

# 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 24, 2026 - Pentecost Sunday

"Lord, send forth your spirit, and renew the face of the Earth." Psalm 104



Sat. May 23	5:00pm	Curran & Traynor Families
Sun. May 24 (BS)	9:00am	For the People
Sun. May 24	10:30am	Jack McConnell
Mon. May 25	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>9am - 9pm Adoration</b>
Tues. May 26	10:30am	<b>Van Horne:</b> Sabu J. Chelamootil
Tues. May 26	4:30-5:30pm	<b>Holy Hour</b>
Tues. May 26	5:30pm	Marion Lukow
Wed. May 27	8:30am	Ann & Michael Quigley
Thurs. May 28	8:30am	Deceased Members of Kowalewski Family
Fri. May 29	8:30am	Stephen Tysick
Sat. May 30	5:00pm	J. P. Proulx
Sun. May 31 (BS)	9:00am	For the People
Sun. May 31	10:30am	Blair Bingley

## Pentecost Sunday - Reflections

On the day of Pentecost the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary as tongues of fire. The frightened apostles were transformed into fiery preachers and evangelizers and were given the gift of tongues by a special anointing of the Holy Spirit. The listeners experienced a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit through the apostles' gift of tongues: they heard Peter speaking in their native languages. The early Christians became powerful witnesses and brave martyrs for their Faith in Jesus.

### Life Messages

**We need to permit the Holy Spirit to take control of our lives.**

- 1)Constantly remembering His Holy Presence and behaving well.
- 2)Praying for His daily anointing.
- 3)Asking His daily assistance to pray, listening to God through meditative Bible reading, and talking to Him in personal, family, and liturgical prayers.
- 4)Help of the Holy Spirit to do good for others and to be reconciled with God and others every day.

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

**Counsel the doubtful:** Offering guidance, advice, or a listening ear to those who are uncertain, struggling with their faith, or facing difficult decisions.

**Instruct the ignorant:** Sharing the wisdom of faith and life lessons with those who lack knowledge or understanding.

**Admonish the sinner:** Gently and charitably correcting, encouraging, or guiding those who have strayed from the right path.

**Comfort the sorrowful:** Providing emotional and spiritual support, and sympathy.

**Bear wrongs patiently:** Showing grace and endurance by forgiving minor slights or grievances without seeking retaliation.

**Forgive injuries:** Willingly letting go of grudges and extending grace to those who have deeply hurt you.

**Pray for the living and the dead:** Interceding through prayer for the spiritual well-being of the people around you and the souls in purgatory.

**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, Mary Kacur, Jack McConnell, Joseph Peringelil, Fidelis Ajawara, Marion Lukow, Norma Cordick, Robert Linton* 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 *Ross Mayer, Marcel Stevens, Brigitte Berube, Pat McGlade, Kathy Tysick, Elaine Black, Dan Boyle, 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

- May 24** 1st Communion Prep (upper HH)
- May 24** Confirmation Prep (lower HH)
- May 26** Van Horne Mass 10:30am
- May 27** Little Flowers 6pm (lower HH)
- May 28** Choir Practice 6:30pm
- May 31** First Communion Sunday
- May 31** Confirmation Prep (lower HH)

*Into the Future Candle* will be lit the week of May 24, in loving memory of **Thelma Whaley**, requested by Karen Hallinan.

## 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.

## Pentecost

*O Holy Spirit, on that solemn day of Pentecost You descend upon the Apostles gathered in the Upper Room in parted tongues as it were of fire, enlightening their minds, inflaming their hearts, and strengthening their wills, that thenceforth they went through the entire world and courageously and confidently proclaimed everywhere the teaching of Christ and sealed it with the shedding of their blood, renew, we beseech Thee, the wondrous outpouring of Thy grace in our hearts also.*

Collection Counters	Rosary Leaders
<b>May 31</b> Jim & Patricia Meagher, Isabella Kowalewski	<b>May 30</b> Margery Healey <b>May 31</b> Stephanie Spinelli
Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>5:00pm May 30</b> Val Whelan Margery Healey	Pat Murphy
<b>9:00am May 31</b> Joe Molino	Jennifer Perkin
<b>10:30am May 31</b> Mark Brady Stella D'Souza	Bena MacMillan

### *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.

### *The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity*

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity is celebrated on the Sunday following Pentecost Sunday. This year, it falls on Sunday, May 31. The Blessed Trinity is the mystery of one God in three Divine Persons and it is the central mystery of our Christian faith and life. We call it a mystery because it cannot be understood by reason alone. God reveals himself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

### *First Communion - May 31*

Please pray the novena for our 14 First Communion candidates as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist next **Sunday, May 31 at the 10:30am Mass.**

*Dear Lord, we thank you and praise you for the most precious gift of the Holy Eucharist. We ask you to bless all those who are preparing to receive your Body and Blood for the first time on May 31. You have provided for us richly through the gift of Your Body and Blood in the Eucharist. Receiving the Holy Eucharist is a tremendous blessing, and we ask you to help even young children to prepare well before receiving you. Please assist all who are preparing to make their First Holy Communion, and we particularly ask that you bless and assist all children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion! Help us to grow in love for you each day of our lives. Help us to always appreciate the great gifts you have given us for our salvation. I especially ask in this novena (your intentions here). Lord, hear our prayers! Amen.*

### *St. Francis de Sales Cemetery Service*

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Memorial Service at St. Francis de Sales Cemetery on Sunday June 7 at 2:30pm. Please join our community as we gather in prayer and remembrance to honour our departed loved ones. Remember to bring a lawn chair and head covering. To assist our groundskeepers in maintaining the beauty and dignity of the cemetery, please observe the following guidelines when placing floral stand arrangements or tributes: Ensure all items remain **elevated off the turf.** Position all arrangements **closely against the monument base.** Adhering to these practices prevents damage and allows for proper grass maintenance around the stones. We greatly appreciate your cooperation and consideration.

### *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](mailto:annmbjohnson@gmail.com) or phone 613 868-4090.



### *CWL Summer Gathering*

Our CWL annual summer gathering will take place at Settler's Square (260 Brockville Street) on Thursday June 4. Social time 5pm followed by dinner at 5:30pm. Menu: Parmesan/herb chicken or Vegetarian-meatless burger mini casserole with tomato, navy beans and cheese. Both options served with scalloped potatoes, green beans, glazed carrots, garden salad, roll/butter, dessert, coffee/tea. Water and fruit punch will be available. **Cost: \$30**

#### **Options for payment:**

- 1) E-transfer to Dorothy at [quattrocchidorothy@gmail.com](mailto:quattrocchidorothy@gmail.com)
  - 2) Pay Dorothy May 24 at Blessed Sacrament Church
  - 3) Pay an executive member.
  - 4) If ALL the above options do not work, drop payment at the rectory.
- All payment and confirmed attendance is needed by **May 28.** Looking forward to seeing you at this event!

### *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

During the month of May there will be envelopes available in the pews to facilitate your donations for the annual collection to assist local Pro-Life organizations. Donations of \$25.00 or more, if requested by noting your contact information, 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

### *Knights of Columbus Council 2444 is celebrating National AccessAbility Week (NAAW)*

NAAW is an annual event taking place this year from Sunday May 31 to Saturday June 6. NAAW is a time when accessibility and inclusion are promoted across communities and workplaces and a time to celebrate the contributions of Canadians with disabilities. It is also an opportunity to recognize the efforts of Canadians who are actively removing barriers and ensuring persons with disabilities have an equal chance to participate in all aspects of Canadian society. One way that you could take part would be to participate in Red Shirt Day (Wednesday June 3rd), a day when people across Canada come together and wear red to create a visible display of support for disabled people and their families, and to bring attention the needs of a barrier free society. This year our Council will be recognizing two individuals from our parish who work tirelessly as volunteers in the parish and our community and who live their lives with disabilities. They are both excellent role models for all of us. Please keep all persons who require accessibility in your prayers.

A little boy wanted \$100 badly and prayed for two weeks, but nothing happened. Then he decided to write a letter to the Lord requesting the \$100. When the postal authorities received the letter addressed to the Lord, USA, they decided to send it to the White House so the President could have a look at it. The President was so impressed, touched, and amused that he instructed his secretary to send the little boy a \$5.00 bill, as this would appear to be a lot of money to a little boy. The little boy was delighted with the \$5.00, and sat down to write a thank-you note to the Lord. He wrote: "Dear Lord, Thank You very much for sending me the money. However, I noticed that for some reason You had to send it through Washington, DC, and those jerks **JOKE OF THE WEEK** deducted 95%."

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