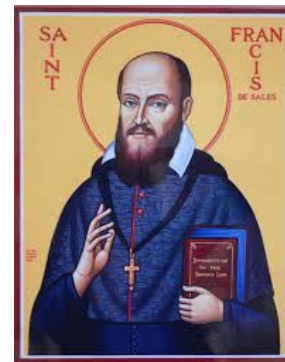




# Our Lady of the Rosary Roman Catholic Church

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## January 29, 2022 St. Francis de Sales

### *St. Francis de Sales*

Francis was born of pious and noble parents, in the town of Sales, from which the family took their name. From his earliest years, he gave pledge of his future sanctity by the innocence and gravity of his conduct. Having been instructed in the liberal sciences during his youth, he was sent early to Paris, that he might study Philosophy and Theology; and in order that his education might be complete, he was sent to Padua, where he took with much honor, the degree of doctor in both civil and canon law. He visited the sanctuary of Loreto, where he renewed the vow he had already taken in Paris of perpetual virginity, in which holy resolution he continued till death, in spite of all the temptations of the devil and all the allurements of the flesh. He refused to accept an honorable position in the Senate of Savoy, and entered into the ecclesiastical state. He was ordained Priest, and was made Provost of the Diocese of Geneva, which charge he so laudably fulfilled that Granier, the his Bishop, selected him for the arduous undertaking of laboring, by the preaching of God's word, for the conversion of the Calvinists of Chablais and the neighboring country round about Geneva. This mission he undertook with much joy. He had to suffer the harshest treatment on the part of the heretics, who frequently sought to take away his life, calumniated him, and laid all kinds of plots against him. But he showed heroic courage in the midst of all these dangers and persecutions, and by the divine assistance converted, as it is stated, seventy-two thousand heretics to the Catholic faith, among whom were many distinguished by the high position they held in the world and by their learning. After the death of Granier, who had already made him his Coadjutor, he was made Bishop of Geneva. Then it was that his sanctity showed itself in every direction, by his zeal for ecclesiastical discipline, his love of peace,

his charity to the poor, and every virtue. From a desire to give more honor to God, he founded a new Order of Nuns, which he called of the Visitation, taking for their Rule that of St. Augustine, to which he added Constitutions of admirable wisdom, discretion, and sweetness. He enlightened the children of the Church by the works he wrote, which are full of a heavenly wisdom, and point out a safe and easy path to Christian perfection. In his fifty-fifth year, whilst returning from France to Annecy, he was taken with his last sickness, immediately after having celebrated Mass, on the Feast of St. John the Evangelist. On the following day, his soul departed this life for heaven, in the year of our Lord 1622. His body was taken to Annecy, and was buried, with great demonstration of honor, in the Church of the Nuns of the above mentioned Order. Immediately after his death, miracles began to be wrought through his intercession, which being officially authenticated, he was canonized by Pope Alexander the Seventh, and his Feast was appointed to be kept on the twenty-ninth day of January, and he was declared a Doctor of the Universal Church by Pope Pius IX, after consultation with the Sacred Congregation of Rites.

### *Wisdom of the Saints*

Your accumulated offenses do not surpass the multitude of God's mercies: your wounds do not surpass the great Physician's skill. - St. Cyril of Jerusalem

### *Announcements*

If you would like to assist with maintaining our website, please contact Greg Hilliard: [greenvillegoldandsilver@gmail.com](mailto:greenvillegoldandsilver@gmail.com)

Interested in liturgical music? If interested in joining the choir email chain, please contact Caroline Hilliard at [carlbriggs80@gmail.com!](mailto:carlbriggs80@gmail.com)

### *Prayer List*

Please remember the following intentions:

- Kathleen Weidner
- JB Nolen (recovering from surgery)
- Rob Alpha's 4 year old niece
- Dennis Smith
- Theresa Fishman
- Sharon Rose
- Michael Briggs, RIP
- Father Trough
- Success of the Mission

### *Upcoming*

- February 2: Purification BVM
- February 4: First Friday
- February 5: First Saturday
- February 13: Mass, 7:30 PM (Septuagesima Sunday)**
- February 14: Mass, 8:00 AM**
- February 26: Mass, 10:00 AM**

If you are not receiving the mission newsletter, please contact Christy Hilliard, [cahilliard7@gmail.com](mailto:cahilliard7@gmail.com).

### *Rosary*

Please join us for the Rosary. Sundays at 9 AM on Discord.

<https://discord.gg/K42TYCr>

### *Dress Code*

Welcome! Out of respect for the True Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and for the edification of our neighbor, we kindly request that all who come to our parish observe the basic traditional Catholic standards of dress for church attendance:

- Women and girls must cover their heads.
- Women and girls must wear dresses or skirts that cover the knee completely when standing or sitting. Slacks, shorts, sleeveless, tight or low-cut clothing, and dresses or skirts with long slits above the knees are not permitted.
- It is recommended for men and boys to wear suit coats and ties for Sunday Mass. Jeans and other casual attire are inappropriate for attendance at church.