

Where All Are Welcome since 1892

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

IF YOU WISH TO COME AFTER ME
YOU MUST DENY YOURSELF,
TAKE UP YOUR CROSS,

and follow me.

MARK 8:34

September 16, 2018

**St. Francis de Sales
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Mass Schedule:
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am
Saturday Anticipated
5:30 pm
Sunday 9:00 am & 10:30am
Reconciliation:
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Pray For

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LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

Those needing prayer:

Nadine Foster, Joseph Dominguez, Leslie Ibanez, Alex Maestas, Greg White, Betty Caruso, Melissa Griffith, Edgar Cardenas, Leslie Ibanez, Vicky Thomas, Mary Smith, Agatha Slogar, Joanne Dwyer, Robert Bixler, John Miller, Janet Flynn, Franchesca Tagle, Manuel & Ruby Andrade, Janie Estes, John Alvarado, Frank Castro, Riley Carroll, Rudy Baca, Lorie Steck, Kelly Smith, Andrew Duran, Casey Colpitt, Shannon Carroll, Tim and Shelley Willemson, Jessica Garcia, Ximena Quintana, Tom Torrez, Mary Martindale, Michelle Bouselaire, Bernie Brown, Janet Mills, Sandra Kelley, Nancy Ahrens, Diane Blake, Astrid Frier, Florence Trujillo, Edward Bailey, Vicki Gallagher, Ron Ruterbories, Anthony Gonzales, Ben Rodriguez, Allison Schaub-Dirosa, Arron Grant, for all serving armed forces, and for all who have died.

Please call the Parish Office to add or remove a name on this list. 303-744-7211

Our Week Ahead

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Liturgy- Church
4:30 PM **RECONCILIATION**
5:30 PM Liturgy-Church

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Liturgy-Church
10:30 AM Liturgy-Church

Monday- Friday

8:00 AM Liturgy-Church

Leave A Legacy

To leave a legacy is to reveal our hearts—for our legacy is a final testament of who we are, what we value and whom we love.

Regardless of your age, circumstances or economic status, we encourage you to begin thinking about the legacy you wish to leave behind and the message you hope to share with your loved ones, your community and our parish through our fund at the Catholic Foundation.

To Learn more, please contact Jean Finegan at the Catholic Foundation at 303-867-0613.

From Fathers Pen:

Deny Yourself?



If anyone, man or woman, wants to follow Jesus, to be his disciple (be a "Christian" we tend to say), then he must do two things. He must "deny himself" and "take up his cross." When Luke tells this same story, he clarifies that we are to take up our cross "daily" (Luke 9:23). What does this mean? The answer to this question shows why the path is so different from the world.

To "deny" yourself means to say "No" to yourself and "Yes" to God. Paul is not talking about asceticism — forgoing earthly possessions, not eating certain foods, ignoring the world, etc. To say it differently, the process of denial is "to humbly submit my will to God." It is to go through life repeating the words that Jesus said the night before he died. When he was praying in the garden, he said to God his Father, "Not my will but yours be done." It is what millions of Christians have prayed for centuries when they repeat what we call the "Lord's Prayer." "Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" (Matthew 6:10).

What does it look like to live out this prayer? Someone hurts you. Your natural reaction is to lash back, to get angry. But the path of discipleship is "not my will but yours." It is humbly submitting my will to God's will. Instead of getting angry, we realize that God is calling us to forgive even our enemies. A verse that is becoming more and more important to me is Paul's instructions to the church in Ephesus. "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you" (4:32). When I am hurt, I am called to submit my will to God's will and follow his example. This is what it means to "deny" yourself. Now, I don't always do it. Sometimes I like to reword Jesus prayer: "not your will but mine be done." But that's not what Jesus said.

What does it mean to "daily take up your cross"? The cross was a horrid symbol of pain, shame, and death. A person hung on it, naked, until his skeletal structure collapsed and he suffocated to death, without air and with his body drowning itself in its own fluids. Every day we are to live in such a way that it is apparent to everyone that we have died to ourselves, to our selfish ways and ambitions, and live for God. Another translation words the verse: "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross, and follow me" (NLT).

Something unfair happens and instinctively we want to get even. But we have died to that "right," we have prayed "not my will but yours be done." Hopefully we humbly submit our will to God's will, and we respond in kindness and humility. Will you always do this right the first time? Of course not, and that is, in a sense, okay. Life is a journey. God understands that over the years we have created habits of our heart that are not easily broken, and he is patient with us as we learn to walk the new path. Nevertheless, we are called daily to humbly submit our will to his.

To get back to the original question, why is the new path of discipleship different? It's because we have been changed. We now follow Jesus, and the new longings in our heart are to do his will, not our own. Don't be frightened. God is not standing there with a scowl on his face, arms folded, with a whole new list of things we can do and things we can't do. Remember the theme verse of this blog. "You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore" (Psalm 16:11, ESV). The path of discipleship is the path of joy, but it is also a path that is different. Because Jesus is different.

Welcome to Visitors and Parishioners
We are so glad you are here!!! Please encourage your family, friends, and neighbors to join us for Liturgy.

In preparation of the Mass on September 23

please reflect upon the Gospel of Mark 9:30-37. Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him. They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent.

Sept. 15

Mass Intentions

Sept.23

Saturday, September 15

8:00 am The Weinstock, Osse, & Talavera Families
By: Kathleen Weinstock
5:30 pm The Holy Souls in Purgatory
By: Diann Heflin

Sunday, September 16

9:00am The Parishioners of SFDS
10:30am Healing within the Catholic Church
By: The Parishioners of SFDS

Monday, September 17

8:00am Liz & Wayne DeBlick
By: The Schilmoeller Family

Tuesday, September 18

8:00 am Casey Colpitt for Healing
By: The Parishioners of SFDS

Wednesday, September 19

8:00 am Patrick Powers
By: Dennis & Norma Powers

Thursday, September 20

8:00 Senator John McCain +
By: The Parishioners of SFDS

Friday, September 21

8:00 am Healing of Victims of Sexual Abuse within the
The Catholic Church
By: The Parishioners of SFDS

Saturday, September 22

8:00 am A Deeper Sense of Discipleship
By: The Parishioners of SFDS

5:30pm The Parishioners of SFDS

Sunday, September 23

9:00 am The Parishioners of SFDS
10:30 am Healing of the Victims of Sexual Abuse by Clerics
By: The Parishioners of SFDS

For Last Rights or Penance: call Fr. Ken 303-744-7211 Ext 1

Communion for Shut-ins: call Dn. Bill 303-744-7211 Ext 3



9/15-5:30pm Tony Herrera
9/16-9:00am Darwin Chavez
10:30am Jesus Diaz
9/22-5:30pm Pablo Perez
9/23-9:00am Kaurys Bermudez
10:30am Miguel Magallanes

Thank you Altar Servers!

Our Food Bank is in need of Canned Meats and Canned Soup

Are you interested in the History of our Beautiful Church?

We have a set of two wonderful books just for you!!!

"Keep Smiling "(The First Hundred Years are the Hardest) & "Celebrating 100 Years". \$10.00ea or \$20.00 for pair. Funds used for Church repair. For Information call Tony /Parish Office/ 303-744-7211.

Upcoming Events

9/15/2018 9:00am-10:00am — AA / Parish Center
9:30am-12:00pm— Gabriel House / Parish Office
4:30pm— Reconciliation
9/17/2018 5:45pm-7:00pm— AA Parish Center
9/18/2018 9:30am-12:00pm— Gabriel House / Parish Office
9/19/2018 6:00pm-7:00pm— Girl Scouts / Parish Center
9/20/2018 10:00am-12:00pm— Craft Club / Parish Office
9/22/2018 9:00am-10:00am — AA / Parish Center
9:30am-12:00pm — Gabriel House / Parish Office
4:30pm— Reconciliation

IRA Charitable Rollover is now a Permanent Law

Each IRA owner over age 70 1/2 may make a transfer of up to \$100,000 per year to a qualified charity. IRA charitable rollovers are tax-free and not included in adjusted gross income. An IRA charitable rollover may fulfill part or all of your required minimum distribution (RMD). To learn how you and the Church can benefit contact Jean Finegan at The Catholic Foundation at 303-867-0613.

Consider this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

Knights of Columbus Council 539 will host an Altar Server Appreciation Ice Cream Social on Saturday September 29, 2018 at 2 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 16th and Grant Streets. Servers and their families are welcome to attend and parking is free in the Knights of Columbus parking lot. For information on the Knights of Columbus, please visit kofc539denver.org.

LECTORS

Have you ever thought, "Gee, I wonder what it's like to be a lector." Let me tell you, nothing quite compares to the importance of being a lector at St. Francis de Sales Church. If you'd like to make your dream a reality, and enter the world of being a lector, now is your chance. Deacon Bill is working on the lector schedule and he's looking for lectors and/or substitutes. If you're nervous, don't worry—we will even train you! Call the parish office if you're interested: 303-744-7211.

September Lectors

5:30pm Nga Vuong-Sandoval
9:00am Gary Cox
10:30am Jonathan Huie

October Lectors

5:30pm Karen Glassman
9:00am Shiva Fekri
10:30am Don English

Extraordinary Minister

Diann Heflin
Jackie Warner & Jill Cox
Patricia Padilla

Extraordinary Minister

Leon Glassman
Tom & Mary Ann VanBuskirk
Patty English

Our First Fruits

Sept 9: \$1,966.52

Sept 2: \$2,783.62

August on-line: \$3552.00

Roof Fund: \$137,000.00

Thank you!!!

