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### Come to the table, it is the Lord who invites.

This weekend the children from our Faith Formation program who have been preparing to receive the Eucharist will do so at the 11:30am mass. The Lord has

invited them to begin coming to His table, to be fed and to be nourished with His body and blood.

Throughout our lives, there are a few days or events that we remember. One such day that seems to be forever etched on our mind is our First Communion Day. We remember the weather, the clothes we wore, the people who were there, the party afterward and the list goes on.

The point I am trying to make, is that our First Communion Day was memorable, and we relive those memories every time we celebrate at the Eucharistic table. Whether we are aware of it or not, our First Communion Day replays itself in our mind every time we come to the Eucharistic liturgy.

On behalf of the community of St. Jane Frances de Chantal, I would like to congratulate and to extend to you our best wishes as you come to the Lord's table for the first time. It is a very important day for you and for the Church. The Lord invited you and you responded to His invitation.

I would like to thank the parents of our first communicans for providing for them an example of living out our Catholic faith. Parents are the first and most important teachers of the faith. Children see and follow your example.

I would also like to thank the catechists for preparing our children for this day. You have shared your lived faith with them, and I thank you for being involved in this ministry. It is an important ministry. As we go forward as a community of faith, may we be fed by God's word and the Eucharist to model for all those we meet on our journey what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "there is no surer pledge or clearer sign of this great hope in the new heavens and the new earth 'in which righteousness dwells,' than the Eucharist. Every time his mystery is celebrated, 'the work of our redemption is carried on' and we break one bread that provides the medicine of immortality, the antidote for death, and the food that makes us live forever in Jesus Christ" CCC 1405.

Bon mot: There is a difference between the food of the body and that of the soul, that whereas the former is changed into our substance, the latter changes us into its own.

--Leo XIII, Mira Caritiatis, May 28, 1902

Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony

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### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

<b>Weekend Masses</b> Saturday Sunday	4:00pm 9:00am & 11:30am
<b>Weekday Masses</b> Tuesday Wednesday & Thu	7:00pm rsday 8:00am
Holy Day Masses	As Announced
<b>Confession</b> Tuesday	5:30pm
<b>Rosary</b> 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, April 22, 2024 10:00am SVdP Mtg. 1:00pm Intercessory Prayer (Zoom)

### Tuesday, April 23, 2024

9:15am	Walking Club (off-site)
10:00am	Bible Study
5:30pm	Confessions
6:00pm	Rosary
7:00pm	Mass

### Wednesday, April 24, 2024

8:00am Mass 9:30am Needlecrafters 6:00pm Needlecrafters 6:30pm Cantor/Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Lectio Divina (Zoom)

### Thursday, April 25, 2024

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

Friday, April 26, 2024 Office Closed/No Events

### Saturday, April 27, 2024

3:00pm	K of C Rosary
3:45pm	Blood Pressure Screenings
4:00pm	Mass
4:45pm	Divine Mercy Prayers
5:00pm	Euchre Night

### Sunday, April 28, 2024

9:00am Mass 9:45am Blood Pressure Screenings 10:00am Grief Support Group 11:30am Mass



Laurie Hall Pastoral Associate LHall@sjfparish.org Ext. 104 This week, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, we celebrate Earth Day. As Catholics, we have a particular responsibility to care for all of God's creation. "We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day

slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored" (USCCB).

Care for our Common Home is the seventh theme of Catholic Social Teaching. In 2015, Pope Francis wrote Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home to address all people of the planet on how we are to care for the planet in order to preserve it for the common good. "The title is taken from the first line of the encyclical, "Laudato si', mi Signore," or "Praise be to you, my Lord." In the words of this beautiful canticle, Saint Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. The encyclical is divided into six chapters which together provide a thorough analysis of human life and its three intertwined relationships: with God, with our neighbor, and with the earth" (USCCB).

On October 4, 2023, Pope Francis released an Apostolic Exhortation, Laudate Deum, addressed to "All People of Good Will On The Climate Crisis." In this exhortation, Pope Francis states "I have realized that our responses have not been adequate, while the world in which we live is collapsing and may be nearing the breaking point (Paragraph 2)." This Earth Day would be a good time to read this 2023 Apostolic Exhortation and renew our efforts to work for change, including to pray for God's creation, and to take action to both reduce our individual actions that contribute to environmental concerns and to seek to understand how we can affect change in our local community. For more information on Laudato si', go to:<u>https://www.usccb.org/offices/general-secretariat/laudato-si-care-our-common-home</u>. To read Laudate Deum, go to: "Laudate Deum": Apostolic Exhortation to all people of good will on the climate crisis (4 October 2023) | Francis (vatican.va)

### **Care for God's Creation**

Father of all, Creator and ruler of the universe, You entrusted your world to us as a gift. Help us to care for it and all people, that we may live in right relationshipwith You. with ourselves, with one another, and with creation. Christ our Lord, both divine and human, You lived among us and died for our sins. Help us to imitate your love for the human family by recognizing that we are all connectedto our brothers and sisters around the world, to those in poverty impacted by environmental devastation, and to future generations. Holy Spirit, giver of wisdom and love, You breathe life in us and guide us. Help us to live according to your vision, stirring to action the hearts of allindividuals and families, communities of faith, and civil and political leaders. Triune God, help us to hear the cry of those in poverty, and the cry of the earth, so that we may together care for our common home. Amen.

This prayer from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is based on Pope Francis' Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home.

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#### EUCHRE NIGHT: Cinco de Mayo!

WHEN: Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 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 be paid before the night of the event. The cut off for signing up is Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. (No refunds for cancellations received after April 21<sup>st</sup>) Questions: Contact Linda Smith at LSmith@sjfparish.org or



### SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF April 21, 2024

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

**Monday** Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday** Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8; Jn 12:44-50

**Thursday** 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

**Friday** Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

> "Come you that are blessed, inherit the Kingdom; For I was hungry and you gave me food?" Mt 25:34-35



P FOOD DONATION Thanks!

## Can you help us feed families in need?

Our Parish Food Pantry is running low on the following items:

- Canned meats (chicken, tuna, ham)
- Canned meals (SpaghettiOs, ravioli, chili)
- Canned vegetables
- Canned soup (Progresso style, not cream soup)

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Pasta noodles

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### OFFERTORY INFORMATION April 14, 2024

<b>Registered Families:</b>	1,365
Weekly Envelopes:	225
Amount Offered:	\$8,280.00
Loose Offering:	\$809.00
<b>Online Contributors:</b>	96
<b>Online Contributions</b>	\$4,183.00
Total Offerings:	\$13,272.00
<b>Budgeted Offertory:</b>	\$11,786.00
Difference:	\$1,486.00

### THE STONE THE BUILDERS REJECTED HAS BECOME **THE CORNERSTONE**

Psalm 118:22



Knights of the Month March Daniel Downey Family: Ray & Julie Sroka



### ATTENTION SENIORS MAY 2, 2024 "THURSDAYS AT THE MUSEUM"

The Detroit Institute of Arts is offering a FREE program for adults 55 and older

The DIA is once again offering groups of people from Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties FREE admission and bus FREE transportation to the DIA. Also, we will receive a coupon for a free cup of regular coffee, decaf coffee, or tea to be redeemed in Café DIA.

If you are interested in joining us on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, please sign up in the parish office by April 28<sup>th</sup>. The itinerary will be as follows:

- 12:00pm— Bus pick up from St. Jane Frances parking lot (please plan on being on the bus by 11:50am)
- 1:00pm—2:00pm Highlights tour
- 2:00pm—3:00pm Self guided tour
- 3:00pm—Bus departs for St. Jane Frances

We will be taking 25 to 35 people, so sign up early!! Any questions contact Linda Smith at 586-977-8080, ext. 101 or Lsmith@sjfparish.org. (If after you have signed up you find out that you cannot attend, please contact the church office so someone else can take your place. This includes notifying the church even on the day of the event.)

### WALKING CLUB

Want to join others for leisurely walks through a beautiful park? If so, come along and join fellow walkers every Tuesday morning at the Joseph J. Delia Jr. Park (located on the North side of 18 Mile Rd between Ryan Rd and Dequindre Rd). Starting April 23<sup>rd</sup>, please plan to meet at 9:15am with the walks beginning at 9:30am. We will be meeting in the first parking lot as you enter the park. Please bring bug spray, sunscreen, water, or anything else you will need. It is a great opportunity to meet new people while enjoying the beautiful outdoors. St. Jane Frances Walking Club



LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE	
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	Tuesday Apr. 23, 2024	Wednesday Apr. 24, 2024	Thursday Apr. 25, 2024	Saturday Apr. 27, 2024	Sunday Apr. 28, 2024	
	7:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	8:00am Mass	4:00pm Mass	9:00am Mass	11:30am Mass
Sacristan	Brian Finn	John Martin	John Martin	Lee Sutton	Mary Kay Storen	Jeannemarie Trotta
Lector	Barbara Sadecki	Kathy Pawlik	Jan Machusak	Karen Pawlik Patricia Sutton	John Martin Jan Machusak	Ronald Mobley Annette Mobley
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# Congratulations to our JWJ Catholic Academy 2024 Timothy Award Recipients

In recognition of contributions in teen leadership, service and commitment to their parish, school, family, or civic community on behalf of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

# e look April 13, 2024

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. -1TIM 4:12





Isabelle Gonzales



Kimberly Storen





Dennis Surhigh



**Owen Brink** 



Sienna Roberts

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST

Robert Bain, Army Nicholas Brosowski, Army Chris Burley, Navy Shaun Chaplin, Air Force Gregory Hjelle, Army Louis B. Kasper III, Coast Guard Carmen LaForest, Navy Matthew McDowell, Air Force Lauren Patterson, Air Force Cassidy Kicinski Rose, Air Force Kyle Wiegand, Army

### **PRAYER LIST**

Ruth Fagen Rosanna Formaro Justine Gonzalez Anna Lage Marilyn Luberti Renato Mangabat Beth Mina Douglas Marceau Karen Navalta Irene Ruger Dolores Trombley Ray Warner

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.



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### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 22, 2024

No Mass

Tuesday, April 23, 20247:00pmDec. Robert Gabel (Family)

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

8:00am Dec. Oscar & Mary Duyck (John & Diane Martin) Dec. James Haralson (Nancy Haralson)

Thursday, April 25, 20247:00pmFor the Parishioners

Friday, April 26, 2024

No Mass

### Saturday, April 27, 2024

4:00pm Dec. Herbert Bremerkamp-Bday Rembr. (Family) Dec. Tom Chase (Pat Grenke) Dec. Robert Gabel (Family) Dec. Anita Acot (Carlo & Fredda) Dec. Leocadia Krencicki (Paul) Liv. Stephen Beresh Sr. (Paul)

### Sunday, April 28, 2024

9:00am Dec. Agatha & Edward Smak (Family) Dec. Christine & Jerry Ficek (Family) Liv. Rene Juridico (Juridico Family) Dec. James Haralson (Nancy Haralson) Dec. Msgr. John Vargas (Family) Dec. Perpetua R. DeJesus (Family)

11:30amDec. Jack Campo (Caradonna Family)<br/>Dec. Maria & Damiano Campo (Caradonna Family)<br/>Dec. Vincent & Bridget Caradonna (Caradonna Family)<br/>For the Parishioners

# With Deepest Sympathy

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

### Hedy Jaracz

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.

### 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**. 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.

### 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!



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### ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL FIRST SUNDAY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

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