

Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

Confessions heard before all Masses. Sundays 7:15, 9:00 & 10:30am

<i>Sun, Apr 5</i>	<i>Palm Sunday</i>
<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<i>Carroll & Carol Ferguson by Joe & Krista Ferguson</i>	
<i>Marie E. Serredell by Robert Serredell</i>	

Mon, Apr 6 ***Monday of Holy Week***
Gloria LaPlante by LaPlante Family

Tue, Apr 7 ***Tuesday of Holy Week***
FSSP by Constance Jackson
†F.O.S.S. by Lynda Hoheisel

Wed, Apr 8 ***Wednesday of Holy Week***
St. Gerard

Thu, Apr 9 ***Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday)***

Fri, Apr 10 ***Good Friday***

Sat, Apr 11 ***Holy Saturday***

<i>Sun, Apr 12</i>	<i>Easter Sunday</i>
<i>Pro Populo</i>	
<i>Fr. Matthew McCarthy by Paula Bush</i>	
<i>For all sick & abandoned souls & our priests protection by Elliott Family</i>	

Last Week's Collection: \$1,250.00 *God reward you.*
March Online Giving: \$9,140.13

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Atlanta



Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (FSSP)
Dedicated to the Traditional Latin Mass and Sacraments
according to the 1962 Roman Missal of St. John XXIII

587 Landers Drive, Mableton, GA 30126

Website: www.fsspatl.com

Office: 770-948-6888 Emergencies: Select option 7



Pastor: Rev. Joseph DeGuzman, FSSP pastor@fsspatl.com

Assistant: Rev. James Smith, FSSP assistant@fsspatl.com

Rev. Mr. Doug Anderson (AoA)

Secretary: Amy Thomas secretary@fsspatl.com

Office Hours: Tues-Sat 8am-4pm (Closed during Mass)

Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020

Current Directives from Bishop Konzen:

- The parish must close until April 13th, this is a response to Gov. Kemp's Shelter in Place order
- Public Masses are postponed through April 19th
- Blessed palms will be distributed at a later time
- All healthcare workers have been dispensed from their fast and abstinence obligation on Good Friday, April 10, 2020.

-The priests will be saying their private Masses for the intentions listed on the liturgical calendar.

-Donations to the parish can be sent by mail or made online via our website. Please make FSSP Seminary Burse checks out to FSSP. All Archdiocese 2nd Collections should be made out to our parish.

Dear St. Francis de Sales parishioners,

Please know that in conjunction with the order that Governor Kemp issued to shelter-in-place, Bishop Konzen has put in directives for the Archdiocese. In his directives he states: "At this time, we cannot open churches for prayer or adoration and be in compliance with the mandate to shelter in place. We are looking into ways to comply with the shelter-in-place order that would allow us to reopen our churches on a limited basis, but any activity that would encourage people to leave their homes between now and April 13 (the duration of Governor Kemp's order), would be unwise."

As such, please know that St. Francis de Sales will be closed until further notice. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass still continues to be offered for all our faithful. However, palms will not be blessed or distributed this Palm Sunday. We will hold on to them and hope to distribute them at a later time.

In addition, Bishop Konzen has given a dispensation for all Catholics in health care professions from the discipline of Fast and Abstinence on Good Friday, April 10, 2020.

The early Christians of the Church were under persecution, but they did not allow it to make them lose their peace with God. Many of them persevered in their faith and won the crown of martyrdom and entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven. This is not a direct persecution on the Catholic Church. Mass has not been suppressed and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass still continues. This Palm Sunday, we should meditate on the Passion of Our Lord. He offered up His sufferings and death for God's greater glory and for our spiritual good. Just as Our Lord told Pilate when He was condemned to Crucifixion, the only reason he had authority was because God gave it to him. We know that God works through reality and we know that God is allowing these circumstances to occur and that they ultimately come from God.

This is the cross that God has laid upon us this Lenten Season. We're not all going to come down with a virus. And we're not all going to die from it. But we do have to bear it. And we need to offer up our sufferings great and small to Our Lord. We don't want to let this opportunity of bearing this cross and growing in virtue pass us by. We don't want to lose our peace with God. We need to spiritualize our challenges such that they are meritorious for us in gaining heaven.

You all remain in our prayers and are remembered fondly in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. May you have a Blessed Holy Week.

God bless you,
Fr. DeGuzman

Fast and Abstinence Regulations Observed in Lent:

- Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 60 years of age.
- Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 yrs and older.
- Those who are sick, pregnant, nursing or whose health would be adversely affected by fasting or abstinence should not consider themselves bound by these norms.

Act of Spiritual Communion By St. Alphonsus Maria de Ligouri

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things and I desire Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though Thou wert already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit not that I should ever be separated from Thee. Amen.

St. Francis de Sales-Information & Contacts

Confessions: 15 mins before weekday Masses; Sundays 7:15am,9:00am,10:30am
Baptism: Contact the parish at least six weeks before birth
Marriage: Contact the parish at least six months before the wedding
Eucharistic Exposition: Thurs. 10am-3pm, Friday after evening Mass
Rosary: Before 9:30am and 11:30am Sunday Masses
Religious Education (CCD): Sundays at 10:40am (Aug.-May)
Choir: director@sfdchoir.com
Guild of St. Stephen: Altar boy society, meets 1st Saturdays, assistant@fsspatl.com
Legion of Mary: Meet Tuesdays at 5:30pm
Knights of Columbus: Meets 2nd Monday of month: Rosary 6:30pm, dinner, meeting starts at 7:30pm. <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc14625/home>
Columbian Squires: Circle meets on 2nd Sunday of the month at 1:30pm
FNE: Catholic explorer's group: info@atlantafne.org
St. Gerard: For desirous, new, and expectant moms: stgerardministry@gmail.com
Juventutem Young Adults Group: Adults 18-35 juventumatlanta@gmail.com
Inquirers Class: For non-Catholics who have questions about the Catholic religion, taught by the priests of the parish. Tuesdays at 6pm: secretary@fsspatl.com
Bookstore Hours: Sunday 10:30am-11:15am and 1:00pm-1:30pm