



Fr. Tony Sulkowski
Pastor
Ext. 102

FR. T'S TIDBITS: CONFIRMATION

On behalf of the community of St. Jane Frances de Chantal, I would like to welcome Bishop Gerard Battersby who is here to celebrate and confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on our students. I would like to congratulate the confirmation students and encourage them to listen to the prompting of the Holy Spirit as they continue their journey of faith.

I would also like to thank the teachers and the catechists who prepared the students for this day. In preparing these students you have shared your faith stories and journey with them so that they can glean from you how the experiences of the Holy Spirit work in their lives, calling them to share their gifts and talents with the Church.

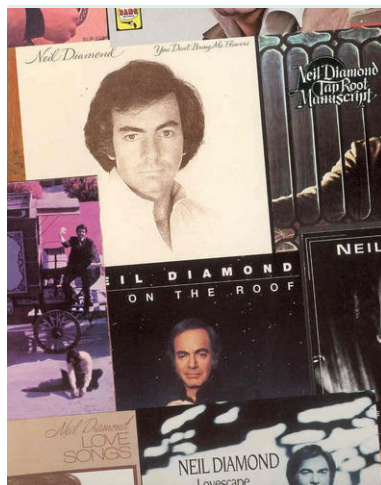
St. Pope John Paul II says this about the sacrament of confirmation: "The seal of the Holy Spirit therefore signifies and brings about the disciple's total belonging to Jesus Christ, his being always at the latter's service in the Church, and at the same time it implies the promise of divine protection in the trials one will have to endure to witness to their faith in the world."

As we celebrate the sacrament of confirmation may all of us reflect upon our own confirmation and renew our commitment to the service of the Church. We have all been given the gifts and talents that come with the sacrament. The challenge that the Spirit places before us, is to not be afraid to take the risk of using them. We cannot live a life of could have, should have, would have, but my fear is many of us do.

Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts and minds of your faithful people enkindle in them the fire of your love.

Bon Mot: The nice thing about teamwork is that you always have others on your side.
- Margaret Carty

Carpe Diem,
Fr. Tony



DEAR VOLUNTEERS, WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOU!

Whether you've spent one hour or hundreds of hours serving the community of St. Jane Frances de Chantal, we want to extend our gratitude to you. Join us for our Volunteer Appreciation Party on

SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH at 6:00pm

Enjoy dinner at 6:30pm followed by live entertainment with the music of Neil Diamond as we celebrate you! Sign up in the Parish Office or call 586-977-8080 by April 22nd.

**ST. JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL
PARISH COMMUNITY**

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses	
Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	9:00am & 11:30am
Weekday Masses	
Tuesday	7:00pm
Wednesday, Thursday	8:00am
Holy Day Masses	As Announced

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

Friday: Closed

Saturday: 2:30pm - 6:00pm
Sunday: 10:00am - 1:30pm

MINISTRIES

- Knights of Columbus #13340**
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- Parish Nurse Ministry**
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- Seniors**
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- Soup Kitchen**
Steven Gadzinski 586-731-4091
- St. Vincent de Paul**
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- Ushers-Ministers of Hospitality**
Brian Brennan 586-264-1087

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, APRIL 16

6:00pm K-6 Faith Formation

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

- 4:30pm K-6 Faith Formation
- 5:30pm Confessions
- 6:00pm Rosary
- 6:30pm Ushers' Board Meeting
- 7:00pm Mass w/Anointing

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

- 8:00am Mass
- 9:30am Needle Crafters
- 10:00am Seniors Meet
- 1:00pm Swiffers, Team 4
- 6:00pm Needle Crafters
- 6:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00pm Lectio Divina

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

- 8:00am Mass
- 7:00pm Parish Leadership Mtg.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

- Parish Office Closed*
- 6:30pm Ushers General Meeting

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

- 9:00am St. Leo's Soup Kitchen (off-site)
- 4:30pm Blood Pressure Screening
- 5:00pm Mass with Baptism
- 6:15pm Euchre Night

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

- 8:30am Blood Pressure Screening
- 9:00am Mass
- 11:00am Sunday Grief Support Group
- 11:30am Mass
- 6:00pm Youth Ministry Gathering

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 in full color!

sjfp parish.org

Stay connected through social media! Find us on Facebook at @sjfp parish and on Instagram at @stjane frances parish.

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

Gaudete et Exultate: “Rejoice and Be Glad”

On Monday, Pope Francis issued an apostolic exhortation entitled *Gaudete et Exultate* or “Rejoice and Be Glad.” What is an apostolic exhortation? It is essentially a pastoral message the Pope sends to highlight key points about a particular issue. Here’s a short summary from Fr. James Martin, SJ, written for *America Magazine* on April 9, 2018.

“Rejoice and be glad!” is what Jesus said on the Sermon on the Mount. It’s also the title of Pope Francis’ new apostolic exhortation on holiness in everyday life. Why should we “rejoice and be glad”? Because God, as Francis reminds us, calls us all to be saints. But how can we respond to that call? Well, here are five takeaways from Francis’ new and very practical exhortation.

1. HOLINESS MEANS BEING YOURSELF

Pope Francis offers us many examples of holy lives throughout this document: St. Thérèse of Lisieux, the French Carmelite who found holiness in doing small tasks; St. Ignatius of Loyola, the Jesuit founder who sought to find God in all things; St. Philip Neri, the founder of the Oratorians renowned for his sense of humor.

The saints pray for us and give us examples of how to live, but we are not meant to be cookie-cutter versions of them. We are meant to be ourselves, and each believer is meant to “discern his or her own path” and “bring out the very best of themselves.” As Thomas Merton said, “For me to be a saint means to be myself.”

2. EVERYDAY LIFE CAN LEAD TO HOLINESS

You do not need to be a bishop, a priest or a member of a religious order to be holy. Everyone is called to be a saint, as the Second Vatican Council reminded us—a mother or a father, a student or an attorney, a teacher or a janitor. “Saints next door,” Francis calls them. All we need to do is to “live our lives in love” and “bear witness” to God in all we do.

That also doesn’t have to mean big, dramatic actions. Francis offers examples of everyday sanctity, like a loving parent raising a child; as well as “small gestures” and sacrifices that one can make, like deciding not to pass on gossip. If you can see your own life as a “mission,” then you soon realize that you can simply be loving and kind to move towards holiness.

You also do not have to be “swooning in mystic rapture” to be a saint or walking around with “lowered eyes.” Nor do you have to withdraw from other people. On the other hand, you do not want to be caught up in the “rat race” of rushing from one thing to another. A balance between action and contemplation is essential.

3. TWO TENDENCIES TO AVOID: GNOSTICISM AND PELAGIANISM

Pope Francis may send people racing to either dictionaries or their theology textbooks when asks us to avoid two dangers in the spiritual life. The first is *Gnosticism*, from the Greek word *gnosis*, to know. Gnosticism is the old heresy that says that what matters most is what you know. No need to be charitable or do good works. All you need is the correct *intellectual* approach. Today Gnosticism tempts people to think that they can make the faith “entirely comprehensible” and leads them to want to force others to adopt their way of thinking. “When somebody has an answer for every question,” says Francis, “it’s a sign that they are not on the right path.” In other words, being a know-it-all is not going to save you.

The second thing to avoid is *Pelagianism*, named for Pelagius, the fifth-century theologian associated with this idea. Pelagianism says that we can take care of our salvation through our own efforts. Pelagians trust in their own powers, don’t feel like they need God’s grace and act superior to others because they observe certain rules.

Today’s Pelagians often have, the pope says, “an obsession with the law, an absorption with social and political advantages, punctilious concern for the church’s liturgy, doctrine and prestige.” It’s a real danger to holiness because it robs us of humility, sets us over others, and leaves little room for grace.

4. BE KIND

“*Gaudete et Exultate*” is filled with Pope Francis’ trademark practical advice for living a life of holiness. For example, don’t gossip, stop judging and, most important, stop being cruel.

That goes for online actions, too. Francis’ comments on this topic are memorable. Online, he writes, “defamation and slander can become commonplace...since things can be said there that would be unacceptable in public discourse, as people look to compensate for their own discontent by lashing out at others.... In claiming to uphold other commandments, they completely ignore the eighth, which forbids bearing false witness or lying and ruthlessly vilifying others.”

To be holy, be kind.

5. THE BEATITUDES ARE A ROADMAP FOR HOLINESS

As you might guess from the document’s title, the Beatitudes, Jesus’ list of “blessed ones,” are central to this exhortation. The Beatitudes are not only what Jesus means by holiness, they are also a portrait of our Lord himself. So we’re called to be poor in spirit, meek, peacemakers, to hunger and thirst for righteousness, and so on.

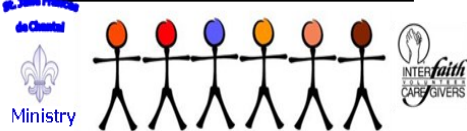
But let me focus on one beatitude: “Blessed are the merciful.” Pope Francis says mercy, one of the central themes of his papacy, has two aspects: helping and serving others but also forgiving and understanding. Jesus does not say, “Blessed are those who plot revenge!”

And what is Pope Francis’ overall summary of holiness? It’s based on the Beatitudes: “Seeing and acting with mercy.”



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THE DENIS CONNECTION



We are looking for volunteers...

- to make friendly visits,
- reassuring telephone calls,
- provide transportation or
- provide a helping hand.

This ministry is a rewarding experience in making a difference in a person's life! We have teamed up with Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers to lead our training. If you are interested in being one of our volunteers or would like further information, please contact Debbie Mazur at the Parish Office at 586-977-8080, ext. 107.

There will be a training on May 1st from 9:00am-12:00pm for all volunteers who are interested in connecting with our homebound parishioners. If this is something you may be interested in doing – **we need you** for as much or little time as you can offer per your schedule!

Also, if you are in need of assistance, transportation, a friendly visit, or a helping hand, please contact the parish office at 586-977-8080. We are hoping to expand this program following the training on May 1st to be of assistance to you!

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Our Health Ministry Team will be available for Blood Pressure Screening next weekend, April 21st from 4:30pm - 6:30pm and on Sunday, April 22nd from 8:30am - 11:15am.



SOLIDARITY ON TAP

SOCIALIZING MEETS SOCIAL JUSTICE AT A BAR NEAR YOU

IGNATIUS SOLIDARITY NETWORK | JVC JESUIT VOLUNTEER CORPS | JVC VOLUNTEER CORPS NORTHWEST

SOUP KITCHEN

OUR SOUP KITCHEN SERVES LUNCH AT ST. LEO'S SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018

We will be going to St. Leo's in Detroit to prepare and serve lunch to approximately 130-150 guests. In order to have a successful lunch service, **we need 12 volunteers to sign up at the parish office.** Volunteers must be at least 16 years old to volunteer for St. Leo's service.

We will meet in the south parking lot at 8:15am and leave by 8:30am. **DRIVERS ARE NEEDED so please consider signing up to help with carpooling.** At St. Leo's, lunch is served from 11:30am - 12:30pm with clean-up following. We will return to the St. Jane parking lot around 1:30pm.

If you are unable to attend, but wish to contribute, you can do so by providing a dessert plate (cookies, cakes, or muffins) or fruit. Monetary donations are always appreciated by writing a check to St. Jane's and write "Soup Kitchen Ministry" in the memo line.

God bless you for your help in this ministry. Through your participation and generosity, it is possible to serve.

Steve Gadzinski, Soup Kitchen Coordinator
 St. Jane Frances de Chantal Soup Kitchen Ministry

SUNDAY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
April 22, 2018 from 11:00am - 12:00pm

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Health Ministry is pleased to offer a monthly Grief Support Group. This is a peer led group for those who have experienced a loss.

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 group support program.

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

MONDAY, APRIL 23RD | 6:30-9:00pm
At Motor City Brewing in Detroit

Solidarity on Tap is a simple gathering of young adults at a local pub for socializing and social justice. (21 and over please!) Around 7:15pm we will have reflections on the theme "WALKING TOGETHER TOWARD A JUST, HOSPITABLE WORLD" by Fr. Phil Cooke, S.J.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN

Annual Celebration 2018

SATURDAY, APRIL 28
At the Somerset Inn, located in
the heart of the Somerset Collection in Troy

Recognizing:

Monsignor C. Kosanke, Monticello Award for Lifetime Achievement
Herschell Masten and Laurie Fagan, Long-time Employee Recognition

Three outstanding parishes will receive our "Time, Talent, and Treasure" awards:

Immaculate Conception Church, Lapeer
St. Joseph Chaldean Catholic Church, Troy
St. Vincent Pallotti Parish, Wyandotte

For more information, please contact Farrah Shammas at
248-778-6150 or shammasf@ccsem.org

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APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH: 10 TIPS FOR PROTECTING CHILDREN & OFFERING OUTREACH TO VICTIMS/SURVIVORS

1. **SEXUAL ABUSE IS ABOUT THE VICTIM.** Many people are affected by abuse but the individual most impacted is the victim who has suffered a violation of trust that can affect his or her entire life.
2. **NO ONE HAS THE RIGHT TO HAVE ACCESS TO CHILDREN.** No one, no matter who they are, has an automatic right to be around children or young people who are in the care of Church without proper screening and without following the rules.
3. **COMMON SENSE IS NOT ALL THAT COMMON.** Dioceses, schools, parishes, and especially families, must educate themselves and others on how to protect children.
4. **CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE CAN BE PREVENTED.** It is critical to build safety barriers around children and young people to keep them from harm—such as protective guardians, codes of conduct, background evaluations, policies and procedures, and safety training programs.
5. **THE RESIDUAL EFFECTS OF HAVING BEEN ABUSED CAN LAST A LIFETIME.** The sense of violation goes deep into a person's psyche and feelings of anger, shame, hurt and betrayal can build long after the abuse has taken place. Those who have been abused can heal, but it often takes time, therapy, and the support of loved ones.
6. **FEELING HEARD LEADS TOWARD HEALING.** Relief from hurt and anger often comes when one feels heard, when one's pain and concerns are taken seriously, and a victim/survivor's appropriate sense of rage and indignation are acknowledged.
7. **YOU CANNOT ALWAYS PREDICT WHO WILL BE AN ABUSER.** Experience shows that most abuse is committed by someone who has gained the trust of a victim/survivor and his/her family.
8. **THERE ARE BEHAVIORAL WARNING SIGNS OF CHILD ABUSERS.** Some abusers isolate a potential victim by giving him or her undue attention or lavish gifts, others allow young people to participate in activities which their parents or guardians would not approve, such as watching pornography, drinking alcohol, using drugs, and excessive touching, such as wrestling and tickling.
9. **PEOPLE CAN BE TAUGHT TO IDENTIFY GROOMING BEHAVIOR.** Grooming behaviors are the actions which abusers take to project the image that they are kind, generous, caring people, while their intent is to lure a minor into an inappropriate relationship. Offenders can be patient and may groom their victim, his or her family, or community for years.
10. **BACKGROUND CHECKS WORK.** Background checks in churches, schools and other organizations keep predators away from children both because they scare off some predators and because they uncover past actions which ban an adult from working or volunteering with children.

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2018 Natural Family Planning Support & Education Series: Deeper Reflections

NFP: SUBFERTILITY AND INFERTILITY April 24, 2018 | 7:00pm-9:00pm Sacred Heart Major Seminary

April 22-28, 2018 is National Infertility Awareness Week. Approximately 1 in 8 couples will struggle to build their family. At this meeting we'll explore NFP in relation to subfertility and infertility. Couples have found help from NFP to identify and treat a variety of fertility concerns. The Church recognizes the pain of infertility and offers her love and support to couples dealing with this unique cross. We will come together to offer prayer, comfort and understanding for all those affected by infertility.

RSVP to nfp@aod.org and visit www.aod.org/nfp for upcoming dates and more information!



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ABOUT THE GOSPEL:

Jesus meets his followers. He shows them his wounds and has dinner with his friends. Jesus is risen and still has his human body. His body is glorified, but he is still able to eat and talk with his friends. Jesus is fully human and fully divine.

IN CHURCH:

As you receive Communion or a blessing, think about this: we are having a meal with Jesus and our friends. Jesus is the Living Bread.

QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

- ◆ What does Jesus want His friends to remember about Him? How do you witness to your faith in Jesus?
- ◆ What does the Gospel story tell you about Jesus after He rose from the dead? (See Luke 24:35-48)
- ◆ What work does Jesus give His friends to do? Are you a friend of Jesus? Do you do this work, too?
- ◆ What does the word *peace* mean to you?

FAMILY PRAYER:

Jesus, help us to remember you are a real friend to us.

QUESTION TO ASK YOURSELF NEXT WEEK.

IN PREPARATION FOR MASS:

- ◆ What is different about the First Reading during the Easter Season?
- ◆ Do you know the difference between a Shepherd and someone who is hired to look after someone's sheep?
- ◆ Why do you think that Jesus is called the Good Shepherd?

Change is hard! One minute, Jesus was with his Apostles; the next He was arrested. Within a few hours (overnight), He had been tried, convicted, tortured, forcefully marched through the streets of Jerusalem, crucified, AND buried. The Apostles were scared! Wouldn't you be? Then, on the third day, after all this, the Apostles saw Jesus again, miraculously, alive! Time to re-assimilate to another new reality!

We really are lucky. We know the end of this story! We know the outcome, all that lead up to it, and most of what comes between then and now, today. We ARE an Easter People, knowledgeable that, through Christ's death and resurrection, we will escape eternal separation from God, and may rejoin God, the great "I AM" that spoke with Moses at the Burning Bush. Unfortunately we still cannot see what will happen with our lives here on Earth...

We prepare, we ready ourselves, but it seems as if much of the time we are playing catch up or keeping up with others around us. We need to remember that there are struggles in EVERYBODY's lives. Each of us deal with money, life, new life, death, health, and sickness in different ways. Each of the challenges in life are a change, a motion towards an end, a realization of a reality that is difficult to grasp (because it is unknown). All we have to remember is that this life that we live now, in time, between birth and death, is just the beginning. There isn't just a little light at the end of a tunnel. We know that Christ's light is burning magnificently bright, and that is what we go toward, what we strive for - our end goal.

It's hard! Lots of things happen to us in life, things that weigh us down and try to hold us back, in the dark. Do not let it block that light from view. Change direction, embrace change, learn from it, and watch the light grow in the world!



GRADUATION PICTURES AND GRADUATION MASS

If you will be a high school or college graduate this year (winter or spring commencement), please turn in a picture for our parish graduation insert this spring!

Please include your name (as you want it to appear in the bulletin), school, degree, and contact information. The pictures will be returned (if requested) after the bulletin insert is distributed. If you would prefer to email the picture, please send it to bulletinsjfparish@gmail.com along with the information above. **Pictures are due by Monday, May 21st.**

The Graduation Mass is scheduled for Sunday, June 10th, at the 11:30am Mass. Please RSVP to the Parish Office by May 21st. (You can use the form below!)

GRADUATION MASS RSVP

Name: _____

School: _____

Degree: _____

Number of People Attending: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

UPCOMING FAITH FORMATION EVENTS -

Check out our website,
www.sjfparish.org/FaithFormation,
or e-mail us at
FaithFormation@sjfparish.org



SCRAP-STAMP & CRAFTING EVENT

Saturday, May 12th 8:00am—10:00pm
(BONUS Friday night 6:00pm—10:00pm)

Event opens at 6:00pm on Friday for table set-up - begin working on projects, socializing and more. Crafting items to be left in secured hall for Saturday Event. (Your spot is not reserved until registration slip & check are received.)

Where: In the Fr. Page Activity Center

What: Each participant will have a table to work on. Meals, snacks and beverages provided.

New this year: Bring useful and unwanted craft items to sell. Must be present to sell items.

Cost: The cost for the event is \$45 per participant.

How: Registration forms can be found in the Parish Office. Please return the form to the Parish Office by Wednesday, May 9th.

Questions: Contact Lsmithsjfparish@gmail.com or 586-977-8080, ext. 113.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Mary Lenaburg

Join us for a beautiful ladies' brunch on

Saturday, May 19th
at Addison Oaks in Leonard, MI

Cost: \$35 (tables of 10 available for purchase also)

All proceeds benefit

Mary's Mantle Catholic Maternity Home

Doors open at 9:00am - Coffee bar, juice, & drinks available. Breakfast is served at 10:00am with program following.

Find more information and purchase individual tickets at www.marysmantle.net. Contact Cindy at gratitude@marysmantle.net to reserve a table for 10.



EUCHRE NIGHT

WHEN: Saturday, April 21st | 6:15pm until 11:00pm.

WHERE: In the Fr. Page Activity Center

WHO: Whether you're a pro or beginner, join us for a fun night!

WHAT: We'll be playing Euchre & having a fun evening together! Games will be played using rotating partners.

HOW: Sign-up in the Parish Office.

The cost is \$10 per player (to be paid in advance) to cover the cost of dinner, snacks, dessert, beverages & prizes. The deadline to register is Monday, April 16th, 2018.

Contact Linda Smith at Lsmithsjfparish@gmail.com or 586-977-8080, ext. 113 if you have any questions or would like more information. We hope to see you there!



BIKE CLUB

Anyone who wants to join others for a non-competitive bicycle ride is invited to come out to one of the Bike Club's rides! Anyone under 18 needs to attend with a parent or guardian. They ride around various trails in the area. The spring/summer schedule will be coming out soon.

If you would like to help with the planning or would like to co-lead a ride, join us for the Bike Club's planning meeting on Thursday, April 26th at 7:00pm. At the meeting, we will be scheduling the spring/summer rides. Questions? Email Linda at Lsmithsjf@gmail.com or call her at 586-977- 8080, ext 113.

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 Pastor: Fr. Craig Giera

WEEKEND MASSES

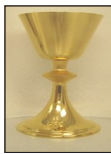
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

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



**TRAVELING CHALICE:
 A PROGRAM OF PRAYER
 FOR PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS
 VOCATIONS**

Parishioners are asked to take the chalice home and display it in a place of honor. We ask them to pray each night for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. This week our parish gratefully acknowledges the

Dufoor Family

for hosting our Traveling Chalice. If you would like to participate in the Traveling Chalice Program please contact Ray Sroka at 586-979-7879.



Sponsored by the St. Jane Frances Knights of Columbus.

Marriage Banns

WEEK II

Kyle Fillmore
 &
 Lauren Mandziara

**READINGS FOR THE
 WEEK OF APRIL 15, 2018**

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

MONDAY

Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27,
 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

TUESDAY

Acts 7:51—8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4,
 6 & 7b & 8a, 17 & 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

WEDNESDAY

Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a;
 Jn 6:35-40

THURSDAY

Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20;
 Jn 6:44-51

FRIDAY

Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc-2;
 Jn 6:52-59

SATURDAY

St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
 Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13,
 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69

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

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, please call the Parish Office at 586-977-8080.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, APRIL 16

No Mass at St. Jane Frances

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

7:00pm Dec. Ken Serbenski,
 2nd Anniversary (Wife)
 Dec. Margaret Godley
 (Robert & Frances Kraft)
 Dec. Marsha Olson (Family)
 Dec. Carmen Mina, Death
 Anniversary (Matt & Beth Mina)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

8:00am For Vocations

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

8:00am Dec. Fred Misiolek (Majka Family)
 Dec. Eugene Esper (Majka Family)

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

No Mass at St. Jane Frances

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

5:00pm Dec. Robert Scally (Wife & Family)
 Dec. Zef Pepaj (Family)
 Dec. Maria Palinski
 (Zofia & George Wasikowski)
 Dec. Lois Pichette, IHM
 (Mr. & Mrs. Duane Gavrilek)
 Dec. Phyllis Burnagieli
 (Tom & Judy Taylor)

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

9:00am Dec. Ralph Florek
 (Jerry & Sylvia Soldatek)
 Dec. Paul Whitefield (Family)
 Dec. William Conolly
 (Gordon Hirina)
 Dec. Rocco & Josephine Maiuri
 (Family)
 Dec. Richard Maiuri (Family)

11:30am For the Parishioners
 Dec. Carmella Ficaro
 (Mike & Pauline Brower)
 Dec. Alan Petty (Rosanna & Jon)
 Liv. Linda Bandrow
 (Nancy Morrison)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — APRIL 21ST & 22ND

	5:00pm	9:00am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Sacristan(s)	Lori & Joe Nida	Karen Mills	Brian Finn
Lector 1	John Czarski	Keith Morris	Robert Skwara
Lector 2	Christopher Darner	Denise Dara	Barb Milczynski
Altar Servers	Julia Ortmann	Jasmine Abuel	Maddie Kleinberg
	Tim Wainz	Samantha Abuel	Isabella Schilling
Ushers	Team 3	Assigned	Team 1

WEEKDAY LECTOR SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

Mary Minjeur

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

John Martin

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

Barb Milczynski

PARISH SUPPORT

April 8th, 2018

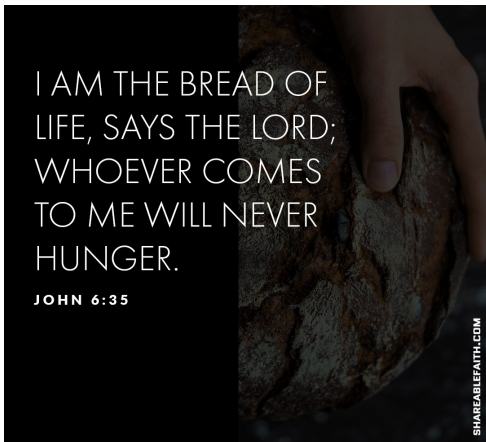
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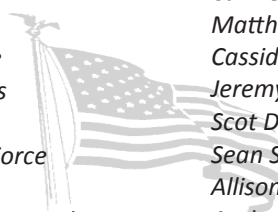
Please pray for those who are in special need of our prayers.

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| <i>Lillian Arendall</i> | <i>James Friedmann</i> | <i>Amy Zachwieja Raggio</i> |
| <i>Michael Astro</i> | <i>Richard Gerst</i> | <i>Marlene Rokicki</i> |
| <i>Tim Broders</i> | <i>Cindy Graham</i> | <i>Olivia Rokicki</i> |
| <i>James Brown</i> | <i>Pauline Gronowski</i> | <i>Eric Rzeppa</i> |
| <i>Sam Castelli</i> | <i>Scott Harris</i> | <i>Lori Chmielewski Sanders</i> |
| <i>Sandy Castelli</i> | <i>John Karalunas</i> | <i>Arnold Semrau</i> |
| <i>Jack Caradonna</i> | <i>James Klassen</i> | <i>Mike Smith</i> |
| <i>Lorenza Caradonna</i> | <i>Walter Kronner</i> | <i>Tom Taylor</i> |
| <i>Vicki Chrzanowski</i> | <i>James Kwapis</i> | <i>Daniel Van Acker</i> |
| <i>Bernie Colasanti, Jr</i> | <i>Kathy Lido</i> | <i>Roy Weickel</i> |
| <i>MaryAnn DeDonatis</i> | <i>Sr. Eileen Lynch</i> | <i>Mel Werner</i> |
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| <i>Shirley Essad</i> | <i>Kathleen Pawlik</i> | <i>Mary Woywood</i> |
| <i>Marie Gagnon</i> | <i>Matthew Pawlik</i> | <i>Edward Young</i> |
| <i>Charles Grade</i> | <i>Judy Peterson</i> | <i>Mary Zalewski</i> |
| <i>Barbara Franklin</i> | <i>Adam Phillips</i> | <i>Nicole Zapinski</i> |
| <i>Dennis Franklin</i> | <i>Anita Pitlock</i> | <i>Marti Zysk</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>Carmen LaForest, Navy</i> |
| <i>Chris Burley, Navy</i> | <i>Matthew McDowell, Air Force</i> |
| <i>Shaun Chaplin, Air Force</i> | <i>Cassidy Kicinski Rose, Air Force</i> |
| <i>Amir Ciplakovic, Marines</i> | <i>Jeremy Rzeppa, Navy</i> |
| <i>Paige Corrias, Army</i> | <i>Scot D. Skoczylas, Navy</i> |
| <i>Melanie De Le Ree, Air Force</i> | <i>Sean Slattery, Marines</i> |
| <i>Zack Hoover, Air Force</i> | <i>Allison Stewart, Army</i> |
| <i>Louis B. Kasper III, Coast Guard</i> | <i>Anthony Trotta, Navy</i> |
| <i>Stephen LaBarge, Army</i> | |



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