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### PARISH INFORMATION

Welcome to proudly-blended **Saint Francis de Sales Parish United by the Most Blessed Sacrament**. SFDS Parish was founded in 1890; Most Blessed Sacrament Parish was founded in 1901; St. Francis de Sales Church was built in 1911; and the two parishes merged here in 2007.

Today, we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in an urban setting to diverse members who form a Catholic community of believers of all ages. Our worship together overflows into a life of service, justice, and peace.

**Contact the Rectory at (215) 222-5819  
Monday-Thursday 9:00AM to 4:00 PM  
to:**

- Register as a new Parishioner
- Schedule a Baptism
- Plan a Marriage
- Request a Home Visitation
- Add a Mass Intention
- Find out about RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) for adults or PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) for children

**Perpetual Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament is available in the Adoration Chapel 24 hours a day. Contact the Rectory for more information.

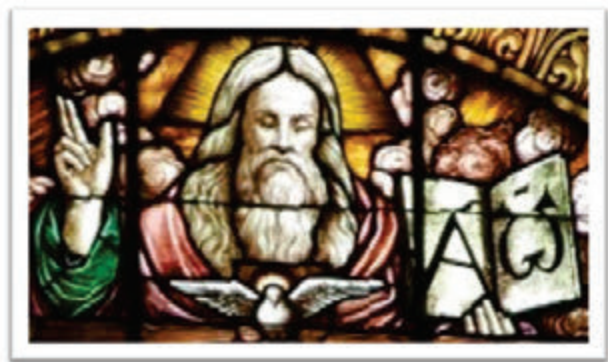
**Sacrament of Penance (Confession)** is available Saturday from 4:15–4:45 in church or anytime by appointment.

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 14, 2018

### Pastor's Message

*"I prayed, and prudence was given me; I pleaded and the spirit of wisdom came to me. I preferred her to scepter and throne..."* The Book of Wisdom reminds us that knowledge and understanding are more precious gifts than wealth or power. Let us pray for wisdom in our leaders

**Monsignor Joe A.**



Today's readings begin on page **220** of the missalette.  
WIS 7: 7-11; HEB 4: 12-13; MARK 10:17-30

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

**Saturday October 13**

**BVM**

**9:00 AM** John Cooney  
**5:00 PM** People of the Parish

**Sunday October 14**

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**7:00 AM**

**10:15 AM** Gwen Bacon, Eleanor Sheehan and  
Kay Welding  
**12 NOON (Spanish)**

**Monday October 15**

**St. Teresa of Jesus**  
**7:00 AM** John Cooney

**Tuesday October 16**

**Sts. Hedwick & Margaret Mary Alacoque**  
**7:00 AM** Mrs. Eileen Menei

**Wednesday October 17**  
**Saint Ignatius of Antioch**  
**7:00 AM** John Cooney

**Thursday October 18**  
**Saint Luke**  
**7:00 AM** Robert Venturi

**Friday October 19**  
**Sts. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues**  
**7:00 AM** German & Ewina Surquia

**Saturday October 20**  
**Saint Paul of the Cross**  
**9:00 AM**  
**5:00 PM** Christina Anderlonis

**Sunday October 21**  
**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**7:00 AM**  
**10:15 AM** Mary Ellen Shurella  
**12 NOON (Spanish)**

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

October 7, 2018 \$ 2878.00

October 8, 2017 \$ 5046.20

Difference: -\$2168.20

Thank you for your continued support.

Remember your parish in your will.

## PARISH NEWS AND NOTES

### PARISH CENSUS / BLOCK COLLECTION



Every household will receive in the mail a census information card. All households are requested to complete the census form and return it, along with your Block collection gift. **Please list only the names of people living with you (include your college children).**

It is very important that we have an accurate record of our parishioners. In the past year, we have had many parishioners make requests (high school, school families, godparents, etc.), however, they were never formerly registered in the parish. **So please, help us by completing the census form.**

The Block collection is one of the most important collections of the year besides Christmas and Easter. **We respectfully ask every wage earner to contribute \$150 to this collection.** This certainly is not possible for everyone (seniors, unemployed/under-employed). Some will give less and some will be able to contribute more. God knows what your means will permit. Prayerfully and honestly reflect on God's goodness to you and give back to God in the measure that He has blessed you.



*Blessing of the Animals last weekend*

### Gear Them to Live in A Changing World

In 1969, the Parish Monthly Bulletin offered perspective for parents navigating a rapidly changing post-moon-landing, post-Vatican II world (and our Venturi neon lights renovation!). Words of wisdom then are worth revisiting :

*"Your children will have to come to grips with a complex and challenging world. If they are to make their rightful contribution to it:*

*--Teach them to treat all people with respect.*

*--Encourage their idealism*

*--Praise their efforts on behalf of others*

*--Place a value on healthy competition*

*--Point out that new ideas are rooted in honored traditions of the past.*

*Help them to keep up with a changing world and change it for the better."*

### Oops

"Senior moment" in last week's bulletin. The MBS pastor whose memorial stone is on our lawn, is their third pastor, Reverend James Higgins, who built MBS church, not their founding pastor, Reverend Patrick Burke. The other stone marks the grave of SFDS second pastor, Bishop Michael Crane, who built St. Francis de Sales Church. Rev. Burke is buried at Holy Cross.

***“During the night  
we must wait for the light”  
(Saint Francis de Sales)***

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Tracey Allmond, Jennifer Baugh, Alma Burden, Becky Brown, Dawn Byers, Edmund Coccagna, Adlyn Cummings, Bernadette Jengo, Ruth Harrell, Vashti Holden, Mary Jane Kelso, Denise Pogue Maria O’Connor, Mason Levi Oldakdwski, Marvin Prowisor, Jack Ruane, Marie Vaughn, Monica Green, Phyllis Buckhan, Peter and Susan Villa

(The Sick List is cleared at the beginning of each month; contact the Rectory to add the name of someone who is seriously ill or to keep a name on the list).

**REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE  
DIED**



Most Rev. Louis A. DeSimone

Sister M. Francis Joseph Loughran, IHM

Sister M. Joan Carroll, IHM

Joe Clark

James Spann

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

**SFDS HISTORY MYSTERIES**

**Heavenly Keys**



*“I will give you the keys of the kingdom of Heaven: whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” (Matthew 16:19)*

Two sets of keys in our church decorations encapsulate history.

The first is the emblem of Saint Peter the Apostle, on the 47<sup>th</sup> Street side of the church. This pair of crossed keys features handles with three lobes, symbolizing the Trinity. Saint Peter’s keys – representing his leadership role in the church -- are commonly called the “*keys of heaven*” and Peter is often imagined as the guardian at the “*pearly gates*.” He is also considered he first Pope.

The other keys are up in the dome, exactly opposite the window showing the papal tiara. These match the keys of the Papal insignia, official “*since the XIV Century*,” as described by the Vatican Press Office: “*The symbolism is drawn from the Gospel and is represented by the keys given to the Apostle Peter by Christ.*” The correct insignia shows “*two keys crossed as the Cross of St. Andrew...*” (a symbol of humility). *The gold one, on the right, alludes to the power in the kingdom of the heavens, the silver one, on the left, indicates the spiritual authority of the papacy on earth... The cord with the bows that unites the grips alludes to the bond between the two powers...*”

Wait a minute! In our window, the keys are reversed -- gold on the left; silver on the right. They’re also upside-down: traditional Vatican key “*mechanisms are turned up towards the heaven and the grips (handles) turned down, in other words into the hands of the Vicar of Christ*” -- that is, symbolically, toward the Pope. But in our church, the handles point up to heaven and the unlocking parts of our keys point down at the congregation. And although our keys are very similar to the emblem of Pope Pius X, who was Pope at the time the church was built, one of the crosses in our handles is mysteriously blackened.

So what does it all mean? Our emblem of papal allegiance could have been crafted wrong-way-up by mistake or by design. The black and white crosses could emphasize eternal versus worldly concerns or add layered meanings of power and knowledge; order and chaos; or beginnings and endings. Whatever the intent, their heaven-turned handles today remind us of the limits of all earthly power, since God alone unlocks the secrets of souls.

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 1 Chronicles 16:29

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