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Ordinations

I'm happy to share these words of announcement and invitation as the Church of Detroit celebrates with great joy.

"With praise and thanksgiving to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the Archdiocese of Detroit joyfully announces the Ordination to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ of these chosen men through the laying of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Allen Vigneron."

The Archbishop, Allen Vigneron, will ordain four priests to serve within the Archdiocese of Detroit. These men will serve as associate pastors in parishes within the Archdiocese. I ask that you remember these newly ordained priests in your prayers as they begin their ministry as priests to the people of God.

I would ask us to also remember to pray that others may respond to the Lord's call in service to the church. As I reflect upon my thirty-seven years as a priest, I recall the many people I've encountered, been invited to share in their lives, in the celebratory times of their lives as well as the challenging times of their lives. These are indeed blessed moments.

Throughout the past thirty-seven years of my ministry as a priest, the church and society has changed. However, the one thing that has not changed is that God continues to call each of us to a particular vocation in our life. A vocation that calls forth our gifts and talents to be used in service to the church and to and with each other.

As we prepare to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the birth of the Church, may we be open to receiving the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts and minds of your faithful people. Enkindle in us the fire of your love.

Bon mot: A good vocation is simply a firm and constant will whereby one is called to serve God in whatever manner and place Almighty God beckons them."

-St. Francis de Sales

Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony

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

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Monday, May 22, 2023

10:00am SVdP Meeting

1:00pm Intercessory Prayer (Zoom)

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

10:00am Bible Study

2:00pm Eden Club Spring Mtg.

5:30pm Confessions

6:00pm Rosary 7:00pm Mass

7:30pm Austria/Czech Pilgrim. Mtg.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

8:00pm Mass

9:30am Needlecrafters 6:00pm Needlecrafters 6:30pm Cantor Rehearsal 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Lectio Divina (Zoom)

Thursday, May 25, 2023

8:00am Mass

9:00am Swiffers team #3

Friday, May 26, 2023

No Events/Office Closed

Saturday, May 27, 2023

4:00pm Mass

4:45pm Divine Mercy Prayers

Sunday, May 28, 2023

9:00am Mass 11:30am Mass

ATTENTION!

The St. Jane Frances Food Pantry **basket** has been relocated from the gathering space. It is now located in the church near the altar and in front of Fr. Tony's chair. Your gifts may be brought up during the offertory at all Masses. Thank you for your generosity!



Laurie Hall Pastoral Associate LHall@sjfparish.org Ext. 104

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. The ascension of Jesus to heaven marks a new time in the lives of the disciples. Jesus had already showed them how to preach, teach, and

reach out to the sick, the poor, and the afflicted in his name. They had even gone out in pairs to do this. But now Jesus tells them to continue to minister in his name, without his presence, after he has been taken up to be with the Father. Jesus promises they will not be alone, that he will give them the Holy Spirit, who will guide them, empower them, and lead them in witnessing to Christ to the ends of the earth. Jesus has not left them orphans, nor does he leave us orphans. We are guided by the Holy Spirit as we witness to our faith in our families, our workplaces, and our communities.

The first disciples faced a very challenging task from the beginning. The people who had shouted for Jesus to be crucified and those who stood idly by remained a factor. This was only a short time later. The Jewish and Roman authorities were still in power. So when Jesus told his disciples that "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you," he is not just speaking idly (Acts 1:8). He is reminding his disciples that a power greater than the power men have on earth would be theirs as they boldly proclaimed Christ to a hostile people.

The Holy Spirit is present to us, just as the Spirit was present to the first disciples. We can call on the power of the Holy Spirit when we face opposition to the witness we make in the world. How are we actively witnessing to our faith? Do we speak up when someone says or does something unchristian? Do we speak out against injustice, whether social, political, or economic? Do we support those who act in charity for those in need? Or are we just "standing there looking at the sky?" (Acts 1:11). Sometimes, like the disciples, we could also use a couple of God's messengers to remind us that our faith is an active faith.

On the day Jesus ascended to heaven to remain with his Father, he commanded his disciples to carry on his ministry, proclaiming the good news to the whole world. Now we are that whole world. Now we are those disciples. As you reflect on this Gospel and the importance of today's solemnity, spend some time thinking about what you can do today to actively witness to your faith. As you reflect and pray, ask Jesus to strengthen your resolve to spread the Gospel in our world today.

"The mission that Jesus entrusted to the Apostles has continued through the centuries, and continues still today; it requires the cooperation of all of us." – Pope Francis, May 13, 2018

Pentecost is the great feast that concludes the Easter Season, May 27th and 28th this year. The liturgical color of Pentecost is RED, representing the tongues of fire that descended upon the Apostles and also representing the blood of the martyrs. In keeping with the spirit of Pentecost, on the weekend of May 27th and 28th, you may want to wear red. If you don't have anything red to wear, you could carry a pot of red geraniums. We are returning this year to our tradition of asking parishioners to bring pots of RED geraniums to Mass to decorate the sanctuary. We will later plant the flowers around the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the courtyard for all to enjoy!

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth!

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Want to join others for non-competitive bike ride once a week? Come along on our summer rides. This year the Bike Club will be meeting twice a month on Wednesday or Thursday at 6:15pm with our rides beginning at 6:30pm. We will be meeting in the Onyx Ice Arena parking lot located at 24 Mile Rd. and Dequindre. From there we will either ride the Macomb Orchard Trail or the Clinton River Trail. You don't need to register but you must wear a helmet! Please bring bug spray, sunscreen, water, or anything else you will need.

The dates for the rides are: Thursday May 18th, Wednesday June 7th, Thursday June 22nd, Wednesday July 5th, Thursday July 20th, Wednesday August 2nd, Thursday August 17th.

Liability – At no time does St. Jane Frances de Chantal, the Archdiocese of Detroit, employees or volunteers assume liability for any event that may occur during these workouts. The members participate of their own free will understanding that any exercise program has the inherent risk of injury. No one associated with this group is operating as a doctor or licensed medical practitioner. Members should consult with their doctor or other licensed care representative if they have any questions or concerns about participating in an exercise program.



EDEN CLUB

The Eden Club will be meeting on Tuesday, May 23rd at 2:00pm to discuss the Spring Clean Up and Planting tasks. Please join us if you want to learn more about the awesome work the Eden Club does to make our parish grounds beautiful.

The Eden Club will also be meeting on Friday June 2nd at 9:00am to clean up the garden beds and on June 10th at 9:00am to plant flowers. Contact Linda for more information at Lsmith@sjfparish.org or 586-977-8080, ext. 101.



HEAVENLY DELIGHTS



Join us once again for Heavenly Delights on Sunday, June 11th, after the 9:00am Mass. In addition to coffee, bagels, donuts, juice, and tea, we will also be recognizing National Flag Day which will be observed on June 14th. In recognition of Flag Day, each family will receive a patriotic craft item to build and take home. To show your patriotism, please consider wearing red, white and blue. There is no cost, but a free will offering is accepted. We hope you can join us!

SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF May 21, 2023

Sunday

Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

Monday

Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; In 16:29-33

Tuesday

Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday

Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a & 5, 7-8. 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and 7; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday

Pentecost Sunday

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b Or Ez 37:1-4 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 20, 30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

He was *lifted up* & a cloud *took him* from their sight

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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

OFFERTORY INFORMATION May 7, 2023

Registered Families: 1,365 Weekly Envelopes: 229

Amount Offered: \$7,907.00 Loose Offering: \$796.00

Online Contributors: 109

Online Contributions \$4,607.00

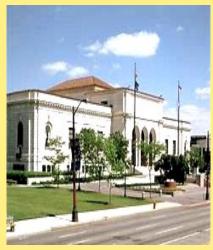
Total Offerings: \$13,310.00

Budgeted Offertory: \$11,786.00

Difference: \$1,524.00

Live in a manner worthy of the calling you have received

Ephesians 4:1



ATTENTION SENIORS JUNE 22nd "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 June 22nd, please sign up in the parish office by June 4th. 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

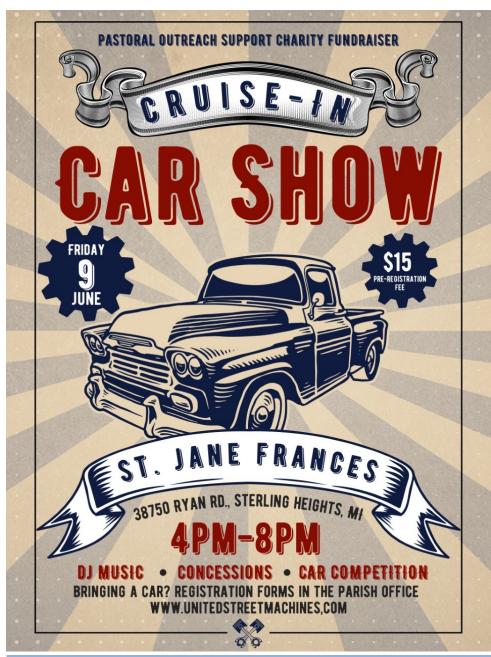


WORLD YOUTH DAY

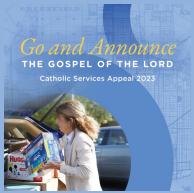
Please help fund our trip to World Youth Day 2023 to Lisbon, Portugal. Sponsor forms and Prayer Intention forms are available in the parish office. We are still collecting bottle & can returnables which can be left in the small bin next to the garage in the parking lot. You can visit JWJ.Catholic.Academy to learn more about this year's trip.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Saturday Sunday May 28, 2023 May 23, 2023 May 24, 2023 May 25, 2023 May 27, 2023 7:00pm Mass 8:00am Mass 8:00am Mass 4:00pm Mass 9:00am Mass 11:30am Mass Sacristan Brian Finn John Martin Judy Taylor Janet Sepanik James Torres Dan Rys Lector Chris Bajercius **Judy Taylor** Barb Milczynski Phil Mina Janice Machusak **Robert Skwara** James Torres Chris Bajercius Barb Milczynski

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"I am so grateful for the support of Walking With Moms In Need Ministry (WWMIN). They have given me and my beautiful babies so much help during this extremely stressful time in my life. WWMIN Ministry not only provided me with a tribe of angels to help love on my babies but also helped me restore my faith in humanity." - Katie is a mother of triplets who has been blessed by the Walking with Moms in Need Ministry in Rochester.



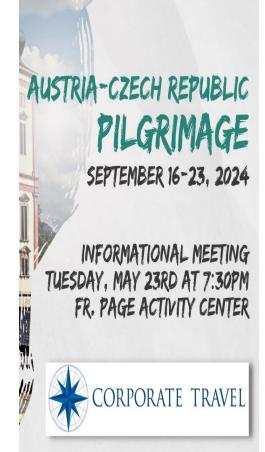
Your gift to the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) makes it possible for more than 170 ministries, services, and programs like Walking with Moms in Need to respond to the physical and spiritual needs of countless individuals and families in Southeast Michigan.

Help us announce the Gospel of the Lord by making a gift today at givecsa.org



TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!

St. Jane Frances Parish has tickets ordered for the Utica Unicorns vs. Westside Woolly Mammoths Baseball game at Jimmy John's Field (located at 7171 Auburn Rd, Utica, MI 48317) for Friday, July 14, 2023 at 7:05pm. Gates open at 6:00pm. There will be Fireworks after the game. The cost is \$15.00 per person on a first come first serve basis. If you are interested, please contact Charles Benvenuti at 586-216-0647 after 5:00pm.



ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST

Robert Bain, Army

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Steven Zurek, Navy

PRAYER LIST

Rachel Canavesio Rosetta Culbertson Richard Kaufmann Dennis Lichocki John Mazur-Baker Ken Milczynski Joyce Youngert

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, May 22, 2023 No Mass

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

7:00pm All Souls (Michelle Nguyen)

Dec. Rob Kaye (Mom)

Dec. Richard Maslowski (Pat & Dave)
Dec. Brian Oakes (Rita Oakes)
Dec. Richard Volpe (Rita Oakes)
Dec. Ermelinda Medado (Family)

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

8:00am Dec. Felecia Koss (Bill & Karen Navalta)

Dec. James Taylor (Judy Taylor)

Liv. Residents of Oakmont (Judy Taylor) Dec. Sandy Cotten (Diane & John Martin)

Thursday, May 25, 2023

8:00am Dec. Steve Sadecki (Barbara Sadecki)

Dec. Mary Zelasko (Barbara Sadecki) Dec. Dorothy Doherty (Barbara Sadecki)

Friday, May 26, 2023 No Mass

Saturday, May 27, 2023

4:00pm Dec. Guido & Anna Urbano (Richard & Barbara Urbano)

Dec. Sophie Novak-4th Anniv. (Putrycus Family)

Dec. Gerald Williams (Williams Family) Dec. Gabe Durante (Durante Family)

Dec. Joe & Maria Gronowski (Gronowski Family) Dec. Pauline Gronowski (Gronowski Family)

Dec. Jeffrey Krull (Family)

Dec. Ralph & Ruth Sullivan (Family)
Dec. Jack Taylor (Judy Taylor)

Dec. Marcy Drozdowicz (Ronald Droz)
Dec. Suzanne DeDonatis-Birthday (Family)

Dec. Ermelinda Medado (Family)

Sunday, May 28, 2023

9:00am For the Parishioners

Dec. Jerry Soldatek (Sylvia Soldatek) Liv. Theresa Taylor (Judy Taylor) Dec. Ermelinda Medado (Family)

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

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



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"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."

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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 sifparish.org/joinus. We would love to have you!

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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,

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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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