

The Most Holy Trinity
May 24, 2015

Salesian Perspective

Ask yourself, as Moses did: "Did anything so great ever happen before?" We hear Moses remind the Israelites that our God has revealed the Divine Presence in many wonderful ways: from creation through the great signs of divine power done for God's people during the Exodus. God lovingly gave the chosen people commandments by which to live and the promise of a land where they would live long and prosperous lives.

Our Triune God continued to love his people. The Father sent the Son, Jesus, to dwell among us. And Jesus died and rose to save us from our sins. Jesus gave us the Holy Spirit as God's abiding Presence in us and among us. God sought us out in love and made us adopted children, brothers and sisters of Jesus. We have "received the Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, 'Abba, Father.'" In prayer, Jesus taught us to approach God and call him "Father."

As adopted children, co-heirs with Jesus, we have the right to inherit the promised reign of God. The Spirit of God is always with us, enabling us to bear our sufferings with Jesus, so that we may also be glorified with Jesus.

St. Francis de Sales describes for us our promised eternal inheritance.

"We will see face to face and very clearly the Divine Majesty, the essence of God, and the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. There we will understand and participate in those adorable conversations and divine colloquies which take place between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

Ask yourself again: "Has anything so great ever happened before?" De Sales encourages us:

"Note well how ardently God desires us to be His, since to this end He has made Himself entirely ours. He gives us both His death and His life; His life so that we may be freed from eternal death; His death so that we can enjoy eternal life. Let us live in peace, then, and serve God so as to be His in this mortal life and still more so in life eternal." (Treatise on the Love of God, 3. 5)

All praise and honor to you: Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

Rev. Michael S. Murray, OSFS, is the Executive Director of the De Sales Spirituality Center.

"There is no better way of growing toward perfection in the spiritual life than to be always starting over again and never thinking that we have done enough."

- St. Francis de Sales

~ Spring Mass Schedule ~



Saturday 6:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
Sunday 6:00 pm (Spanish)
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:30 am

Music for the Liturgy 9:00 am

Processional: # 727 Morning Has Broken –
vs. 1, 2 & 4

Gloria: (Mass of Creation)

Psalm Response: "Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own." chant

Alleluia: (Celtic Mass)

Offertory: # 696 Abba! Father
713 Rain Down

Communion: # 591 Dwelling Place
656 Christ Be Our Light

Recessional: # 671 Glory and Praise to Our God –
vs. 1 & 2

Our Stewardship 5/10/2015 Weekend

	<u>Buxton</u>	<u>Spanish</u>	<u>Ocracoke</u>
Offertory	\$1,083.00	\$284.00	\$266.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 966.00		
Attendance	263	43	20
Principal Balance as of 4/30/2015 ~ \$465,019.42			



Summer Fund Raiser

Our Church Family has a unique opportunity to pay down our \$465,000 mortgage. A family has generously offered to match our second collection from Memorial weekend through Labor Day weekend, up to a total of \$75,000. Here's how it works: We are asked to find individual or group sponsors for each weekend. The sponsors will match the amount in the second collections for their weekend. For each sponsored weekend our Donor Family will also match that collection. For example; if the second weekend collection totals \$500, the weekend sponsor or sponsors will donate \$500 and our Donor Family will also donate \$500. \$500 becomes \$1500. **We currently need only 2 more sponsors. If you are interested in becoming a weekend sponsor please contact Dave Kelmer 986-2719.** If you are unable to sponsor a weekend please be generous with the second collection. All money collected during this period will be used to reduce the mortgage, however 5% will be retained and put in an emergency reserve fund.



When a parishioner or family member is in the hospital or homebound. Fr Fred would appreciate the opportunity to visit and offer his services. Also if you would like a Eucharistic Minister to visit you at home during an illness or when unable to attend Mass, please call Fr. Fred 252-995- 6613 or Anita 252-995-7892.

Retreat

June Woman's Day

Next Saturday, June 6 starting at 10:00 am our parish is holding a Woman's Retreat in our Social Hall, which will be facilitated by Rita Doerr. All women are invited. A DVD by Joyce Myers, on Fruit of the Spirit will be shown with discussion to follow. Please read Galatians 5:16- 25. Look at the gifts of the Spirit and the Fruit in our life. **Please bring your Bibles.**

Before the Retreat, at 9:15 am there will be a short Women's Guild Meeting.

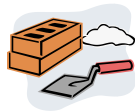
DONATING MADE EASY ON OUR WEBSITE!!!



Our Lady of the Seas website now has the ability to accept on-line donations. It is a secure easy way to make your donation and is available 24-hours a day for your convenience www.ourladyoftheseas.org

PAVERS FOR THE WALKWAY

The church is working on a new batch of pavers for our walkway. If you are interested in purchasing a paver, for your convenience the form is located hanging on the wall at ALL the exits of our church. Or, on the church website, click on the FORMS button on the left, download, fill it in and mail it with your check. <http://www.ourladyoftheseas.org>



Our Local Food Pantry

IF YOU HAVE UNOPENED, NON-PERISHABLE FOOD that you haven't used during your stay, please donate it to the Food Pantry. You can use our 24-hour drop-box on the porch of the Social Hall anytime. If you prefer to buy food for the pantry, "standard" sizes rather than bulk items are preferred..

Checks may be made out to United Methodist Men, PO Box 1591 Buxton, NC 27920.

Thank you for your generosity!



Pope Francis in Philly!! The World Awaits You and so does the Pope! It's official...Pope Francis is coming to the 8th World Meeting of Families! Plan your trip to

Philadelphia, PA for September 22-27, 2015. The city will come alive with multicultural family-centered activities, a congress for youth and for adults and a Papal Mass. Register NOW! For more information see: <http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org/worldmeeting>



When traveling and you need to know where the closes Catholic Church and the times for their masses.



Join us Wednesday **June 17** at Our Lady of the Seas at **7:00 pm** for a **concert featuring vocalist/guitarist Kim Kalman. "YOU RAISE ME**

UP" will accept donations that will benefit the church. Kim will be performing material from her Christian CDs. Visit www.kimkalman.com for more information.

A Lovely Memento...

"The Welcoming Light of Our Lady of the Seas"

Our parish's beautiful limited-edition fine art prints that you see on the cover of this bulletin make lovely remembrances of your wedding, anniversary celebration, child's baptism, or vacation. "The Welcoming Light of Our Lady of the Seas" is signed and numbered by the artist - Linda Browning. Each print comes sleeved, backed, and ready to frame in a 12"x16" mat. Price: \$39.50. Proceeds go towards our debt reduction. Thank you!

Summer Reading Material

Looking for a Change of Pace? There are oodles of books out there for Catholics looking for some good fiction for their summer reading. Check out [Catholic Fiction.net](http://CatholicFiction.net) for a



great list to get you started. You'll find descriptions of all the best classics as well as a few contemporary surprises. Enjoy browsing for your next great summer read!

Embraced by God



The focus of this ministry is the in-depth study and dissemination of the spirituality and 21st century legacy of two exceptional seventeenth century saints,

Francis de Sales and Jane de Chantal. Visit Embraced by God online <http://embracedbygod.org>



Pray with your children: *Nighttime prayer is a natural time to teach prayer to*

children and to develop in them this important habit. When you pray the meal prayers, use a variety of prayers and prayer forms including spontaneous prayers for the heart. Teach them how to bring their concerns and needs to Jesus in prayer. They will learn only what you model for them.

Pray as Spouses for your children: *Find a prayer that you can say as husband & wife asking the Lord to consecrate your family to him and to the Mission he has for you. Some couples compose their own prayer and pray it regularly. If a couple can pray together the witness of united prayer speaks untold volumes to the children.*



Connect with our Parish!!! "LIKE" *Our Lady of the Seas Catholic PARISH*