

ANNIVERSARY MASS 2017

**Congratulations to our couples
who celebrate a special Anniversary this year.
The couples were honored at the
5:00pm Mass on February 11, 2017**

Walter & Nancy Aaron, 68 years
Emil & Margaret Cardamone, 67 years
Ray & Rosetta Culbertson, 65 years
Tom & Eileen Wesley, 65 years
Jack & Lorenza Caradonna, 61 years
Jerry & Elaine Michewicz, 61 years
Don & Marge Wisniewski, 61 years
Duane & Lorraine Gavricek, 59 years
Edwin & Sharon Russ, 59 years
Frank & Rose Dascenza, 58 years
Chuck & Joy Foley, 58 years
Tom & Phyllis Harris, 58 years
Richard & Magdalene Risko, 58 years
Richard & Judith Koelzer, 57 years
Casimir & Anna Brodak, 56 years
Don & Pauline Kwiatkowski, 56 years
Ronald & Mary Woywood, 56 years
Andy & Gerri Maiuri, 55 years
Ray & Pat Mandziuk, 55 years
Richard & Nancy Volpe, 55 years
Sammy & Sandra Castelli, 54 years
Vic & Fran Saverino, 54 years
Julius & Christine D'Ambrosio, 53 years
Al & Dolores Trombley, 52 years
Jim & Sandy Weakland, 52 years
Jerry & Sharon Boekhout, 50 years
Raymond & Joan Knapp, 50 years
Hank & Christina Pineau, 50 years
Sam & Sharron Randazzo, 50 years

Daniel & Darlene Rys, 50 years
Tom & Judy Taylor, 50 years
Greg & Pam Evanzia, 51 years
Jan & Dolores Darner, 47 years
Richard & Maurene Centalla, 45 years
Tom & Fran Fedolak, 45 years
William & Shirley George, 45 years
Bob & Mary Rucinski, 45 years
Bob & Erica Vrabel, 41 years
Gary & Judy Bjornrud, 40 years
Lou & Sue D'Angelo, 40 years
Ray & Linda Fortier, 40 years
Mel & Cheryl Werner, 40 years
William & Sheila Eslick, 35 years
Brian & Geri Finn, 35 years
Bob & Kathy Bielinski, 30 years
Larry & Debbie Jeszke, 30 years
Rick & Kris McClenthen, 30 years
Lou & Gina Miceli, 30 years
Richard & Barbara Urbano, 30 years
Tom & Sharon Aaron, 25 years
Ray & Jo Belz, 25 years
Gary & Mary Ellen Hreben, 25 years
John & Daniela Schilling, 25 years
Tony & Jeanne Marie Trotta, 25 years
John & Mary Zalewski, 25 years
Larry & Francesca Gilbert, 10 years
Brian & Marysia O'Hear, 10 years

TUESDAY NIGHT CHANGE

Starting, Tuesday, March 7th, we will have a schedule change for Confessions and Evening Mass.
Confessions will be heard from 5:30pm-6:30pm. Tuesday night Mass will be at 7:00pm.

**ST. JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL
PARISH COMMUNITY**

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses	
Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	9:00am & 11:30am
Weekday Masses	
Tuesday	7:30pm
Wednesday, Thursday	8:00am
Holy Day Masses	As Announced

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday
8:30am - 8:30pm
(Closed from 12:00 to 1:15 for lunch)

Friday: Closed
Saturday: 2:30pm - 6:30pm
Sunday: 10:00am - 1:30pm

MINISTRIES

Knights of Columbus #13340	
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Doreen Corby	586-977-8080
Seniors	
Don Rogowski	586-977-8080
Soup Kitchen	
Steven Gadzinski	586-731-4091
St. Vincent de Paul	
Tom Harris	586-977-8080
Ushers-Ministers of Hospitality	
Brian Brennan	586-264-1087

SACRAMENTS

Children's Baptism

If you have a child who is not yet baptized, but you would like them to be, we would be delighted to talk to you about your options. Please call the Parish Office (586-977-8080) to make any arrangements.

Reconciliation

Tuesday from 6:00pm-7:00pm
(or by appointment)

Marriage

Arrangements must be made by contacting the Parish Office at least six months prior to the desired date. Marriage guidelines are available at the Parish Office and must be read before your appointment. Participation in pre-marriage preparation will be arranged.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office at 586-977-8080. Also available once a month during the Tuesday evening Mass. Speak with Fr. Jerry before Mass.

**Rite of Christian Initiation
of Adults**

This is a shared program with St. Ephrem, conducted at St. Ephrem. Those taking part in RCIA from St. Jane Frances will receive the faith formation at St. Ephrem's but celebrate associated rites at St. Jane Frances de Chantal. Please make initial contact with our pastor, Fr. Jerry Slowinski, before contacting St. Ephrem Parish.

Parish Policy

We ask that in order to have your child baptized here, or to be married here, you should be a registered parishioner or active in your previous parish. This means attending weekly Mass with your faith community, using your envelopes and taking part in parish activities.

**Visits to the Homebound
for Communion/ Anointing**

Contact Parish Office: 586-977-8080

This Week in our Parish

Monday, February 13

1:30pm Intercessory Prayer Team Mtg.
6:00pm Faith Formation Classes,
Grades K-6
6:00pm-7:30pm Reconciliation
Parent Meeting

Tuesday, February 14

4:30pm Faith Formation Classes,
Grades K-6
6:00pm Rosary
6:00pm-7:00pm Confessions
6:30pm Faith Formation Classes,
Grades 7 & 8

6:30pm Ushers Board Meeting
7:30pm Mass

Wednesday, February 15

8:00am Mass
9:30am Needle Crafters
6:00pm Needle Crafters
6:00pm-8:30pm Coffee House
7:00pm Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 16

8:00am Mass
1:00pm Swiffers, Team 1
7:00pm Parish Leadership Meeting

Friday, February 17

6:30pm Ushers General Meeting
Saturday, February 18
3:30pm Instruments in Praise Reh.

4:30pm-6:30pm Blood Pressure
Screening
5:00pm Mass with Baptisms &
Instruments in Praise

Sunday, February 19

8:30am-11:30am Blood Pressure
Screening
8:30am Parish Choir Rehearsal
9:00am Mass
11:00am-1:00pm Grief Support Group
11:30am Mass with Children's Liturgy
of the Word
6:00pm Youth Ministry Gathering

NEW PARISHIONERS

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A
REGISTERED PARISHIONER AT
ST. JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL?**

You may register at the Parish Office at any-time after Mass on the weekend or during regular office hours. Please call 586-977-8080 if you have any questions.

Parish Mission Statement

"Nourished by God's Word and the Eucharist, St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish is a welcoming Catholic community dedicated to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ."



Tuesday, 6:00pm,
Novena to the Mother
of Perpetual Help & Rosary
Join us in the Church



Maureen Blair
Ext. 104

*Pastoral Associate and
Director of Worship and Evangelization*

*Email:
maureenblair.stjane@gmail.com*



Our parish is in need of building up our Ministry to the Homebound and to the Sick. We are looking for some additional people who can take Communion to the home or care-facility of those who cannot come to church due to illness, weakness or disability. There is no set schedule. If you are asked to take Communion to someone, you will make contact with that person or their family and make arrangements based on what works best for you and the person needing communion. Personal training is available at your convenience (or as best as possible). Please contact Maureen Blair if you have questions or are interested in joining this ministry.

If you currently are taking Communion to someone please contact Maureen Blair so that the parish is aware of the needs of our ministers and those being ministered to. If you have a pyx that you no longer need, please return it to the parish office.

This is a very rewarding ministry. As a community we are called to reach out beyond the church walls. You would be amazed who is out there and needs a gentle visit from a fellow parishioner. Please prayerfully consider joining this ministry.

In peace, *Maureen*



Stations of the Cross in Times of Illness

Followed by the

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Thursday, April 6th, 2:30pm

Please mark your calendars and pass this information along!!

Preparations for Lent and Easter Seasons: Chanting the Universal Prayers

We have begun to prepare for our Lenten, Holy Week and Easter liturgies. In an effort to set these seasons apart from Ordinary Time liturgies Andy will be chanting the Universal Prayers (Prayers of the Faithful) during Lent, Holy Week, and the Easter Season. This change represents the heightened worship we experience during these seasons. My hope is that you will embrace this change in our prayer and find yourselves drawn deeper in the encounter! [Lectors please note: You will only need to prepare the readings for the weekend liturgies.]

Thoughts on Evangelization: I'll Pray for You

It happens a lot. People tell you about something difficult that they are going through - health concerns, job situation, family troubles, worries and fears. Like a good friend you listen and then say, "I'll pray for you."

Have you ever forgotten to pray? Why not pray right there and then. Why not take the opportunity to bring the person to Jesus whom you know is the source of all help? The prayer could be simple: "Dear Lord, (the person's name) needs Your help with (the person's concern). We ask that you be present right now with Your peace, Your strength, Your love. Amen." Your prayer gives them a model for their own prayer. Your faith in Jesus lets them know they can trust Him too. And, don't forget to pray for them later as well.



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Intercessory Prayer Team

Did you know we have an Intercessory Prayer Team? This group prays for the needs of our parish, our Church, and our country, in addition to praying for our local and personal needs. We have installed a prayer intention box by our tabernacle in the church. The prayer team will lift your intention up in prayer. You can also call the parish office to let us know of your intention. We gather for prayer on the 1st Monday of each month at 1:30pm, and on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00pm. If you would like to join this team please contact Maureen Blair. All pray-ers are welcome!!



LECTIO DIVINA

Reading the Scripture
Reflecting on the Meaning
Responding through Prayer
Resting in God
Responding in Action

Group *Lectio Divina* to begin in Lent

Beginning March 8th, on Wednesday evenings 7:00pm - 8:00pm, I will be facilitating a group prayer using the *Lectio Divina* method of prayer. We will be using the readings from the Sunday liturgies during our prayers. If you are interested in joining this group please email me at:

maureenblair.stjane@gmail.com

Or call the parish office at 586-977-8080.



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Canticum Novum – Andy Langlands

Musical Leadership – The Great Divide

One of the things musicians who select music for Mass must consider is called “Pastoral Judgment” by the church documents. It’s a lofty term, and one that all music ministers struggle with. Pastoral Judgment includes many guidelines, the most important of which are: Biblically foundational texts, simple and beautiful melodic structure, and congregational participation. There are many more judgments, but these 3 are especially important to help guide our steps. The liturgy for each day of the week has texts, directly taken from the Bible, which are supposed to be used for Mass. They include entrance antiphon, psalm, gospel acclamation verse, and communion antiphon. These texts are foundations from which the liturgy is built to honor the readings from the Bible, to shape the homily which the Priest gives, which the musician takes more inspiration from. Often, in hymnals, these texts are brought to life by composers who help us sing praise to God, from whom all blessings flow. Sometimes, there are no musical expressions for these texts, and the musician is asked to sing them “ad libitum” (Latin: at one’s own pleasure) or making it up as you go. The psalms and antiphons for daily Mass are especially filled with opportunities like this.

The Great Divide – Pastorally, there is a great divide between the biblical/textual judgment, and the beauty of the song. Beauty is in the eye of the beholder, a phrase attributed to many writers, sees this as subjective; different for everyone. I admit, I pay twice as much attention to the biblical, half as much to the musical, because I think the biblical text has a ten times greater effect on the congregation than does the melody with text that is not direct or slightly paraphrased from the Bible. How often do you find yourself singing the words to the psalm from Sunday Mass over and over throughout the week? I catch myself doing it often. Since the psalms were re-translated after the hymnal you use was purchased, the newer texts are not always melodically set, so I have been using the proper texts for Mass out of the back of the book. Hopefully, a newer psalter with good, approachable melody will come along soon. Then, we can get to the work of learning them for use at every possible moment when called for. The psalms are the foundational texts for music used at Mass. I enjoy singing and praying them and look forward to opportunities to do so with you at Mass.

Musical needs: Singers, ringers, kids for a kids choir, instrumentalists.

In our music, God is glorified.

de CHANTAL AWARDS

This year, we will be hosting our fourth annual de Chantal Awards, which recognizes ALL the amazing teenagers here at St. Jane Frances! These awards recognize teens (7th thru 12th grade) that have done something over the past year in the 8 components of youth ministry (listed below). We try our best to recognize our teens, but we know that they often do so much, outside of what we see here at the parish. So we are asking for your help!

You can nominate as many young people as you want for what they’ve been doing over the past year (March 2016 to March 2017) in *any* of the eight components! Think about nominees and fill out the form below *or* visit the parish website: sjparish.org/Youth-Ministry, or click on de Chantal Awards (under the Education tab) on the website.

There is no limit to the number of teens who can receive this award. Contact Ben with any questions at bklassen.sjparish@gmail.com or at 586-977-8080 Ext. 108. Please turn Nominations in no later than Wednesday, April 6th.

- ***Advocacy**-The ministry of advocacy engages the Church to examine its priorities and practices to determine how well [others] are integrated into the life, mission, and work of the Catholic community.
- ***Community Life/Social**-The ministry of community life builds an environment of love, support, appreciation for diversity, and judicious acceptance that models Catholic principles; develops meaningful relationships; and nurtures Catholic faith.
- ***Education/Catechesis**-The ministry of catechesis helps adolescents develop a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and the Christian community, and increase their knowledge of the core content of the Catholic faith.
- ***Evangelization**-The ministry of evangelization shares the good news of the reign of God and invites [others] to hear about the Word Made Flesh.
- ***Justice & Service**-The ministry of justice and service nurtures in young people a social consciousness and a commitment to a life of justice and service rooted in their faith in Jesus Christ, in the Scriptures, and in Catholic social teaching; empowers young people to work for justice by concrete efforts to address the causes of human suffering; and infuses the concepts of justice, peace, and human dignity into all ministry efforts.
- ***Leadership Development**-The ministry of Leadership Development calls forth, affirms, and empowers the diverse gifts, talents, and abilities of adults and young people in our faith communities...
- ***Pastoral Care**-The ministry of pastoral care is a compassionate presence in imitation of Jesus' care of people, especially those who were hurting and in need.
- ***Prayer and Worship**-The ministry of prayer and worship celebrates and deepens young people's relationship with Jesus Christ through the bestowal of grace, communal prayer and liturgical experiences; it awakens their awareness of the spirit at work in their lives; it incorporates young people more fully into the sacramental life of the Church, especially Eucharist; it nurtures the personal prayer life of young people; and it fosters family rituals and prayer.

(Explanations taken from <http://www.usccb.org/about/laity-marriage-family-life-and-youth/young-adults/renewing-the-vision.cfm>)

I have someone to recognize with a de Chantal award!

Your Name: _____

Your Email: _____

Your Phone Number: _____

First & Last name of nominee: _____

What is their grade? _____

What components would you like to recognize

How may we contact them? _____

ADULT FORMATION

AND A WORD ABOUT ANNULMENTS

On the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website, it states: *An annulment is a declaration by a Church tribunal (a Catholic church court) that a marriage thought to be valid according to Church law actually fell short of at least one of the essential elements required for a binding union. The annulment process is frequently misunderstood.*

Join us on **Monday, February 27th, at 7:00pm** to learn more about annulments! Fr. Jerry, who has many years experience working at the tribunal for the Archdiocese of Detroit, will speak on this topic and there will be time for questions as well! If you are planning on attending, please RSVP to the parish office at 586-977-8080 or email Tara at tfinn_sjf@yahoo.com to RSVP or with any questions. While an RSVP is not required, it does help us plan. Thank you so much!



COFFEE & CATHOLICISM

Join us for great presentations on topics near and dear to our faith! Our speaker will present about the history, philosophy, and theology of things like the development of the soul, Purgatory, the Council of Trent, grace, the Vatican councils, and more! There is no cost to attend! We will meet from 7:00pm until 8:20pm. Contact Tara at tfinn_sjf@yahoo.com or 586-977-8080, ext. 107 for more information. Upcoming

dates and topics are:

Thursday, February 23rd—Luther’s Theology

Thursday, March 2nd—Calvin’s Theology

Thursday, March 9th—Council of Trent

YOUNG ADULTS

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Join young adults (ages 18-35) for food, fellowship, fantastic speakers, and faith. The next gathering for *Theology on Tap In the Northwest Region* is Thursday, February 16th, at St. John Fisher Chapel University Parish (3665 E. Walton Blvd., Auburn Hills, MI 48326), which is just north of Oakland University. The social begins at 6:30pm and the speaker starts at 7:30pm. Kirsti Reeve, LPC, will present and will talk about “The Theology of the Mirror: A Topic about Healthy Body Image.” For more information, please contact Kim at 248-906-8571 or at agapepav@gmail.com

MICHIGAN CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE (MICYAC)

The dioceses of Michigan offer a conference each year for Young Adults and it is right here in the Metro-Detroit area! The conference includes great speakers, break-out sessions, time for adoration, a service project, food, and time with other young adults! The theme of this year’s conference is “Encounter. Grow. Witness. *A Plan to Unleash the Gospel.*” Take some time to encounter the Lord, grow as his disciple, and reflect on how to share your friendship with the Lord! The keynote speakers are Mary Wilkerson and Peter Herbeck. The conference is at St. John Neumann in Canton. The event starts Friday, March 31st, and ends Saturday, April 1st. You can attend Friday night, Saturday, or both! The cost is under \$55 for early registration. To sign-up, visit: <http://2017micyac.eventbrite.com>

VOCATIONS

All the Single Ladies

A Valentine’s celebration for women who are praying for holiness, God’s will...and good husbands.

Ste. Anne is the patron saint of unmarried women, so bring the gal pals and join us for mass, prayer, and fellowship this Valentine’s Day!

**Tuesday, February 14, 2017
7:00 p.m.
Father Gabriel Richard Chapel**

Ste. Anne de Detroit
1000 Ste. Anne Street
Detroit, MI 48216

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STEWARDSHIP

LENTEN FISH FRYs 2017



Fish Frys are back each Friday of March this year! Each Fish Fry is hosted by a different organization to raise funds for an activity or cause. We hope you can join us this Lenten season!

- Friday, March 3rd**—Hosted by Youth Ministry
- Friday, March 10th**—Hosted by the Christian Service Commission
- Friday, March 17th**—Hosted by the Knights of Columbus
- Friday, March 24th**—Hosted by the Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality

Friday, March 31st—Hosted by the Knights of Columbus & the Ushers/Ministers of Hospitality

Desserts and cans of pop are available for \$1 each and proceeds go to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The Knights of Columbus will have tootsie rolls available as well.

MENU

Dinners

- 2 Piece Fried Cod Dinner--\$8.00
 - 3 Piece Fried Cod Dinner--\$10.00
- (Dinners include French Fries or Macaroni & Cheese, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, and lemonade, water, coffee or tea to drink.)*

Sides

- French Fries--\$2.50
- Macaroni & Cheese--\$3.00
- Coleslaw--\$1.00
- Slice of Cheese Pizza--\$1.00



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Christian Service Coordinator

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Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers Community Enrichment Meeting

Emergency Preparedness for Older and Disabled Adults

Speaker: Peter Locke, Macomb County Office of
Emergency Management

Wednesday, February 22, 2017, at 6:30pm
At St. Michael Catholic Church
40501 Hayes Rd., Sterling Heights, MI 48313
(On Hayes south of 18 Mile Rd.)

Free of charge—All are welcome!
Please call 586-757-5551 to RSVP and feel free to bring a
friend!
Light refreshments—Door prizes

Our Soup Kitchen serves lunch at St. Pat's Saturday, February 25, 2017

We will be going to the Senior Center in Detroit to prepare and serve lunch to approximately 50-80 seniors on Saturday, February 25th. We are looking for **10 volunteers for that day**. All who sign up will be working to prepare and serve the lunch.

Volunteers must sign up in the parish office or by calling the office at 586-977-8080. Young adults are especially needed to help carry trays for the seniors who have walkers and canes. Make this a family event.

St. Patrick's is located off of Woodward, one block NW of Mack at 58 Parsons Street. We will meet in the South parking lot of St. Jane Frances de Chantal at 8:15am. Drivers are needed so please consider signing up to help with carpooling. At St. Pat's, lunch is served from Noon to 1:00pm with clean-up following. We will return to St. Jane Frances' parking lot around 2:00pm.

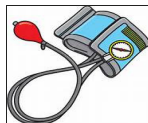
If you are not able to go down to St. Pat's, but wish to contribute, you can do so by providing a dessert plate of cookies, cakes, or muffins. Also needed are fruits as in grapes, tangerines, clementines, oranges, apples and bananas. Monetary donations are also appreciated, you may write a check to St. Jane Frances and write "Soup Kitchen Ministry" in the memo line.

God Bless you for your dedication to this ministry.

It is through your participation, generosity
and discipleship that it is possible to serve.

Blood Pressure Screening

Our Health Ministry Team will be available for Blood Pressure Screening next weekend, February 18th and 19th. They will do the screenings on Saturday, February 18th, from 4:30pm to 6:30pm and on Sunday, February 19th, from 8:30am to 11:15am.



Archbishop Vigneron's Letter of Support to Council of Imams

From The Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron,
Archbishop | Issued January 28, 2017

Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron has written to the chair of the Imams Council of Michigan to express his support for immigrants and refugees, no matter their religion or country of origin and his opposition to discrimination on the basis of religion.

Dear Friends,

I wrote to you a little over a year ago to share with you my statement to the priests of our Archdiocese regarding a proposal made during the presidential campaign to restrict Muslim immigration to the United States. At that time, I reaffirmed my commitment to stand with you in opposing any and all unjust discrimination on the basis of religion. Today, I reaffirm that pledge.

Now that a federal government restriction has been placed upon refugees from mainly Muslim countries, I want to bring to your attention, and affirm my solidarity with, a January 27th statement made in Washington, D.C., by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops stating strong disagreement with the Executive Order, the bishops say "We believe in assisting all those who are vulnerable and fleeing persecution, regardless of their religion... welcoming newcomers and refugees is an act of love and hope." Additionally, I call to your attention a statement by me given on December 9, 2016: "We stand with our immigrant brothers and sisters."

Please know that the Catholic community will continue to speak out and care for immigrants and refugees, no matter their religion or their country of origin. As I said in my statement last month: "Our local community in metro-Detroit is much richer for the contributions of our brothers and sisters from Mexico and El Salvador, from India and Pakistan, from Iraq and Syria, from China and Korea, from Ukraine and Poland, from Cameroon and Nigeria."

Let us continue to stand together for the common good here in metro-Detroit.

Sincerely yours,
Allen H. Vigneron
Archbishop of Detroit



*As often as you did it for one
of my least brothers, you did
it for me.*

PRAYER

As we journey through life with arms and eyes wide open, we come to know what it means to be part of this exciting world. We test our minds and our bodies, stretching our imagination as well as our muscles discovering, exploring, questioning and probing the complex world we live in. Slowly we begin to learn to speak its language, to sing its songs, to share our thoughts and dreams with one another. And slowly, deep inside ourselves, we begin to learn to sense a mystery: something apart from the world, and beyond something eternal.

We sense too a longing to understand, to know within, to speak to it and hear the wisdom that it holds. This is a unique way of communicating, different from although just as real as the one we use with one another. This special form of speaking and listening we call prayer.

We who have learned how to reach this sacred, spirit part of ourselves are the fortunate ones, for we have learned the power, the beauty, and the necessity of prayer. We are the journeyers who know that we never walk alone. We are the searchers who know that we are always able to take our worries and joys, our hopes, our fears, our lives to God and know that God loves us, accepts us, hears, and answers us. We are indeed fortunate people, for we have a richness, a completeness in our lives.

Through prayer we not only come to a better understanding of who God is, but we also come to understand ourselves better too. Without this spiritual aspect, our lives are incomplete. Without, we search for a meaning that cannot be found, long for a passion we cannot perceive, feel a void we cannot fill.

Through prayer we come to know love, even when no one else seems to love us; acceptance, even when others may shun us; comfort, even when the whole world seems cold and hostile. For through prayer, we experience the presence of God.

Just as we have come to know that one size clothes really don't fit all, we know too that one form of prayer doesn't fit every person in every circumstance. So we sing our prayers and dance to them. We stand and sit and kneel. We shout our prayers through the busyness of our days and the clamor of our lives; and we whisper them in silence of our homes and hearts, in our church, work and play.

We meditate and contemplate and chant and remember. We listen too, to that deep, still voice within us, and we stand in awe at the sound of the love we feel. Prayer becomes part of everything we are and all that we do, it fills our lives with meaning and passion and love.



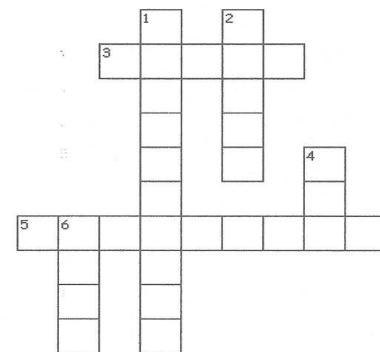
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel give us some of the teachings of Jesus, one right after the other. We could study the Gospel carefully and go through each teaching to discover how each one applies to our lives of faith today.

As a whole, though, Jesus is teaching a single very important lesson: You cannot separate your actions from your heart. You cannot behave in ways that follow the letter of the law without having love in your heart for the spirit of the law.

As usual, it's all about love and mercy and justice. Jesus teaches that your daily choices in life involving relationships, prayer, legal matters, and morals must reflect the love, mercy, and justice that you hold in your heart. Otherwise, you are simply living by rules so that you can gain something in return. You are acting as Jesus' disciples but your heart is not true to His teachings which call for you to do more than act. Jesus calls you to live with genuine love, mercy and justice.

Glory Be



___ be to the Father (2 down)

and to the ___ (4 down)

and to the ___ ___, (1 down)

as it was in the ___, (5 across)

is now and ___ shall be, (6 down)

___ without end. Amen. (3 across)



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Weekend Masses:

Saturday — 4:30pm ; Sunday — 9:00am & 11:00am

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday — 9:00am

Confessions

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday — 8:30am

Saturday — 12:15pm

**Traveling Chalice
A Program of Prayer
For Vocations**

Parishioners are asked to take the chalice home and display it in a place of honor, we ask them to pray each night for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. This week our parish gratefully acknowledges

Lisa Skoczylas

for hosting our Traveling Chalice. If you would like to participate in The Traveling Chalice Program please contact Ray Sroka at 586-979-7879.

**PARISH LEADERSHIP
MEETING
THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 16TH
7:00pm-9:30pm**

The Committees will meet at 7:00pm. If you are unable to attend, please contact your chairperson and let them know.

The Parish Council will meet at 8:00pm. If you are unable to attend, please let Fr. Jerry know.

There is time allotted at the start of each Parish Council Meeting for an Open Forum. If you have a suggestion or an issue which you would like to present to the Parish Council, please email Fr. Jerry at (jws1953@att.net). Be sure to include a brief summary or details regarding what you will be talking about. You will be given 5 minutes to address the Council.

**Readings
Week of February 12, 2017**

Sunday
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34;
1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28,
33-34a, 37

Monday
Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17,
20-21; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday
Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius,
Bishop
Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-
4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday
Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-
19; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday
Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-
23; Mk 8:27-33

Friday
The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite
Order
Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15;
Mk 8:34—9:1

Saturday
Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11;
Mk 9:2-13

Sunday
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-
13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Low-Gluten Hosts available

For our parishioners who have Celiacs Disease we now have procedures in place to help you celebrate the Eucharist with your parish family. For more information or to take part, please contact Maureen Blair,


586-977-8080 or by email
maureenblair.stjane@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS (CONT.)

- Monday, February 13**
No Mass at St. Jane Frances
- Tuesday, February 14**
7:30pm Dec. Marsha Olson
(Family)
Dec. Mary Czerwinski
(Family)
- Wednesday, February 15**
8:00am For the Community of
St. Jane Frances de Chantal
- Thursday, February 16**
8:00amAll Souls
- Friday, February 17**
No Mass at St. Jane Frances
- Saturday, February 18**
5:00pm Dec. Rita Pesta
1st Anniversary
(Family)
Dec. Stanley Zwolinski
(Kris)
Dec. Isabel Clark
(Pat & Ray Madziuk)
Dec. Juliana Keller
(Pat & Ray Mandziuk)
- Sunday, February 19**
9:00am Dec. Craig Ankawi
(Mom & Dad)
Dec. Barbara & Ralph Rays
(Albina & Don Srodon)
Dec. Zuhaura Mesi
(Jane & Andrew Seefried Family)
Living — Betty Hacker
(Sue & Robert Bruce)
- 11:30am** For the Parishioners
Dec. Jennie Hetrick
(Andy Hetrick & Debi Teran)
Dec. Antonio Angco
(Angco Family)
Living— Frank & Marie
25th Wedding Anniversary
(Matilde Balagtas)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — FEBRUARY 18TH & FEBRUARY 19TH

	5:00pm	9:00am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Jerry	Fr. Jerry	Fr. Jerry
Sacristan(s)	Lisa Skoczylas	Ray Knapp	Lynn & Dave Burley
Lector 1	Chris Darner	Denise Dara	Barb Wojtas
Lector 2	Linda Smith	Jolynn Friedmann	Marie Graziano
Altar Servers	Amanda Dufoor	Terasa Mezzapelle	Julia Ortman
	Danielle Erickson	Jasmine Abuel	Isabella Schilling
	Kayla Pickens	Samantha Abuel	Lucas Jeffrey
Ushers	Team 2	Assigned	Team3
Music	Melissa w/IIP	Wilma w/Choir	Therese

ut whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

WEEKDAY LECTOR SCHEDULE

- Tuesday, February 14th, @ 7:30pm**
Mary Minjeur
- Wednesday, February 15th, @ 8:00am**
Judy Taylor
- Thursday, 16th, @ 8:00am**
Bernie Mikowski



Parish Support

Sunday, February 5, 2017

Budgeted Weekly Obligation:
\$12,237.00

Actual Average Weekly Collection:
\$12,237.00

Registered Families.....1470
Envelopes Returned.....382
Amount Offered.....\$11,130.29
Loose Offering.....\$834.00

Online Giving:
Contributors.....76
Contributions.....\$3,439.00

Total Offerings.....\$15,406.29

Special Collection:
Easter Flowers.....\$3.00

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL (CSA)

If you made a pledge, please honor it.

Any amount under the goal that is not met will have to come out of the Church account.

STEWARDS OF VOCATION

Jesus calls us, as His disciples, to a new way of life — the Christian way of life — of which stewardship is part.

But Jesus does not call us as nameless people in a faceless crowd. He calls us individually, by name. Each one of us — clergy, religious, lay person; married, single; adult, and child — has a personal vocation. God intends each of us to play a unique role in carrying out the divine plan.

The challenge, then, is to understand our role — our vocation — and to respond generously to this call from God. Christian vocation entails the practice of stewardship. In addition, Christ calls each of us to be stewards of our personal vocations, which we receive from God.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We want to thank Chas. Verheyden Funeral Homes for advertising in the St. Jane Frances de Chantal bulletin.

We ask our parishioners to please patronize the advertisers as they are the ones that help make our bulletin possible.



TOGETHER LET US PRAY...

Please pray for those who are in special need of our prayers.

Maureen Blair
Judith Brisson
James Brown
Mary Sue Bruce
Margaret Cardamone
Richard Cardamone
Sam Castelli
Sandy Castelli
Vicki Chrzanosowski
Bernie Colasanti, Jr.
Greg Corby
Anna DiDonato
Rita Duffey
Kevin Duffoor
Pam Evanzia

Shirley Fasczewski
James Friedmann
Cindy Graham
Scott Harris
Andrew Hetrick
Mary Ann Joly
John Karalunas
James Klassen
Joan Knapp
Walter Kronner
Jeffrey Leonardi
George Lutfy
Addison Mathews
Charlotte Miles
William Navalta
Norma O'Connor

Kathleen Pawlik
Matthew Pawlik
Helen Perliskey
Adam Phillips
Anita Pitlock
Frank Polizzi
Amy Zachwieja Raggio
Marlene Rokicki
Olivia Rokicki
Daniel Van Acker
Dorothy Weglarz
Mel Werner
Kevin Wilcox
Don G. Wisniewski
Toni Woodring
Mary Woywood

Please pray for the men and women serving our country in the Armed Services that they may return home safely to family and friends. Remember particularly:

Robert Bain
Richard Brown
Christopher Burley
Amir Ciplakovic
Eric Dillard
Lisa Drake
Joshua Hebert

Zack Hoover
Louis B. Kasper, III
Paul Koss
Curtis McCoy
Matthew McDowell
Donovan John Miller

Danielle Marie Minichello
Eric Olson
Scot Skoczylas
Sean Slattery
Allison Stewart
Anthony Trotta
Carl Winowiecki

ONLINE GIVING

If you have never used the convenience of Online Giving, why not make your life simpler and give it a try. Go to the parish website at www.sjfparish.org click on the Welcome to Online Giving box and follow the instructions for setting up your donation(s). It is easy and allows you:

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- E-mail reminders regarding when the debit will be made to your account/card.

Online Giving is easy, secure, and eliminates always having to remember your weekly envelopes. Go online and give Online Giving a try. If you have any questions, contact Jody Gazo at jgazosjfparish@gmail.com or call her at 586-977-8080.

FIRST SUNDAY MONTHLY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

First Sunday Memorial Association forms are available in the office. The donation fee is still \$75.00 for the intention year. Intentions will be listed every week in our bulletin on the back page. Intentions for the First Sunday Memorial Association Members will be recognized at the 9:00am Mass on the first Sunday of each month starting March 6th.

Please submit your application as soon as possible but **no later than February 19th**.