

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 18, 2018

Salesian Perspective

Today's readings remind us that we have nothing to fear if we have hope and faith in God. St. Francis de Sales has much to say about hope, faith, trust in God:

Hope in God, for God will free you from your burdens or give you the strength to bear them. When we have faith in God, we are shielded from our enemies and the terrors of the night. To say "I believe in God" is to say we do not trust in our own strength but in the strength of God. It is most certain that God exercises a tender care for us when we abandon all our anxieties and fears to Divine Providence. Yet God desires that we do all that lies in our power to accomplish our tasks. Go ahead filled with courage, but go in simplicity. God wants us to use all the ordinary means to attain hope and trust.

We must not think that we have no talent to do what we are called upon to do. Thinking we are not virtuous enough must not trouble us. The apostles were fishermen who were given talents and holiness to the extent these gifts were necessary to fulfil the mission God confided to them. Go ahead without worrying and without turning back. Whenever you work for God's glory, God will always give you what you need at the proper time, and provide what is necessary for you and those entrusted to your care.

If you feel disheartened, throw yourself immediately into God's arms, entrusting yourself to God's care. We must not be upset if we have little attacks of anxiety and sadness, as they give us opportunities to practice the best and dearest virtues: trust in God and gentleness. When things go wrong, is this not the best time to trust in God? We must encourage one another in holy hope. Without growing weary, we must walk in hope, ardently yet tranquilly, carefully but confidently. Let us climb Mount Tabor where, in hope, faith and trust in God, we will encounter Jesus when He comes in glory.

(Adapted from the writings of St. Francis de Sales, especially Sermons, L. Fiorelli, Ed.)

Our Lady of the Seas Pastor - Fr Fred Smuda

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Thank you for your continuing support...

The Reading for today's Mass are found in the **Glory & Praise** at number **897**

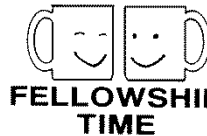
1st Reading ~ Daniel 12:1 – 3

2nd Reading ~ Hebrews 10:11 – 14, 18

Gospel Reading ~ Mark 13:24 – 32

Pope's Intentions November

In the Service of Peace. That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.



**FELLOWSHIP
TIME**

It's Coffee Fellowship

Sunday!!! Immediately following 9:00 am Mass ***please join us at the social hall for coffee, goodies, and fellowship.***

For your convenience the hall will be open before mass for anyone who wishes to drop off their bake goods.

What is CCD

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD): Today its usage is for religious education designed for children, also known as catechism.

What is RCIA

Designed for children & adults entering the Catholic Faith.



CCD Class

CCD Class- will meet tomorrow, Monday at 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm. ***Please have your parents pick you up at the Hall at 4:30 pm***



RCIA ADULT CLASS IS DESIGNED FOR PEOPLE COMING INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH AND FR. FRED IS

OPENING IT UP TO ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO DEEPEN THEIR OWN CATHOLIC FAITH. SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE SPEAK TO FR. FRED.



THANKSGIVING DAY OUR PARISH WILL HAVE A COMMUNION SERVICE AT 8:30 AM

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

11/20 - 11/23 NO WEEKDAY MASSES

11/24 Saturday Evening 5:30 pm

11/25 Sunday Morning 9:00 am

11/25 Sunday Evening 5:00 pm (Spanish)

TAIZÉ PRAYER SERVICE



AN ECUMENICAL AND
CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP
CONSISTING OF MEDITATIVE
SINGING, LITURGICAL READING
AND PERIODS OF SILENCE.

*"NOTHING IS MORE CONDUCTIVE TO A COMMUNION
WITH THE LIVING GOD THAN A MEDITATIVE COMMON
PRAYER WITH, AS IT'S HIGH POINT, SINGING THAT NEVER
ENDS AND THAT CONTINUES IN THE SILENCE OF ONE'S
HEART WHEN ONE IS ALONE AGAIN"*

~Brother Roger of TAIZÉ

**JOIN US, FOR A PEACEFUL HOUR OF PRAYER, ON
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14 AT 6:00 PM**



GIVING TREE MEMORIALS

Do you want to share in the GIVING TREE? A donation of \$500 will purchase a leaf which has 4 lines to list an inscription. It is quite fitting that the new "GIVING TREE" has taken root in the vestibule of our church. Any questions contact Dave Kelmer 252.986.2719

"Remember this well: we are sometimes so busy trying to be good angels that we neglect to be good men & women."

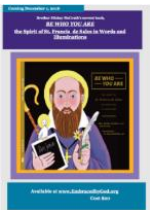
~St. Francis de Sales

Our Lady of the Seas MASS CARDS MASS



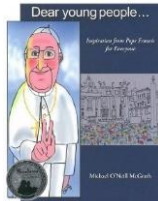
Holy
Sacrifice
of the
Mass

INTENTIONS to be said at OLS please talk to Fr. Fred and specify the date for the Mass. Donations would be accepted.



The perfect meditation to go with your morning coffee.

Both of these Books are on sale in our vestibule!!



Oblates on Facebook

Please like and join the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales **NEW** Facebook page. Continue to get you daily prayers and inspiration

<https://www.facebook.com/DeSalesOblates/> on our new page. We look forward to continue sharing our Salesian Spirituality with you!



Inspirational artwork by Brother Mickey McGrath, an Oblate of St. Francis de Sales. You can learn more at bromickeymcgrath.com

The 26th Annual Island-Wide Food Drive

Here are this year's convenient drop-off locations:



1. Our parish's social hall in Buxton (24-hr. drop box on porch - that's the hall, NOT the church)
2. Hatteras Realty in Avon (daily 9 am-5 pm)
3. Frisco Shopping Center in Frisco (daily 6 am-9 pm)
4. Surf-or-Sound Realty in Avon and Salvo (daily 9 am-5 pm)
5. Midgett Realty in Hatteras, Avon, and Rodanthe (daily 9 am-5 pm)
7. Outer Beaches Realty in Waves, Avon, and Hatteras (daily 9 am-5 pm)
8. Crescom Bank (formerly First South Bank) in Buxton (Mon.- Fri., 9 am-5 pm)
9. Sun Realty in Avon (daily 9 am-5 pm)

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