

“One day, I saw two roads. One was broad, covered with sand & flowers, full of joy, music & all sorts of pleasures. People walked along it, dancing & enjoying themselves. They reached the end without realizing it. And, at the end of the road, there was a horrible precipice; that is, the abyss of hell. The souls fell blindly into it; as they walked, so they fell. Their number was so great that it was impossible to count them. And I saw the other road, or rather, a path, for it was narrow & strewn with thorns & rocks; the people who walked along it had tears in their eyes & all kinds of suffering befell them. Some fell down upon the rocks but stood up immediately and went on. At the end of the road there was a magnificent garden filled with all sorts of happiness, and all these souls entered there. And, at once, they forgot all their sufferings.” ~ #153, The Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska.



St Francis de Sales Catholic Church
*An apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter in the
 Archdiocese of Atlanta preaching the Gospel & sanctifying souls
 according to the liturgical books of 1962.*

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Low (Divine Mercy) Sunday

April 12, 2026, A.D.

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Church Office Hours: 8:15 am to 4:15 pm, Monday – Friday
Bookstore – open Sundays after the 9 am & 10:30 am Masses and 1st Saturdays after the 9 am Mass.
Baptism: Contact the parish three months before a birth.
Marriage: Contact the parish six months before a wedding.
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Daily Mass Times

Mon. & Wed.: 6:30 am & 9 am.
 Tues. & Thurs.: 6:30 am & 12 noon.
 Fri.: 6:30 am & 7 pm (followed by Holy Hour).
 Sat.: 7 am & 9 am.

Sunday Mass Times

7 am low Mass
 9 am low Mass
 10:30 am high Mass
 1 pm low Mass

Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before each Mass.

Church Hours

Mon.-Thurs.: 6 am - 7 pm
 Fri.: 6 am - 9 pm
 Sat.: 6:30 am - 7 pm
 Sun.: 7 am - 7 pm

Office Hours

Monday - Friday:
 8:15 am – 4:15 pm.
 Closed on Holy Days



Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR	COMMEMORATION
Sun 04-12	Low (Divine Mercy) Sunday	1/W	
Mon 04-13	St Hermenegild, <i>Martyr</i>	3/R	
Tues 04-14	St John Martyr	3/R	Ss Tiburtius, Valerian & Maximus
Wed 04-15	Feria	4/W	
Thu 04-16	Feria	4/W	
Fri 04-17	St Anicetus, Pope & Martyr	4/R	
Sat 04-18	Saturday of Our Lady	4/W	
Sun 04-19	2nd Sunday after Easter	2/W	

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week

Sun 04-12	(7 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (9 am) Fr Austin's intention (10:30 am) Junior Fender + (1 pm) John Stephens	rb K Fender rb V Stephens
Mon 04-13	(6:30 am) Katheen Kinsella (9 am) Stefanie L	rb T Kinsella rb E Wells
Tues 04-14	(6:30 am) Michael Stephens (12 pm) Kathy Markich	rb V Stephens rb A Markich
Wed 04-15	(6:30 am) Paul Connolly + (9 am) David Anderson family	rb J LaPlante rb M/M Rev D Anderson
Thu 04-16	(6:30 am) Leonard Ziesel + (12 pm) FssP Priests & Vocations	rb C Giuffre rb P Anderson
Fri 04-17	(6:30 am) Randy Chancey + (7 pm) Fr Austin	rb L Chancey rb S&C Calta
Sat 04-18	(7 am) Catherine Runge (9 am) Confraternity of Christian Mothers	rb Tate family rb same
Sun 04-19	(7 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (9 am) Fr Austin's intention (10:30 am) Bella Repucci (1 pm) Noah & Nicolas Chancey	rb K Repucci rb A Garstin

Today, the Craft Fair will be held outside after the 10:30 am Mass.

Today, a plenary indulgence is granted to those who take part in prayers & devotions held in honor of the Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or in the tabernacle, recite the *Our Father* & the *Creed*, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus. Those who (for a just cause) cannot get to church can gain the same indulgence by reciting one *Our Father*, the *Creed*, & a devout prayer to the Lord before an image of the Divine Mercy.

Today, Catechism Class resumes. Father excuses any who miss due to the 9 am Mass.

Today, Pelican League Parents meet in the library from 12:30 to 1:30 pm.

This week, Monday, staff meeting (1 pm); Thursday, St Gerard Guild; Friday, Mass & Holy Hour (7 pm); Saturday, Confraternity of Christian Mothers (10:30 am).

Last week's collection: cash \$ n/a; online \$6,327.00 total: \$n/a.

Holy Week attendance: Holy Thursday-278; Good Friday-?; Easter Vigil-302.

Easter Sunday attendance: 8 am-218; 10:30 am-291; 510 total souls.

KoC meets this Monday at 7 pm with rosary then the meeting; no dinner served.

The precepts of the Church are meant to provide the faithful with "the very necessary minimum" in the spirit of prayer & moral effort, in the growth in the love of God & neighbor. (CCC #2041-2043) *[The precepts are matter for mortal sin.]*

The 1st precept: "**You shall attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor**" means to commemorate the day Christ rose from the dead and the principle feasts which honor mystery of the Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints; in the first place, by participating at the holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in which the Christian community is gathered, and by resting from works and activities which impede the reverencing of such days.

The 2nd precept: "**You shall confess your sins at least once a year**" ensures **proper preparation to receive Holy Communion by making a good Confession**, "which continues Baptism's work of conversion & forgiveness."

The 3rd precept: "**You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season**" *[the 50 days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday]* ensures, as a minimum, the reception of the Lord's Body & Blood in association with the Paschal feasts, "the origin and center of the Christian liturgy."

The 4th precept: "**You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church**" ensures times for mortification and pence which prepare us for liturgical feasts and help us master our lower instincts, detaching us from creatures to obtain "freedom of heart."

The 5th precept: "**You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church**" requires the faithful to provide for the material needs of the Church, "**each according to his own ability.**" *[tithing is not an obligation, but "according to... ability."]*

2026 AAA status at SFdS as of April 7, 2026: \$58,975.50 owed; \$8,430.00 pledged; \$41,782.00 paid (70.85% of goal); from 68 donors (17% of parish).
Thank you for your support!

Maxim of St Francis de Sales

Cultivate not only a solid love, but a tender, gentle, meek love for those about you: I have learned from experience that infirmities destroy, not our charity, but our meekness towards our neighbor, if we are not strongly on our guard.