

# ST. JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL PARISH

March 26, 2017

Then Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind."

John 9:39



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Fr. Jerry Slowinski  
ext. 102

Pastor

## LENT IS THE TIME WE STRIVE TO GIVE UP WHAT WE ARE FOR WHAT WE DESIRE TO BECOME.

FAST from judging others.  
FEAST on seeing Christ in all.

FAST from ill thoughts.  
FEAST on God's healing power.

FAST from discontent.  
FEAST on gratitude for your blessings.

FAST from anger.  
FEAST on patience.

FAST from pessimism.  
FEAST on optimism.

FAST from worry and anxiety.  
FEAST on trust and tranquility.

FAST from grumbling and complaining.  
FEAST on appreciation.

FAST from demands.  
FEAST on doing God's will.

FAST from bitterness.  
FEAST on forgiveness.

FAST from selfishness.  
FEAST on compassion for others.

FAST from discouragement.  
FEAST on hope.

FAST from innuendos which demorize.  
FEAST on facts that uplift and encourage.

FAST from suspicion and distrust.  
FEAST on certainty and faith.

FAST from idle gossip.  
FEAST on contemplative silence.

FAST from worldly knowledge.  
FEAST on mystery.

FAST from commiseration and self-pity.  
FEAST on benevolence and charity.

FAST from resentment.  
FEAST on contentment and satisfaction.

FAST from greed.  
FEAST on service and assisting those in need.

FAST from pride.  
FEAST on humility.

FAST from jealousy.  
FEAST on joy and love.

**THE VALUE OF FASTING CONSISTS NOT SO MUCH ON ABSTINENCE FROM FOOD,  
BUT RATHER WITHDRAWAL FROM WORLDLY PLEASURE IN ORDER TO FOCUS ON  
GROWTH IN HOLINESS.**

*St. John Chrysostom*

Fourth Sunday of Lent

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

38750 Ryan Rd.  
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

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

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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

**MINISTRIES**

**Knights of Columbus #13340**  
Brian Barkkari 586-215-4669  
**Parish Nurse Ministry**  
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 5:30pm-6:30pm  
(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.

**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.

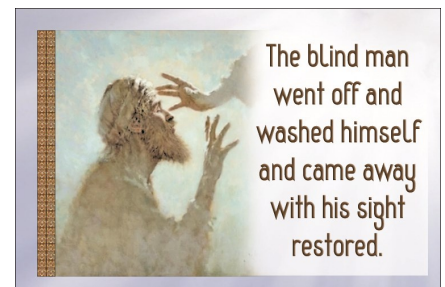
**Parish Policy**

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, March 27**  
6:00pm Faith Formation Classes, Grades K-6  
7:00pm Intercessory Prayer Team Meeting  
**Tuesday, March 28**  
4:30pm Faith Formation Classes, Grades K-6  
6:00pm Rosary  
6:30pm Called To Serve  
7:00pm Communal Reconciliation Service at St. Ephrem  
**Wednesday, March 29**  
8:00am Mass  
9:30am Needle Crafters  
6:00pm Needle Crafters  
7:00pm Lectio Divina  
7:00pm Parish Choir Rehearsal  
**Thursday, March 30**  
8:00am Mass  
1:00pm Swiffers, Team 3  
7:00pm-8:20pm Coffee & Catholicism  
**Friday, March 31**  
4:00pm-7:00pm Fish Fry  
6:30pm Stations of the Cross —  
Taize Service  
**Saturday, April 1**  
9:00am Denis Connection Training  
5:00pm Mass  
**Sunday, April 2**  
8:30am Parish Choir Rehearsal  
9:00am Mass  
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

**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



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*Director of Worship and Evangelization*  
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**Thoughts on Evangelization:  
 Shine Out!!**

Darkness makes people hesitate. Their steps are cautious and unsure because they don't want to bump into anything or fall down. Darkness makes people nervous and afraid. If the light of Jesus Christ shines brightly in and through you, others around you will be attracted to the light and will be able to leave whatever darkness they experience. With Jesus Christ as your Beacon and the Holy Spirit as your Power Source, you can set about illuminating the whole world, one friend, one family member, one neighbor or one stranger at a time. You can help remove the darkness so that others can walk in peace, unafraid and with the confidence of the sons and daughters of God.

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**The Pontifical  
 Good Friday  
 Collection**

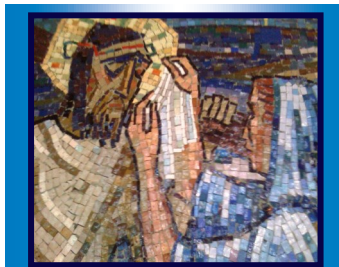
Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to this collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Christians around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

For more information, visit [myfranciscan.org/good-friday](http://myfranciscan.org/good-friday).

**Stations of the Cross  
in Times of Illness**

**Followed by the  
 Sacrament of  
 Anointing of the Sick**  
**Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>,  
 2:30 pm**



**Please mark your calendars and pass this information along!!**

**Sacramentals**  
**What are they?**  
**What to do with them when no  
 longer being used?**



Different than the sacraments, sacramentals are sacred signs instituted by the Church. They prepare persons to receive the fruit of the sacraments and sanctify different circumstances of life. Sacramentals do not confer the grace of the Holy Spirit in the way that the sacraments do, but by the Church's prayer, they prepare us to receive grace and dispose us to cooperate with it. The religious sense of the Christian people has always found expression in various forms of piety surrounding the Church's sacramental life, such as the veneration of relics, visits to sanctuaries, pilgrimages, processions, the stations of the cross, religious dances, the rosary, medals, etc. (CCC 1677, 1670, 1674)

Catholic tradition holds that when a material sacramental becomes so worn out that it can no longer be used as a sacramental, it should be disposed of in a becoming manner and not merely tossed into the trash. Catholic custom is to burn those things that can be burned — for example, rosaries, Bibles, prayer books. For items that cannot be burned — a statue, for instance — they should be buried. **We ask you not to bring them to church, but to take care to dispose of them yourselves in the proper manner. Thank you.**

**Preparing for Holy Thursday**  
 April 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm

**Washing of the Feet:** At the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday (April 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm), the presider washes the feet of 12 parish members. At the end of the reading of the Gospel, Fr. Jerry will wash feet as a way of bringing the gospel message of service forward to us today. If you would like to take part in this please give me a call or email to let me know. I will take the first twelve people to contact me (please only one member to represent a family).



**Offertory & Dressing the Altar:** As part of the Grand Procession (includes presentation of the Oils, presenting the altar cloths, and offertory gifts) we would like several parishioners to participate in the dressing of the altar and bringing forward the offertory gifts. [Note: I have volunteers to dress the altar but still need volunteers for the oils.]

**Presentation of Sacred Oils:** Each Holy Thursday, the oils of the Sick, the Catechumens and the Holy Chrism are blessed at the Cathedral in the morning by the archbishop then presented to the parish at the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. If you would like to present one of the oils at this liturgy please contact me.



Please contact me if you would like to participate in any of these special opportunities. Please email me at [maureenblair.stjane@gmail.com](mailto:maureenblair.stjane@gmail.com) or give me a call me at 586.977.8080.



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### **Canticum Novum – St. Joseph, Fatherhood, and the Catholic Faith**

...the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said,  
"Joseph, son of David,

do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.

For it is through the Holy Spirit

that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are  
to name him Jesus,

because he will save his people from their sins". Mt 1:18-20

As I sat down today to compose an article for the bulletin, I wondered to myself what I might write about today, March 20, 2017. A glance at my calendar reminded me that today we celebrate the feast day of St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is also a year since my family buried my Father after a long illness. We celebrated my Dad yesterday with a visit to the cemetery, and a lunch afterward. It was a nice day sunny, with a bit of chill due to the wind. Looking toward our Catholic faith for some inspiration, I took out my copy of the Catechism. It states "The divine fatherhood is the source of human fatherhood; this is the foundation of the honor owed to parents. The respect of children, whether minors or adults, for their father and mother is nourished by the natural affection born of the bond uniting them. It is required by God's commandment." (CCC 2214) There is a great wealth of spiritual inspiration in the paragraphs following. I encourage you to read it and ponder it as a parent, child, and child of God.

As a child, I struggled with my relationship with my parents sometimes. I am that person who marches to a different drummer. Often, my parents disagreed with my direction in life. (My mother still wants me to be a Priest) but the disagreement was never something I thought of as discouragement. Defending your choices, especially those regarding how you will make your way in the world, is a portion of growing up. I am grateful for the dialogue they opened with me about my choice of music and ministry. So too, for the support they gave, especially that of my Mother, who drove me to lessons and clubs as a youngster. Church choir, vocal lessons, theatre clubs; these were places where bright kids and wonderful mentors gathered together to learn artistic craft. My parents never insisted I practice, nor forced me to go to church. Both spiritual and musical practice found me eager to get to work. My sister and brother are no different. Thirty-five years of professional service later, I am still eager to practice spiritually and musically. I credit my Father with a "never quit" attitude. He was a person who never gave up. He ran until he was in his late 70's, hit the gym, played golf and bowled nearly until the day he passed. His Doctors credited his attitude and dedication to fitness with extending his life ten years. Something I remain grateful for since his passing.

The foundation of our faith is our relationship with the Father. God himself opens a pathway through belief in Him. We come to know God through His works, but mostly through divine revelation. By sending Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, God reveals His plan of loving goodness. Through His holy cross and resurrection, Jesus redeems the world. How deep is the Father's love for us, that He would give His only son to redeem the world? It is unfathomable to me. I hope you will celebrate your earthly father and your heavenly Father this week.

*Blessings, Andy*

## **FAITH FORMATION**

### **VBS reminder...**

ALL volunteers over 18 years old, MUST have completed the Archdiocesan course Protecting God's Children to volunteer with our young Catholics.

If you are still in High School (9<sup>th</sup>– 12<sup>th</sup> grade), and wish to volunteer, you must have completed the Archdiocesan program Called to Serve.

Either of these programs are offered throughout the archdiocese and can be signed up for, through the archdiocese at:

<http://www.aod.org/our-archdiocese/protecting-children/>

Follow the link on their webpage for the appropriate session and bring in your certificate to the parish office for us to keep a copy on file for you.



## **Save the Date**

for this year's Vacation Bible School!



**June**

**30<sup>th</sup>**

**26<sup>th</sup> –**

All children  
Kindergarten—6<sup>th</sup> grade  
Welcome to join us!

### **Keep our 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist preparation disciples in prayer!**

We will be celebrating the next step of initiation towards full communion with the Church with our current class preparing for their first Holy Eucharist, on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, at the 11:30am Mass.

As they learn and grow, and experience discipleship in a new way, I ask the whole of the St. Jane Frances de Chantal Community to pray for our young Catholics during their journey! Lift them in prayer in the morning, in the evening, at a meal, whenever you may think of them, so that their minds and hearts will be on fire for Jesus as they learn to accept Him in this new way!



## **2017 Graduates**



As we get closer to the end of the year, we are beginning to plan for our annual Graduation Mass and bulletin. For the bulletin, we will collect pictures of the graduates, as well as information about their graduation. Pictures may be dropped off in the Parish office or e-mailed to Ben at:

[bklassen.sjparish@gmail.com](mailto:bklassen.sjparish@gmail.com)

Along with the picture, we would like to share with the community the following information:

- Name of Graduate (as you would like it to appear in the bulletin)
- High School graduating from
- College graduating from (as well as the degree received)
- And an email address and/or telephone number to be able to contact you.

We are continuing with plans for the Mass, and will let you know the dates of the celebration as we determine more.

## STEWARDSHIP



### ONE MORE FISH FRY LEFT!!!! FRIDAY, MARCH 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:00pm-7:00pm

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! Check out the schedule below for who is hosting. See you Friday!

♦Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>—The Knights of Columbus AND 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. To donate a dessert, please see page 6 of the bulletin. 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



Lady Luck sitting on your side? Can you take 3 out of 5 tricks? Then join us Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm for a Euchre Night! Whether you are a pro or a beginner join us for a fun night of Euchre! More details coming soon!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

The Car Show is Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>,  
from 4:00pm until 8:00pm.



More details coming soon!

**EASTER EGG HUNT**

We are having an Easter Egg Hunt for children 10 and under here at the Parish on  
**Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00am**

Please sign-up in the Parish Office by Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> so that we know how many children to plan for. Questions? Contact Tara at [tfinn\\_sjf@yahoo.com](mailto:tfinn_sjf@yahoo.com) or 586-977-8080, ext. 107.

**EASTER EGG HUNT VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers are needed to help prep the eggs for the Easter Egg hunt on Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm. If you would be interested in helping with this, please contact Tara at [tfinn\\_sjf@yahoo.com](mailto:tfinn_sjf@yahoo.com) or 586-977-8080, ext. 107. If you are interested in helping out the day of the Easter Egg Hunt, let Tara know that too. Thank you!

**ADULT FORMATION****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](mailto:tfinn_sjf@yahoo.com) or 586-977-8080, ext. 107 for more information. Upcoming dates and topics are:

**Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>—Council of Trent**

**Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>—Vatican Councils I and II**

**YOUNG ADULTS****MICHIGAN CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE AGES 18-35**

The Archdiocese of Detroit and the Catholic dioceses of Michigan present

## ENCOUNTER GROW WITNESS

**Friday and Saturday,  
March 31 and April 1, 2017**

**St. John Neumann Catholic Church**  
44800 Warren Road, Canton, Michigan

**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 31<sup>st</sup> and ends Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. You can attend Friday night, Saturday, or both! The cost is under \$55 by March 21<sup>st</sup>, then the price goes up! To sign-up, visit:

<http://2017micyac.eventbrite.com>



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**Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers  
 Community Enrichment Meeting**

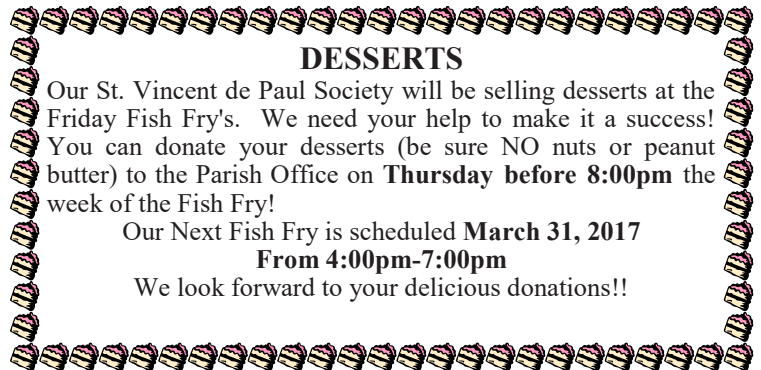
**Preventing Abuse, Exploitation & Neglect of  
 Older and Vulnerable Adults**

Speaker: Gillian H. Bentley, Independent Living Specialist  
 Disability Network of Oakland and Macomb

**Thursday, March 30, 2017 at 1:00pm**

At St. Patrick Episcopal Church  
 1434 E. 13 Mile Rd., Madison Heights, MI 48071  
 (west of Dequindre)

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



**DESSERTS**

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society will be selling desserts at the Friday Fish Fry's. We need your help to make it a success! You can donate your desserts (be sure NO nuts or peanut butter) to the Parish Office on **Thursday before 8:00pm** the week of the Fish Fry!

Our Next Fish Fry is scheduled **March 31, 2017**  
**From 4:00pm-7:00pm**

We look forward to your delicious donations!!



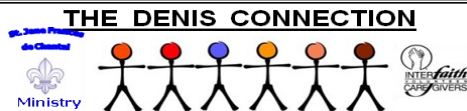
**Knights of Columbus**

**Tootsie Roll Drive**

**April 8<sup>th</sup> & April 9<sup>th</sup>**

Our members will be handing out Tootsie Rolls for a donation after each Mass. Please be generous in helping people with intellectual disabilities. All donations are used to support charities for those with intellectual disabilities.

THANK YOU in advance for your generosity.



**We are looking for volunteers...**

- to make friendly visits,
- reassuring telephone calls,
- provide transportation or
- provide a helping hand.

This ministry is a rewarding experience in making a difference in a person's life! We have teamed up with Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers who will be leading our training. If you are interested in being one of our volunteers or would like further information, please contact the Parish Office at 586-977-8080.

There will be a training on **April 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:00am-12:00pm** for all volunteers who are interested in connecting with our homebound parishioners. If this is something you may be interested in doing – **we need you** for as much or little time as you can offer per your schedule!

Also, if you are in need of assistance, transportation, a friendly visit, or a helping hand, please contact the parish office at 586-977-8080. We are hoping to expand this program following the training on **April 1st** to be of assistance to you!



**BREAK THE CHAIN**

Friday, April 7, 2017

Our day will begin with Lunch at 12:00 noon  
 Viewing / Meeting 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.  
 Sacred Heart Major Seminary 2701 Chicago Blvd. Detroit 48206

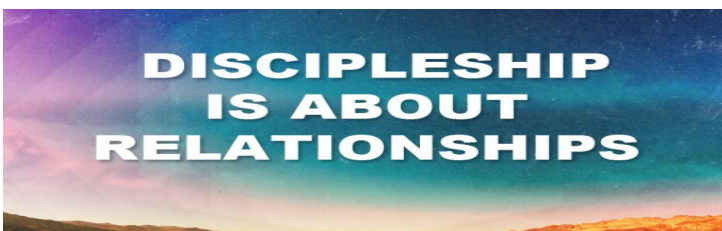
\$12.00 registration fee

To register: <https://breakthechaindoc.eventbrite.com>

BREAK THE CHAIN is a feature-length documentary film that addresses the often "hidden-in-plain-sight" issue of Human Trafficking within Michigan communities and the United States. The film chronicles two survivors of Human Trafficking within Michigan communities - providing a detailed look at how trafficking goes unnoticed within our backyards. Accompanying the stories of these survivors are nearly 20 interviews with researchers, Senators, non-profit organizations, legal service agencies, law enforcement officers and several artists actively working to raise awareness for this global issue.



Break the Chain sponsored by Catholic Charities of Southeastern Michigan and the Archdiocese of Detroit.



**CALLING ALL NEEDLE CRAFTERS!**

Do you like to sew, knit, crochet, quilt, etc.? Whether you are new to the craft or a seasoned veteran, please join us at any of our gatherings to socialize and work on projects (your own or ours)! Some of our projects include blankets for those in the hospital, prayer shawls, and gloves and scarves for the homeless. There is no RSVP necessary and there is no cost. You can come to one, some, or all of our gatherings! Please join us: *Wednesdays from 9:30am until 11:30am OR from 6:00pm until 8:15pm.* We are also in need of more yarn to complete the projects we are working on. If you have some you are able to donate, please drop it off in the parish office. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact Tara at [tfinn\\_sjf@yahoo.com](mailto:tfinn_sjf@yahoo.com) or 586-977-8080, ext. 107.

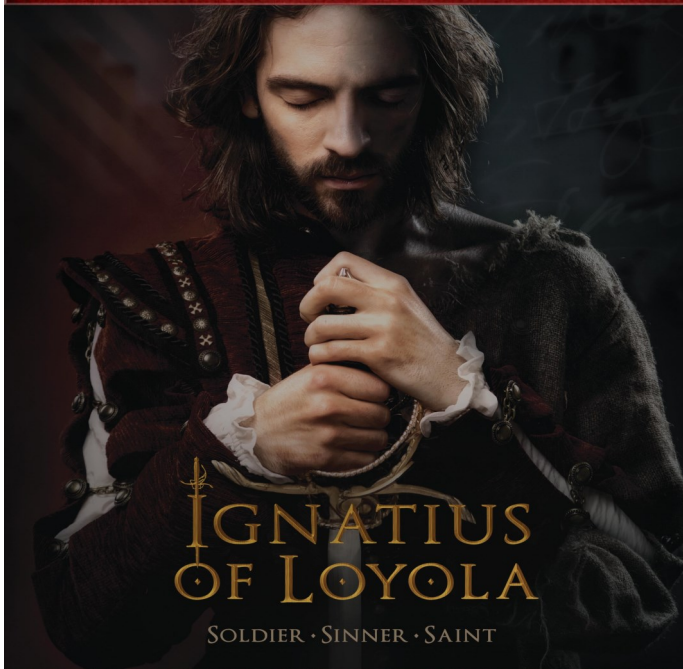


**FOR WIDOWED MEN AND WOMEN  
Bereavement Seminar @ St Jane Frances de Chantal – Sterling Heights  
Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00am – 2:00pm**

Widowed Friends presents “Healing Journey” a bereavement seminar for all widowed men & women, which will be held on Saturday, May 13th, from 10:00am to 2:00pm at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish, 38750 Ryan Road (south of 17 Mile), Sterling Heights 48310. Guest speakers include Ron Gries, author of “Through Death to Life” and Barbara Mezzapelle, Bereavement Ministry @ St Jane Frances. Cost is \$10.00 per person which includes beverages & a light lunch. Deadline to register is May 6<sup>th</sup>. For information, please contact Kathy at 248-918-1622 or Rose at 586-876-1270.

Sponsored by Widowed Friends, a “peer” support group in the Archdiocese of Detroit. For further information about Widowed Friends, come visit our website at [www.widowedfriends.org](http://www.widowedfriends.org)

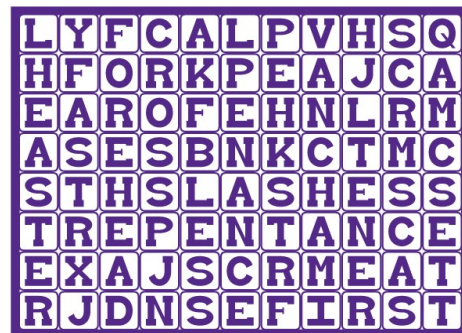
**BIG SCREEN SUNDAY - FOR THE GLORY OF GOD!**



**Sunday, April 9, 2017 - 3 PM**  
**\$5 - First-come, First-seated!**  
**AMC Star Southfield**  
 25333 W. Twelve Mile Rd.  
 Questions? 313-407-2284 or [iCtheLight@mail.com](mailto:iCtheLight@mail.com)



**WORD SEARCH**



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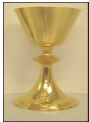
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**Our Cluster Partner**  
**ST. EPHREM CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 38900 Dodge Park, Sterling Heights  
 Phone: 586-264-1230 Fax: 586-264-2757  
**Pastor: Fr. Craig Giera**  
**Deacon: Edwin McLeod**

**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

**ST. RONALD’S COMMUNITY SUPPER**  
 17701 Fifteen Mile, Clinton Twp (between Garfield & Kelly)  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup> — 5:00pm-6:30pm**

Those who are financially struggling are welcome to go to the Community Supper for a free meal.



**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

*The Ortmann Family*

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

**Readings**  
Week of March 26, 2017

**Sunday**  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

**Monday**  
Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday**  
Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday**  
Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday**  
Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47

**Friday**  
Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday**  
Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12; Jn 7:40-53

**Sunday**  
**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

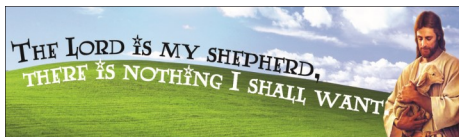
*Save the date for the  
2017 St. Jane Frances de Chantal  
Volunteer Appreciation Party  
Saturday, May 6, 2017  
at 6:00pm*

**COMMUNAL  
RECONCILIATION  
AT  
ST. EPHREM  
TUESDAY, MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>,  
AT 7:00pm**

**NO CONFESSIONS OR  
MASS AT  
ST. JANE FRANCES  
ON TUESDAY, MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>.**

**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

**CAN TABS**  
The Ushers will no longer be collecting tabs from cans. We want to “thank” everyone who so generously dropped off the tabs. The tabs were used to help purchase dialysis machines.



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, March 27**  
No Mass at St. Jane Frances

**Tuesday, March 28**  
No Mass at St. Jane Frances

**Wednesday, March 29**  
**8:00am** Dec. Pauline Slowinski (Fr. Jerry)  
Dec. Pelagia P. Domingo (Caoagas Family)  
Living — Chung Nguyen (Wife Vanessa)  
All Souls (Vanessa Nguyen)

**Thursday, March 30**  
**8:00am** Dec. Karen Zawada (Mom)  
Living — Joseph Nguyen (Mother Vanessa)  
All Souls (Vanessa Nguyen)

**Friday, March 31**  
No Mass at St. Jane Frances

**Saturday, April 1**  
**5:00pm** Dec. Dorothy Kotulis (Judy Kotulis)  
Dec. Helen Roby (Appleton Family)  
Dec. Mary Ann Slanda (Arnie & Sue Leszczynski)  
Dec. Mary Agnes Huber (Leszczynski & Kovacs Families)

**Sunday, April 2**  
**9:00am** Members of the First Sunday Memorial Association  
Dec. Joseph Papaleo (Kowaleski Family)  
Dec. Jack Taylor (Tom & Judy Taylor)  
Dec. Carmella Ficaro (Gus & Barb)

**11:30am** For the Parishioners  
Dec. Flossie Carels (The Rzeppa Family)  
Deceased Members of the Colella Family (Jennie Colella)  
Living — Rose Yarbro 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday (Briana Liller)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — APRIL 1 <sup>ST</sup> & APRIL 2 <sup>ND</sup>			
	5:00pm	9:00am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Jerry	Fr. Jerry	Fr. Jerry
Sacristan(s)	Tim & Karen Pawlik	Ray Knapp	Mike Burley
Lector 1	Craig Smith	Keith Morris	Barb Wojtas
Lector 2	Linda Smith	Brian Enck	Phil Mina
Altar Servers	Danielle Erickson	Samantha Belz	Jasmine Abuel
	Elizabeth Galadik	Amanda Belz	Samantha Abuel
	Raegan Watson	Theresa Mezzapelle	Lucass Jeffrey
Ushers	Team 2	Assigned	Team 3
Music	Melissa & IIP	Choir	Therese

**WEEKDAY LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**  
No Mass at St. Jane Frances

**Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, @ 8:00am**  
Mike Scavo

**Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, @ 8:00am**  
Tom Kraniak





Sunday, , 2016

**Budgeted Weekly Obligation:**  
\$12,237.00

**Actual Average Weekly Collection:**  
\$12,242.00

**Registered Families.....1473**  
**Envelopes Returned.....354**  
**Amount Offered.....\$8,855.68**  
**Loose Offering.....\$587.00**

**Online Giving:**  
**Contributors.....73**  
**Contributions.....\$2,974.00**

**Total Offerings.....\$12,416.68**

**Special Collections:**  
**Easter Flowers.....\$340.00**

**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](http://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:

- A direct debit from your checking/savings account or credit/debit card.
- The convenience of recurring or one-time donations.
- Complete online giving history available 24/7.
- 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 596-977-8080 or email her at: [jgazosjfparish@gmail.com](mailto:jgazosjfparish@gmail.com)

**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.

**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

We want to thank John Chambers of Weingartz Supply 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  
James Brown  
Mary Sue Bruce  
Margaret Cardamone  
Richard Cardamone  
Sam Castelli  
Sandy Castelli  
Vicki Chrzanowski  
Bernie Colasanti, Jr.  
Greg Corby  
Anna DiDonato  
Mario DiDonato  
Rita Duffey  
Kevin Duffoor  
Pam Evanzia  
Charles Grade  
James Friedmann

Cindy Graham  
Pauline Gronowski  
Scott Harris  
Andrew Hetrick  
Mary Ann Joly  
John Karalunas  
James Klassen  
Joan Knapp  
Walter Kronner  
Jeffrey Leonard  
George Lutfy  
Addison Mathews  
Charlotte Miles  
William Navalta  
Grace Ochenski  
Norma O'Connor  
Kathleen Pawlik

Matthew Pawlik  
Helen Perliskey  
Adam Phillips  
Anita Pitlock  
Frank Polizzi  
Amy Zachwieja Raggio  
Sam Randazzo  
Marlene Rokicki  
Olivia Rokicki  
Arnold Semrau  
Jean Stevens  
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  
Jeremy Rzeppa  
Scot Skoczylas  
Sean Slattery  
Allison Stewart  
Anthony Trotta  
Carl Winowiecki

**FIRST SUNDAY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION**

We are still accepting applications for the First Sunday Memorial Association listing. The cost to have your intention placed on the back page of our bulletin is \$75 for a year. The members of the First Sunday Memorial Association will be announced as a group on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month at the 9:00am Mass.

**WILL OUR KIDS HAVE FAITH**

We are creatures of habit. You can see that when people sit in the same spot week after week at Mass. It can be very comfortable sitting in the same area. You can get to know the people around you, for example. It can also lead to being *too* comfortable as well, as it keeps other people from getting to sit where you sit. Why not change things up a bit and try sitting in a whole new area of the church? It could be a great conversation starter for your kid(s) about how they experience the Mass. It may also give you new perspective and the chance to meet some new people! Try it out and see how it works for your family!

*The Community of St. Jane Frances de Chantal expresses support and prayers to the family who has lost a loved one this past week:*

**Frances Francis**  
*Wife of the late Victor  
Mother of Elizabeth*

*May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.*

*Amen.*

**If only...**

...Have you ever reacted to an accident you've had by going back to it over and over again in your mind to what you might have done to prevent it? Jesus warns us to think about the effects of our actions now so that we don't get caught by death and led into eternal "if only's". What could you be doing now to prepare yourself to meet our God with a sense of loving confidence.