# Catechist Notes

May 2, 2019

Saint of the Week:

St. Francis DeSales



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## Patron Saint of the Week: St. Francis DeSales, 5B

St. Francis de Sales (1567 – 1622) was the Bishop of Geneva in Switzerland. He lived in a time when the Church was divided between different groups who taught contradicting ideas. He was a great preacher and writer who brought many people back to the Catholic Church.

His writings have helped many grow in holiness and spirituality. He is the patron saint of writers and journalists because he made extensive use of flyers and books. His feast day is on 24 January.



Dear Lord Jesus, St. Francis de Sales has brought many people to You though his preaching and writing. I resolve to know You more by reading books written by saints.

(Closing Prayer will be on intercom at 6:10 & 7:55)

We celebrate all our newly Confirmed Eighth Grade Catholics. Anointed by the Holy Spirit at Confirmation, their bond with the Church has been strengthened and they have become better equipped to carry out the Church's mission of love and service.

May 3 - Edge

May 4 - First Communion 1PM

May 5 - First Communion -Spanish Mass, 2PM

May 8 - Closing Mass 6:30 pm

Tonight is our final "regular" class. Please be sure to send everything (bibles, books, projects, etc) home with students tonight. All Teacher handbooks, binder, folders, etc must also be turned in and/or signed for. Please take anything out of your cabinet that belongs to you, since we will be in church the following week. Remind students to keep their back-pack bags for next year...6th & 7th will need to bring bibles back next year.

The final PSR class will be Mass celebrating the end of the school year on <u>Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at</u> 6:30 PM in Church for Both Session "A" and Session "B".

All students are asked to attend this final session Mass along with their families. Students will be seated with their families for Mass. The St. Patrick Award will be presented at the end of Mass.

All First Communion and Confirmation students will be honored and can wear their special clothes. All students should be dressed for church!

Report cards, First Communion Certificates and Attendance Awards will be available at the <u>Ice Cream Social</u> in the Social hall after Mass. Each grade will go to special grade-level table to pick up report cards and awards. Please remind your students now of the time and <u>date! I will need servers, readers and gift</u> bearers from 6, 7 or 8 grades! List for volunteers should be passed to other classes,



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Catechist Commitment Forms for Next Year were in your boxes. Please prayerfully consider teaching again next year.

**Report Cards are ready!** This is the link to a Google docs spreadsheet to fill out for the PSR report cards: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lxnGnR50pwtDbPr--">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lxnGnR50pwtDbPr--</a>
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You will simply scroll down to find your class and then you can enter the information in each box. When you are finished you just have to close the page and it will be saved. Margo and I will enter the absences and tardies. You will need to mark for Understanding of Material, Participation, Assignments, and Conduct using the grades of VG= Very Good, S = Satisfactory, NI = Needs Improving, and U = Unsatisfactory. You are encouraged to make comments, and I will make sure it all fits, even if we go to back of page. I need these completed by May 6. At the very latest! Thanks!

Registration Forms for 2019-2020 will be available on the Parish website Soon!!!

Today, May 1 is the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker!

St. Joseph,
watch over me
and care for me
just as you cared for
the child Jesus;
and by your help,
may I come to know
your Son,
and so grow
in strength
and wisdom
and the favor of God.
Amen





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