# A picture containing diagram Description automatically generatedThe Sunday Encore

*More News and Announcements from St. Francis de Sales Parish*

*Sunday, August 28, 2022*

*The Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time*

St. Francis de Sales Contemplative Prayer Group

Looking for a deeper relationship with God? More meaning in your life? If so, join us every Monday afternoon 1-2pm in the undercroft for meditation/ contemplative prayer. Whether new or experienced, you are welcome to join. Meetings will begin on Monday, September 12. For more information go to our website [stfrancisds.com/ministries](http://stfrancisds.com/ministries)/ click on "Committee Ministries" then select "Prayer Opportunities" or email Steve Schaefer - [schaeferstephenf@yahoo.com](mailto:schaeferstephenf@yahoo.com) or Jan Seidel - [jlseidel@fuse.net](mailto:jlseidel@fuse.net)

Marriage Moments And Parenting Pointers: Food For Thought And Actions

Marriage Moments- “When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind…” (Luke 14:14) East to read; harder to do. As COVID is hopefully waning, maybe you aren’t holding banquets, but discuss with your beloved how you might reach out to the poor, the crippled, those shunned by polite society.

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Parenting Pointers-Phones, technology, TVs are part of modern life. They are helpful. (It would take me a lot longer to drive places without a GPS.) But how much is too much? Ask your family which piece of modern technology is most important to them and which is least?

The Transformative Nature of Meals by Mary M. McGlone

Jesus loved banquets. We never hear that he refused the offer of a good meal. Once there, he would transform the table into a space for evangelizing repartee. In today’s scene, we can imagine him wryly observing as people vied to position themselves for the best seat in the house.

*How can your dinner table/holiday table be transformed from just a space to have a speedy meal to solely consume food to a place where relationships can deepen, knowledge and faith be expressed, and overall, making your family unit/your social network a “tighter community” if you will, in our Marianist Spirit of building community?*

Living Laudato Si’ Eco-Tip Of The Week From The SFdS Parish “Green Team”

Ideas for shopping and growing the food we eat at home:

*The Easy One*: Food shopping: When possible, patronize local farmer’s markets; buy

fresh.

*The Challenging One*: Even better: grow as many vegetables, fruit, produce as you can at

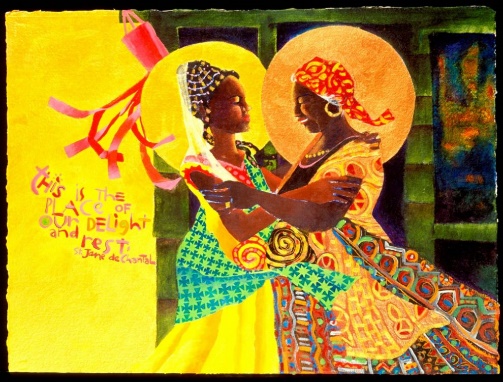
home.

This Week From U.S. Catholic Magazine

Please visit *U.S. Catholic Magazine* at [www.uscatholic.org](http://www.uscatholic.org) for this week’s reads and other informative and inspiring articles-

Both can be found on the home page

*A New Illustrated Book Celebrates Madonnas Of Color: Artist Mickey McGrath’s Paintings point Us To The Beauty And Holiness Of Bodies That Have Been Marginalized Or Dehumanized* by Laryssa Herrington



*Sometimes Hate Is The Friendly Man Next Door: Evil Is More Insidious Than We Think*  by Alice Camille

Vocation Question For The Week

How would you describe fraternal life and prayer at St. Francis de Sales Parish, and how does it empower your efforts and contribution to evangelization? What examples show how the parish has been truly “situated within the mission” in a way that the “community acts as an ambassador of God’s love” in the world? How does this inspire our young people to consider a vocation to the church?

Looking Ahead: Day Of Prayer For The Church And Victims Of Abuse

The archdiocese will observe the fourth annual Day of Prayer for the Church and Victims of Abuse on September 14. In addition to Mass for the Feast of Exaltation of the Holy Cross celebrated by Archbishop Schnurr at 5:15pm at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter-in-Chains, all are encouraged to observe this day in parishes, schools, and other institutions.

**Life In The Spirit Seminar – September. 21 to October. 19, 2022**

**Do you want to experience God’s love, power and presence?**The**Life in the Spirit Seminar**is a life-transforming experience where you will discover Christ’s personal and unconditional love for YOU.  Listen to dynamic teachings where you can encounter Christ personally and also experience the gifts of the Holy Spirit.  This seminar will take place on 5 consecutive Wednesday evenings (Sept. 21-Oct. 19) from 7–9 pm at St. Ignatius Parish in Loyola Hall, 5222 North Bend Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio 45247. **For more info or to register call Mary Ann at** **513-378-4431, Lighthouse Renewal Center at 513-471-5483, or visit our website at**[**www.LRC1.org**](http://www.lrc1.org/)**.**



Retrouvaille

**Two weeks to sign up for Retrouvaille** - Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue …or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped 10’S of 1000” s of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the September 9, 10, 11 2022 weekend call 513 486-6222 or visit the web site at [www.hellpourmarriage.com](http://www.hellpourmarriage.com)

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February 2022

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First Sunday of Lent – March 6, 2022

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brothers, that they will persevere in the face of temptations against faithfulness to their call, we

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“Perhaps it is not after all so difficult for a man to part with his possessions, but it is certainly most difficult for him to part with himself. To renounce what one has is a minor thing; but to renounce what one is, that is asking a lot.”

*St. Gregory, Homilies On The Gospels*

The Memorial Of St. Gregory The Great

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