the rectory. Our Masses as follows: 9:00 AM Mass, Monday through Saturday: Masses for weekend are 4:30 PM on Saturday evening, Sunday, 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 Noon Thank you.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND - Kindly

remember in your prayers Tess Kuhlmann, Jim Bunyan, Jimmy O'Neill, Chris Gallagher, Jeanne Cerrone, Lynn Soren, Maria Barry, Carol Conroy, Johanna O'Connor, Desi O'Leary, Margaret Hannan, Maureen McGee and Bella Corbin.

REST IN PEACE - *In our charity, please remember the parishioners who have died recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of Christ rest in peace John Gilleece.*

Saint Francis de Sales Church
Belle Harbor, New York



**SEMINARIAN
PAUL ZWOLAK
TO BE INSTALLED
AS AN ACOLYTE**

**Bishop James Massa will install
Seminarian Paul Zwolak
as an Acolyte at the 12pm Noon
Mass on Sunday, November 5th.**

**All are invited to join us in
support of Paul as he continues
on his journey towards the
Priesthood.**

**Reception to follow in Msgr.
Reddy Hall**

On November 5th, 2023, at the noon Mass, I will be installed as an acolyte by Bishop James Massa, an auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn. The term is rarely heard, and many questions have arisen about what the term acolyte means. The term acolyte refers to the ministries the Church gives to those preparing for the priesthood. In the past, the term was called "minor orders" and referred to the reception of these "minor orders" that needed to be received to be ordained a priest. The acolyte would have a variety of duties, such as lighting the candles on the altar, carrying the candles in procession, and assisting the priest at Mass. In 1973, Pope Paul VI replaced "minor orders" with "ministry" but they still maintain the same purpose. The acolyte's duty is to aid the deacon and to minister to the priest. Those studying for the priesthood always receive the ministry of acolyte. While the Catholic Church defines acolytes in this official capacity, the term is commonly used today when referring to altar servers, specifically altar servers who carry the candles at Mass. The Church has maintained the ministry of acolyte as a step for those studying for the priesthood. I hope that this brief explanation of acolyte is beneficial. Please continue to pray for an increase in vocations as I prepare for my reception of the ministry of acolyte.

In Christ, Seminarian Paul Zwolak

Sea Breeze Golden Age Club – there will be a Mass at 12:00 Noon for the Deceased Members of the Sea Breeze and a meeting will follow on Wednesday, Nov. 1st to 3:00 PM at the SFDS Academy.

Volunteers are needed to assist with Live Streaming on Weekdays and Sundays. We live Stream Masses on Sunday- Wednesdays and also funerals as requested. The technology is easy to work. If you are willing to help with this important ministry, please contact Father Jim at the rectory 718-634-6464 or via email at Jim1950@aol.com



LAST CALL FOR OKTOBERFEST TICKETS!

THE WINNING TICKET WILL BE PULLED ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 TH AT 3:00 PM AT THE RECTORY.

THERE'S STILL TIME TO PURCHASE A TICKET BEFORE AND AFTER THE 4:30 PM MASS ON SATURDAY AND THE SUNDAY MASSES AT 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 NOON AND UP UNTIL 2:00 PM BY THE RECTORY ON THE 29TH.

TICKETS PRICE: \$100.00

**METHODS OF PAYMENT: CASH, CHECK, CREDIT CARD, VENMO & ZELLE
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE PURCHASED TICKETS, WE ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR GENEROSITY TO ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CHURCH!!**

MEMORIALS! - The following Memorials are available to be donated in Memory of a family member or loved one.

Easter Paschal Candle		\$350.00
Green Stoles -	2 Deacons	\$408.00 each
	3 Priests	
Purple Stoles -	3 Priests	\$402.00 each
	2 Deacons	

The Rosary is prayed every morning at 8:40 AM before the 9:00 AM Mass and every Monday night at 7:00 PM in the church.

CRAFT FAIR & PHOTO WITH SANTA



On Saturday, November 4th the Little Sisters of the Poor here at Queen of Peace Residence will be hosting our annual Craft Fair/Photo with Santa. Beat the Mall rush. Pick up beautiful last minute handmade gifts at our craft fair. Take a picture with Santa at Queen of Peace Residence. Bring your children, grandchildren, your friends. refreshments will be sold hot cocoa, cookies, soda and hot dogs. Masks are to be worn except when taking photos, eating or drinking. All proceeds from the sales go directly to our Home in caring for the elderly Residents. QUEEN OF PEACE RESIDENCE - 110-30 221st Street, Queens Village, NY 11429

A Special Thank you

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Heeran Foundation and St. Francis de Sales parish, I would like to thank you for your generous gift. The Heeran Foundation has been incredibly generous to St. Francis for many years and your gift will continue to assure our presence in the neighborhood through "The Building Our Legacy of Faith and Community Capital Campaign". It will help with much needed renovation of our Church building and help keep St. Francis as a beacon in our neighborhood.

Again, thank you once again for your generosity and support and May God bless you and your families. Fr. Bill



Faith & Family

A 4 WEEK PROGRAM TO PROVIDE PARENTS WITH THE TOOLS, RESOURCES, & EXPERIENCES TO ENABLE YOUR FAMILIES TO GROW TOGETHER SPIRITUALLY

Topics that will be covered

- Church Precepts
- Faith
- Scripture
- Prayer
- Tour & History of SFDS

Weekly on Mondays
October 16 - November 6
7:00 to 8:15 PM
Monsignor Reddy Hall

To join, call 718-945-6911 or email annemarie@sfdsparish.org by 10/9



A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY AND OUR PEOPLE

We are one nation under God
and we work for liberty and justice for all peoples.
Coming together as the family of God, we pause and remember
that our loving God continually dwells among us.
In the name of God our Creator, Jesus our Brother and Redeemer, and
the Holy Spirit Who calls us to holiness and wholeness.
Amen.