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 4th, 2026 - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Schedule

"The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel." **Psalm 80**

Sat. October 3	5:00pm	Patricia Bjorgan
Sun. October 4 (BS)	9:00am	Buddy Manty
Sun. October 4	10:30am	For the People
Mon. October 5	9:00am-9:00pm	***Adoration***
Tues. October 6	***No Mass***	
Wed. October 7	***No Mass***	
Thurs. October 8	***No Mass***	
Fri. October 9	11:00am	***Funeral***: Dilasico-Hardy
Sat. October 10	5:00pm	For the People
Sun. October 11 (BS)	9:00am	Stephen Tysick
Sun. October 11	10:30am	Special Intention

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Reflections

Today's readings use the metaphor of a vineyard to highlight God's loving care and His expectation that His people bear spiritual fruit. **Isaiah & The Gospel:** God meticulously tends His vineyard, but both the Chosen People and their leaders fail to produce good fruit, showing gross ingratitude instead. **The Psalm:** The Psalmist acknowledges human failure and pleads for God's divine care to sustain the vine. **The Second Reading:** Paul urges Christians to be fruit-producing believers through prayer, thanksgiving, justice, and purity. Ultimately, as the "new" Israel, Christians are challenged to learn from history, show gratitude, and bear the fruits of the Holy Spirit to glorify God.

Life Messages

In the Church: Jesus has equipped us with everything needed to bear good fruit, including the Bible, the seven Sacraments (Holy Orders, Reconciliation, Eucharist, Confirmation, Matrimony, and Anointing of the Sick), and the inspiring examples of the saints. We are expected to actively use these divine gifts to produce fruits for God. **In the Family:** We bear good fruit within our domestic church by sacrificing time and talents for one another, serving humbly, offering mutual encouragement, and honoring our parents—ultimately bringing glory to God through Christ, the true Vine.

The Catholic Church teaches that we know the Bible is inspired through history and Church authority, not subjective feelings.

The Process

History: The Bible is first proven to be a reliable historical document.

The Church: This history shows Jesus founded a Church with infallible teaching authority.

Inspiration: We accept the Bible as inspired because this infallible Church declares it to be.

Divine Action

The Holy Spirit is the principal author, influencing human writers by illuminating their minds, moving their wills to write God's truth freely, and aiding their composition. The Church recognizes the Old Testament because Jesus accepted it, and the New Testament as the inspired history of Jesus and His Church.

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, Josephine Campbell, Madeline Jordan, Pierrette Fillion, Lita Cassidy, Mary Salvi, Marilyn Kelly, Ellen Jane Bennett, Luc Massie, Marilyn* Dilasico -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 *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 4	1st Reconciliation Class 11:30am lower HH
October 7	Little Flowers 6pm lower HH
October 7	Cemetery Meeting 7pm upper HH
October 12	Happy Thanksgiving!
October 14	COR Meeting 7pm
October 15	Living Rosary 5pm
October 15	CWL General Meeting 6pm
October 16	Choir Practice 1:30pm
October 18	180th Anniversary of SF Parish 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 25	Spaghetti Dinner 5-8pm

Into the Future Candle will be lit the week of October 4, in loving memory of **Jim & Jeffrey Hallinan,** requested by Karen Hallinan.

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 11 *Gary Mitchell, Lauralee Merkley, Louise Anderson*	***October 10*** *Cathy Bridson* ***October 11*** *Stephanie Spinelli*

Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00pm October 10 *Mike Cliffen* *Roy Lalonde*	*David Houlahan*
9:00am October 11 *Jennifer Ritchie*	*Shirley McCaw*
10:30am October 11 *Grace Ritchie* *Pauline Aunger*	*Mary Ellen Drapeau*

Daily Masses Next Week (October 6-9)

Due to some sanctuary renovations taking place, daily Mass will be cancelled next week Tuesday October 6 - Thursday October 8. On Friday October 9, Mass will be cancelled for a Funeral Mass at 11am for Dilasico-Hardy.

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

Please join us on 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. If you have any parish photos, memorabilia, or documents that you can share for the display please contact Rob Drapeau by October 15 at drapeau@bell.net 613 206-4316. Rest assured the items will be well looked after, and returned to you.



JOIN IN ON THE FUN! Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction on Sunday, 25 October 2026, at 5pm in Hanley Hall.

How can parishioners help? Please buy your tickets early and join the great meal and festivities. Advance ticket sales only – now available at weekend masses or parish office.

Consider Donating: New merchandise, gift baskets, artwork or services that will be purchased through a silent auction. Donation forms available at entrance of the church. Donors will be provided tax receipts based on the Fair Market Value of the item. Deadline for donations is 19 October, 2026

Bartenders Needed for Spaghetti Dinner

We received one volunteer with Smart Serve. We found out this week from the Smart Serve office since we fall under the Special Occasions permit regulations that additional volunteers do not need Smart Serve. Our revised request is for one or two people to volunteer at the bar during our Parish Spaghetti dinner and Silent auction on Sunday October 25th. The bar will be open from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Bartenders must arrive by 4:30pm. Do you, or do you know of somebody who can assist? Beer, wine, and non alcohol beverages will be served. Volunteers can be parishioners, family members or friends. Contact Rob to volunteer or if you have any questions at drapeau@bell.net or 613 206-4316

Living Rosary

Please join the Catholic Women's League for a Living Rosary on Thursday, October 15 at 5:00pm at St. Francis de Sales Church. Come pray with us as we honour our Blessed Mother and gather together in faith. All are warmly welcome! The CWL General Meeting will follow at 6:00pm in Hanley Hall.

RCIA Reminder

Our next RCIA session will take place on Thursday October 8, 2026 at 7pm. We look forward to seeing you there as we continue our journey of faith together.

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. Your presence is what makes our parish a home, and having everyone represented helps us better connect as a community.

Tuesday October 27 to Friday October 30: 2:30pm–8:30pm
Saturday October 31: 9:30am–3:30pm

Appointments fill up quickly! To schedule your photo session or if you have any questions, please contact **Joanne** at **613-791-0752**.

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Membership in the lottery club is open to all people 18 years or older residing in the province of Ontario. Only 200 tickets will be sold. $52.00/ticket and will be included in all the draws. You may purchase as many tickets as you wish. Tickets purchased by October 20, 2026 will be entered into the early bird draw of $250.00. Monthly draws from November to May each consist of 3 draws for $55.00 and one for $100.00. In June several jackpot draws ranging from $75.00 to $500.00 will be held. 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. Contact Rob kofcsmithsfalls5050club@gmail.com or 613-206-4316

Life Chain

Come and join us on Sunday October 4, as we stand together to witness for life and against the evil of abortion from 2:00-3:00pm at the corner of Abbott St. and Lombard St. Signs will be provided.

September

Offertory	16,326.00
Building	5,771.00
Outreach Program	400.00
Needs of the Church	1,765.00
Total	**24,262.00**

Thank you to all those who have supported and continue to support both our parishes. It is with your generosity and faithful commitment that our parish communities continue to grow and flourish. Please know that your kindness is deeply appreciated and makes a lasting difference. May God bless you always for your continued goodness and support.

A mother ran into the bedroom when she heard her seven-year-old son scream. She found his two-year-old sister pulling his hair. She gently released the little girl's grip and said comfortingly to the boy, "There, there. She didn't mean it. She doesn't know that hurts." He nodded his acknowledgement, and she left the room. As she started down the hall the little girl screamed. Rushing back in, she asked, "What happened?" The little boy replied, "She knows now."

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