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Fratelli Tutti

This past October, on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Pope Francis signed and promulgated his latest encyclical Fratelli

tutti, (Brothers and Sisters all). I recall with great fondness the last time I visited Assisi was in 2018 with a group from St. Jane Frances de Chantal. We celebrated Mass in the church that St. Francis of Assisi built and later toured the town of Assisi. It was a most memorable trip.

I had the opportunity to read Pope Francis's latest encyclical and would invite and encourage you to use it for your reflection and meditation. It is very user friendly and easy to read. In reading the encyclical, the following insights are pertinent to our society, our world, and our spiritual wellbeing.

That we share in a common membership in the human family and that we are created in the image and likeness of God who is our Creator. Fratelli tutti reminds us that as members of the human family, we are called to be mindful that we are in fraternity with every human person.

The parable of the Good Samaritan is a reminder to each of us, that we are to care for those who are less fortunate than ourselves and that we are to be neighbors to those who are frail, suffering, and cannot care for themselves. We are invited to put into practice, the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Pope Francis uses the phrase, "the art of the encounter" to mean that God places people in our lives, and through that encounter with people, we can learn something from each other.

We are called to see our mission as not limited to our own surrounding, but rather to experience a wider vision of our world, a global vision. That what happens in other parts of the world, does indeed have an impact upon us, whether directly or indirectly.

The dignity of the human person has to be forefront in our mind and in our action. We can agree to disagree, yet respect each other for the person that we are and can become. I am reminded of the words of St. Francis of Assisi who said; "At all times preach the Gospel, sometimes use words." In other words, fraternity is to be encouraged not only in words, but in our actions towards each other.

You can Google Fratelli tutti to find the document. I hope you enjoy the read as much as I did.

It is that the Gospel has changed; it is that we have begun to understand it better.

--- St. Pope John XXIII

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

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, July 3, 2023 Office Closed/No Events

Tuesday, July 4, 2023. *Office Closed/No Events/No Mass*

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

8:00am Mass

9:30am Needlecrafters

9:45am Seniors

6:00pm Needlecrafters 6:15pm Bike Club (off-site)

Thursday, July 6, 2023

8:00am Mass

9:00am Swiffers team #1

Friday, July 7, 2023 Office Closed/No Events

Saturday, July 8, 2023

4:00pm Mass

Sunday, July 9, 2023 9:00am Mass

11:30am Mass





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As we celebrate Independence Day this week, I wish you all a happy Fourth of July!

A team of people from the parish created a video in 2021 on freedom. You can view it on our website at sifparish.org/thewayoffaith.

For those who are not internet users, here is the script of the video:

This year, Independence Day falls on a Sunday. As children of God, we see ourselves as both Christians and Americans. And we think of two different types of freedom: Catholic freedom and American freedom.

As children, we learned that Independence Day commemorates the signing of the Declaration of Independence. On July 4, 1776, we declared that the thirteen American colonies were a united, free, and independent union. We created national and state laws to provide the scaffolding to ensure that freedom.

A common perception of freedom is that it gives us the right to live however we want. But as creations of God, our freedom comes from Him, and not from any authority on earth.

As Catholic Christians, we were granted freedom when we were created by God in His image. He gave us dignity and free will, and Jesus taught us God's Great Commandment: to love God and neighbor. The freedom we experience as Christians is within the framework of the commandments—in embracing and living the virtues of faith, hope, and charity.

God's love for us is like a parent's love for a child. Children want the freedom to run around and explore their world. In love, a parent may provide that freedom by letting their child run around in a fenced-in yard. The child has boundaries but can still be free within them.

Children need freedom, but they also need guidance and protection to grow and mature. God gave us free will, but He also gave us intelligence and a conscience. He gave us the freedom to choose our own paths, but also the intelligence to choose to follow His guidance.

Our freedom as Americans was fought for and taken from the British monarchy. Our freedom as Catholics was given to us by God. Our freedom is a gift from God. How can we use that gift to build the Kingdom of God on earth?

In the words of Pope Francis, "There is no greater freedom than that of allowing oneself to be guided by the Holy Spirit, renouncing the attempt to plan and control everything to the last detail, and instead letting him enlighten, guide and direct us, leading us wherever he wills."

We find true freedom as children of God not in doing whatever we want, but in following the teachings of Jesus. We love God and neighbor and respect each person's human dignity. We understand that freedom cannot be freedom for one at the expense of freedom for all.

Are we Americans who were baptized Catholic, or are we Catholics who happen to live in America? And how does that change what freedom means to you?

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WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 JULY SUMMER SERIES-week 1 OUR GROUP

Our group will be traveling as a combination of pilgrims from 3 parishes: St. Lawrence, St. Jane Frances de Chantal, and St. Rene Goupil. Mike Novak is the youth minister at St. Jane Frances and St. Rene Goupil, this is his 7th World Youth Day. His son, Jack Novak, is the youth minister at St. Lawrence, this is his 2nd World Youth Day. We are traveling under the group name of Macomb Unido. For most other participants, this will be their first World Youth Day. Our trip is 18 days. We will be leaving July 23, 2023 and returning August 9, 2023. We will be visiting 3 capital cities: London, Madrid, and Portugal. We will be arriving in Portugal early in order to visit Fatima before the huge crowds assemble. July 26-31 is Days in the Diocese. August 1-6 is World Youth Day. Each July bulletin will explain different facets of our journey. We have 12 pilgrims associated with our group. We recently signed the Archdiocese of Detroit official World Youth Day cross and attended a game at Jimmy Johns field as a group.



WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT WYD CROSS LEFT TO RIGHT: Adrianna Lulgjuraj, Jenny Dibley, Mike Novak, Jack Novak, Sofia Mansour

AT JIMMY JOHNS FIELD LEFT TO RIGHT: Karen Graziano, Jenny Dibley, Westside Woolly Mammoths Mascot, Mike Novak, Jack Novak, Adrianna Lulgjuraj



SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF July 2, 2023

Sunday

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19;

Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

Monday

Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29

Tuesday

Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday

Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 8:28-34

Thursday

Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8

Friday

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30



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Registered Families: 1,365 198 **Weekly Envelopes: Amount Offered:** \$7,994.00 **Loose Offering:** \$1,052.00 **Online Contributors:** 100 **Online Contributions** \$3,348.00 **Total Offerings:** \$12,394.00 \$11,786.00 **Budgeted Offertory:** Difference: \$608.00





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). 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.



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 remining rides are: Wednesday July 5th, Thursday July 20th, Wednesday August 2nd, Thursday August 17th.



Great job Eden Club!

The grounds of St. Jane Frances de Chantal are looking great again this year, thanks to the crew of the St. Jane Frances Eden Club. We predict another Beautification Award from the city of Sterling Heights.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE						
	Tuesday July 4, 2023	Wednesday July 5, 2023	Thursday July 6, 2023	Saturday July 8, 2023	Sunday July 9, 2023	
	7:00pm No Mass	8:00am Mass	8:00am Mass	4:00pm Mass	9:00am Mass	11:30am Mass
Sacristan	No Mass	John Martin	Judy Taylor	James Torres	Selma & Paul Marzec	Dan Rys
Lector	No Mass	Annette Mobley	Cindy Guzi	Chris Darner Patricia Sutton	Eileen Clase Denise Dara	Annette Mobley Ronald Mobley

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YOU GOTTA HAVE ART!

On Thursdays at the Detroit Institute of Arts in Detroit, offers a special program of Senior Visits to adults 55 and older. The program was halted during the pandemic and it is now running again. A group of St. Jane Frances de Chantal seniors were treated to a free bus ride, a one hour guided tour by a DIA guide (docent), one hour of self-guided time, and free coffee or cookie.

It is a wonderful program and having a docent during that first hour was vey informative and shed some light on a few of the museums treasures. Thank you to Linda Smith for organizing the trips and keep an eye out in the bulletin for the next DIA trip.







St. Jane Frances de Chantal Council 13340 2023 College Scholarship Opportunity

The St. Jane Frances de Chantal Knights of Columbus Council is once again offering two \$1,000.00 scholarships. Applications and instructions are available in the Parish Office, on our website (sjfparish.org), or by contacting Gary Puchalski at gary.puchalski.gp@gmail.com.

Applications are due by August 6, 2023.



Each year, the Catholic Services Appeal provides us an occasion to celebrate the many ways our Church in Detroit responds to the material and spiritual needs of individuals and families within our community. No single parish could meet these many needs. Through the sharing of our gifts and our service, we can answer the charge given to us at the end of every Mass: "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord."

I am deeply grateful for the ways you have contributed to this work in the past. Would you prayerfully consider renewing your gift this year? Your generosity makes it possible for 170 ministries, services, and programs to love as Jesus loves and bring the indescribable joy found in Him to our communities.

-The Most Reverend Allen H. Vigneron

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Chris Burley, Navy

Shaun Chaplin, Air Force

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Steven Zurek, Navy

PRAYER LIST

Sue Carroll
Debbie Coomes
Judy Koelzer
Jim Ochenski
Stephen Painter
Teri Painter
Barb Wojtas

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, July 3, 2023

No Mass

Tuesday, July 4, 2023

No Mass

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

8:00am Dec. Bryan Rochester (Judy Taylor)

Wm Rothamel (Dolores Shomock)

Dec. Saniya Khan (Friend)

Thursday, July 6, 2023

8:00am For the Parishioners

Dec. Lassaro & Angela Gasperoni (Rasa Maiani)

Dec. Jun Balocating (Matt & Beth Mina) Dec. A. Antonio (Matt & Beth Mina)

Friday, July 7, 2023

No Mass

Saturday, July 8, 2023

4:00pm For the Parishioners

Dec. Harold Kraft (Robert & Frances Kraft)

Dec. Don Deiotte (Family)
Dec. Herbert Dempz (Family)
Dec. Isabelle McLaughlin (Family)
Dec. Fred Marcinkowski (Family)
Dec. Daniel Stec (Catherine Stec)

Sunday, July 9, 2023

9:00am Dec. Joan Knapp (Ray Knapp)

11:30am Dec. Antoni Adamczyk (Family)

Dec. Penny (Friend)
Dec. Roger Ewing (Family)
Dec. Cole Lewis (Linda Horvath)



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

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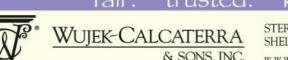
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