

# 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

# May 10, 2026 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

"Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth." Psalm 66



Sat. May 9	5:00pm	Muriel Chenard
Sun. May 10 (BS)	9:00am	Stephen Tysick
Sun. May 10	10:30am	For the People
Mon. May 11	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>9am - 9pm Adoration</b>
Tues. May 12	4:30-5:30pm	<b>Holy Hour</b>
Tues. May 12	5:30pm	Winnifred Hammond
Wed. May 13	8:30am	Intentions of Wira Arycz
Thurs. May 14	8:30am	For the Unborn
Fri. May 15	8:30am	David Ullett
Sat. May 16	5:00pm	For the People
Sun. May 17 (BS)	9:00am	Stephen Tysick
Sun. May 17	10:30am	Sabu Joseph

## Sixth Sunday of Easter Reflections

Jesus' promise of the Holy Spirit to his apostles Today's readings explain who the Holy Spirit is, what His roles are, and how we can experience Him in our daily lives.

**Scripture lesson summarized:** The first reading describes how the Holy Spirit helped Philip, the Deacon, to preach powerfully and convert the Samaritans in large numbers, and how the Holy Spirit helped Peter and John, giving them a fresh anointing. In the second reading, Peter shows us that Holy Spirit makes it possible for believers to live God-fearing lives in the midst of opposition and persecution. Today's Gospel, taken from the "Last Supper Discourse," describes the gift of the Holy Spirit which Jesus is going to give his disciples who obey his commandment of love. Thus, the faithful believers will have the indwelling of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit in their souls.

### Life Messages

We need to **welcome** the Holy Spirit, allow Him to **act** in us, and **seek His help** every day for our steady growth in spiritual life:

To **conquer** temptations from our habitual sins and to **avoid** the near occasions of these and other sins.

To **remove the blocks** caused by our addictions, evil habits, and from the various forms of abuse which we suffered in our early life, preventing our spiritual growth.

To **discern and recognize the presence of Jesus** in all the people we meet during the day and to offer them humble, loving service.

To **become agents of reconciliation and healing** to others in our family and this community, by asking forgiveness from those we have offended, and graciously granting forgiveness to those who continue to hurt our feelings and ill-treat us.

### The Catechism of the Catholic Church: Spiritual Works of Mercy

The Seven Spiritual Works of Mercy are Catholic actions that address the emotional, spiritual, and mental needs of others, rather than physical needs. 1. To convert the sinner 2. To instruct the ignorant 3. To counsel the doubtful 4. To comfort the sorrowful 5. To bear wrongs patiently 6. To forgive injuries 7. To pray for the living and the dead

**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. Chelamotoil, Beverly Nadeau, Stephen Tysick, Keith Cassell, Jean Pierre Proulx, Fr. Bill Steacy, Suzanne Johncox, Edie Cordick, Mary Huard, Mary Kacur, Jack McConnell, Joseph Peringelil, Fidelis Ajawara*, and those whom we hold within the silence of our minds and hearts.

**Praying for the healing of 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 *Marcel Stevens, Brigitte Berube, 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, Ian Kemp, Fr. Michael McCarthy, Fr. Mac Burke, Fr. Don Cummings, Sean Conway, Sylvain Hébert, Denis Richardson, Jennifer Hamilton*

## Upcoming Events/Meetings

<b>May 13</b>	COR Meeting 7pm
<b>May 16</b>	Retreat (upper HH)
<b>May 17</b>	Confirmation Prep
<b>May 17-22</b>	Fr. Jacob away on Retreat
<b>May 19</b>	K of C 4th Degree Meeting 7:15pm
<b>May 20</b>	K of C 3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
<b>May 21</b>	CWL General Meeting (lower HH) 6pm
<b>May 23</b>	Little Flowers (upper HH)
<b>May 24</b>	1st Communion Prep (upper HH)
<b>May 24</b>	Confirmation Prep (lower HH)
<b>May 26</b>	Van Horne Mass 10:30am
<b>May 27</b>	Little Flowers 6pm (lower HH)
<b>May 28</b>	Choir Practice 6:30pm
<b>May 31</b>	First Communion Sunday
<b>May 31</b>	Confirmation Prep (lower HH)

**Into the Future Candle** Spots are available. Call the parish office.

### Devotion of the Month: Our Lady

May is dedicated to the Month of Mary, a time to honour the Blessed Virgin through special devotions, prayers, and the "May Crowning" of her statues with flowers. Notable Feast Days: Our Lady of Fatima (May 13), Mary Help of Christians (May 24), and the Visitation (May 31). This month serves as a time for special focus on Mary's intercession and to turn to her for guidance.

### Pope's Prayer Intention for May

*That Everyone Might Have Food*

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



Collection Counters	Rosary Leaders
<b>May 17</b> Stella D'Souza, Melanie & Chris Poirier	<b>May 16</b> Margery Healey <b>May 17</b> Mary Ellen Drapeau
Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>5:00pm May 16</b> Karen Forbes Mike Fitzpatrick	David Houlahan
<b>9:00am May 17</b> Jennifer Perkin	Dorothy Edwards
<b>10:30am May 17</b> Grace Ritchie Pauline Aunger	Mary Ellen Drapeau

### *A Mother's Day Prayer*

God, please bless all mothers with the wisdom, courage, patience, and above all—love that they need to perform the holy work of raising children, and being a source of love and support for them in adulthood as well. Please welcome into Your Heavenly Kingdom those mothers who have passed, and grant them everlasting joy, rest and serenity. Amen



### *Running out of Mass Intentions for our Daily Masses*

Offering intentions during Mass is a deeply rooted Catholic practice that serves as two beautiful purposes: they apply the infinite graces of the Eucharist to your specific intention, and they provide vital support for the material needs of the altar. Common types of intentions are: repose of a soul, health and healing, special occasions or special petitions. Please reach out to the parish office, as offering a Mass is the greatest gift we can give. Thank you to those who responded to our call for Mass Intentions.

### *Is Jesus Calling You?*

#### *Spend an Hour with Him in Adoration*

We are looking for adorers during our Monday Adoration, especially with the summer holidays approaching. Please reach out to Cathy at 613-283-2785 or 613-285-7375. Your commitment ensures that our chapel doors remain open for everyone seeking a moment of prayer.

### *Archdiocese of Kingston 200th Anniversary Icon*

The Archdiocese of Kingston is marking its 200th anniversary (1826–2026) with a specially commissioned icon, designed to be a focal point of prayer and reflection throughout the bicentennial year.

#### **Key Details About the 200th Anniversary Icon:**

**Theme:** "To know Christ and the power of His resurrection" (Philippians 3:10). **Creation & Tradition:** It is "written" (painted) according to the canons of Byzantine tradition, ensuring every detail, color, and symbol has specific theological purpose and meaning. The Icon will be on display next weekend. There will be copies at the entrance of the church of the Reading of the Icon for those who wish to learn more.

### *St. Francis de Sales – Blessed Sacrament Cemetery*

#### *Spring Cleanup*

The Cemetery Board wishes those with lived ones or friends at either cemetery to remove old floral arrangements etc. as part of our Spring Cleanup. Your assistance is greatly appreciated as we continually work to maintain both cemetery locations. Let us pray that the souls of our departed Rest in Peace.

### *K of C 2444 Annual Pro-Life Collection*

*Every life counts: from the beginning to the end, from conception to natural death*  
Pope Francis, Twitter Jan 19 2018

The Knights of Columbus annual collection to raise funds to assist local Pro-Life organizations will start May 2. During the month of May there will be envelopes available in the pews to facilitate your donations. Any amount donated may be put into the envelope. Donations of \$25.00 or more, if requested by noting your name and address along with your donation in the envelope, will receive a receipt from K of C Council 2444 for income tax purposes. 100% of all donations will be distributed to local organizations. Thank you and God bless! Rob drapeau@bell.net or 613 206-4316

### *An Ecumenical Choir- "The Great Spring Sing!"*

Our parish has been invited to sing in an Ecumenical Choir Sunday June 7, 1:30pm at St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church in Smiths Falls. We will sing one piece of music with the other churches, and one selection of our own. 3 rehearsals will occur in May and a full-dress rehearsal with the choirs on Saturday June 6 at 10:30am. All members of the parish are invited to attend the event or participate in the choir. Contact Dorothy Quattrocchi 613-283-2076 or quattrochidoro@ gmail.com

### *Women's Retreat*

A retreat for women will be held at St. Francis de Sales on **Saturday, May 16th** by a priest from St. Clement Parish from 9am-3pm and will include Holy Mass in Latin, talks, Adoration, and confession. Cost: \$30 (lunch included). **E-transfer to: Rosario Avellaneda at mrosarioavellaneda@gmail.com.** Please arrange for childcare at home, however babies in arms are welcome. Your registration is complete once payment is received. Register at: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScHNWG-WjOp-irqkD0yfxv6PbOSHEjLL9Lo1PrxU22PzZ4EXq/viewform?usp=header>

### *Car Trunk Sale*

CWL will be sponsoring a Fundraising Car Trunk Sale on Saturday, May 30 from 9:30am-1:30pm in our parish parking lot to support Bridge House (LCMH) transitional housing project to help homeless adults). There will be a bake sale as well. Reserve your car parking spot (\$35/car) annmbjohnson@gmail.com or phone 613 868-4090.

### *"Change for Life" Birthright Fundraiser*

On Mother's Day weekend (May 9 & 10) baby bottles will be made available to take home to support the moms and babies at Birthright. We encourage you to take home a bottle and fill it with spare change, paper money or a cheque made out to Birthright. Please return the bottles on Father's Day weekend (June 20 & 21). All proceeds support our work to help any woman who is facing an unplanned or difficult pregnancy make a plan for her future with her child. Thank you in advance and may God bless you for your generous support.

### *March for Life – May 14, 2026*

This year's National March for Life will be Thursday May 14 on Parliament Hill. Bus service to and from Parliament Hill will be provided by St. Johns Life Matters Group. This year's speakers at the March and Rose dinner are Alex Schadenberg and Aleš Primc. Bus is \$20. Signup sheet and bus schedule are at the entrance of the church.

### *Canada Health Day - May 12*

Canada Health Day is celebrated in health care facilities and community services across the country. This day reminds us that health and healing are essential aspects of our baptismal vocation. We are called to take responsibility for our personal health.

A lawyer's dog, running around town unleashed, heads for a butcher shop and steals a roast. The butcher goes to the lawyer's office and asks, "If a dog running unleashed steals a piece of meat from my store, do I have a right to demand payment for the meat from the dog's owner?" The lawyer answers, "Absolutely." "Then you owe me \$8.50. Your dog was loose and stole a roast from me today." The lawyer, without a word, writes the butcher a check for \$8.50. The butcher, with a feeling of satisfaction, leaves. Three days later, the butcher finds a bill from the lawyer for \$100– for consultation!

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