

St. Francis de Sales, Smiths Falls - Blessed Sacrament, Lombardy

Most Reverend Michael Mulhall, Archbishop of Kingston

Parish Mission Statement

We, the Roman Catholic Community of St. Francis de Sales/Blessed Sacrament in the Archdiocese of Kingston, located in Smiths Falls & Lombardy, Ontario, united by the Holy Spirit, with lives rooted in the Gospel, joyfully proclaim the birth, death, resurrection, and mission of Jesus Christ. We commit to live out our belief as a community of worship, faith and service to all, especially to those most in need, sharing the gifts and talents received from God, under the patronage of Mary, the Mother of God.



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Office Hours

Monday Closed

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00am - 12:00pm

Friday 9am - 12pm; 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Mass Schedule

Daily Masses

St. Francis de Sales, Smiths Falls

Tuesday 5:30pm

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am

1st Saturday 9:00am

Weekend Masses

St. Francis de Sales, Smiths Falls

Saturday 5:00pm

Blessed Sacrament, Lombardy

Sunday 9:00am

St. Francis de Sales, Smiths Falls

Sunday 10:30am

Confessions

Saturday 4:00pm – 4:50pm (before 5:00pm Mass)

Prior to or after Mass daily or by appointment

Sacraments

(Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, RCIA,
Confirmation, Marriage)

Contact the parish office

Weddings, call office at least 6 months prior to intended date.

Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration ... Monday 9:00am - 9:00pm

Holy Hour ... Tuesday 4:30pm - 5:30pm

1st Friday Benediction & Adoration ... 9:00am -10:00am

Parish Outreach Program

Wednesday Community Lunch 12:00pm, Hanley Hall

Communion & Anointing of the Sick

If you or a loved one are ill or homebound, please call the office

April 12, 2026 - Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday



"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love ensures forever." Psalm 118



Mass
Schedule

Sat. April 11	5:00pm	Keith Cassell
Sun. April 12 (BS)	9:00am	For the People
Sun. April 12	10:30am	Beverly Nadeau
Mon. April 13	No Mass	9am - 9pm Adoration
Tues. April 14	4:30-5:30pm	Holy Hour
Tues. April 14	5:30pm	Jack Traynor
Wed. April 15	8:30am	Stephen Tysick
Thurs. April 16	8:30am	Joe Murphy
Fri. April 17	11:00am	Healing Mass: Intentions of Ewa Mountain
Sat. April 18	5:00pm	Chris Donovan
Sun. April 19 (BS)	9:00am	Jack Edwards
Sun. April 19	10:30am	For the People

Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday Reflections

May you continue to grow in the faith that God has given you by means of those who have shared their faith with you. Faith is very traditional. "Tradition" comes from the Latin word *traditio* which means "a handing across" or "handing down." What we believe has been handed across the ages. It originates with the Lord Jesus, has been proclaimed by the apostles, and shared by people who have believed in the good news. Faith is not just an intellectual agreement with certain truths. It is a lifestyle that gives witness to what Jesus has done and continues to do. We are part of this faith tradition. We, in turn, must pass it on to others.

Faith is a theme that runs through our readings today. In our First Reading we hear what were the results of the faith of the first Christians (those who came to believe in Jesus immediately following the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost). Our psalm reminds us that we need to give thanks to God for the gifts (including faith) that God has bestowed upon us. In the Second Reading, St. Peter speaks about the importance of faith, especially in times of trial and testing. In today's Gospel, the Risen Lord Jesus appears to the apostles to strengthen their faith in His being with them. He also shares with them a gift of faith – the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of *Shalom* (peace and reconciliation).

Divine Mercy Sunday is also known as 'the Feast of the Divine Mercy. The official recognition of the day was only authenticated by the Vatican in 2000. Pope John Paul II declared the Sunday after Easter to be called "Divine Mercy Sunday." Since that declaration, it has been marked in the General Roman Calendar as a religious observance celebrated by Catholics worldwide. The significance of the day can be attributed to St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun who experienced visions from Christ himself. A person who goes to sacramental confession and receives holy communion on that Sunday, shall obtain a plenary indulgence. For the sick, homebound, or those unable to attend, a plenary indulgence can still be obtained if you "spiritually unite" with the prayers of the Church, have the intention of fulfilling the usual conditions as soon as possible, and pray a devout invocation to Jesus.

Prayer for the Repose of the Souls of: Let us remember those who have recently died, especially *Aline Robert, Melchor Sison Gonzales, Debbie Shea, Vincent Stevens, Edward Bates, France Giguere, Fr. Stan Alanen, Hugh McDougall, Sabu J. Chelamootil, Beverly Nadeau, Stephen Tysick, Keith Cassell, Jean Pierre Proulx, Fr. Bill Steacy, Suzanne Johncox, Edie Cordick, Mary Huard* and those whom we continue to hold within the silence of our minds and hearts.

Praying for our Family & Friends: Let us call to mind and include in our prayers, those who are in need of God's aid and grace, especially *Pat McGlade, Kathy Tysick, Elaine Black, Dan Boyle, Hubert Splinter, Svitlana Kulish, Jean Brady, Robert Stevens, Diane Lockett, Calvin Prince, Fr. Leo Bryne, Scott St. Jean, Jack McConnell, Ian Kemp, Fr. Michael McCarthy, Fr. Mac Burke, Fr. Don Cummings, Sean Conway, Sylvain Hébert, Denis Richardson, Jennifer Hamilton*

Upcoming Events/Meetings

- April 12** First Communion Prep (lower HH) 11:30am
- April 12** Divine Mercy Sunday Service 3pm
- April 15** K of C 3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
- April 16** Fashion Show (upper HH) 6pm
- April 17** Healing Mass & Luncheon 11am
- April 17** Choir Practice 1:30pm
- April 18** Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving St. Mary's Cathedral 10:30am
- April 21** Broadview Mass 11am
- April 21** K of C 4th Degree Meeting 7:15pm
- April 22** Little Flowers (lower HH) 6pm
- April 23** CWL General Meeting (lower HH) 6pm
- April 28** Van Horne Mass 10:30am
- April 28** CWL Pin Presentations, following evening Mass (lower HH)

Into the Future Candle will be lit the week of April 12, in loving memory of **Sabu J. Chelamootil**, requested by Marion & Bill Nashes.

Devotion of the Month: The Holy Eucharist

The Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy Wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from Thee. From the malignant enemy, defend me. In the hour of my death, call me, And bid me come to Thee, That with Thy saints, I may praise Thee. Forever and ever. Amen.

Pope's Prayer Intention for April

For Priests in Crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Collection Counters

April 19
Bert & Joanne Hendriks,
Susan Morrow

Rosary Leaders

April 18 Margery Healey
April 19 Bena MacMillan

Lectors

5:00pm April 18
Steve Bridson
Marsha Houlahan

9:00am April 19
Dorothy Edwards

10:30am April 19
Mary Ellen Drapeau
John Brohman

Eucharistic Ministers

David Houlahan

Jennifer Perkin

Rob Drapeau

There is nothing that man needs more than Divine Mercy - that love which is benevolent, which is compassionate, which raises man above his weakness to the infinite heights of the holiness of God.

Pope John Paul II

Divine Mercy Sunday Service 3pm

St. Francis de Sales will celebrate Divine Mercy **Sunday April 12**, from 3-4pm with the Exposition and the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. During this hour, we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers, with time for personal prayers and adoration. Fr. Brian and Fr. Jacob will be available to hear your confessions. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League for hosting this celebration. St. John Paul II proclaimed a Plenary Indulgence is granted to anyone who receives the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Reconciliation and recites the Prayers of Divine Mercy.

Healing Mass

Are you or a loved one in need of God's peace, physical restoration, or spiritual renewal? We warmly invite you to join us for a special **Healing Mass and Anointing of the Sick on Friday, April 17, 2026 at 11am**. There will be a luncheon afterwards in lower Hanley Hall. This sacred celebration is a powerful opportunity to experience the Lord's healing touch through the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Anointing. Come as you are and place your trust in Jesus, the Divine Healer. All are welcome—those suffering from illness, emotional burdens, or seeking spiritual strength. **The will be no 8:30am Mass.**

Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving of the 200th Anniversary

The faithful of St. Francis de Sales and Blessed Sacrament are cordially invited to join the Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving to offer praise and gratitude to God for the abundant blessings bestowed on our Archdiocese over the past 200 years. The Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral in Kingston on Saturday April 18, at 10:30am. There will be a celebratory luncheon immediately following Mass at Our Lady Fatima Parish Hall from 12:30pm - 2:30pm. **The coach bus will arrive at the St. Francis de Sales parking lot at 8am sharp, and will return following the reception at 2:30pm. Parishioners must book their seat by calling 613-257-1284. It is first-come first-serve to purchase a seat at \$30.**

Parish Pictorial Directory Assistance

Over the past 30 years our parish has created a parish directory a few times. The last one was 10 years ago. The directory is somewhat like a school year book. It consists of professional family photos, taken by the company IPC, who publish the directory. It also contains editorial input with photos of parish committees and ministries. The directories are available at no charge to any family who has their photo taken by IPC. The directory publicity campaign will start in August with photos to be taken in September and if all goes as planned the directory will be printed and available in December. As with any project volunteer help is required. We are looking for one person to be the overall Directory Coordinator. The Coordinator will be responsible to ensure that the various leads complete their tasks. The largest role for a lead is the booking of families to their photo session. IPC has provided a Coordinator's guide. It outlines that five or six tasks and roles are needed to be accomplished from start (marketing/promotion of the directory), photo bookings, editorial content, and the final distribution of the directory. If this is something that you would like to take on, or if you have any questions please feel free to contact me. You will have the support and assistance of the various parish ministries as well as the Parish Pastoral Council.

Thank you

Rob Drapeau, Parish Pastoral Council, St Francis de Sales - Blessed Sacrament, drapeau@bell.net or 613-206-4316

Confirmation

Forms are available on our parish website under Sacraments. They can also be found on our weekly Flocknote. Or you can reach out to the parish office to obtain the link. Classes commence in May. The celebration will take place on Saturday, June 14, at 10:30am at St. Francis de Sales.

Spring Fashion Show

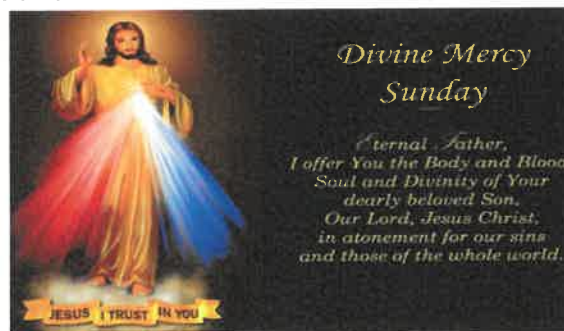
The Catholic Women's League will be holding a fundraiser on Thursday April 16 at 6pm in Hanley Hall. "*Step into Spring - Fashions with Flare*" will be an enjoyable evening complete with desert, coffee and tea. Tickets are \$25.00 and proceeds will support Interval House and Smiths Falls Food Bank. Please see the poster on the bulletin board or Flocknote.

Catholic Women's League General Meeting

The Catholic Women's League invites all members of the parish to attend a presentation on Thursday April 23 at 6pm in upper Hanley Hall. CDSBEO representatives Chris Cummings, Chair of the Board and Shelley Thompson, Director of Education will speak on the role of trustees and publicly funded Catholic Education in Ontario. They will share an update on recent accomplishments from schools in the area. Refreshments will be enjoyed at the end of the 30 minute presentation followed by the regular CWL general meeting. We look forward to seeing you at this important event.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha - April 17

She is the first Native American woman to be canonized by the Catholic Church. Known as the "*Lily of the Mohawks*," she is a symbol of faith and resilience, recognized as the patron saint of ecology, the environment and Native Americans. Often called the "*Protectress of Canada*." She was canonized on October 12, 2012, by Pope Benedict XVI. The miracle that paved the way for her sainthood involved the 2006 healing of a young boy from a flesh-eating bacterial infection after his family prayed for her intercession.



The 98 year old Mother Superior from Ireland was dying. The nuns gathered around her bed trying to make her last journey comfortable. They gave her some warm milk to drink but she refused. Then one of the nuns took the glass back to the kitchen. Remembering a bottle of Irish whiskey received as a gift the previous Christmas, she opened and poured a generous amount into the warm milk. Back at Mother Superior's bed, she held the glass to her lips. Mother drank a little, then a little more and before they knew it, she had drunk the whole glass down to the last drop. "Mother," the nuns asked with earnest, "please give us some wisdom before you die." She raised herself up in bed and with a pious look on her face said, "Don't sell that cow."

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