

Saint Francis de Sales Parish

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Sacramental Life of Our Community

To receive the sacrament of anointing of the sick, please make arrangements through the parish office. Persons interested in celebrating the sacrament of baptism, confirmation, marriage or holy orders are invited to contact the parish office for information on preparation programs. The sacrament of reconciliation is available at St. Francis de Sales Church Saturday's at 9:00 a.m., at Holy Redeemer Church at 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday 7:00 a.m. - church

Wednesday 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. - church

Friday 7:00 a.m. - church

Tuesday 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - church

Thursday 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - church

Saturday 8:30 a.m. - church

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 9:15 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. - chapel

Weekend Mass Schedule

St. Francis de Sales Church: *Saturday* 5:30 p.m., *Sunday* 7:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon Mass in Spanish

Holy Redeemer: *Saturday* 4:00 p.m., *Sunday* 9:00 a.m.

The information and activities listed in this parish bulletin are provided to enable you to become more actively involved in our community's worship, education, outreach and social events.

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A people of prayer...



When One is Deceased

There will be a special blessing at our 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, July 17th in the St. Francis de Sales Church for all men and women who have mourned the loss of a spouse. If your loss is recent or a long time ago, we would like to bless you for strength and courage as you live with your separation and loss.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We celebrate this Solemnity on August 15th, which is a Sunday this year. Our regular Masses that weekend will celebrate Mary's assumption into heaven, "...when the course of her earthly life was completed, was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven..." (Catechism of the Catholic Church #974).



The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass issued by Bishop Malooly on March 12, 2020 ended the weekend of June 26th and 27th. We will continue to livestream our English 5:30 p.m. Mass each Saturday and our Spanish 12:00 noon Mass each Sunday for the homebound and sick of our community.

Liturgical Ministers

We are slowly returning to our pre-pandemic celebrations of liturgy. Please contact Michele Harris at 410-742-6443 or mharris@visitstfrancis.org if you are a liturgical minister who has been inactive and would like to return to serving, or if you would like to become involved in our liturgical ministries of being a lector, altar server or usher.

Be Prepared

Take time to reflect on God's Word in preparation for The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

Daily scriptures may be read or listened to at www.usccb.org.



Altar Flowers

Flowers for the altars of one of our churches may be donated in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event. Please contact the parish office for more information.



Summer is a perfect time to celebrate the sacrament of healing and mercy in the Rite of Penance. We will be celebrating a communal service of reconciliation with individual confessions on Wednesday, August 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Francis de Sales Church. For those of you returning to the sacrament after a long time or those who just like a little refresher - our Reconciliation Review will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Francis de Sales Church Hall.



Please pray for those who have died and those who have lost a loved one. Last week in our prayer intentions we prayed for Genevieve Desmarais.

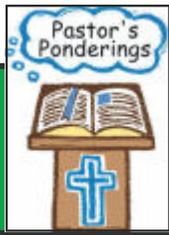
Using IRA Distributions for Charity

An increasingly popular way to transfer IRA assets to charity is via a tax provision which allows IRA owners who are 70½ or older to direct up to \$100,000 per year of their IRA distributions to charity. These distributions are known as qualified charitable distributions, or QCDs. The money given to charity counts toward the donor's required minimum distribution (RMD), but doesn't increase the donor's adjusted gross income or generate a tax bill.

Keeping the donation out of the donor's AGI (annual gross income) is important because doing so can (1) help the donor qualify for other tax breaks (for example, having a lower AGI can reduce the threshold for deducting medical expenses, which are only deductible when they exceed 10% of AGI); (2) reduce taxes on the donor's Social Security benefits; and/or (3) help the donor avoid a high-income surcharge for Medicare Part B and Part D premiums (which kick in if AGI is over certain levels).

Further, because charitable contributions will not yield a tax benefit for those taxpayers who no longer itemize their deductions (thanks to the larger standard deduction for 2018 and thereafter), those who are age 70½ or older and are receiving RMDs from IRAs, may gain a tax advantage by making annual charitable contributions by way of a QCD from an IRA. This charitable contribution will reduce RMDs by a commensurate amount, and the amount of the reduction will be tax-free.

As always, be sure to consult with your tax advisor on how you may benefit.



Pastor's Ponderings

Reflexiones del Parroco

Father/Padre Chris LaBarge

Go Forth in Bold Confidence!

In this Sunday's Gospel passage, Jesus teaches us about trust. If we're to fulfill our calling as God's missionaries of love in this world, if we're to fulfill our calling to share the Good News, we must trust God and the resources that he provides. And we must trust that he will always provide exactly what we need when we need it, even though it doesn't always seem sufficient. It's important that we don't feed the inclination to distrust him by expecting anything other than what he provides. Every Mass ends with a re-commissioning rite for the calling we all have. The final blessing is a sending forth after we've been renewed in our relationship with Jesus. His presence in the Word and in the Eucharist and in the Church community re-energizes us (when we pay attention) to boldly go and do all that he asks of us. Through the priest, Jesus sends us into the world to be the visible proof that he is real and that he's alive and that he cares. With Jesus, and in him and through him, we are all evangelizers who can make a difference in the world. Yes, all of us -- all of us who have participated in the Eucharistic celebration with conscious awareness of what we are saying and praying and receiving during Mass. Go forth in bold confidence! Jesus is sending you out from the church with his Spirit and his sufficiency. However, when we do the packing and decide what to take with us on the mission, we like to take an abundance of stuff, just in case we might need it. Thus, we fail to show others that God is reliable and trustworthy. To be effective evangelizers, we have to surrender over to God whatever baggage interferes with our mission. Remember this: Surrender is not truly surrender unless we no longer want what we surrendered. If we still have some desire for it, we're attached to it by a bungee cord that yanks us back to it, yanking us away from our true purpose in life. © 2021 Terry Modica, Catholic Digital Resources, www.catholicdr.com. Printed by permission.

Parish Council

Normally we elect our Parish Council in May, but because of the adjustments due to COVID, things have been delayed. We have ten candidates for three elected positions and three appointed positions. We will vote for the candidates this weekend. I meet with Parish Council September 14th, November 9th, January 18th, March 8th, and May 10th. Our meetings run between 60 and 90 minutes.

¡Ve hacia adelante con confianza audaz!

En el pasaje del Evangelio de este domingo, Jesús nos enseña sobre la confianza. Si vamos a cumplir con nuestro llamado como misioneros amorosos de Dios en este mundo, si vamos a cumplir con nuestro llamado a compartir las Buenas Nuevas, debemos confiar en Dios y en los recursos que él nos da. Y debemos confiar en que él siempre nos dará exactamente lo que necesitamos cuando lo necesitamos, aunque no parezca suficiente. Es importante que no alimentemos la tendencia a desconfiar de él esperando algo diferente a lo que él nos da. Cada Misa termina con un rito de re-envío al llamado que todos tenemos. La bendición final es un envío después de haber sido renovados en nuestra relación con Jesús. Su presencia en la Palabra, en la Eucaristía y en la comunidad Eclesial nos revigoriza (cuando prestamos atención) para ir con audacia y hacer todo lo que él nos pide. A través del sacerdote, Jesús nos envía al mundo para ser la prueba visible de que él es real y de que está vivo y que se preocupa. Con Jesús, y en él y a través de él, somos todos evangelizadores que pueden hacer una diferencia en el mundo. Sí, todos nosotros, todos los que hemos participado en la celebración de la Eucaristía con conciencia de lo que estamos diciendo, orando y recibiendo durante la Misa. ¡Ve hacia adelante con audaz confianza! Jesús te está enviando a que salgas de la Iglesia con su Espíritu y su ayuda suficiente. No obstante, cuando hacemos el equipaje y decidimos qué llevar con nosotros en la misión, nos gusta llevar una cantidad de cosas, por las dudas que las necesitamos. Así, fracasamos en mostrar a los demás que Dios es seguro y digno de confianza. Para ser evangelizadores eficientes, debemos renunciar ante Dios a cualquier bagaje que interfiera en nuestra misión. Recuerda esto: la renuncia no es una renuncia verdadera salvo que no desees más aquello a lo que has renunciado. Si aún lo deseamos, estamos apegados a él mediante un elástico que nos tironea hacia atrás, tironeándonos lejos de nuestro verdadero propósito en la vida. @2020 Terry Modica, Catholic Digital Resources, www.catholicdr.com.

Consejo Parroquial

Normalmente elegimos nuestro Consejo Parroquial en mayo, pero debido a los ajustes debido al COVID las cosas se han retrasado. Tenemos diez candidatos para tres cargos electos y tres cargos designados. Votaremos por los candidatos este fin de semana. Me reúno con el Consejo Parroquial del 14 de Septiembre, el 9 de Noviembre, el 18 de Enero, el 8 de Marzo y el 10 de Mayo. Nuestra reunión tiene una ejecución de entre 60 y 90 minutos.

Serving in Love...

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Maybe the work is best left to the professionals. That's how many people view the preaching of the Gospel. That's the stuff priests, religious, deacons, lay ministers, and other professional Church people do. It has little to do with me. Well, that's not really true. The fact of the matter is that preaching the Gospel has everything to do with you, with all of us who are baptized members of the Body of Christ. Nobody gets off the hook from that job. The question is, however, how do we do it? Well, there's a safe way, which many choose, to preach the Gospel — and the risky way. The safe way pretty much keeps the Gospel in church and around like-minded people. I say my prayers, go to Mass, contribute to the food pantry, tithe, and attend Bible Study. That pretty much covers the bases, right? Wrong.

The risky way is the more challenging way and for many, the “road less traveled.” Imagine those first disciples going out and into people's homes. They must have had some amazing conversations with folks about God's kingdom, changing their hearts, forgiving sins, and looking at the world differently. They must have met people who were hurting, exiled from their communities, neglected, lost, or living self-insulated lives in a society that served the rich and neglected the poor. While there were many who welcomed what they had to say and the conversations they had, there were others who no doubt rejected them and literally tossed them out on their ears! The Gospel, while being a message of joy and hope, is not always received well by those who are very comfortable keeping things as they are.

The risky way involves example and conversation. We have to take the Gospel from church and carry it with us wherever we go. What kinds of conversations do we have with others? We interact with those closest to us, in our work, social circles, institutions, corporations, in politics, and beyond. Our conversations with others reveal a great deal about how we see things and what we consider important. If we are really interested in seeing God's vision for the world succeed, then we will talk about it. It will become a part of our everyday conversation and find its way into our interactions with others. How will we preserve the dignity of human life and encourage others to have a relationship with God? We must be the example, live value centered, virtuous lives, stand against injustice, combating racism, and learn ways to resolve conflicts without violence.

If we are going to succeed going forward, we have to find a way to bring our prayer centered lives into the marketplace. Our conversations have to change. Not everyone wants to hear what the Gospel has to say. That's a risk God asks us to take. ©LPi



Thoughts from the Principal

Debbie Traum

St. Francis de Sales Catholic School is accredited by the **Middle States Commissions Association on Secondary and Elementary Schools**. This organization establishes standards of education for all members. We have been accredited for more than twenty-five years. Schools apply for re-accreditation every seven years and are peer reviewed. This school year we will begin our self-study which will culminate in a visit from a Middle States team in the 2022-23 school year. Two teachers will serve as our Internal Coordinators, Mrs. Amy Gutierrez and Ms. Mary-Tyler Upshaw.

Middle States Mission

The Commissions on Elementary and Secondary Schools, building on the rich history of the Middle States Association, aspire to improve the quality of education in the United States and around the world by assisting schools to achieve excellence through the process of accreditation, by affirming to the public a member school's trustworthiness and commitment to continuous improvement, by providing the network and resources for the promotion of proven practices.

Middle States Beliefs

We believe that:

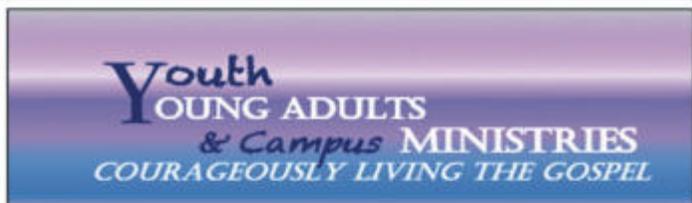
- Education is important to the quality of life in our global society.
- All children deserve access to a quality education.
- All schools can achieve excellence in both teaching and learning through innovation.
- The process of self-assessment, external validation, and accountability is essential to school improvement.
- Achieving excellence through accreditation promotes a commitment to a shared vision of continuous improvement, diverse stakeholder support, and sustained effort over an extended period of time.
- Accreditation is a collaborative partnership grounded in professionally recognized and accepted research-based standards.

Profile of a School Accredited by MSA

An accredited school:

- Adheres to the Middle States Standards for Accreditation;
- Uses its mission, beliefs, and goals as the basis for daily decision-making;
- Operates in the public interest and in accordance with ethical practice;
- Accepts responsibility for the level of performance of its students;
- Remains committed to continuous improvement in student learning and to its capacity to produce the levels of learning desired and expected by its community;
- Operates in a collegial and collaborative way with all of its stakeholders;
- Sustains its focus on implementing recommendations, addressing monitoring issues and correcting stipulations that may be part of its notification of accreditation and fulfills its maintenance requirements to the Commissions.

Caring for One Another...



Contact Liza, lalvarado@visitstfrancis.org
YOUTH MINISTRIES Grades 7-12

Stay connected on Social Media for updates at [SFdS CYM Facebook](#) & Instagram. For the Appalachia Service Project stay connected at [SFDS ASP Facebook](#) & Instagram.

Graduates – [Register your St. Francis de Sales High School graduate online!](#)

YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adults 21+ Join our group and sign up for our next monthly event. Catholicyoungpeople@visitstfrancis.org or [Facebook Sfds Young Adult](#).

Young Parents – Do you want to connect with other young adults starting families? Contact Elaina at eiosue@live.com or [Facebook Sfds Young Families](#). Mark your calendar for Movie Night, Friday, July 30th at 5:00 p.m. in the church hall. Bring a few dollars for pizza.

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[Facebook: Salisbury University Catholic Campus Ministry](#)
Check us out at ccmsalisbury.org. Congratulations to all our graduates!

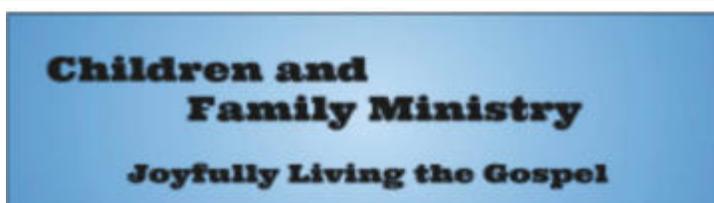
YOUTH CONFIRMATION

Students in grades 8 and above are invited to sign up this fall for Confirmation preparation! Remember if you aren't in Catholic school, please also sign up for Religious Education on Sundays! If you are a high school student who missed receiving a sacrament due to scheduling issues or COVID, please email Liza. We can work out an opportunity to reconnect!



SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT
For Young Families
Friday, July 30th at 5:00 p.m.
SFds Church Hall

Bring a blanket to camp out on the floor and a couple of dollars to chip in for pizza!



Janet Hastings, jhastings@visitstfrancis.org

A large part of what Catholics are called to do is to spread the good news of Jesus Christ. We are called to share the gospel and our love for Jesus. St. Dominic of Spain created a group of priests who would travel and spread the good news of Jesus. Today we call this order of priests the Dominicans. How do you spread the good news of Jesus and your love for him? Use the space below to create a family prayer to say after grace at meals that will help your family share the good news!

Family Prayer Prompt

I will share in the mission of Jesus Christ by



2021-22 Religious Education Registration

Registration for religious education for the school year 2021-2022 is now open! Click here to register, <https://forms.gle/R7D6wajqSu8jmXiLA>. Not a tech person? You can complete the form that is located inside the bulletin. Once completed, please return the form and payment to the parish office. You may also add it to the Sunday collections!

First Reconciliation and Eucharist

Do you know a kindergarten or above student who needs to prepare for Reconciliation and Eucharist? Please have them register for 2021-2022 religious education program through the parish or the parish school. Doing this ensures they are ready to prepare for sacraments by second grade or in two years. The preparation process is threefold: parish preparation, formal faith formation program, family participation.

Growing in Faith...

Little Catholic Gift Shop and the Parish Library



The *Little Catholic Gift Shop* in the parish library will be open the first Sundays of the month from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. for shopping in the gift shop and browsing. The library is located in the Parish Center Conference Room on the second floor of the Parish Center. The entrance is at the top of the concrete steps off the school parking lot. You will need to ring the bell to gain access and then take the elevator to the second floor. If you have questions about merchandise, please contact Michele Harris.

Please pray for Priests

This week we will celebrate the anniversary of the deaths of four priests and one bishop of the Diocese: Bishop Alfred Curtis (1908), Francis Fisher (1948), Vince Iocco (1997), Henry Whalen (1986), and Carlos Vazquez (2011). Bishop Curtis served as our Bishop 1886-96.



Our Parish Celebrations

Mark your calendar and save the date for these celebrations in our community:

- August 18** Parish Summer Penance Service
- September 19** *Join in the Journey* - Celebration of Ministries
- September 19** Catechetical Sunday
- October 3** Respect Life Sunday
- October 4** Blessing of the Animals
- October 14** Purse Bingo - sponsored by HSA
- October 31** Priesthood Sunday
- November 5** Shrimp Dinner sponsored by Youth Ministry
- November 27** Tree Lighting
- December 12** Our Lady of Guadalupe Fiesta

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2021-2022 REGISTRATION FORM

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Check # or Cash:

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH
 Religious Education Program for PK-4 through 6th Grade
 Youth Discipleship Grades 7 and Above

*Join us for one of our Masses and *Join in the Journey: Celebrating Ministries* on Sunday, September 19th, 2021 anytime from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the gathering space outside the church. Don't forget to stop by the Religious Education booth to pick up a treat and meet some of our catechists!

Program fees: \$65.00 per child, there is a cap of four or more children in the same family of \$220.00. Please return registration form and check payable to St. Francis de Sales Parish to the Parish Office, payment envelopes and forms may also be put in the Sunday offering collection. Go to www.visitstfrancis.org or our parish APP for online payment options.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

	Parent/Guardian	Parent/Guardian
Names		
Address		
City		
State, Zip		
Cell Phone		
e-mail Address		

PLEASE LIST CHILDREN YOU ARE REGISTERING FOR PK-6th Grade

First and Last Name	Grade 2021-22	Allergies/ Medical Needs	Educational Needs

PLEASE LIST THE CHILDREN YOU ARE REGISTERING FOR YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP

First and Last Name	Grade 2020-21	Allergies/ Medical Needs	Educational Needs

If your child is registering for the first time, please attach a copy of the Certificate of Baptism.
 Are you able to assist in a classroom? ___ Are you a registered Parishioner? ___

Janet Hastings, Director of Religious Education jhastings@visitstfrancis.org
 Liza Alvarado-Multcher, Director of Youth Ministry lalvarado@visitstfrancis.org

2021-2022 FORMULARIO DE REGISTRO

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PARROQUIA de ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
Programa de Educación Religiosa del PK-4 hasta el 6th Grado y
Discipulado para Jóvenes grados 7 y más altos

*Únete a nosotros en una de nuestras misas y Ven al Viaje de: Celebrando Los Ministerios el Domingo, 19 Septiembre, 2021 en cualquier momento desde las 8:30 a.m. a las 12:00 p.m. en el espacio de reunión fuera de la iglesia. No te olvides de pasar por el puesto de Educación Religiosa para tomar un dulce y conocer a algunos de nuestros catequistas!

Costo del Programa: \$65.00 por cada niño, cuatro o más niños de la misma familia solo \$22.00. Por favor devuelve el formulario de registro y el cheque pagadero a Parroquia St. Francis de Sales a la oficina de la Parroquia, Los sobres y formularios de pago también pueden ponerse en la colecta de las ofrendas dominicales. Ve a www.visitstfrancis.org o a nuestro APP para obtener la opción de pago en línea.

POR FAVOR LLENA LO SIGUIENTE

	Padre/Guardian	Parent/Guardian
Nombre		
Dirección		
Ciudad		
Estado/Zip		
Cell Phone		
e-mail Address		

POR FAVOR ESCRIBE LOS NINOS QUE ESTAS REGISTRANDO PARA PK-6

Nombre y Apellido	Grado 2021-22	Alergias/ Necesidades Medicas	Necesidades Educativas

POR FAVOR ESCRIBE LOS JOVENES REGISTRADOS PARA DISCIPULADO

Nombre y Apellido	Grado 2021-22	Alergias/ Necesidades Medicas	Necesidades Educativas

Si estas registrando tu niño por primera vez, por favor adjunta una copia de su Certificado de Bautismo. Le es posible asistir a clases ____ Es usted un feligrés que se ha registrado en la parroquia ? ____

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Liza Alvarado-Multcher, Directora de Ministerio de Jóvenes lalvarado@visitstfrancis.org

Special Prayer Intentions

These are the people for whom we will be praying at our Masses this week beginning July 12th:

	Sanctuary	Candle SFdS	
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Monday	July 12	7:00 a.m.	Diane Breher
Tuesday	July 13	7:00 a.m.	Andy Meyers
		11:00 a.m.	For an Increase in Vocations
Wednesday	July 14	8:30 a.m.	Special Intention
		5:30 p.m.	For an Increase in Vocations
Thursday	July 15	7:00 a.m.	Special Intention
		11:00 a.m.	For an Increase in Vocations
Friday	July 16	7:00 a.m.	Dorothy Woolard
Saturday	July 17	8:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving
		4:00 p.m.	For an Increase in Vocations
		5:30 p.m.	Joyce A. Conner Taylor
Sunday	July 18	7:30 a.m.	June Barlage
		9:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving
		10:30 a.m.	For the People of our Parish and our Sister Parish
		12:00 p.m.	Victoria and Gomercina Baldado

Calendar Items

Sunday, July 11	8:30 a.m. Mystagogy	Mercy House
	9:00 a.m. RCIA Inquiry	Parish Center Conf. Room
	10:30 a.m. Baptism Class in Spanish	Mercy House
Monday, July 12	No Meetings	
Tuesday, July 13	7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	Scout House
Wednesday, July 14	9:15 a.m. Adoration	SFds Chapel
	6:00 p.m. Baptism Class in Spanish	Mercy House
Thursday, July 15	10:00 a.m. ASP Quilting Project	Parish Center Conf. Room
	6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus	SFds Church Hall
Friday, July 16	No Meetings	
Saturday, July 17	9:00 a.m. Stitches of Faith	Mercy House
Sunday, July 18	9:00 a.m. RCIA Inquiry	Parish Center Conf. Room
	10:30 a.m. Baptism Class in Spanish	Mercy House



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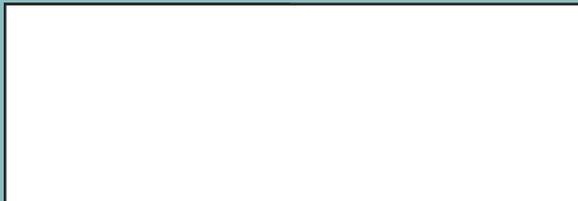
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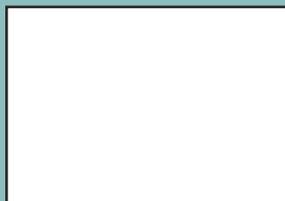
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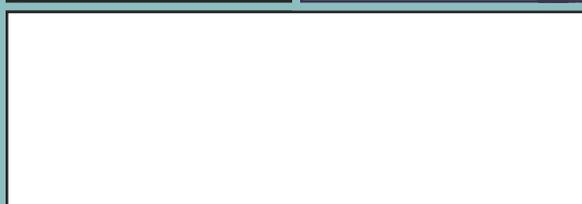
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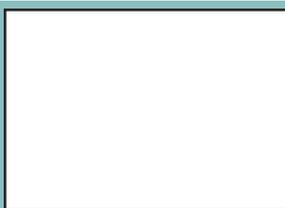
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