



# ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL

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You will notice a change in the design of your parish offertory envelopes for the fourth quarter, which runs from October through December. The company that mails the envelopes to each household in our parish gave us the option to continue using the standard envelope or to design our own.

Because of this, the parish staff decided to design our own offertory envelope to make it unique to the parish of St. Jane Frances de Chantal. It is important to note that there is no cost to the parish for our new offertory envelope design.

I would like to thank the staff for the design of the envelopes and for all the work they do for the people of St. Jane Frances de Chantal. It is a joy for me to share in the ministry of St. Jane Frances with such a dedicated and devoted staff.

You may have also noticed that the parking lot was recently resealed and restriped. When I arrived at St. Jane Frances de Chantal four years ago, I was impressed at how well our grounds and buildings were maintained. I have always been a believer in preventative maintenance. It is important to maintain what so many people, past and present, have contributed to in order to build and reflect the Glory of God.

I thank the Parish Pastoral Council and the Finance Committee for their work to keep the grounds and buildings in good condition. It is through the generosity of the people of St. Jane Frances de Chantal that we are able to tackle various projects as they arise. I thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

As we enter into the season of autumn, may we take time to reflect upon the beauty of God's creation. I hope all of you have a wonderful week. God has blessed each of us in so many ways; let us rejoice and give Him thanks.

**Bon mot:** "Gratitude is not only the memory but the homage of the heart rendered to God for his goodness."

—Nathaniel Parker Willis

Carpe Diem,

Fr. Tony

## THE 2021 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL: FUEL THE MISSION

**Parishioners: we have not yet reached our 2021 CSA goal.**

Thank you to all who have already made a pledge; if you have not, **please, prayerfully consider contributing to the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal. Our parish goal is \$91,324.00.** Once a parish reaches its individual annual goal, 100 percent of the overage is returned to the parish.

Visit [sjf.aodcsa.org](http://sjf.aodcsa.org) to make a pledge and learn more.

### What is the CSA?

The Catholic Services Appeal is an annual campaign that raises funds for the Archdiocese of Detroit ministries, programs, and services that benefit all the faithful in southeast Michigan. This archdiocesan-wide campaign communicates that the local Church extends beyond the parish. The CSA is an opportunity for the faithful to respond to Christ's command "to love one another as I have loved you" (Jn 15:12) by helping to fund services throughout the broader area of southeast Michigan.

The Catholic Services Appeal benefits parishes and people in the Archdiocese of Detroit by helping to fund more than 170 ministries, programs, and services, including support for men discerning God's call to the priesthood at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, grants to Catholic schools, and young adult programs.

Please, **visit [sjf.aodcsa.org](http://sjf.aodcsa.org) and make a pledge today!**

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Weekend Masses

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

### Weekday Masses

Tuesday 7:00pm  
 Wednesday & Thursday 8:00am

**Holy Day Masses** As Announced

### Confession

Tuesday 5:30pm

### Rosary

Tuesday 6:00pm

## OFFICE HOURS

### Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday

9:00am—1:00pm & 4:30pm—8:00pm

### Tuesday

2:00pm—8:00pm

### Saturday

3:00pm—5:00pm

### Sunday

10:00am—12:30pm

## PARISH HAPPENINGS

### Monday, September 27, 2021

9:00am Panera  
 1:30pm Intercessory Prayer Team  
 (Remote Mtg.)

### Tuesday, September 28, 2021

5:30pm Confession  
 6:00pm Rosary  
 7:00pm Mass with Anointing

### Wednesday, September 29, 2021

8:00am Mass  
 9:30am Needlecrafters  
 6:00pm Needlecrafters  
 7:00pm Choir Practice  
 7:00pm Lectio Divina (Remote Mtg.)

### Thursday, September 30, 2021

8:00am Mass  
 9:00am Swiffers Team #1

### Friday, October 1, 2021

*Parish Office Closed*

### Saturday, October 2, 2021

4:00pm Mass

### Sunday, October 3, 2021

9:00am Mass  
 11:30am Mass  
 12:15pm Baptism  
 1:00pm Blessing of Pets  
 1:00pm Faith Formation



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## YOUTH MINISTRY

The St. Jane Frances de Chantal high school youth ministry program begins **this coming**

**Sunday, October 3, 2021. All high school students are welcome!**

In conjunction with St. Rene Goupil, our program will meet twice a month—once at St. Rene Goupil Parish, and once at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish.

The dates for October are:

**Sunday, October 3, 2021 from 7:00pm—8:30pm** at St. Rene Goupil

**Sunday, October 17, 2021 from 7:00pm—8:30pm** at St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Come and be part of this exciting, innovative, new youth ministry adventure: “Courage above the stars!”

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

When have you had to show courage since the start of the pandemic?

Where have you seen courage displayed during the pandemic?

Who is someone you know that you think is very courageous?

## FAITH FORMATION

The St. Jane Frances de Chantal faith formation program for first grade through eighth grade **begins Sunday, October 3, 2021**. The program will run **in person** on the first Sunday of each month from 1:00pm—4:00pm. Registration packets are available to be picked up in the Parish Office.

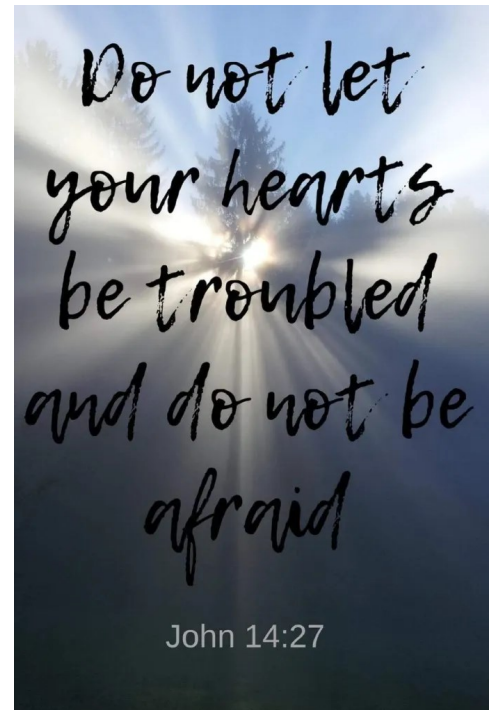
Faith formation is an ongoing process in all of our lives. Join the St. Frances de Chantal faith formation team as a catechist or coordinator. Contact Director of Faith Formation Michael Novak for more information.

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

When has God been most present in my life?

How has my relationship with Jesus grown, evolved, or changed since the pandemic began?

What is God calling me to do in my life right here, right now?



## SACRISTAN SCHEDULE

Saturday Oct. 2, 2021	Sunday Oct. 3, 2021
4:00pm Mary Wolf	9:00am Ray Knapp
	11:30am Brian Finn

## KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS: AN EASY WAY TO GIVE BACK TO OUR PARISH

Looking for an easy way to support our parish? St. Jane Frances de Chantal participates in **Kroger Community Rewards!** With Kroger Community Rewards, a percentage of your grocery purchase will be awarded to our parish. **This will not cost you any additional money.**



### TO USE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS:

Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy, and remember to register your card with your organization after you sign up. If you do not yet have a Kroger Plus card, they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.

#### 1. Visit [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com).

**2. Create a digital account.** A digital account is needed to participate in Kroger Community Rewards. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose.

**3. Link your Card to an organization.** Selecting the organization that you wish to support is as simple as updating the **Kroger Community Rewards** selection on your digital account:

- Sign in to your digital account.
- Search for your organization.
- Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support. **Our parish's NPO number is JK577.**
- Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save."

Your selected organization will also display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your account details.

**4. Start shopping!** Any transactions made using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program **at no added cost to you.**

For each purchase to count, members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card at the register or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping.

Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.

**We appreciate your participation!**

**ONLINE WORSHIP MUSIC FROM OUR PARISH.**  
[SJFPARISH.ORG/DIGITALMUSICSERIES](http://SJFPARISH.ORG/DIGITALMUSICSERIES)



## SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF SEPT. 26, 2021

### Sunday

*26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Nm 11:25-29

Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14

Jas 5:1-6

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

### Monday

*Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul, Priest*

Zec 8:1-8

Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 & 22-23

Lk 9:46-50

### Tuesday

*St. Wenceslaus, Martyr;*

*St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs*

Zec 8:20-23

Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7

Lk 9:51-56

### Wednesday

*Feast of Sts. Michael, Gabriel,  
& Raphael, Archangels*

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a

Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5

Jn 1:47-51

### Thursday

*Memorial of St. Jerome,  
Priest & Doctor of the Church*

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12

Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11

Lk 10:1-12

### Friday

*Memorial of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus,  
Virgin & Doctor of the Church*

Bar 1:15-22

Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9

Lk 10:13-16

### Saturday

*Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels*

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29

Ps 69:33-35, 36-37

Mt 18:1-5, 10

### Sunday

*27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Gn 2:18-24

Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Heb 2:9-11

Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

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**ONLINE GIVING**

Online Giving is a safe and secure way to make contributions to our parish without writing checks or worrying about cash donations. To sign up, visit [sjfparish.org/onlinegiving](http://sjfparish.org/onlinegiving).

Thank you to those who continue to donate; your contributions help us continue operations during the pandemic. If you have any questions, please contact Jody Gazo via email at [jgazo@sjfparish.org](mailto:jgazo@sjfparish.org) or call her at 586-977-8080, Ext. 112.

**2021 PET BLESSING**

Join us on Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 1:00pm for a Pet Blessing!

Please bring your pet to Door 4 near the circle drive.



**THE EXTRAORDINARY IN THE ORDINARY:  
USING OUR CHARISMS IN DAILY LIFE**

*Written by Lucy Bemiss. Adapted from [unleashthegospel.org](http://unleashthegospel.org).*

The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines charisms as “graces of the Holy Spirit which directly or indirectly benefit the Church, ordered as they are to her building up, to the good of men, and to the needs of the world” (CCC 799).

What would a world filled with all people actively using their charisms look like? One can imagine there would never be a shortage of joyful givers, nor any pressure from the world to either be “the best of the best” or be forced to accept failure as the only alternative, and everyone would know how to graciously receive.

Unfortunately, this is not the case for what our culture of charism-giving looks like today. Sister Miriam James beautifully expresses our world’s predicament on why we may hesitate to share our charisms: “Modern man is condemned to success without God to put his failings in.”

Although this may sound like a paradox, Sr. Miriam could not have said it any better. Having our only options to be the absolute best or not be the best, and thus sentencing us to failure, are narrow pathways. Society’s belief in perfectionism has stifled many in sharing their charisms, leading them to feelings of worthlessness or self-deprecation.

Amidst the desolation of the current culture of charism-giving, there is still immense hope to be had and ways you can contribute to a brighter future for the culture to come. A world filled with joyful givers unshaken by the perfective demands of the world isn’t far off.

The good news is that there is another pathway Christ has to offer us. It’s a pathway that takes a completely adjusted mindset, but one that gives profound purpose and affirmation to our every joy and talent—a pathway that unites the usage of our gifts to an intimate relationship with our creator.

Marker 4.3 of the Unleash the Gospel Pastoral Letter notes that Christ has “endowed his bride with an abundance of supernatural charisms, gifts of the Holy Spirit that equip every member of the body of Christ to do their part in bearing witness to Christ and building up the Church. These gifts range from the simple and humble to the extraordinary.”

What a remarkable concept that Christ has endowed upon us: unique, supernatural gifts of the Holy Spirit! With this concept in mind, humankind should rejoice in the fact that we have been intentionally created and given gifts unique to ourselves by God to share in his profound, divine purpose for the entirety of the Church.

The even greater news is that we’re not called to be the gold-medal-winning Olympians of charisms. All the Lord desires is for us to gratefully acknowledge and use the gifts, big and small, ordinary and extraordinary, that he has so generously given us.

You may ask yourself what putting that concept into practice looks like today. Here are some tips for gratefully acknowledging and fully receiving the charisms the Lord has given you.

**Cease Comparisons.**

Obsessive self-comparison to others can become a potential gateway to feelings of unworthiness and desolation. The truth is that Christ created every one of us so uniquely that we simply cannot compare ourselves to anyone else. Practice building up your brothers and sisters in Christ in admiration of their unique gifts while also gratefully acknowledging the gifts unique to you.

**Put Aside Perfection.**

Although our world teaches us that we have to be perfect in what we do to even be considered worthy of doing it, we have to face the fact that perfection isn't attainable on this earth. If there's something you enjoy doing but you don't feel the talent has been "perfected" or is "good enough" to share with others, take a step back to recognize that Christ doesn't ask us to be perfect. The Lord intentionally places the desire and joy in your heart to share charisms in the Church, even if you don't consider yourself the best at it!

**Renounce Lies.**

Satan, the author of lies, has a knack for instilling doubt in our hearts and creating lies in our heads when we strive to live out God's will. Christ desires us to acknowledge and use our gifts from the Holy Spirit to build up the Church and those around us, so the devil will do everything he can to stop that from happening. He does this by creating lies—lies that try to convince us that we're not good enough, that perfection is the only way, that others are better than us, and that the gifts we've been given are useless and don't deserve to be shared. Work against believing these falsities in prayer by specifically and verbally renouncing all lies in the name of Jesus.

**Make Time for Joy.**

In order to fully receive the gifts that the Lord has given us, we must make time to use them. What good is a gift that's given and immediately placed on a shelf to collect dust, unused? When we intentionally set aside time to partake in our joys and talents, the Lord rejoices in the happiness we experience from utilizing our charisms.

**Take Time for Thanksgiving.**

Oftentimes, we fail to recognize even half of what the Lord gives us. To strive for fully acknowledging, receiving, and thanking God for his gifts, take additional time in prayer to reflect on the joys you experience throughout your day and to give thanks for the talents you have been given.

Lord, grant us the courage to share our charisms in the extraordinary and ordinary ways you call us to throughout our daily lives, all for your greater glory.

Amen.

LECTOR SCHEDULE				
Tuesday Sept. 28, 2021	Wednesday Sept. 29, 2021	Thursday Sept. 30, 2021	Saturday Oct. 2, 2021	Sunday Oct. 3, 2021
7:00pm Chris Bajercius	8:00am Annette Mobley	8:00am Cindy Guzi	4:00pm Craig Smith	9:00am Jan Machusak  11:30am Stephanie Jones

**With  
Deepest  
Sympathy**

The community of **St. Jane Frances de Chantal** extends support and prayers to the family and friends of:

**Kathryn F. Chmielewski**

Beloved wife of Robert.  
Loving mother of the late Mark, Lisa, Noelle, Erin, and Lori.  
Dearest sister of Sharon and Margaret.

**Eileen A. Wesley**

Beloved wife of Thomas.  
Loving mother of Thomas, Mary, Eileen, Michael, Maureen, Martha, Janice, James, and John.

**Alice Derosiers**

Beloved wife of Ramsay.  
Loving sister of Margaret.  
Adored aunt and great-aunt.

*Eternal rest grant unto them,  
O Lord,  
and let perpetual light  
shine upon them.  
May the souls of all  
the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God,  
rest in peace.*

## ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST

Robert Bain, *Army*  
 Nicholas Brosowski, *Army*  
 Chris Burley, *Navy*  
 Shaun Chaplin, *Air Force*  
 Alexander J. Hendzell, *Marines*  
 Louis B. Kasper III, *Coast Guard*  
 Elijah Kuefler, *Navy*  
 Carmen LaForest, *Navy*  
 Matthew McDowell, *Air Force*  
 Cassidy Kicinski Rose, *Air Force*  
 Jeremy Rzeppa, *Navy*  
 Anthony Trotta, *Navy*  
 Kyle Wiegand, *Army*

## PRAYER LIST

Sherie Chudnicki  
 Lena Frontera  
 Robert Gillespie  
 Anthony Grillo  
 Gary Jacobs  
 Colin Jones  
 Nina Randazzo  
 June Sadowski  
 Tom Sadowski

Names added to the Prayer List remain for four weeks. Please call the Parish Office to request prayers.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 27, 2021 *No Mass*

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

7:00pm Dec. Tom Taylor (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.) (Judy Taylor)  
 Dec. Mary Zalewski (Family)  
 Dec. Leydivina Quinawayan (Quinawayan Family)

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

8:00am For the Parishioners  
 Dec. Joe Notaro (Sarah & Antoinette Gagnon)

Thursday, September 30, 2021

8:00am For Priests & Religious  
 Dec. Joseph Notaro (William & Marie Gagnon)

Friday, October 1, 2021 *No Mass*

Saturday, October 2, 2021

4:00pm For the Parishioners  
 Dec. Karen Taylor (Judy Taylor)  
 Dec. Jennie Hetrick (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) (Children)  
 Dec. John & Irene Putrycus (Putrycus Family)  
 Dec. Kathryn Chmielewski (Cheryl & Mel Warner)

Sunday, October 3, 2021

9:00am First Sunday Monthly Memorial Mbrs.  
 Dec. Joseph & Harriet Florek (Sylvia Soldatek)  
 Dec. Emilio Silvino (Agnes Silvino)  
 Dec. Edward Pieczkowski (Family)  
 Dec. Monching Maloles (Connie & Dani Maloles)  
 Dec. Felipe Manset (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) (Connie & Dani Maloles)  
 Dec. Lolita & Pedro Manset (Connie & Dani Maloles)

11:30am Dec. Verna M. D'Angelo (Family)  
 Dec. Jeanne Caponi (Hedy Jaracz)  
 Dec. Kathryn Chmielewski (St. Jane Frances Ushers Club)  
 Dec. Angelito Obillo (Rommel & Thelma)

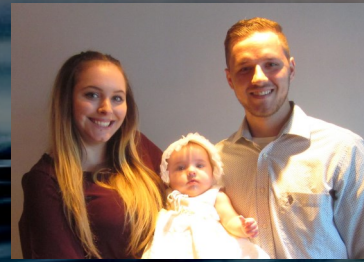
## Baptism

The community of **St. Jane Frances de Chantal** welcomes into our parish family the following children who were baptized by Fr. Tony Sulkowski on September 18 & 19, 2021:



**Savannah Marcyanna Siwka**

Parents: Steven & Samantha Siwka  
 Christian Witness: David Legrand  
 Godmother: Keisha Day



**Adrianna Elizabeth Snyder**

Parents: Gary Snyder & Jacklyn Haus  
 Godfather: Robert Snyder, Jr.  
 Godmother: Samantha Bellew

## OUR MISSION

"Nourished by God's Word & the Eucharist, we strive to be a welcoming Catholic community dedicated to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

## NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Would you like to join the St. Jane Frances de Chantal parish family? Become a parishioner! You may register anytime in the Parish Office or online at [sjfparish.org/joinus](http://sjfparish.org/joinus). We would love to have you!

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**SACRAMENTS**

**CHILDREN'S BAPTISM**

Do you have a child you would like to have baptized? Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

**RECONCILIATION**

Available Tuesdays at 5:30pm.

**MARRIAGE**

Congratulations! Please contact our Parish Office at least six months prior to your desired wedding date to begin preparations.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Contact the Parish Office to schedule one-time or regular visits.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Contact Laurie Hall to begin the process. Welcome home!

