

# Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

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

Sun, May 17 *V Sunday after Easter*

Pro Populo

Karen H. Carver by *Fred Carver*

†Hubert R. Kliss by *Martha & Hubie Kliss*

Mon, May 18 *St. Venantius*

Philip Sr. & Agatha Arlotta by *Lorraine Arlotta*

Tue, May 19 *St. Peter Celestine*

Pablo I & Paul II Francisco by *Rechuel Francisco*

Sydney Rose by *Adam & Matthew Markich*

Wed, May 20 *Vigil of the Ascension*

Fr. Denis Bouchard 20th Anniversary of Priesthood by *Owen Elliott*

*Family & Alberti Family*

Thu, May 21 *Ascension of the Lord*

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Fr. Matthew McCarthy by *Ines Lavelle*

Fri, May 22 *Feria after Ascension*

†Nathalie Reaux by *Brock Family*

Karen Folds & Family by *Anne Blackmon*

Sat, May 23 *Saturday of Our Lady*

Dr. Jorge Arango by *Arango Family*

Mountain Michael Butorac by *Michael Incata*

Sun, May 24 *Sunday after the Ascension*

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Sanctification of the children of SFdS

Lorraine Arlotta by *Rev. Mr. & Mrs. Doug Anderson*

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## St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church



Archdiocese of Atlanta

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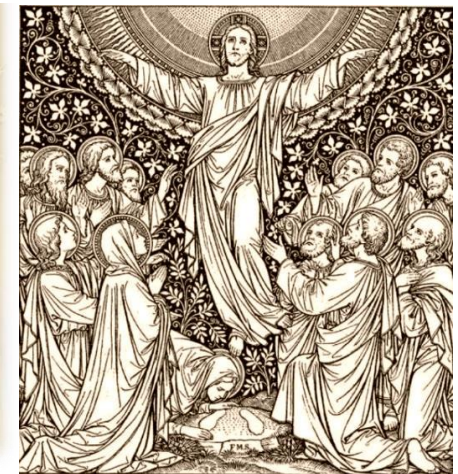
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*V Sunday after Easter, May 17, 2020*

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***Novena to the Holy Ghost in preparation for Pentecost***

***(Begin Novena on the Ascension)***

<https://www.fisheaters.com/novenas.html#holyghost>

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

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## Dear St. Francis de Sales parishioners,

Please know that no new directives have been issued as of late from the Archdiocese, and St. Francis de Sales remains closed through the month of May.

“We ought to conform to God’s Will in interior trials, that is to say in all the difficulties met with in our spiritual life, such as temptations, scruples, anxieties, aridity, desolation and so on. Whatever immediate cause we may attribute to these states of mind, we must always look beyond to God as their author. If we think they come from ourselves, then it is true to say that they have their origin in the ignorance of our mind, the over-sensitiveness of our feelings, the disordered state of our imagination or the perversity of our inclinations. But if we go back farther, if we ask where the defects themselves come from, we can only find their origin in the will of God who has not endowed us with greater perfection, and by making us subject to these infirmities has laid on us the duty of bearing all the consequences of them for our sanctification until He is pleased to put an end to them. As soon as He judges it the right moment to touch our mind or heart, we shall be enlightened, fortified, and consoled.”

“Even if we suppose that our disturbed state is the work of the devil, it must still be attributed to God. Does not the history of Job show that Satan has no power over us unless God gives it to him? When Saul was beset by temptations of jealousy and hate towards David, the Scriptures tell us, *the evil spirit from God came upon Saul* (1 Kings 18:10). But if the spirit was from God how could it be evil? And it was evil, how could it be from God? It is evil because of the devil’s evil and depraved will to afflict men in order to bring them to perdition, and it is from God because God allows him to afflict them in His plan of salvation for them.”

“Moreover we learn from the principles of our Faith and the teaching of the Saints that often God Himself by His immediate action withdraws the visible effects of His grace for purposes in accordance with His wisdom and goodness. How many persons who have become lukewarm and careless in their duties are roused by the awareness of God’s absence and are able to regain the fervor they had lost! How many more have been led to practice the highest virtue by interior trials! Who can measure the degree of heroic virtue saints like St. Ignatius, St. Teresa, or St. Francis de Sales attained by this means? We must consider it the action of a Providence unceasingly attentive to the welfare of His children, who feigns to abandon them in order to rouse them from slumber or increase their humility, self-distrust and self-renouncement, their confidence in God, submission to His Will and perseverance in prayer.”

“Everything is meant for our good, and such trials ought to be counted as special graces from God. Whether or not they are sent as a punishment for our sins, they come from Him and we should thank Him for them, placing ourselves entirely in His hands. It we bear them with patience we shall receive greater grace than if we were filled with a sense of fervent devotion.” (*Trustful Surrender to Divine Providence, The Secret to Peace and Happiness* by Fr. Jean Baptiste Saint-Jure, S.J. and St. Claude de la Colobiere, S.J.)

Thank you again for all your prayers and continued generous support in these times. As always, please know that the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass continues to be offered for you and that you are fondly remembered in our prayers.

May God bless you,  
Fr. DeGuzman



## Prayer of St. Francis de Sales to St. Joseph

Glorious St Joseph, spouse of Mary, grant us thy paternal protection, we beseech thee by the heart of Jesus Christ. O thou, whose power extends to all our necessities and can render possible for us the most impossible things, open thy fatherly eyes to the needs of thy children.

In the trouble and distress which afflicts us, we confidently have recourse to thee. Deign to take under your charitable charge this important and difficult matter, cause of our worries. Make its happy outcome be for God’s glory and for the good of His devoted servants.

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@sfdschoir.com

**Guild of St. Stephen:** Altar boy society, meets 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays, assistant@fsspatl.com

**Legion of Mary:** Meet Tuesdays at 5:30pm

**Knights of Columbus:** Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month: Rosary 6:30pm, dinner, meeting starts at 7:30pm. <https://sites.google.com/view/kofc14625/home>

**Columbian Squires:** Circle meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 juventutematlanta@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