Salesian MOOC

week of Ash Wednesday

BIOGRAPHY:
The Life & Legacy of St. Francis de Sales
introductory video  (7½ min.)
Letter #35

to Jane de Chantal

on the death of

Francis’s younger sister

“How tenderly I loved her!”
The “Real Story” of a Saint

- The Student … who lived in hope
- The Priest … with a disciple’s courage
- The Bishop … amidst the people
- The Founder … relying on Providence
- The Director … inspired common sense
Francis, the STUDENT

- Paris … liberal arts
- Padua … law
- Theology on his own!
- on “predestination”
- a personal “crisis”
- cultivating HOPE
Francis, the PRIEST

- the Cathedral Provost
- the Chablais mission
- call to conversion
- power of dialogue
- a disciple’s COURAGE
Francis, the BISHOP

- CCD
- Florimontane Academy
- monastic reform
- a Religious Educator
- a Master Preacher
- AMIDST the people
Francis, the FOUNDER

- **JANE DE CHANTAL**
- **Visitation of Holy Mary**
- spiritual friendship
- “no bond but love”
- relying on PROVIDENCE
Francis, the DIRECTOR

- Letters of Direction
- The Spiritual Directory
- *Intro to the Devout Life*
- universal call to holiness
- power of imagination
- “inspired common sense”
to learn more …

- the classic biography
- the newest biography
- biographical novel