

# Saint Francis de Sales Church Bulletin

April 26, 2009 ~ Sherman Oaks, California



## **REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK AND RECOVERING OF OUR COMMUNITY *especially***

Susan Dalglish, Melissa Manning Wilmot, Theresia Hubel, Marilyn Bardwil, Robina Dumas, Floyd Romeck, Rocco Carter, Peter Thompson, Calleigh Stone, Daniel Patrick Kennedy, Micki Kadar, Monica A. Faraldo, Robert Salvato, Steve Mccahulk, Sam Sosna, Rocco Wren, Kelly Hare, Joey Harper, Sr. Ellen Marie McGovern, Jane Faurot, Dee Gillespie, Emma Ramirez, Randi Renaud, Cynthia Kotzman, Lucy Fleming McGrath, Sr. Greta Stewart, Teresa Pina-Jiminez, Spencer Hawk, Paul Bardwil, Jennifer Robin, and Eileen Breeden.

## **PRAY FOR OUR ARMED FORCES**

Michael Lucas-US Navy, Mike McCarthy-US Navy, Monica A. Faraldo-US Army

## ***In your prayers during the week please remember the repose of the souls of***

Frank O'Kane Sr. & Ad Sleutjes

## **MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

### **SATURDAY- APRIL 25**

9:00 AM -In Memory of Padre Pio

5:00 PM -In Memory of Bernice Baga

### **SUNDAY- APRIL 26**

8:00 AM -In Memory of Giacomo Trabalza

10:00 AM -In Memory of John Loughlin

12:00 PM -In Memory of Francesca Consoli

5:00 PM -In Memory of Marie & Frank Cavallo

### **MONDAY- APRIL 27**

8:30 AM -In Memory of Patricia Rimlinger

### **TUESDAY- APRIL 28**

8:30 AM -In Memory of Emma Barker

### **WEDNESDAY- APRIL 29**

8:30 AM -For the Intentions of LouAnn Reising

### **THURSDAY- APRIL 30**

8:30 AM -In Memory of Emma Del Rosario

### **FRIDAY- MAY1**

8:30 AM -For the Intentions of Andrew Joseph Murcia

### **SATURDAY- MAY2**

9:00 AM -In Memory of Jesus Lammatao

5:00 PM -In Memory of Lorraine Imp

## **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS (5/3)**

First Reading - There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalm - The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading - See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel - The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

**“Our mission is to help our Parish Family discover rewarding and fulfilling opportunities to grow spiritually; to form relationships; to serve Our Lord and to help others.”**



## This Week In Our Parish

Sunday 4/26

9AM-CRE Classes.

10AM-Little Church.

12Noon-Confirmation Teen and Adult.

Tuesday 4/28

7PM-RCIA. Parish Center.

Wednesday 4/29

9:45AM-Mommy & Me. Parish Center.

7:30PM-Meditation Prayer group.

Thursday 4/30

9:30AM-Bible Study. Parish Center.

Friday 5/1

First Friday Adoration after 8:30 a.m. Mass.

No school for SFDS Students. Festival set-up

OUR FIELD OF DREAMS-6 PM-11 PM.

Saturday 5/2

OUR FIELD OF DREAMS-12 Noon-11 PM.

Sunday 5/3

OUR FIELD OF DREAMS-12 Noon-7:30 PM.

Monday 5/4

No school for SFDS Students. Festival clean-up.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHURCH

Week of 4/16-4/22 Collection.

Collection \$ 8,546.00

Parish Pay \$ 1,469.00

Total \$10,015.00 Thank you for your contributions.

## SFDS ADULT CLUB 2009 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Luncheon Meetings: - Every 3rd Monday - 1:00 PM in Auditorium: Lunch, Speaker or Entertainment, 50/50, & Bingo. call Maurine Backus at 818-784-0605 or Renee O'Malley at (818) 986-6369 for reservations.

Club Membership: Join the SFDS Adult Club and its many year-long activities and projects for only \$15. Call Cora Kinsella for membership at (818) 990-5196.

Board Meetings: Last Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Executive Committee Meetings: Last Wednesday of each month in Parish Center at 1:30 pm.

Free Beach Parking at County Beaches for 62+: obtain your parking passes (M-F) by sending a copy of your driver's license and car registration to Department of Beaches and Harbors, 13837 Fiji Way, Marina Del Rey, CA 90292 or call (310) 305-9503.

## RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a series of meetings held here at St. Francis de Sales Parish for persons interested in becoming members of the Catholic faith.

We welcome all who are interested, they include persons who have never been Baptized in any faith as well as persons who were Baptized in another religion. Persons who were Baptized as infants in the Catholic faith but who never made their First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation. All are welcome to come and find out what the Catholic religion is all about. With divine guidance, these people might choose to embrace the Catholic faith. Meetings are taking place in the Parish Center, 13360 Valleyheart Dr., Sherman Oaks from 7-9 pm, every Tuesday evening. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or if you know of someone else who might be interested in gathering with us on a Tuesday evening, please call Lori Demarest at the Parish Center 818-784-0105 and leave your name and a telephone number. One of the group leaders of the RCIA program will call you and give you further information should you have questions to ask.





## DID YOU KNOW?

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is national Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is most appropriate that Child Abuse Prevention Month is held during the Easter season. There is no better time to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God-our children. For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, please call the parish office or visit: <http://www.archdiocese.la/protecting>.

For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at 213 637-7650.

## MEDITATION PRAYER GROUP

The SFDS Meditation Group meets every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the side Church. This prayer group practices the ancient Eastern method of meditation, which was later adapted for Christians by St. Benedict and is practiced daily by the Benedictine monks. All are welcome.

## PARISH PAY

In these tough economic times it might be easier to have your church contributions taken weekly or monthly from your checking account or credit card. If you set up a predetermined amount you can easily budget expenses. Parish Pay is an easy and convenient service provided to our parishioners. You simply go on line and they will automatically deduct your church contributions at whatever schedule and amount you determine. It only takes a few moments to go to their secure website and make arrangements. If you are interested simply go to [www.saintfrancisdesaleschurch.com](http://www.saintfrancisdesaleschurch.com) and click on contribute and then Parish Pay.

For Catholic single women ages 18 to 40 who are discerning a vocation to religious life  
Are you sensing a call to serve and to seek a deeper relationship with God as a Religious? You are invited to a "Come and See" Day on Sunday, May 17, 2009 from 11:30 AM to 7:30 PM at Sacred Heart Convent in Altadena, California. RSVP by: May 11, 2009. For more information, please call Sr. Lovina at 815-464-3873 or email [fsshvocations@aol.com](mailto:fsshvocations@aol.com). Hosted by the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NOTES

The SFDS Knights coordinates with the School and Church a monthly canned food and clothing drive on the 1st weekend of the month. Save your canned food and clothing for the Loaves & Fishes Program. Current community needs have greatly increased the need for food and clothing for our poor. Thank you to all the SFDS Families who bring food and clothing to the collection. It keeps the doors open at Loaves & Fishes, where all SFDS Families are referred for assistance. The primary goal of this drive is to collect non-perishable food items such as canned goods. However, L&F is always in need of clothing as well. Thank you.

## SAVE THE DATE

Retirement Mass for Father Kevin Larkin Celebrating 28 years of service to the Saint Francis de Sales Community

Sunday, June 7th 2009 10 A. M. Mass and 12 Noon Mass

Reception begins immediately following the 10 A. M. and 12 Noon Masses

There will be a Tribute Book for Father Larkin. Select from full page, half page or quarter page spaces available to share your good wishes and thoughts for Fr. Larkin.

Prices: Full page (vertical) - 5"x8" - \$100.00

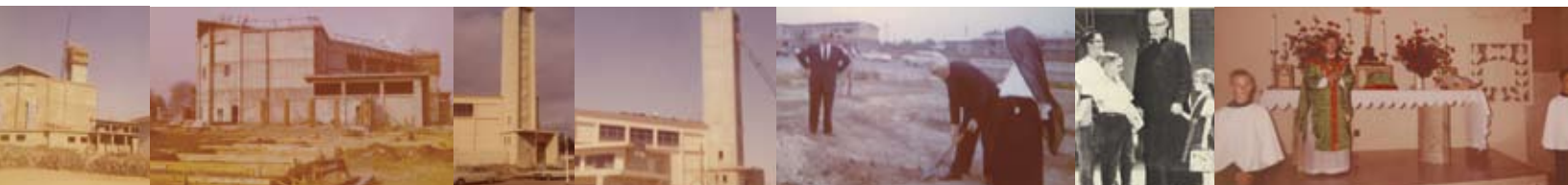
Half page (horizontal) - 5"x3.75" - \$50.00

Quarter (vertical) - 2.25"x3.75" - \$25.00

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For more information,

Contact the Parish Center at 818-784-0105





### TOGETHER IN MISSION PLEDGE BILLINGS

The monthly pledge billings for the Together in Mission pledges have been mailed. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach and, hopefully, exceed our goal. Once the pledge payments have exceeded our goal, we receive all of the additional funds for use in our parish ministries.

### BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47).

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### FULTON AVE. BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS

Construction has begun on the Fulton Ave. Bridge over the L.A. River in order to meet federal bridge codes and meet state seismic safety standards. The work consists of removing and rebuilding portions of the channel walls at each four corners of the bridge and widen the deck to accommodate a new roadway width of forty three feet. The work will also include approach street and sidewalk improvements as well as the installation of an architectural metal rail above the new concrete barriers. The work on the bridge will hopefully be finished by January 31, 2010. If you have any questions please contact C-1 Construction at (323) 469-3402.

### FESTIVAL IS COMING- SAVE THE DATE

The annual SFDS Festival is next weekend! Get ready for the fun-filled weekend of rides, foods of all nations, games, silent and live auctions, fireworks, entertainment...and so much more. This year's theme is "OUR FIELD OF DREAMS." Join us on Friday, May 1st from 6-11 p.m., Saturday, May 2nd from Noon-11 p.m., and Sunday, May 3rd from Noon-7:30 p.m.

We would like to invite you to participate in this fun weekend. For information and volunteer sign-ups, call Bill Madden at 818-761-2557.

### MOMMY & ME

We have a whole new group of little ones with their mommies (and daddies, of course) at our free weekly meetings. Join us at our new time, on Wednesday's from 9:45-11:15 a.m. in the Parish Center. We welcome all children ages three months to three years, offering playtime in a caring, supportive environment with other new parish parents. Any questions, call Cheyene at 818 645-6007.

### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to place your news items in the Bulletin, you may do so via e-mail. The address is: [sfdsbulletin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sfdsbulletin@sbcglobal.net).

### ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

#### WEBSITE

Please visit the new website for our Parish.  
Just log onto [saintfrancisdesaleschurch.com](http://saintfrancisdesaleschurch.com).



WELCOME

We are glad you ATTENDED Mass with us.

How may we serve you?

I am a visitor.

I would like to become a Catholic.

I would like to receive my Confirmation.

I would like to go to Confession.

I would like to join the SFDS parish.

I have changed my address.

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PARISH \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS \_\_\_\_\_

We congratulate the following High School Confirmation Class of April 26, 2009. Cardinal Roger Mahony will preside over this ceremony.

Austin Armstrong Marisa Bremont  
James Clark Burnap Hailey Chavez  
Owen Michael Cole Stephanie Coyne  
Evan Davis  
Luke Anthony DeSisto David Dinwiddie  
Frances Dominguez  
Christopher Drachkovitch Brittany Ann Frank  
Roman Guastafarro Isabella Marie Hanulik  
McKinley Grace Hart Nathaniel Edward Herder  
Jake Thomas Houston Christopher Hutchins  
Kelsey Kreppel Matthew John Lathuras  
Amanda Mascioni Jonathan McCullough  
Patrick McLeod Clare McNicoll  
Joseph Montoya Katherine Muraszko  
Cyrus Cao Huy Nguyen William O'Neill  
Jennifer Elizabeth Pace Julia Elizabeth Pennick  
Jeffrey Thomas Porcaro Kaitlyn Marie Poyer  
Gabriel Quagliaroli Connor Timothy Quille  
Sergey Raymond Rebbe Grace Schwartzenberger  
Kirby James Shaw Joey Timothy Singleton  
Shannon Stermer Riley Tacchino  
Anne Marie Taylor Melina Skye Violas  
Halowe Read Willets

We also congratulate the two adult Confirmation candidates Catherine Dooling Dylan Tilley

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament will take place following the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Friday, May 1st, in the Children's Chapel. Benediction and reposition will take place right after mass with services and adoration ending at 9:45 a.m.