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Pastor  
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**FR. T'S TIDBITS: BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Today, the Church celebrates the Baptism of the Lord. For some it is the conclusion of the Christmas season depending on what part of the world you are in. For Poles and many European countries the end of the Christmas season is the Feast of Candlemas (or as many of us know it, the Presentation of the Lord).

The Church in her wisdom gives us this octave after Christmas to reflect upon all that has happened, namely, that Christ is born into the world. For some it may be easier to believe than for others. This octave of Christmas allows us to process and to meditate upon the fact the God sent his Son into the world to redeem us and that God loves us unconditionally and is very merciful.

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is a time for us to recall and renew our baptismal call—to serve the church and each other through the proclamation of the Word of God, and more importantly, living out our faith in our home, our family, our workplace, and community. Living out the Gospel calls us to internalize the Word of God we hear proclaimed to make it our own and share the Word with others. As we begin this New Year may we strive to live that proclaimed Word in our life. St. Francis of Assisi once said; “always proclaim the word of God, when necessary use words.”

I would like to thank everyone for the Christmas greetings and gifts. They were very much appreciated. Also, as you may know I am leading a pilgrimage to Poland from September 3-12, 2019. We will have an informational night for those who might be interested in going on the pilgrimage. The informational night will be Tuesday, January 22 at 7:30pm in the Fr. Page Activity Center.

Again, I wish all of you a joyous and awesome year. Take time each day to see God’s hand in your life and every night pause and give thanks to God for the blessings He has bestowed upon you.

Bon mot: When you cease to make a contribution, you begin to die.---Eleanor Roosevelt

Carpe Diem,  
Fr. Tony



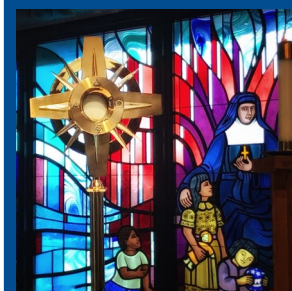
Do you remember the sound of bells chiming the call to worship? How about the bells tolling at the conclusion of the funeral Mass for a loved one? Wedding bells? I have fond memories of growing up at St. Louis in Mt. Clemens and the sweet sound of bells are always a part of those memories.

**Did you know that St. Jane Frances has Electronic Carillon Bells?**

These bells sound just like what we remember. They were recently rediscovered and we would like to get them working again. For less than \$3,000 total, we can repair the bells and begin to use them to toll Mass times, Funerals, Weddings, and other special events. The Worship Commission will be making plans to begin using the bells as soon as they are repaired.

We would like to manage the cost of refurbishing the bells by asking you, the parishioners, to donate to the Bell Fund. This would be a nice way to honor a loved one’s memory or to leave a lasting reminder of thanksgiving to God.

If you can contribute, please place your donation in an envelope marked “Bells.” You may drop it in the basket during Mass or bring it to the Parish Office. We are grateful for your support in bringing back this sacred tradition.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**MONDAY, JAN. 14<sup>th</sup>  
3:00pm - 7:00pm**

Join us for an afternoon of Eucharistic Adoration on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm - 7:00pm. If you can commit to an hour, please sign up in the Parish Office or drop Laurie an email to let her know what time you can come. We need two people at all times, so this allows for planning. That being said, **if you can’t commit ahead of time, just come spend time with the Lord as time permits.**

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>Weekend Masses</b>	
Saturday	4:00pm
Sunday	9:00am & 11:30am
<b>Weekday Masses</b>	
Tuesday	7:00pm
Wednesday, Thursday	8:00am
<b>Holy Day Masses</b>	As Announced

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:30am - 8:00pm  
(Closed from 12:00 to 1:15 for lunch)

**Friday: Closed**

**Saturday: 2:30pm - 5:00pm**

**Sunday: 10:00am - 12:30pm**

**MINISTRIES**

<b>Knights of Columbus #13340</b>	
Joe Nida	586-977-8080
<b>Parish Nurse Ministry</b>	
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<b>Seniors</b>	
Don Rogowski	586-977-8080
<b>Soup Kitchen</b>	
Steven Gadzinski	586-731-4091
<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	
Tom Harris	586-977-8080
<b>Ushers-Ministers of Hospitality</b>	
Charles Benvenuti	586-977-6606

**SACRAMENTS**

**CHILDREN'S BAPTISM**  
Do you have a child you would like to have baptized? We would be delighted to talk to you about your options! Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

**RECONCILIATION**  
Tuesday from 5:30pm-6:30pm (or by appt.)

**MARRIAGE**  
Congratulations! Please contact our Parish Office at least six months prior to your desired wedding date to make arrangements and start your preparations. Marriage guidelines are available at the Parish Office and should be read before your initial appointment. Participation in pre-marriage preparation will be arranged.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**  
Contact the Parish Office to schedule. Also available once a month during the Tuesday evening Mass.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**  
Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? We are thrilled to have you! Contact our Pastoral Associate/Worship Coordinator, Laurie Hall, to begin the process by calling the Parish Office. Welcome home!

**PARISH SACRAMENTAL POLICY**  
We ask that in order to have your child baptized here, or to be married here, you should be a registered parishioner or active in your previous parish. This means attending weekly Mass with your faith community, using your envelopes and taking part in parish activities.

**Visits to the Homebound for Communion / Anointing**  
Please call the Parish Office to schedule.

*This Week in Our Parish*

**MONDAY, JANUARY 14**  
1:30pm Intercessory Prayer Team  
3:00pm Eucharistic Adoration  
6:30pm Health Ministry Mtg.  
7:00pm ChristLife

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 15**  
5:30pm Confessions  
6:00pm Rosary  
6:00pm Confirmation Prep  
7:00pm Mass

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16**  
8:00am Mass  
9:30am Needle Crafters  
6:00pm Needle Crafters  
7:00pm Lectio Divina  
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 17**  
8:00am Mass  
1:15pm Swiffers, Team 3  
5:30pm K-6 Faith Formation  
7:00pm Parish Leadership Mtg.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 18** *Parish Office Closed*

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 19**  
*DENIS Connection Sign Up | K of C Recruitment*  
3:30pm Blood Pressure Screening  
4:00pm Mass

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 20**  
*DENIS Connection Sign Up | K of C Recruitment*  
8:30am Blood Pressure Screening  
9:00am Mass  
9:00am RCIA  
10:00am K of C Pancake Breakfast  
11:00am Grief Ministry  
11:30am Mass w/ CLW  
1:00pm Baptism  
6:00pm High School Youth Ministry

**FIND US ONLINE!**

Visit the parish website to stay up to date on what is happening, to sign up to our parish news blasts, & to view the bulletin online!

[sjfparish.org](http://sjfparish.org)

Stay connected through social media! Find us on Facebook at @sjfparish and on Instagram at @stjanefrancesparish.

**NEW TO THE PARISH?**

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE ST. JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL FAMILY? BECOME A REGISTERED PARISHIONER!**  
You may register at the Parish Office at anytime after Mass on the weekend or during regular office hours. Please call 586-977-8080 if you have any questions. We look forward to having you here!

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**  
"Nourished by God's Word and the Eucharist, St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish is a welcoming Catholic community dedicated to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ."





Laurie Hall  
Pastoral Associate  
& Worship Coord.  
Ext. 104

This Christmas season ends with a beginning — we celebrate Jesus’ baptism and initiation into his ministry.

Today’s celebration of the Baptism of the Lord gives us much to contemplate. My first thought is that we can celebrate the reality that our baptism links us to Jesus and to all who have gone before us in faith. Jesus was baptized just like we were – we have a shared experience and, indeed, a shared identity. Our baptismal certificate is a bit like an identification card - it tells us to whom we belong and to what we are called. Have you looked at your baptismal certificate? Do you know the date of your baptism? Have you celebrated that date?

We can also contemplate Jesus’s response to his baptism. Saint Luke’s account of Jesus’ baptism reminds us that the ceremony is just a short moment in time, the meaning of which is determined by how we live it out. Baptism was the beginning of Jesus’ mission, just as our baptism is the beginning of our mission. If we were baptized as an infant, it takes some time to grow into and discern our mission as members of God’s community. For most of us, that mission continues to unfold throughout our lives, and we, like Jesus, must pray and listen to the Scriptures. How does baptism affect the way I live my life? Do I recognize that I am empowered to be an instrument of peace and justice to all I meet and to invite others to join me?

Which brings me to my last point – after he was baptized, Jesus was praying. There is a subtle difference between Saint Luke’s account of Jesus’ baptism and the accounts of the other three evangelists. Luke says that after Jesus was baptized by John and before the Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove, Jesus took the time to pray. From the beginning of his ministry to his death on the cross, Jesus communicated to his Father through prayer. Jesus taught his disciples to address his Father through prayer. Prayer is an essential part of Christian life, even for Jesus himself. Do I pray regularly? Does prayer help guide me?

There is a lot to think and pray about this week. Here is a short prayer you can use to get started:

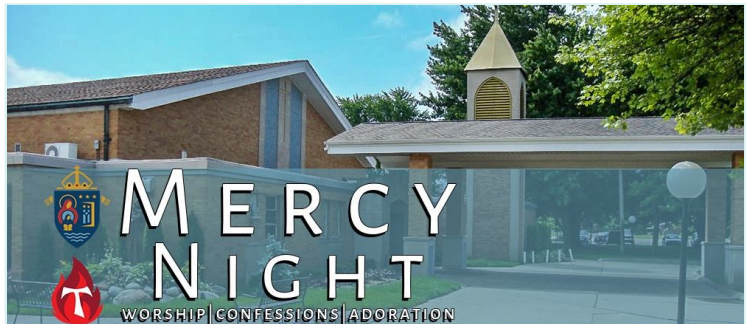
*Gracious God, at his baptism, you called Jesus to be a new, living sign of your justice and peace. Give us the courage to live our own baptismal call and to evangelize others to join us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son. Amen.*



## WHAT GOES UP, MUST COME DOWN Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup> following 11:30am Mass

The Christmas Season ends with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, today, January 13<sup>th</sup>. So, we will be taking down our decorations following the 11:30am Mass.

If you have an hour or two to help “undecorate”, please join us as we prepare the worship space for our short period of Ordinary time before Lent begins on March 6<sup>th</sup>. This is a good time to take home a poinsettia too!



**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> | 7:00pm - 9:00pm**  
**St. Thecla, Clinton Township**

Come experience a Mercy Night of Worship, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, and Healing Prayer all focused on the theme of God’s infinite and amazing Mercy & Love. Similar to the “Come Encounter Christ” nights, which helped launch Synod 16, a Mercy Night will help usher a cultural change into your life.

During Adoration there also will be a special talk and meditation on Mercy by one of the Friars. Priests will be present to hear confessions. The night will begin at 7:00pm and officially end at 9:00pm, but the Friars are prepared to stay until all confessions have been heard and all those desiring prayer have received it.



**DEBBIE MAZUR**  
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*Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. **Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!***  
 2 Corinthians 9:13-15

Your parish's generous support of the work we are doing and its gracious and appreciated gift of hand-knitted hats and gloves makes it possible for us to continue to bless those who are struggling at this time of year. As I sit down to express my thanks for what donors like you have made possible this past year, I feel unable to express the extent of my gratitude.

Almost every day, I meet people who at some point came through our doors for help, whether it was to ask for shelter, substance abuse treatment, food, help getting resettled in the community after leaving prison, or signing their children up for summer camp or our after school recreation program.

For some of them, we were their last choice and for others, we were their last hope. But now, many of them are in a position to bless others—and they do! They were helped by a chain of people who didn't know each other but who were motivated by God's love and grace. Having been helped, they are now turning to help others around them.

How can I express my gratitude for the part donors like you have played in making that possible? I find I really can't say enough to thank you. I am just amazed that it is a mystery that started because of the love of God Himself.

May God bless you during this time when Christians the world over celebrate the wonderful introduction of Christ into our world as the greatest gift of all.

Sincerely,  
 Dr. Chad Audi  
 President

## GRIEF MINISTRY

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Health Advocacy Ministry is pleased to announce that we will repeat our well received, peer led bereavement support group for 6 consecutive Sundays, beginning this weekend on January 13, 2019 from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

The program is designed to offer support to men and women in our Christian community who may be suffering from a death of a loved one. It is for those who have a need to share their experience of heartache, and would like to walk alongside each other on the path to healing. Offering a safe haven to cry, to laugh, to mourn or to heal. We use a PowerPoint presentation and round table discussion on the 5 stages of grief and ways to cope using prayer and conversation.

Please consider sharing this information with families and friends you know who may be suffering from grief and may like to join us in this 6-week group support program.

For more information, please contact Barb at (586) 264-0845 or the parish office at 586-977-8080.

## KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST JANUARY 20, 2019

Come and join the Knights of Columbus for a delicious pancake breakfast on January 20, 2019 following the 9:00am Mass. It is a free will donation. Enjoy breakfast with your friends and family while helping the Knights help others!

# Thank You!

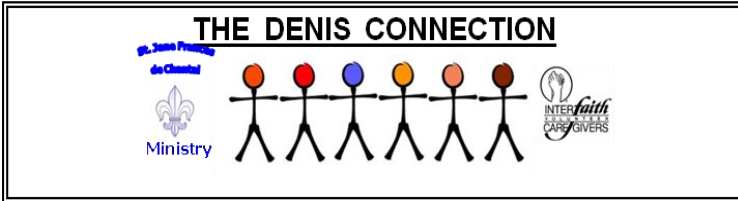
Thanks to your generosity, the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry was able to provide ham or turkey Christmas meals for 34 families. In addition, we were able to provide extra food to help families over the holiday break when children were home from school.

As a result, we have some "sparse" areas of the pantry that could use some help. They include:

- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Jelly
- ◆ Tuna
- ◆ Pasta noodles
- ◆ Ramen noodles

Thank you for your continued generosity and prayers!





## WHAT IS THE DENIS CONNECTION?

The Denis Connection started with an idea I had after my brother passed away. His name was Dennis and I feel he died of loneliness. It made me realize that since I was the only person who spent time with him, one person is not enough. People need people.

I named the ministry after my brother and it stands for “Delivering Encouragement, Nurturing and Increasing Socialization”. We started as a visiting ministry but have now expanded to providing transportation to appointments and errands. In this day, many people have their family out of the area, working full time, or sometimes are estranged.

There is no judgment or shame in asking for help; that is why we are here. We currently have 28 volunteers and since our start in May 2016, we have served 35 clients. There is no cost to you for these services.

If you think the DENIS Connection could be of help to you, please contact the parish office and we will do our best to help with your request.

If you would like to become a volunteer, we would love to have you join us. This is a ministry where you can choose the amount of time you are able devote to it. Training will be provided to help you feel comfortable with this ministry.

I will be in the gathering space after each Mass next weekend at the Welcome Center. Please stop by with any questions.

Debbie Shelton



## #1 RESOLUTION FOR 2019: “A LIFE-GIVING MARRIAGE”

Are you having marriage troubles? Is your relationship suffering? Are you separated or divorced and want to try again? This year’s resolution can be to transform your marriage into a mutually satisfying relationship. With the help of Retrouvaille, it can be done. Retrouvaille is a Christian peer ministry designed to help heal troubled marriages. There is an alternative to divorce! This quite possibly could be the best gift you ever give yourself, your spouse, your children, your family and your friends!!

*Please pass this information on to anyone who you suspect might be a hurting couple.*

The next Retrouvaille program begins **Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**, in Romulus Michigan. For confidential information or to register call 800-470-2230 or visit their website: [HelpOurMarriage.org](http://HelpOurMarriage.org)



# 9 DAYS FOR LIFE

JANUARY 14 - 22, 2019

[9DAYSFORLIFE.COM](http://9DAYSFORLIFE.COM)

JOIN THOUSANDS AS WE PRAY FOR THE RESPECT OF HUMAN LIFE

4 WAYS:

9 Days for Life is a multi-faceted novena for the respect and protection of every human life. Each day, a different intention is accompanied by a short reflection, suggested action, and related information. Go to [9DAYSFORLIFE.COM](http://9DAYSFORLIFE.COM) to sign up for the novena.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

# LOVE VS. LUST

Fulfilling Our Desires

SPEAKER: MICHELLE PICCOLO  
ROYAL OAK TAPHOUSE | 7:00-8:30 PM  
MONDAY, JANUARY 14  
AGES 18-35





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**ABOUT THE GOSPEL:**

After Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit came down in the form of a dove. A voice from Heaven said, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are each present for this important event at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry.

**IN CHURCH:**

Bless yourself with the holy water in the font when you enter and leave the church as a reminder that you were baptized into God's family. Imagine God's voice saying to you, "You are my beloved son/daughter; with you I am well pleased."

**QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK:**

- ◆ What difference does being baptized make in the choices you make?
- ◆ How do the Father and Holy Spirit bless Jesus at his baptism
- ◆ How can you live out Jesus' claim on each of us, in Baptism, faithfully?

**FAMILY PRAYER:**

Thank you, Lord, for making us members of your family through Baptism.

**QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF NEXT WEEK**

**IN PREPARATION FOR MASS:**

- ◆ How have you helped others this week?
- ◆ How has Jesus helped you this week?
- ◆ Have you brought joy to others this week?
- ◆ How?

**Please pray for all of our young disciples preparing for their Sacraments this year!**

**Our second graders are preparing for their First Reconciliation later this month, and our Level II Confirmation Prep candidates have rounded the curve towards making their Confirmation.**

Pray for each of our fellow disciples, that they may hear God's call in their life, and live that call to the fullest!

This week begins the first week of "ordinary" time in our Liturgical year. This ordinary time begins as we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus, the man, who with His baptism, got ready to begin His public ministry. How fitting for each of us to know, that when we are Baptized, we are getting ready for our public ministry! Sealed and anointed in Christ, we are welcomed into the Church's family (formally) and sent to "work."

First, we begin "working" by forming our relationships with one another, and learning about God through the example of Jesus, as well as our parents and each of the members of the church family. We learn good habits (which can become virtuous) but we can also learn bad habits (which can become vicious). We make mistakes, but hopefully we learn from our mistakes, listen to those around us for different ideas and examples, and do not get rigidly "stuck" in our limited ways of seeing and understanding our faith.

As we gain knowledge, understanding, and experience, we grow in wisdom. We gain courage to use these gifts that we have grown in, and we set the example of being able to rightly judge situations that we find ourselves in, and make decisions to grow closer to God. When we grow closer to God, we grow in holiness, and while we know that God is beyond our understanding and knowledge, we still seek to be like Him. This all begins with Baptism for us.

The first of the Sacraments, Baptism gives us an indelible mark (a mark that cannot be removed) on our very selves. We have been chosen by God to minister for Him, each of us in our own way. By our own choice, we choose the effectiveness of our ministry. Do we give the simplest explanation, or do we seek out challenges for ourselves, and seek to make ourselves and each other better? Do we continue to grow in the seven gifts that the Holy Spirit gives to us in Baptism and seals in us when we choose to Confirm our faith, or do we simply "let it slide" because we are "too busy?"

The beauty of our Catholic Faith is its complex simplicity (and its simple complexity!). **We** get to choose where to take it, but we are responsible for continuing our growth. We choose to reconcile ourselves when we do wrong, or we choose to maintain separation. God is always there urging, nudging, prodding (in my case, more often kicking my rear in gear) us to the path that only He can see, laid out before us. Do we have faith to follow? I often need to know why, and I want to see where I am headed, but I am learning, more and more, to trust that God has laid the groundwork for me. Every opportunity is presented and I have but to accept that challenge, learn from my mistakes (and successes), and keep moving forward.

One of the choices that we have for our first reading this week is quite the challenge.

*I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice,  
 I have grasped you by the hand;  
 I formed you, and set you  
 as a covenant of the people,  
 a light for the nations,  
 to open the eyes of the blind,  
 to bring out prisoners from confinement,  
 and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.*  
**Isaiah 42:6-7**

Through our Baptismal call, we have each been given the tools. The question is, have we learned how to use them properly, effectively and efficiently? It's up to each one of us. I'll see you on the journey!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** helping to form the faith of our younger disciples from preschool through First Communion! We meet during the 11:30am Mass, listen for Fr. Tony to call you forward, and process out with us to hear God's word explained just for you!



**ATTENTION SENIORS! JOIN US FOR  
"THURSDAYS AT THE MUSEUM"**

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

The DIA is offering groups of 25-50 people from Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties FREE admission, FREE transportation and a complementary coffee and cookie reception. The itinerary is

- 12:00pm Bus pick-up at St. Jane Frances
- 1:00pm Program begins
- 2:30pm Coffee and cookie reception
- 3:15pm Buses depart from DIA to St. Jane Frances

**We are scheduled to attend the following events:**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup> - Tour:** DIA from A-Z (must sign up in the Parish Office by January 22<sup>nd</sup>)

**THURSDAY MARCH 28<sup>TH</sup>—Film:** *Singin' In The Rain* (must sign up in the Parish Office by March 19<sup>th</sup>)

**We can only take a maximum of 50 people, so sign up early!! Please contact Linda at 586-977-8080, ext. 113 or LSmith@sjparish.org with any questions.**



**SAVE  
THE  
DATES!**

**2019 LENTEN FISH FRY  
SEASON PREVIEW**

Friday Lenten Fish Frys are back again this year! Each Fish Fry will be hosted by a different ministry to raise funds for an activity or cause. In addition, the proceeds from one of the events will go towards the parish's Kitchen Remodeling Fund. The dates and ministry hosting each of the events are listed below:

- Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> – Christian Service
- Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> – Knights of Columbus
- Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)
- Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – Christian Service
- Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> – Knights of Columbus & Ministers of Hospitality
- Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> – Kitchen Remodeling Fund

**DINNER MENU**

- 2 Piece Fried Cod Dinner - \$8.00**
- 3 Piece Fried Cod Dinner - \$10.00**

*(Dinners include French Fries or Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw and Dinner Roll. Dine-in dinners also include lemonade, water, coffee or tea.)*

**SIDES**

- French Fries - \$2.50; Mac & Cheese - \$3.00;
- Coleslaw - \$1.00; Slice of Cheese Pizza - \$2.00

Desserts and cans of pop are available for \$1 each and with the proceeds going to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. In addition, the Knights of Columbus will have tootsie rolls available and will also be hosting 50/50 raffles.

JOIN FR. TONY SULKOWSKI ON

*Pilgrimage to*

**POLAND**

IN THE FOOTPRINTS OF ST. JOHN PAUL II

**\$3,699<sup>00</sup>**  
per person\*

\*Double occupancy w/early registration & cash discount

**SEPTEMBER 3 – 12, 2019**

Travel in the footsteps of St. John Paul II with Fr. Tony this fall! The pilgrimage will take place September 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>.

**ABBREVIATED ITINERARY (See full itinerary w/activities on website):**

- Day 1: Depart USA**
- Day 2: Arrive in Warsaw**
- Day 3: Niepokolanow | Warsaw City Tour**  
Dinner on your own and overnight in Warsaw.
- Day 4: Czestochowa | Krakow**  
Lunch on your own. Continue to Krakow for dinner at the hotel and overnight.
- Day 5: Krakow**  
Lunch on your own. Return to Krakow for dinner on your own and overnight.
- Day 6: Wadowice**  
Lunch on your own. Dinner at your hotel and overnight in Krakow.
- Day 7: Zakopane**  
"Highlander's lunch" at a traditional mountaineer restaurant. Return to Krakow for dinner on your own and overnight.
- Day 8: Auschwitz | Tyniec Abbey**  
Lunch on your own before returning to Krakow. Dinner on your own and overnight in Krakow.
- Day 9: Salt Mine | Kalwaria**  
Lunch on your own. Farewell dinner at the famous 14<sup>th</sup> century restaurant, "Wierzynek," where kings and presidents have dined. Overnight in Krakow.
- Day 10: Return to USA**

**ST. EPHREM CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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 Pastor: Fr. Craig Giera

**WEEKEND MASSES**  
 Saturday 4:30pm  
 Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday  
 9:00am

**CONFESSIONS**  
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday  
 8:30am  
 Saturday 12:15pm



St. Jane Frances de Chantal  
**Knights of Columbus**  
 Council 13340

Wishes to recognize the contributions of the following Knights and families:

**DECEMBER KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**  
*William Burr*

**DECEMBER FAMILY OF THE MONTH**  
*Mike & Janet Sepanik*

This recognition is given in honor of your dedicated service to our council and parish community. Thank you!

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 13, 2018**

<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>Feast of the Baptism of the Lord</b> Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
<b>MONDAY</b> Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20
<b>TUESDAY</b> Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:21-28
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:29-39
<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot</b> Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11; Mk 1:40-45
<b>FRIDAY</b> Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8; Mk 2:1-12
<b>SATURDAY</b> Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE:** For our parishioners with Celiac Disease, we now have procedures in place to help you celebrate the Eucharist with your parish family. For more info or to take part, call the Parish Office at 586-977-8080.

*Mass Intentions*

- MONDAY, JANUARY 14: NO MASS**
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 15:**  
**7:00pm** All Souls in Purgatory (Vicky Bui)  
 Dec. Ganen Roy (Family)  
 Dec. Timothy McCormick, Sr. (Family)  
 Dec. Mbrs of Rudzinski & Bartkowski Families (Family)
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16:**  
**8:00am** Dec. Florentino Camitan, Sr. (Family)  
 All Souls in Purgatory (Vicky Bui)  
 Dec. Ron Ziemba (Harry & Judy Burzynski)  
 Dec. Clarence Siecienski (Family)
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 17:**  
**8:00am** All Souls in Purgatory (Vicky Bui)  
 Dec. Members of Hascher Family (Family)  
 For Vocations
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 18: NO MASS**
- SATURDAY, JANUARY 19:**  
**4:00pm** All Souls in Purgatory (Vicky Bui)  
 Dec. Thomas Buhlinger (Family)  
 Dec. Hedwidge Gorey (Family)  
 Dec. James Brown (Michael & Pauline Brower)
- SUNDAY, JANUARY 20:**  
**9:00am** Dec. Joseph Tomaszycy (Bill & Nancy Burr)  
 Dec. Joan Kapuza (Bruce & Leslie Reinhart)  
 Dec. Edward Pieczkowski (Family)  
 Dec. Bob McLaughlin (Marist Sisters)
- 11:30am** For the Parishioners  
 Liv. Nik Vacaj (Maria Vacaj)  
 Dec. Grace Chamberlain (Family)  
 Dec. Donald & Charlene Nowak (Family)

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — JANUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> & 20<sup>TH</sup> (Please see scheduling app for updates.)**

	4:00pm	9:00am	11:30am
<b>Presider</b>	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
<b>Sacristan(s)</b>	Lori & Joe Nida	Selma & Paul Marzec	Lynn & Dave Burley
<b>Lector 1</b>	Lisa Erickson	Chris Darner	Jan Machusak
<b>Lector 2</b>	Dale Erickson	John Czarski	Robert Skwara
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Elsa Jeffrey	Samantha Abuel	Nancy Dufoor
	Lucas Jeffrey	Jasmine Abuel	Amanda Dufoor
<b>Ushers</b>	Team 3	Assigned	Team 1

**WEEKDAY LECTOR SCHEDULE**

- TUESDAY, JANUARY 15**  
 Mary Anne Barczak
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16**  
 Annette Mobley
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 17**  
 Barb Milczynski



**PARISH SUPPORT**  
December 23, 2018

Registered Families:	1409
Envelopes Returned:	347
Amount Offered:	\$7,098.00
Loose Offering:	\$1,032.00

**Online Giving**

Contributors:	71
Contributions:	\$2,189.00

**Total Offerings \$10,319.00**

<b>BUDGETED OFFERATORY:</b>	<b>\$12,044.00</b>
<b>ACUTAL OFFERATORY:</b>	<b>\$10,319.00</b>
<b>DIFFERENCE:</b>	<b>(\$1,725.00)</b>

**PARISH SUPPORT**  
December 30, 2018

Registered Families:	1409
Envelopes Returned:	317
Amount Offered:	\$6,635.15
Loose Offering:	\$909.00

**Online Giving**

Contributors:	72
Contributions:	\$2,382.00

**Total Offerings \$9,926.15**

<b>BUDGETED OFFERATORY:</b>	<b>\$12,044.00</b>
<b>ACUTAL OFFERATORY:</b>	<b>\$9,926.15</b>
<b>DIFFERENCE:</b>	<b>(\$2,114.85)</b>

**PARISH SUPPORT**  
January 6, 2019

Registered Families:	1409
Envelopes Returned:	362
Amount Offered:	\$10,184.00
Loose Offering:	\$832.00

**Online Giving**

Contributors:	85
Contributions:	\$4,207.00

**Total Offerings \$15,223.00**

<b>BUDGETED OFFERATORY:</b>	<b>\$12,044.00</b>
<b>ACUTAL OFFERATORY:</b>	<b>\$15,223.00</b>
<b>DIFFERENCE:</b>	<b>\$3,179.00</b>

**2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

If you have given \$200 or more in 2018, you will be sent a contribution statement after January 21<sup>st</sup>. If your total contribution was less, you will need to call the Parish Office (586-977-8080) and request a 2018 statement. Thank you!

**TOGETHER LET US PRAY...**

Please pray for those who are in special need of our prayers.

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Lillian Arendall</i>     | <i>Elizabeth Kaptur</i>   | <i>Matthew Pawlik</i>       |
| <i>Bob Bielinski</i>        | <i>John Karalunas</i>     | <i>Judy Peterson</i>        |
| <i>Ron Blasson</i>          | <i>Richard Kaufmann</i>   | <i>Adam Phillips</i>        |
| <i>Tim Broders</i>          | <i>Fionnan Kelly</i>      | <i>Anita Pitlock</i>        |
| <i>Sam Castelli</i>         | <i>James Klassen</i>      | <i>Amy Zachwieja Raggio</i> |
| <i>Sandy Castelli</i>       | <i>Susan Kowalski</i>     | <i>Marlene Rokicki</i>      |
| <i>Jack Caradonna</i>       | <i>Frances Kraft</i>      | <i>Olivia Rokicki</i>       |
| <i>Lorenza Caradonna</i>    | <i>Walter Kronner</i>     | <i>Junito Sacdalan</i>      |
| <i>Bernie Colasanti, Jr</i> | <i>Fr. Gerry LeBoeuf</i>  | <i>Ray Samarziya</i>        |
| <i>Brittany Clarke</i>      | <i>Dorothy Lentz</i>      | <i>Stephen Schriedel</i>    |
| <i>MaryAnn DeDonatis</i>    | <i>Thomas Lentz</i>       | <i>Arnold Semrau</i>        |
| <i>Lorraine Dory</i>        | <i>Sandra Lewis</i>       | <i>Brian Smith</i>          |
| <i>Rita Duffey</i>          | <i>Samuel Llewellyn</i>   | <i>Pat Sowa</i>             |
| <i>Kevin Dufoor</i>         | <i>Daniel Lynch</i>       | <i>Lois Theisen</i>         |
| <i>Jim Duncan</i>           | <i>Sr. Eileen Lynch</i>   | <i>Cynthia Trexler</i>      |
| <i>Jean Duynslager</i>      | <i>Lynn Macieczni</i>     | <i>Daniel Van Acker</i>     |
| <i>Shirley Essad</i>        | <i>Walter Majka</i>       | <i>Richard Volpe</i>        |
| <i>Greg Evanzia</i>         | <i>Lucy Maloziec</i>      | <i>Helen Walczak</i>        |
| <i>Danny Frezza</i>         | <i>Addison Mathews</i>    | <i>Mary Ann Webb</i>        |
| <i>Marie Gagnon</i>         | <i>Jeffrey Maxwell</i>    | <i>Roy Weickel</i>          |
| <i>Richard Gerst</i>        | <i>Bernice Mcllwain</i>   | <i>Kevin Wilcox</i>         |
| <i>Charles Grade</i>        | <i>Jean McDonald</i>      | <i>Don G. Wisniewski</i>    |
| <i>Barbara Franklin</i>     | <i>Barbara Mezzapelle</i> | <i>Toni Woodring</i>        |
| <i>Dennis Franklin</i>      | <i>Lilly Moon</i>         | <i>Carol Zachwieja</i>      |
| <i>James Friedmann</i>      | <i>Dick Mitchell</i>      | <i>Marsha Zanardelli</i>    |
| <i>Greg Gibson</i>          | <i>Karen Mosher</i>       | <i>Nicole Zapinski</i>      |
| <i>Pauline Gronowski</i>    | <i>William Navalta</i>    |                             |
| <i>Phyllis Harris</i>       | <i>Norma O'Connor</i>     |                             |
| <i>Scott Harris</i>         | <i>Kathleen Pawlik</i>    |                             |

**ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST**

Please pray for the men and women serving our country in the Armed Services that they may return home safely to family and friends. We remember particularly:

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| <i>Robert Bain, Army</i>                | <i>Stephen LaBarge, Army</i>            |
| <i>Chris Burley, Navy</i>               | <i>Carmen LaForest, Navy</i>            |
| <i>Shaun Chaplin, Air Force</i>         | <i>Matthew McDowell, Air Force</i>      |
| <i>Amir Ciplakovic, Marines</i>         | <i>Cassidy Kicinski Rose, Air Force</i> |
| <i>Charles Cosnowski, Air Force</i>     | <i>Jeremy Rzeppa, Navy</i>              |
| <i>Winndie Darrow, Coast Guard</i>      | <i>Scot D. Skoczylas, Navy</i>          |
| <i>Melanie De Le Ree, Air Force</i>     | <i>Allison Stewart, Army</i>            |
| <i>Alexander J. Hendzell, Marines</i>   | <i>Anthony Trotta, Navy</i>             |
| <i>Louis B. Kasper III, Coast Guard</i> |   |

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