



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

The K of C's meet every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All knights in good standing (current dues paid) are encouraged to attend.

**Next meeting will be February 17, 2022 7PM**  
**Masks are optional at meetings.**



Joe Hayes, Paul Bouchard, Jim Watt,  
Chuck Staten, Joe Brooks, Steve  
Bogart, Nelson Clarke, and John  
Denne.



**Please join us today after Mass for  
"Social Hour". We'll have coffee, tea,  
and an assortment of goodies to snack  
on.**



**BINGO this Sunday from 2-4PM in the Parish  
Social Hall.**  
**Doors open at 1:30.**

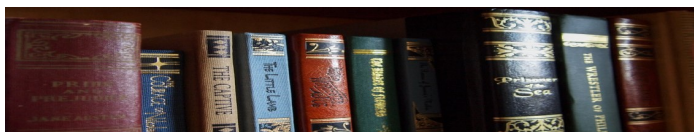
## WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL LIBRARY

Welcome to our little St. Francis de Sales Catholic library! We hope it will be a useful resource of inspiration and knowledge for our parishioners. We are starting small, but hope we can grow to be a special place. We are open during coffee hour, but if you need help at other times, please call the office and they will contact me to get in contact with you. I will be out of town from February 1st until March 7th, so please contact the office during that time with any questions.

We always welcome donations of Catholic books as we try to grow in size. You may drop books at the Parish office during office hours. Thank you!!

We welcome you to check out books by signing a notebook with your name, date and title of the book. When you return the book, cross your name off. If you find that you really love a book and would like to keep it, we suggest making an optional small donation in our donation box nearby. Donations are always welcome! If you would like to order books or Catholic supplies, you may do so through Carroll Mitchell, at 541-406-8404. He has many things on hand, and is able to order a wide variety of Catholic statuary, books, Crucifixes and Rosaries, etc.

The parish does not plan to purchase books, so we hope you will keep an eye out for books to add to our collection at book sales, garage sales, and anywhere you happen to be shopping. Thank you for your participation.



# Religious Education



January 24, 2022 Feast of St. Francis de Sales

Francis de Sales was born two months premature on 21 August 1567, in the Chateau de Sales into the noble Sales family of the Duchy of Savoy, in what is today Thorens-Gilleres, Haute-Savoie, France. He was baptized Francis Bonaventura after his godparents. His father wanted him, the first of his six sons, to attend the best schools in preparation for a career as a magistrate. He therefore, enjoyed a privileged education. In 1578, de Sales went to the college de Clermont, that Jesuit institution, to study rhetoric and humanities. To please his father, he took lessons in the gentlemanly pursuits of riding, dancing, and fencing. In 1586, he attended a theological discussion about predestination, convincing him of his damnation to hell. A personal crisis of despair resulted. This conviction lasted through December 1586, causing him great despair and physical illness. In early January 1587, he visited the old parish of Saint Etienne-des-Gres, Paris, where he prayed the "Memorare" before the famed statue of Our Lady of Good Deliverance. He consecrated himself to the Blessed Virgin Mary and decided to dedicate his life to God. De Sales ultimately concluded that God had good in store for him, because "God is love", as John's First Epistle attests. His devotion to God expelled his doubts and influenced the rest of his life and teachings. His way of teaching Catholic spirituality is often referred to as the Way of Divine Love, taken from a book he wrote of a similar name: "Introduction to the Devout Life".

In 1592, de Sales became a priest. His cousin, Canon Louis de Sales, persuaded the Bishop of Geneva, Claude de Granier, to obtain Francis a position of provost of the cathedral chapter of Geneva, a post in the patronage of the pope. It was the highest office in the diocese. Francis was ordained in 1593. In 1599 he appointed coadjutor bishop of Geneva. In 1602, he was sent on a diplomatic mission to Henry IV of France, to negotiate the restoration of Catholic worship in Gex.

In December 1622, Francis de Sales suffered a stroke, from which he died on December 28, 1622.

Francis was buried on January 24, 1623 in the church of the Monastery of the Visitation in Annecy. His remains were venerated there until the French Revolution. Many miracles have been reported at his shrine. Francis de Sales was beatified in 1661 by Pope Alexander VII, who then canonized him 4 years later.

(Wikipedia.org/St. Francis de Sales)

The offertory statements that you received earlier this month did not have the statement that no goods or services were received for these contributions on them. Since the IRS will not accept the contributions unless this statement is on them, I am resending the statements and you should receive them prior to the end of the month. Thanks for your understanding, Dawn