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

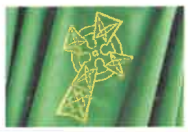
Parish Outreach Program
Wednesday Community Lunch 12:00pm, Hanley Hall

Communion & Anointing of the Sick
If you or a loved one are ill or homebound, please call the office

October 18th, 2026 - World Mission Sunday

"Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength." **Psalm 96**

PRAY and give generously
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



Mass Schedule

Sat. October 17	5:00pm	Jack Traynor
Sun. October 18 (BS)	9:00am	Christina Eileen Gibson
Sun. October 18	10:30am	Thanksgiving Mass of 180th Anniversary of St. Francis de Sales Parish
Mon. October 19	9:00am-9:00pm	***Adoration***
Tues. October 20	4:30-5:30pm	***Holy Hour***
Tues. October 20	5:30pm	Mary Salvi
Wed. October 21	8:30am	Stephen Tysick
Thurs. October 22	8:30am	Karen Ingoldsby
Fri. October 23	8:30am	For a Special Intention
Sat. October 24	5:00pm	Jay Hitchins
Sun. October 25 (BS)	9:00am	Stephen Tysick
Sun. October 25	10:30am	For the People

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are called to give to God everything that rightfully belongs to God. In the Book of Isaiah, God remarkably refers to Cyrus, a pagan king, as "His anointed". This serves as a powerful reminder that even secular leaders ultimately belong to God, who can work through anyone to bring divine goodness to the chosen people. Echoing this theme, the Psalm stands as a hymn of praise, honoring God as the true and ultimate ruler over all nations. In the second reading, St. Paul opens his earliest letter to the Thessalonians by expressing deep gratitude to God for blessing their community with the virtues of faith, hope, and love. Finally, in the Gospel, Jesus addresses a challenging question from both civil and religious leaders. His response serves as a definitive instruction for everyone: we must give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and return to God everything that belongs to God.

World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday is a century-old global Catholic observance instituted in 1926 by Pope Pius XI. Every October, the Church dedicates time to prayer and reflection for global missions. On this specific day, Catholics worldwide unite to celebrate the Eucharist and give financial offerings to support international evangelization efforts. The celebration serves as a vital reminder of the Church's collective commitment to continuing Christ's mission and fostering solidarity across diverse global communities.

Life Messages

Every Christian is a missionary with a message to share — the message of God's love, liberation, and eternal salvation. How do we accomplish this goal?

Witness of Life—Living an exemplary Christian life filled with love, mercy, kindness, compassion and a forgiving spirit.

Persistent Prayer—Relying on God rather than human effort. "Without me you can do nothing." (John 15:5)

Giving—Providing generous financial donations to fund practical, physical, and digital outreach.

Prayer for the Repose of the Souls of: Let us remember those who have recently died, especially *Patricia Ann Walker, 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, Josephine Campbell, Madeline Jordan, Pierrette Fillion, Lita Cassidy, Mary Salvi, Marilyn Kelly, Ellen Jane Bennett, Luc Massie, Mary DeLasio-Hardy* and those whom we hold within the silence of our minds and hearts.

Prayer 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 *His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, Jessa Rego, Denise Di Stasio, Fr. Sebastian Amato, Thérèse Brunette, Pierre Chartier, Raymonde Mason, 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, Ian Kemp, Fr. Michael McCarthy, Fr. Mac Burke, Fr. Don Cummings, Sean Conway, Sylvain Hébert, Denis Richardson, Jennifer Hamilton*

Upcoming Events/Meetings

October 18	180th Anniversary Mass & Potluck 12pm
October 20	Broadview Mass 11am
October 20	K of C 4th Degree Meeting 7:15pm
October 21	K of C 3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
October 22	RCIA 7pm
October 25	Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction 5-8pm
October 27	Van Horne Mass 10:30am
October 27– October 31	Photo Directory Pictures Schedules Upper HH Tuesday -Friday 2:30-8:30pm Saturday 9:30am-3:30pm

Into the Future Candle will be lit the week of October 18 for the *Intentions of Kya Flower*, requested by her grandparents. Spaces are available for November 15 & 29 and December 6, 20, & 27. Please call the parish office.

Devotion for October: The Holy Rosary

O Virgin Mary, grant that the recitation of your Rosary may be for me each day, in the midst of my many duties, a bond of unity in my actions, a tribute of filial piety, a sweet refreshment, an encouragement to walk joyfully along the path of duty. Grant, above all, O Virgin Mary, that the study of your mysteries may form in my soul, little by little, a luminous atmosphere, pure, strengthening, and fragrant, which may penetrate my understanding, my will, my heart, my memory, my imagination, my whole being. So shall I acquire the habit of praying while I work, without the aid of formal prayers, by interior acts of admiration and of supplication, or by aspirations of love. I ask this of you, O Queen of the holy Rosary, through Saint Dominic, your son of predilection, the renowned preacher of your mysteries, and the faithful imitator of your virtues. Amen.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October

For Mental Health Ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illness.

Collection Counters	*Rosary Leaders*
October 25 *Bert & Joanne Hendriks and Susan Morrow*	***October 24*** *Will Spencer* ***October 25*** *Line Brady*

Lectors	*Eucharistic Ministers*
5:00pm October 24 *Peighton Carroll Meagan Carroll*	*Pierre Chartier*
9:00am October 25 *Joe Molino*	*Dorothy Edwards*
10:30am October 25 *Mark Brady Stella D'Souza*	*Bena MacMillan*

"All the wealth in the world cannot be compared with the happiness of living together happily united." - **St. Marguerite d'Youville**

180th Anniversary Celebration of the Inauguration of St. Francis de Sales Church

Let us join together **this Sunday, October 18 at 10:30am at St. Francis de Sales Church** as we celebrate the Eucharist in thanksgiving for the gift of our parish. Together, we will honor 180 years of divine blessings received by our ancestors and continuing in our lives today, while praying that God's grace guides and protects our future generations. Following the 10:30am Mass, we will celebrate our parish's 180th anniversary **with a potluck in upper Hanley Hall**. We will also have a parish history display.

RCIA Reminder

Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Do you have questions about what Catholics believe, or are you a baptized Catholic who has not yet received the Sacraments of Confirmation or Holy Eucharist? We want to remind everyone that our **bi-weekly sessions are currently underway!** Even if you missed the first few meetings, **you are still very welcome to join us.** There is absolutely no pressure or obligation—just a safe, open space to explore, ask questions, and grow spiritually. Sessions run every second Thursday evening at 7pm in church (**next session Thursday October 22, 2026).** If you or someone you love is interested, please come to our next session, or reach out to our parish office.

Prayers for His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV

Let us join together in prayer for the swift and complete recovery of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV following his surgery on October 13, 2026. Below is a prayer offered by the Holy Father himself in a message for the 34th World Day of the Sick.

Sweet Mother, do not part from me. Turn not your eyes away from me. Walk with me at every moment and never leave me alone. You who always protect me as a true Mother, obtain for me the blessing of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Summary September 24, 2026

Wednesday Lunch Program (dine-in format) began September 2026 and is growing in popularity. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

NEW PROJECT: Monthly Youth Mass & Filipino Choir

Religious Goods are coming to St. Francis de Sales Church. A display case will be installed in the church with made-to-order merchandise. The suppliers will provide 20% of profits to be donated to the parish.

Parish Directory: Group, family and individual photos will take place October 27-30 from 2:30-8:30PM and October 31st 9:30AM – 2:30PM. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to assist with this project. Contact Joanne Hendriks for more information.

180th Parish Anniversary Mass of Thanksgiving and Potluck: Sunday October 18th, 2026. 10:30 Mass, followed by a potluck dinner in Hanley Hall immediately following Mass. In the hall a display of historical memorabilia will be set up.

Welcome pamphlets for new members are now available inside the church near the parking lot entrance.

Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction: SOLD OUT. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets. Auction items are still being requested.

Crucifix to replace The Divine Mercy. Work will commence Tuesday October 6th, 2026 and be completed on Thursday October 8th, 2026. The Divine Mercy image will be framed and mounted on the pillar over the votive candles at the front right of the church. (Status: Pending)

Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: Thursday, December 10, 2026

Interested in Junior Liturgy? Let Us Know!

We are exploring the possibility of continuing with a **Junior Liturgy (Children's Liturgy of the Word)** during our 10:30am Sunday Masses! This program would offer our youngest parishioners a chance to hear the Sunday Gospel and participate in faith-based activities tailored just for them during the Liturgy of the Word. We want to hear from you! If you are a parent or guardian who would utilize this program, please let us know.

How to share your feedback:

Email us: stfrancisdesales@archkingston.ca

Call the office: 613-283-0220

Sign up Sheet: at the entrance of the church or on Flocknote

Say Cheese! Our New Parish Photo Directory is Coming!

It is time to update our parish family album! We hope to have every individual and family to be included in our upcoming Parish Photo Directory.

Tuesday October 27 to Friday October 30: 2:30pm–8:30pm

Saturday October 31: 9:30am–3:30pm

Appointments are almost full. If you still wish to schedule your photo session or if you have any questions, please contact **Joanne** at **613-791-0752**.

K of C Council 2444 50-50 Raffle Ontario Lottery Permit M:885930

Membership in the lottery club is open to all people 18 years or older residing in the province of Ontario. $52.00/ticket and will be included in all the draws. Tickets purchased by October 20, 2026 will be entered into the early bird draw of $250.00. Provide your name, address, telephone # and email address and a payment of $52.00. via e-transfer to kofcsmithsfalls5050club@gmail.com, mail to Rob Drapeau 387 Perth Rd Smiths Falls ON K7A 4S7, or put an envelope marked to K of C's attention in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. Cheques should be payable to K of C Council 2444.

Catholic Women's League News

As the Food Bank does not supply hygiene products as part of their inventory, our League is committing itself to filling this gap. On the weekend of October 24/25, we will have a donation bin at the entrance of the church.

Volunteers for Wednesday Community Lunches

We are still looking for more volunteers for teams to help serve our neighbours for our dine in community lunches on Wednesdays. If you are interested, please contact Jenny at 905-576-8072.

Nine-year-old Joey was asked by his mother what he had learned in Sunday school. "Well, Mom," he reported, "our teacher told us how God sent Moses behind enemy lines on a rescue mission to lead the Israelites out of Egypt. When he got to the Red Sea, he ordered his engineers to build a pontoon bridge, and all the people walked across safely. He used his walkie-talkie to radio headquarters to call in an air strike. They sent in bombers to blow up the bridge and all the Israelites were saved. "Now, Joey, is that REALLY what your teacher taught you?" his mother asked. "Well, no, Mom," Joey admitted, "but if I told it the way the teacher did, you'd never believe it!"

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