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Respect Life

This weekend the church celebrates and reminds us that life is sacred as we celebrate Respect Life Sunday. The Catholic Church teaches and affirms that all life is sacred from the moment of conception to natural death. In this statement the

church encourages us to broaden our understanding of respecting life.

Giving blood is a pro-life issue, ending human trafficking is a pro-life issue, treating each other civilly is a pro-life issue, driving within the law is a pro-life issue, being a caregiver or visiting the infirmed is a pro-life issue and, protecting the sacredness of life at any stage is a pro-life issue.

Respecting life is a lifestyle and an attitude that we carry with us daily. It becomes a part of our being and who we are as Catholics. But is not limited to Catholics. Every human person is created in the Divine image and has a responsibility to respect life. As I have said so often, "the mouth will speak what the heart contains".

As we read and hear so often in the book of Genesis, "God created them male and female. In His divine image He made them. God blessed them saying: 'Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it.'" Gen.1:27-28.

Our attitude towards others must be that each of us is created in the Divine image and we should see others as being created in that same Divine image. There is so much anger in the world, whether it is road rage, drive by shootings, innocent people being killed for no reason whatsoever, people addicted to drugs or alcohol and the list goes on. Respecting life is a daily activity; much like breathing or eating is important to our physical and spiritual well being.

And at times it can be difficult for us to see the beauty that is around us because the world shows us things that are contrary to the mandate to respect life from the first moment of conception to natural death.

In his message to Catholics taking part in the annual Day of Life in Britain and Ireland on July 28, 2013, Pope Francis says this about the sanctity of human life; "All life has inestimable value even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

Have a wonderful week and may you take some time out of your scheduled events and reflect upon the blessing and the beauty which God provides for each of us.

Bon mot: Life is an exciting business and most exciting when it is lived for others.

--- Helen Adams Keller

Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony

ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL FIRST SUNDAY MONTHLY MEMORIAL

The First Sunday Monthly Memorial Forms for 2024 are included in this week's bulletin.

The offering is still \$75.00 per intention for the year.

The First Sunday Memorial will be recognized at the 9:00am Mass on the first Sunday of every month. It will also be included in our bulletin every weekend on the back cover, starting in March 2024 through the last Sunday of February 2025.

Please submit your form as soon as possible or by February 14, 2024.

If you have questions, please contact the Parish Office at 586-977-8080.



JANUARY 21, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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—7:45pm

Tuesday

2:00pm-7:45pm

Saturday

3:00pm-5:00pm

Sunday

10:00am—12:30pm

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Monday, January 22, 2024

10:00am SVdP Mtg.

1:00pm Intercessory Prayer (Zoom)

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

10:00am Bible Study 5:30pm Confessions 6:00pm Rosary 7:00pm Mass

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

8:00am Mass

9:30am Needlecrafters 6:00pm Needlecrafters

6:30pm Cantor/Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Lectio Divina (Zoom)

Thursday, January 25, 2024

8:00am Mass

9:00am Swiffers Team #4

10:30am Book Club

Friday, January 26, 2024

Parish Office Closed/No Events

Saturday, January 27, 2024

3:00pm K of C Rosary

3:45pm Blood Pressure Screenings

4:00pm Mass

4:45pm Divine Mercy Prayers

Sunday, January 28, 2024

8:00am Red Cross Blood Drive

9:00am Mass

9:45am Blood Pressure Screenings

11:30am Mass



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Worship Ministry Weekend

This weekend the Worship Ministries are represented at a table in the Gathering

Space. You are invited to stop by to learn more about the various worship ministries and consider joining one! I will be there to answer questions along with parishioners who can share their personal experience of Worship Ministry and help you to discern where God may be calling you.

By our baptism, we are called to be Jesus in the world, to serve God and neighbor. Serving our neighbor through parish ministry is a wonderful way to grow deeper into relationship with God. A vibrant parish is possible with an engaged group of disciples. Each of us is called to serve our parish in some way and each of the ministries in our parish provide different opportunities to serve. Worship Ministries include Altar Server, Art and Environment, Baptism Hospitality, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Funeral Hospitality, Launderers, Lector, Sacristan, Universal Prayer Authors, and Ushers.

Stop at the table to learn more about the many aspects of Worship Ministry and where God may be calling you. If you aren't ready to commit and would like to think about the Worship Ministries, stop and pick up a pamphlet that describes each ministry in more detail. You are invited to call or email me at any time about these ministries; the best time to begin ministry is whenever you are ready! All are welcome!

Word of God Sunday

Today we celebrate the Sunday of the Word of God, instituted in 2019 by Pope Francis.

In his letter establishing this celebration, Pope Francis shares, "It is fitting, then, that the life of our people be constantly marked by this decisive relationship with the living word that the Lord never tires of speaking to his Bride, that she may grow in love and faithful witness" (Aperuit illis, 2). Every story told in the Scriptures, even the most challenging, reminds us that God loves his people and will always be faithful to the covenant he has made with us. God sent us his Son, the Word Incarnate, not only to speak these words of faithful love, but also to show us the depths of faithful love by dying on the cross and rising from the dead. Every word of Scripture points to this message of love enacted in the person of Jesus Christ, who is the Word himself (Fr. Brian Meldrum 2020).

In honor of today's celebration, we thank the lectors who proclaim the Word of God and the priests and deacons who preach it. To read more about this celebration, go to

https://www.usccb.org/committees/divine-worship/sunday-word-god

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Blood Drive

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church

redcrossblood.org and enter in sponsor code: stjane

Sunday, January 28, 2024 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



EUCHRE NIGHT: Happy Valentine's Day

WHEN: Saturday, February 3rd, from 5:00pm until about 10:00pm. **WHERE:** In the Fr. Page Activity Center.

WHO: Whether you are a pro or a beginner join us for a fun night of Euchre! **WHAT:** We'll be playing Euchre and having a fun evening together! The games will be played using rotating partners.

HOW: Sign-up in the Parish Office. The cost is \$15.00 per player and covers the cost of dinner, snacks, dessert, beverages and prizes. We ask that the \$15.00 please be paid by the cut-off date of Monday, January 29th. (No refunds for cancellations received after January 29th.)

Questions: Contact Linda Smith at Lsmith@sjfparish.org or 586-977-8080, ext. 101.



Blood Pressure Screenings next weekend January 27th & 28th

You can fight high blood pressure

While heart disease is still the No. 1 killer in the United States and around the world, death rates have decreased significantly. You can reclaim

your health today for a better tomorrow. Earlier and better treatment of high blood pressure has played a key role in that decrease (heart.org).

You can get your blood pressure checked next weekend on Saturday, January 27th (4:45pm-5:00pm) and on Sunday, January 28th (9:45am-12:30pm) in Room K.

SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF

January 21, 2024

Sunday

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

Monday

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday

Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

Friday

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28



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Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men

MARK 1:17

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2024 ANNIVERSARY MASS

If you and your spouse are celebrating a wedding anniversary this year of 1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or over 50 years, or a significant year in your own marriage, you are invited to our annual Parish Anniversary Mass on **Saturday, February 10, 2024 at the 4:00pm Mass.**

As is our tradition, we would like to recognize all those celebrating anniversaries in the bulletin. If you would like to be recognized in the bulletin, please call the Parish Office at 586-977-8080 by Thursday, February 1, 2024, with the first and last names of the couple, and the number of years you have been married. We are looking forward to celebrating with you!

Guide me by your fidelity and teach me

PSALM 25:5



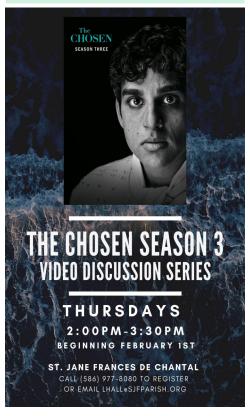
Mass with Distribution of Ashes 8:00am

Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes 12:15pm,4:00pm, & 6:000pm



Knights of Columbus Rosary Program Saturday, January 27th

The St. Jane Frances de Chantal Council of the Knights of Columbus invite all council and parish members to a monthly rosary. On the last Saturday of each month, members of the Knights of Columbus will lead a rosary at 3:00pm in the chapel, before Saturday Mass. The Program encourages devotion to Mary and emphasizes the importance of prayer in community and as a family. Rosary prayer guides will be available.



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Lauren Patterson, Air Force
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PRAYER LIST

Fr. Stephen Burr
MaryAnn DeDonatis
Rosanna Formaro
Rene Juridico
Hosie King
Robert Kraft
Douglas Marceau

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

PARISH NEWS

Parish News keeps our parishioners up-to-date with regular updates from our parish. Any parishioner with an email address can sign up for Parish News.

All news will be delivered to your email inbox.

Sign up at sjfparish.org/news.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 22, 2024

No Mass

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

7:00pm For the PArishioners

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

8:00am Residents of Oakmont (Nancy Volpe)

Thursday, January 25, 2024

8:00am For the Parishioners

Friday, January 26, 2024 No Mass

Saturday, January 27, 2024

4:00pm Dec. Shirley Faszewski (Graziano Family)

Sunday, January 28, 2024

9:00am For the Parishioners

Dec. Sr. Mary Paulette CSSF (Bob & Joyce Youngert)

Dec. Julius D'Ambrosio (Family) Liv. Kathy Miller (Karen Graziano)

11:30am Dec. Jack Campo (Caradonna Family)

Dec. Maria & Damiano Campo (Caradonna Family)
Dec. Vincent & Bridget Caradonna (Caradonna Family)

Dec. Lorraine Weglarz (Dorothy Weglarz)
Dec. David Weglarz (Dorothy Weglarz)
Dec. Presentacion Tan (Perez Family)

The community of **St. Jane Frances de Chantal**

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Elizabeth Anne Ewing

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Cherished step-father, grandfather & great-grandfather

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.

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Would you like to join the St. Jane Frances de Chantal parish family? Become a parishioner!
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