



The Sunday Encore

More News and Announcements from St. Francis de Sales Parish

*Sunday, December 5, 2021
The Second Sunday Of Advent*

New Pastoral Council And Finance Council Members

The St. Francis de Sales Pastoral Council and Finance Council are seeking additional members for each council. If you have interest in Pastoral Council and discussing the life and direction of the parish or the Finance Council to address the parish finances, your willingness to serve would be greatly appreciated. For those who are interested in the Pastoral Council, please see Phil Louis for more detailed information. For those interested in the Finance Council, please see John Mitchell.

Substitute Teachers Needed

Are you interested in making a real difference to SFDS students and staff? Consider becoming a substitute teacher. St. Francis de Sales School is still seeking a fourth-grade teacher and is always in need of substitute teaching. All that is required is a Bachelor's Degree, and a background check, and a genuine concern for students. Please reach out to Joanne Browarsky at browarsky_j@desalescincy.org or contact the school office at 513-961-1953. Thank you.

Marriage Moments And Parenting Pointers: Food For Thought And Actions

St. Nick's Day (December 6)-The Christmas season is traditionally a "family focused" time and for many people that means focusing on children.

For newly marrieds this might be a cozy time of couple bonding but for couples hoping for a child it can be a bittersweet time. Pray for those longing for children.

"Whoever has two coats should share with the person who has none." (Luke 3:11). This may seem a little extreme, but if you have more than one warm coat, hat, or gloves, pick one to give to a person (or agency) who can pass it on to someone in need.

More Parishioner Thank Yous

As we continue to recognize our parishioners who volunteer to our ministries, the Respite Center would like to acknowledge the following who have been of assistance to them. We want to thank the following for their time and effort for the Respite Center: **Damian Billy, Dr. Ann**

Saluke, Mary Ellen Tobe Roberts, and David Hulefeld. We also want to thank **Brother (Doctor) Bob Donovan, S.M.** for his long-term ministry to the Respite Center.

We also wish to offer our sincere thanks to **Peg Smyth and Cathie Momper** for decorating the outside of the church with festive Christmas lights. It not the case before, we are now a bright light in our East Walnut Hills neighborhood.

Did You Know???

Did you know that **Brother Bill Grundish** will be celebrating his birthday this coming Friday (December 10)? Happy Birthday **Brother Bill** and many more!!! Thanks for your service to the parish and to Mercy Neighborhood Ministries. He is a great asset to our parish community!

East Walnut Hills Assembly Membership

The East Walnut Hills Assembly is looking for residents to join the Assembly. The membership fee is \$20.00. For these who are interested, please go to eastwalnuthills.org/join-now/ Monthly meetings take place on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. Please consider joining and work to make the East Walnut Hills neighborhood a wonderful place to live, work, and play.

Good Reads From U.S. Catholic Magazine

Please visit the U.S. Catholic Magazine website at www.uscatholic.org for the following interesting articles they are offering: *The Church Must Find Its Way Back To Jesus* by Father Bryan Massingale, *What Does The Church Teach About The Death Penalty* by Stephen Schneck, and *The Passion of George Floyd* by Father Patrick Saint-Jean, S.J.

Rediscover Your Marriage

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10's of 1000's headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on January 7, 8, and 9 2022 call 513 486-6222 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

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“[Mary] gave to the world the Life that renews all things, and she was enriched by God with gifts appropriate to such a role.”

Dogmatic Constitution On The Church, 56
The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
December 8