

# SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES Church - Welcomes you

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil mass 12/21 5:00p.m. English, 7:00pm Spanish

Sunday 12/22 - 7:30a.m. English, 9:00a.m. Portuguese

10:30a.m. English & 12p.m. Spanish

Weekdays 7:30a.m. Mass at the Convent Chapel

Monday 12/23 - 7:30a.m.

Tuesday 12/24 - 7:30a.m.

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Christmas Eve 5:00p.m. Vigil Mass; Midnight Mass Bilingual

Wednesday 12/25 - 7:30a.m. English, 9:00p.m. Portuguese;

10:30 English; 12:00p.m. Spanish

Thursday 12/26 - 7:30a.m.

Friday 12/27 - 7:30a.m.

Saturday 12/28 8:00a.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00p.m.-5:00p.m. or by appointment

## Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the rectory for Baptism Information

## Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the Parish office 973-779-4330 at least one year in advance for arrangements.

## Sick & Home bound

DECEMBER 22, 2019



## *The Nativity of the Lord*



*Merry Christmas*

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

Dear brothers and sisters,

There is an ancient Christian story about Saint Joseph and the Virgin Mary that goes like this: After the dream where the angel reveals to Joseph that Mary has conceived by the Holy Spirit, Joseph goes to Mary's house and asks her why she did not tell him anything. He would have believed her. The answer of Mary was, because who am I to interfere in the relationship between God and you; if had not told you yet, I could not tell you. I bring this story because we have a tendency to want God and other people explain everything to us and we want that it fits to our ideas. Somethings cannot be explained only with reason. As you know this last week, I was in the funeral of a friend of mine that was killed in the line of duty. Reason alone cannot explain it. In front of certain events of our lives, in front of some tragedies there is no other answer than to wait for God to reveal the rest of His plan. And this calls for faith. Imagine Joseph, alone, betrothed and finds out his love is pregnant and is not his. How to understand, how to explain? Only God has an answer and we need to learn to trust even when we do not understand.

I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas! May this child born in Bethlehem bring you joy and peace. Remember to look at the bulletin for the schedule and that we will be closed December 24, 25 and 26.

Saint Francis de Sales Pray for Us!

Queridos hermanos y hermanas:

Hay una antigua historia cristiana sobre San José y la Virgen María que dice así: Después del sueño donde el ángel le revela a José que María ha concebido por el Espíritu Santo, José va a la casa de María y le pregunta por qué ella no le dijo cualquier cosa. La habría creído. La respuesta de María fue, porque ¿quién soy yo para interferir en la relación entre Dios y usted? si aún no te lo hubiera dicho, no podría decírtelo. Traigo esta historia porque tenemos una tendencia a querer que Dios y otras personas nos expliquen todo y queremos que se ajuste a nuestras ideas. Algunas cosas no pueden explicarse solo con razón. Como saben esto la semana pasada, estuve en el funeral de un amigo que murió en el cumplimiento del deber. La razón por sí sola no puede explicarlo. Frente a ciertos eventos de nuestras vidas, frente a algunas tragedias, no hay otra respuesta que esperar que Dios revele el resto de su plan. Y esto exige fe. Imagine a Joseph, solo, desposado y descubre que su amor está embarazada y no es suyo. ¿Cómo entender, cómo explicar? Solo Dios tiene una respuesta y necesitamos aprender a confiar incluso cuando no entendemos.

¡Les deseo a todos una muy Feliz Navidad! Que este niño nacido en Belén te traiga alegría y paz. Recuerde consultar el boletín para el horario y que estaremos cerrados los días 24, 25 y 26 de diciembre.

San Francisco de Sales ¡Ruega por nosotros!

Caros irmãos e irmãs

Há uma história cristã antiga sobre São José e a Virgem Maria que é assim: Depois do sonho em que o anjo revela a José que Maria concebeu pelo Espírito Santo, José vai à casa de Maria e pergunta por que ela não lhe contou. qualquer coisa. Ele teria acreditado nela. A resposta de Maria foi: quem sou eu para interferir no relacionamento entre Deus e você; se ainda não tivesse lhe contado, não poderia contar. Trago essa história porque temos a tendência de querer que Deus e outras pessoas nos expliquem tudo e queremos que isso se encaixe em nossas idéias. Algumas coisas não podem ser explicadas apenas pela razão. Como você sabe nesta semana passada, eu estava no funeral de um amigo meu que foi morto no cumprimento do dever. Apenas a razão não pode explicar. Diante de certos eventos de nossas vidas, diante de algumas tragédias, não há outra resposta senão esperar que Deus revele o restante de Seu plano. E isso exige fé. Imagine Joseph, sozinho, noivo e descobre que seu amor está grávida e não é dele. Como entender, como explicar? Somente Deus tem uma resposta e precisamos aprender a confiar, mesmo quando não entendemos.

Quero desejar a todos um Feliz Natal! Que esta criança nascida em Belém lhe traga alegria e paz. Lembre-se de olhar para o boletim da programação e que estaremos fechados nos dias 24, 25 e 26 de dezembro.

São Francisco de Sales ora por nós!

Fr. Francisco

# 3rd Week of Advent

## Liturgical Ministers

### December 21-22

5:00p.m. Lucy Rieger

7:30a.m. Frank Steffens

10:30a.m. Blanche Schrieks

Joe Capozzi, Brbara Hughes,  
Barbara Lynch  
Ron Lombardi, Ray Petrisin,  
Chris Fredericks  
Jackie Zambrano, Vilma Maikisch,  
Dolores Putt, Mitch Santlofer,  
Mary Scimeca

### December 28-29

5:00p.m. Scott Guzzo

7:30a.m. Carmen Pilger

10:30a.m. Alicia Acerra

Elizabeth Genaro, Sr. Martine,  
Jean Canta,  
Charles Gibbons, Ron Marino,  
Dale Sipos  
Mitch Santlofer, Andrea Verdugo,  
Estella Carrilho, Judy Schroeder,  
Mary Scimeca

### January 4-5

5:00p.m. Lory Sorbello

7:30a.m. Mary Ann Harris

10:30a.m. Mary Ellen Sabatino

Agatha Healy, Lucy Reiger,  
Elaine Murgolo  
Ron Lombardi, Ray Petrisin,  
Chris Fredericks  
Andrea Verdugo, Jacky Zambrano,  
Estella Carrilho, Mary Scimeca,  
Mitch Santlofer

## Ministros de la Eucaristia & Lectores

### Weekly Readings

#### December 21

Primera Lectura

Sandra Lara

Segunda Lectura

Juan C. Salamanca

Ministros de Eucaristia

Nubia Cuesta, Maritza Alvarez, Rosa Quizhpi  
Ana Mariano, Sonia Zhinin

#### December 22

Primera Lectura

Miguelina Tuncaslanera

Segunda Lectura

Monica Pulido

Ministros de Eucaristia

Graciela Giacomelo, Pilar Deleg,  
Carlos Rivera, Ambrosia Garcia, Irma Villalobos

#### December 28

Primera Lectura

Elvia Restrepo

Segunda Lectura

Ivan Vides

Ministros de Eucaristia

Luis Altamirano, Jeannifer Vidal, Liliana Leon,  
Carmen Rosa Astete, Zoraida Gonzalez

#### December 29

Primera Lectura

Naira Bellighieri

Segunda Lectura

Wilma Jimenez

Ministros de Eucaristia

Elizabeth de la Rosa, Edith Ramirez, Jose Luis  
Ramirez, Jesus Mendez, Raffi Fontanilla

**December 22,** Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24 (10)

**December 29,** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14, Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17, Mt. 2: 13-15,  
19-23 (17)

### Pray for

Vilma Maikisch, Rita Bozzelli, Serafin Fernandes, Ellen Gibbons, Bob Goodwin,  
Joyce Kasperski, Irene Luczyk, David Pilger, Beverly Sogluizzo, Rose Tavolaro,  
Mary Zabran, Andy Mullins, Alfred Pelikan, Jacob Berard, Ann Tramuta, Glenn  
Russo Sr.

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, Saint Peter Canisius

8:00a.m. Joseph & Marie Capozzi r/b Joe & Sue Capozzi

5:00p.m. Veronica Zalenski r/b Her Children

7:00p.m. Intenciones Comunitarias

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 4th Sunday of ADVENT

7:30a.m. Agnes & Leo Cross r/b John & Joan McGuffog

9:00a.m. Antonio Nobre r/b Pais, Irmaos e Filhos  
Antonio Fernandes e Pais r/b Rosa Fernandes  
Rosa Alves e Justino Pires r/b Helena Pires

10:30a.m. Oranie Khoury, Samir Khoury, Barnaba V. r/b Khoury  
Family

12:00p.m. Intenciones Comunitarias

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 23 Weekday

7:30a.m. Ciotka Maryann Petrowsky r/b Amanda, Emma and Allison

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 Weekday

7:30a.m. Antoni Gozdz r/b Rieger Family

5:00p.m. People of the Parish Living and Deceased

Midnight People of the Parish Living and Deceased

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 Weekday

7:30a.m. People of the Parish Living and Deceased

9:00a.m. Paroquianos Vivos y Difuntos

10:30a.m. People of the Parish Living and Deceased

12:00p.m. Paroquianos Vivos y Difuntos

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26 Weekday

7:30a.m. In Memory of Anne Schnepel

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27 Weekday

7:30a.m. Geraldine & James Murray, and Family r/b Ron & Margaret  
and the Lombardi Family

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28 Weekday

8:00a.m. Agatha Pijanowski, r/b Pijanowski Family

5:00p.m. Gozdz Family r/b Lucy Rieger

7:00p.m. Maria Yauri 1er Aniversario r/b Familias Remache and Yauri

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

7:30a.m. Geraldine Gritmon r/b Family

9:00a.m. Antonio Nobre r/b Pais, Irmaos e Filhos  
Maria Augusta r/b Zulmira e Jose Francisco  
Joao Rocha, Esposa, Pais e Sogros r/b os Filhos

10:30a.m. June Morse r/b Mr. & Mrs Charles Maikisch

12:00p.m. Virgilito Polanco Taveras, Virgilio Polanco,  
Torivia Taveras de Polanco r/b Rossy

### Memorials

Bread and Wine this week are

**In Memory of Mary Ann Petrowsky** r/b Allyson & Rob Pontier

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week

**In Memory of Mary Ann Petrowsky** r/b Allyson & Rob Pontier

*For the deceased members of this Parish*

**Community, and for all the deceased for whom we have  
celebrated their Funeral Mass in St. Francis de Sales  
Church.**

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### SUNDAY 12/22

\*No CCD Classes

\*Novena de Navidad 1:00p.m. at the Church

### MONDAY 12/23

\*No Confirmation Classes

7:00p.m. in school

\*Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm I in Church

\*Novena de Navidad 8:p.m. at the Church

### TUESDAY 12/24

\*Rectory closed

\*Chapel closed

### WEDNESDAY 12/25

\*Rectory closed

\*Chapel closed

### THURSDAY 12/26

\*Rectory closed

\*Chapel closed

### FRIDAY 12/27

### SATURDAY 12/28

### SUNDAY 12/29

\* No CCD Classes Christmas break

## EVENTS & PROGRAMS



**Choir**– Anyone who is interested in joining please see Paul after Mass.

- **NEW Lectors Hand book** To all Lectors please pass by the rectory to pick new lectors handbook, the book's cost is **\$10.00** per book.

- **Youth Group** will meet on January 3rd at 7:00p.m. in Mother Angela Commons

- **The Three Kings** Come and join us to celebrate the Epiphany of our Lord, January 4, 2020. 10:00a.m. in the Church.

-**Altar Servers Fund Raiser PAINT & SIP**, Come and enjoy a sip of wine and Paint a portrait. January 10th at 7:30p.m. in Mother Angela Commons. Tickets are \$35.00. For more information call the Rectory.

### Upcoming Events

- **Felician Sister Present Epiphany Prayer service and Music** The Felician Sisters of The Immaculate Conception Convent, will have an Epiphany Prayer Service with the Sacred Music on **Sunday, January 5, 2020**, at the Immaculate Conception Convent Chapel, 260 South Main St, Lodi, NJ at **3:00p.m.** It is the hope of the Sisters that the gift of prayer and music will deepen the spirit of Christmas for all who attend as we celebrate the Feast of Epiphany, Known as "**Little Christmas**" in many countries. There is no admission charge for this Concert but good will offerings will be accepted and proceeds will be sent to the Felician mission in Haiti. Please plan to join us. The Chapel is now handicap accessible. Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, has accepted an invitation to attend. For Further info. Please contact Sister Mary Virginia, [sistervirginia@feliciansisters.org](mailto:sistervirginia@feliciansisters.org) fax 973-473-7126, or voice mail 862-238-7426.

- **Our Annual Tricky Tray** February 7th 2020. Please mark you Calendars.

- **Knights of Columbus Pancake breakfast:** St Michaels council will hold their monthly pancake breakfast, **Jan 12th Feb. 9th March 8th, April 12th May 10th and June 14th.** From **8:30a.m. to 12 noon** at the K of C Hall 39 Washington St. Lodi, NJ the cost is \$6.00 for adults \$4.00 for children over 6. Menu includes pancakes, French toast eggs orange juice coffee and tea. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

-**Sacred Heart Home School** Association Present their Annual Tricky Tray on Friday, January 17, 2020, at Sacred Heart School, 620 Valley Brook Avenue, Lyndhurst. Doors Open at 6pm Donation \$15.00 per person. For Tickets call Patty Pavlica at 201-803-9580

- **Saint Vincent de Paul Poor Fund** The review board has approved the disbursement of \$500.00 for a poor of the Parish. If you have Any Question please contact Fr. Francisco.

*Sharing God's Blessings  
Archbishop's Annual Appeal\**

*Updated 9/26/2019*

Goal Amount	\$18,952.00
Donor Pledged	\$13,572.00
Pledges Received	\$10,571.47
Balance of Pledges	\$3,000.53
Balance of Goal	\$8,380.53
St. Vincent de Paul Poor fund	\$300.00
<b>Weekly Offerings</b>	
December 15, 2019	\$3,271.00
Religious Retirement	\$1,765.00
Immaculate Conception	\$546.00
Nativity	\$1,050.00

### HOW TO REPORT ABUSE

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take the appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report allegation of misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at 201-407-3256.

### COMO REPORTAR ABUSO

La Arquidiócesis toma muy en serio todas y cada una de las acusaciones del clero, los religiosos y el personal laico de la Arquidiócesis. Animamos a cualquier persona con conocimiento de un acto de mala conducta sexual a que nos informe de inmediato para que podamos tomar las medidas adecuadas para proteger a los demás y brindar apoyo a las víctimas de abuso sexual. Las personas que deseen reportar alegaciones de mala conducta pueden hacerlo llamando a la Oficina Arquidiocesana de Protección de Niños y Jóvenes al 201-407-3256



## *Saint Francis de Sales Church*



### *CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE*

#### *CHRISTMAS EVE*

5:00p.m. Vigil Mass

12:00a.m. Midnight Mass (Bilingual)

#### *CHRISTMAS DAY*

7:30a.m. Mass at Dawn English

9:00a.m. Day Mass Portuguese

10:30a.m. Day Mass English

12:00p.m. Day Mass Spanish

## *Saint Francis de Sales Church*

### *The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God*

*Mary teach us to love your Son,  
as you have loved Him.*



Vigil Mass December 31,

7:00p.m. Portuguese

8:00p.m. Spanish

January 1st 2020

9:00a.m. English

### *Epiphany of the Lord*



*"We have saw his star in the east  
and have come to worship Him."*

## *Saint Francis de Sales Church*

The Tree Kings are on their way to Saint Francis de Sales Church,  
They bring joy and happiness to celebrate the birth of the  
King of Kings  
Jesus!

The kings will arrive **Saturday, January 4th 2020**  
at **10:00am** in the Church.

Adults, teen and children are all invited!

After the celebration Light refreshments will be offered in Lennon Hall.