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#### **Easter Season**

I hope and pray that everyone is staying well. I remember all of you in my prayers and daily Mass. May we be thankful that we are able to gather in Church to celebrate

Easter joy and come together as a faith community. That is what church is all about, coming together to celebrate as a parish family and lifting each other up in prayer. May we remember in our prayers those who are sick that the Risen Lord may be present to them.

As we are in the midst of and celebrating this Eastertide, I would like to share with you a prayer that is attributed to Saint Oscar Arnulfo Romero, but pronounced for the first time by Cardinal John Dearden.

This prayer reminds us that God has a plan for each one of us and we are invited to participate in that plan. God is greater than we can ever imagine. As we bring to closure the Easter season let us be open to God's plan for us. It is not important that we understand His plan. What is important is that we surrender ourselves to His plan.

Every now and then it helps us to take a step back and to see from a distance. The Kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is also beyond our vision.

In our lives, we manage only to achieve a small part of the marvelous plan that is God's work. Nothing that we do is complete, which is to say that the Kingdom is greater than ourselves. No statement says everything that can be said. No prayer completely expresses the faith. No creed brings perfection. No pastoral visit solves every problem. No programs fully accomplish the mission of the Church. No goal or purpose ever reaches completion.

This is what it is about. We plant seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that others will watch over them. We lay the foundation of something that will develop. We add the yeast which will multiply the possibilities. We cannot do everything yet it is liberating to begin. This gives us strength to do something and do it well. It may remain incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way. It is an opportunity for the grace of God to enter and to do the rest. It may be that we will never see its completion, but that is the difference between the master and the laborer.

We are laborers, not master builders, servants, not the Messiah. We are prophets of a future that does not belong to us.

Taken from: Disciples Together on the Road, Words of Pope Francis for Priests.2016, Liberia Editrice Vaticana

#### Bon mot: What God is to the world, parents are to their children.

---Philo

Have a great week. See you soon.

Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony



SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

## **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 8, 2024 10:00am SVdP Mtg. 1:00pm Intercessory Prayers (Zoom)

Tuesday, April 9, 202410:00amBible Study1:00pmAdoration5:30pmConfessions6:00pmRosary7:00pmMass

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 8:00am Mass 9:30am Needlecrafters 6:00pm Needlecrafters 6:30pm Cantor/Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Lectio Divina (Zoom)

Thursday, April 11, 20248:00amMass9:00amSwiffers Team #310:30amBook Club6:00pmK of C Officer's Meeting6:30pmK of C General Meeting

Friday, April 12, 2024 Office Closed/No Events

Saturday, April 13, 2024 4:00pm Mass

#### Sunday, April 14, 2024

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9:00am Mass 9:45am Heavenly Delights 10:00am Grief Support Group 11:30am Mass 1:00pm 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Workshop



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This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy, a feast day added to the liturgical calendar by St. John Paul II to celebrate the overwhelming mercy of Jesus Christ. Parishioners will lead the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Chapel, immediately following the Saturday 4:00pm & Sunday 9:00am Masses. All are invited to join in this powerful prayer.

Parishioners also gather to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Chapel on the last Saturday of each month, following the 4:00pm Mass. This month the prayers will be recited on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. This is a regular devotional event that is always open to anyone who wishes to join in.



## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH RECITATION OF DIVINE PRAISES

Come spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament! Please join us in the chapel on **Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> anytime from 1:00pm until 6:30pm** for Eucharistic Adoration, ending with recitation of the Divine Praises at 6:30pm.

# With great power the apostles bore witness

## 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.

Acts 4:33

## St. Jane Frances Walking Club



APRIL 7, 2024



#### **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  $21^{st}$ . (No refunds for cancellations received after April  $21^{st}$ )

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



#### HEAVENLY DELIGHTS

Join us once again on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, after the 9:00am Mass for coffee, bagels, donuts, juice, and tea! This is a great time to build community and form new friendships! There is no cost, but a free will offering is accepted. We hope you can join us!

#### ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

SUNDAYS APRIL 7th thru MAY 5th Lu:DOAM-11:15AM **Description Description D** 

#### **Grief Support Group Returns**

The St. Jane Frances de Chantal Grief Support Group will return for a five-week session on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in room B of the parish offices. Registration is not necessary. You can contact Barb Mezzapelle at (586)350-0335 with any questions.

## **SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF April 7, 2024

Sunday Sunday of Divine Mercy Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Monday Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36

**Friday** Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

**Saturday** Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday Third Sunday of Easter Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48



## St. Leo's Soup Kitchen Volunteers Needed

The soup kitchen serves hot, nutritious lunches to low-income folks every Tuesday through Friday from 11:30am -12:30pm. Volunteers are needed from 9:00am–1:00pm, especially on Wednesdays. Located at 8642 Woodward Avenue in Detroit. Sign up to volunteer on their website:

Sign up to volunteer on their website: www.StLeoSoupKitchenDetroit.org or call 313-335-3261. Thank you for your support of this worthwhile cause.



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## ATTENTION SENIORS MAY 2, 2024

#### "THURSDAYS AT THE MUSEUM"

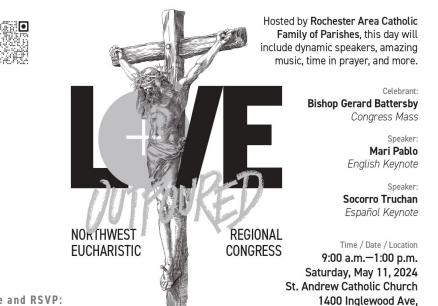
#### The Detroit Institute of Arts is offering a FREE program for adults 55 and older

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 21<sup>st</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.)



Rochester, MI 48307

APRIL 7, 2024

Learn more and RSVP: AOD.ORG/LOVE-OUTPOURED

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

	Tuesday Apr. 9, 2024	Wednesday Apr. 10, 2024	Thursday Apr. 11, 2024	Saturday Apr. 13, 2024	Sunday Apr. 14, 2024	
	7:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	8:00am Mass	4:00pm Mass	9:00am Mass	11:30am Mass
Sacristan	Brian Finn	John Martin	Cindy Guzi	Janet Sepanik	Karen Frontera	Dan Rys
Lector	Barbara Sadecki	Annette Mobley	Jan Machusak	Craig Smith Linda Smith	William Burr Janet Seefried	Barb Milczynski Matthew Pawl





Eucharist is the true body and blood of Christ for the nourishment of the soul.

Explaining the Catholic belief in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist can be done in a simple and age-appropriate manner.

1. **Start with basics:** Catholics believe that Jesus is truly present in a special way during the celebration of the Mass.

2. **Use Simple Language:** Break down the concept using simple language that others can understand. You can say something like, "Just like how Jesus was with his disciples long ago, we believe he is still with us today in a special way when we gather to pray."

3. **Bread and Wine:** During Mass, the priest takes bread and wine and asks God to bless them. We, as Catholics, believe something miraculous happens during this part of the Mass.

4. **Transformation:** Through the power of God, the bread and wine actually become the body and blood of Jesus. Even though it still looks like bread and wine, we believe that Jesus is truly there with us under the appearance of bread and wine.



## 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**

Kathy Bielinski Sharon Boekhout Robert Kraft Anna Lage Marilyn Luberti Gerri Maiuri Douglas Marceau Karen Navalta Stan Sobecki Larry St. Clair Bill Washington

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

Monday, April 8, 2024

No Mass

Tuesday, April 9, 20247:00pmAll Souls (Friends)

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 8:00am Dec. Hedy Jaracz (Bernadette Mikowski)

Thursday, April 11, 20247:00pmFor the Parishioners

Friday, April 12, 2024

No Mass

Saturday, April 13, 2024

4:00pm For the Parishioners Dec. Anthony Krull (Family) Dec. Ralph Beaufait (Robert & Frances Kraft) Dec. Herbert Dempz (Family) Dec. Isabelle McLaughlin (Family) Dec. Cecelia Dempz (Family) Dec. Ted Dempz (Family) Dec. Barbara Dempz (Family) Dec. Frank & Mary Skonieczny (Pat Mandziuk) Dec. Ramon Catarata (Rosario Catarata) Dec. Elisea Corpus (Rosario Catarata) All Souls in Purgatory (Rosario Catarata) Dec. Mbrs. & Friends of the Corpus/Catarata Families Dec. Joseph Camilletti (Cathy)

#### Sunday, April 14, 2024

**9:00am** Liv. Rene Juridico (Juridico Family)

**11:30am**Dec. Remo Benvenuti (Paul & Joann Lademan)Liv. Mario E. Cecchini-Bday Blessing (Parents & Siblings)

#### **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.

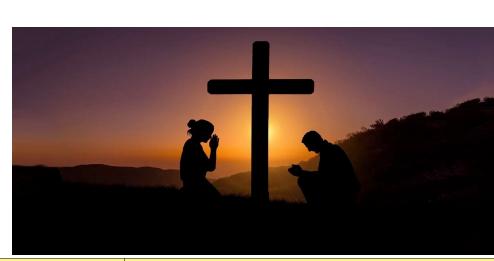
Sign up at **sjfparish.org/news**.

**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.

#### **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!



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

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