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#### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 2, 2020



Pastor Ext. 102

FR. TONY SULKOWSKI Some people have heard of or asked about the concept of Families of Parishes. Although this idea is new, I can tell you that the Archdiocese of Detroit has three FrTony@sifparish.org committees in place to research it and how it pertains to our Archdiocese. The priests of the Archdiocese have several online meetings scheduled with Archbishop Vigneron in the months ahead. I will indeed keep you informed as more

information becomes available.

I can share with you who is in our Family of Parishes: namely, St. Rene Goupil, SS. Cyril and Methodius, Our Lady of Czestochowa, and St. Jane Frances de Chantal. Last week, the four pastors came together to meet and discuss how we might move forward in our relationship with each other. We agreed to help each other when needed. For example, we may help each other with penance services during Advent and Lent. Or, if a priest is on vacation, one priest might cover for him if there should be a funeral at his parish.

As I say, this plan is in its infancy, and more information will be available in the weeks ahead. I want to assure you that nothing is going to change. If you have any questions, please direct them to me.

You may wonder how this plan originated. Each year, the Archdiocese sends out their projections for the next ten years—in particular, the number of priests that will be available for parish ministry. Here are some facts from these projections:

- In 2020, the Archdiocese of Detroit has 246 priests. In 2030, that number will be 158 priests.
- The median age of parish priests today is 56.8 years of age.
- There will be a 34.1% decrease in the number of parish priests from 2020—2030.

The Archdiocese wishes to be proactive with regard to this situation. The main issue for Archbishop Vigneron and the priests of the Archdiocese is that, even though there will be a decline in the number of priests, the spiritual and sacramental needs of the people will always be available. I ask that you pray for all those who are involved in the Families of Parishes planning process, and I also encourage you to pray for vocations.

I would also encourage you to check out the Detroit Catholic, which is the online paper for the Archdiocese of Detroit. It is available at detroitcatholic.com. There, you will find articles pertaining to the Families of Parishes. As we move forward, may we continue to build up the Body of Christ and proclaim the Gospel.

Bon mot: "In God's plan, nothing happens by chance."

-St. John Paul II, Gift and Mystery, 1996

Carpe Diem,

Fr. Tonv

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#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Weekend Masses

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

Weekday Masses

7:00pm Tuesday 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 Tuesday 2:00pm-8:00pm Saturday 3:00pm-5:00pm Sunday 10:00am-12:30pm

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#### **PRAYER LIST**

**Lucy Sieck Leroy Solomon** Daniel VanAcker **Brad Wilson** 

Names on the Prayer List will remain for four weeks. If the illness or situation persists after that time, and additional prayers are needed, please call the Parish Office. Thank you!



"The LORD supports all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down. The eyes of all look hopefully to you; you give them their food in due season. You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing." Psalm 145:14-16



**LAURIE HALL** Pastoral Associate Ext. 104

Today, our responsorial psalm is part of Psalm 145: "The hand of the Lord feeds us." LHall@sjfparish.org This prayer sums up today's readings well. In the first reading from Isaiah, the Lord invites all who are thirsty to "come to the

water" to "renew [...] the everlasting covenant" God has made with us, His people.

In the second reading, St. Paul speaks of God's binding love for us, a love that transcends the things of the earth and is extended by God to all people. The Gospel reading is the very familiar retelling of the miracle of the fishes and the loaves. Challenge yourself today to hear this scripture anew, to imagine the awe and joy of the many hungry people experiencing the power of God giving them what they needed.

Today's scriptures are strategically grouped to remind us that neither hunger nor thirst, poverty nor want, famine nor distress can separate us from the love and generosity of the Lord. When we hear these words today, we can rest in the sure knowledge that we are invited to the feast, that the hand of the Lord truly provides us all that we need.

On a side note, in Verse 14 of Matthew's Gospel today, he states, "His heart was moved with pity for them" which was translated from Greek. The Greek word for pity implies a strong physical or visceral reaction. So, he didn't just feel a passive type of pity, but a compassion from deep within his gut—a visceral response that demanded action. When we strive to be like Jesus, we pray to feel that same intensity of emotion when we see someone in need.

> Gracious and merciful God, May your generosity be a model and an inspiration for us as we strive to share with those in need. May we feel moved, deep in our guts, to serve others as you serve us, to graciously listen to the needs of others, and open our hands to feed those who hunger. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen.



BEN KLASSEN Youth Ministry Coordinator & Director of Faith Formation BKlassen@sjfparish.org Ext. 108

As I sit and write, I am listening to one of the processions for Representative John Lewis, remembering his life as his loved ones make their way through the streets of Washington

D.C. A statesman and lawmaker, often called the "conscience of Congress," and the last of the "Big Six" leaders of the civil rights movement of the 1960s, John Lewis lived his life in service of the American people, helping to form minds and affirm the dignity of every human life.

We hear about him in interviews with people that knew him. They speak of a defining point in his life when he was beaten down and suffered a skull fracture while standing up for the basic human rights of African Americans (and for each and every one of us).

For 34 years, he served in the US House of Representatives, only once dropping below 70% (he garnered 69% in that election) of the popular vote for his seat. He served as a very tangible example of someone who stands for an idea and serves the people of his community—fighting for that idea and stirring up "Good Trouble" to bring about change that is much-needed in society.

As Christians, Jesus is the base upon which we lay the fundamental ideals of our faith. We worship and obey God the Father in all that we do and undertake, but for non-Christians, or even people who need recent and tangible examples of our faith, Jesus can often be too far out of reach. To get started on a path, we all need to be encouraged to take a first step, and Congressman John Lewis can be a good example of not just taking a step, but of endurance and steadfastness of belief in faith and humanity.

Our Responsorial Psalm response this week, gleaned from Psalm 145, "[t]he hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs," is an excellent reminder as we move through life. God, the Creator, provides, nourishes, and guides us in all that we do. When we are energized with what we are about to do, God gives us that energy. When we are worried about the things we are about to undertake, God is there to support and guide us through it all.

In our Gospel reading this week, even Jesus was tired and sought to be alone, but the people waited for Him, and God gave Jesus the strength to minister to the 5000. Regardless of our ideologies, we should all strive to stand up for those who cannot stand for themselves. God will give us the strength and the words that we need to move even mountains.

When we can see each other as human persons, we can abide simple "discomforts" for the common good of all, and we can move ourselves forward as disciples of Christ, ready to spread the Good News of His Word.



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Join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm—8:00pm in the circle drive here at the parish! Please wear a mask when attending.

We offer socially-distanced games and activities, as well as single-serve refreshments! All middle school and high school students are welcome.

If you have questions about this event, feel free to visit sjfparish.org/youthministry or email Youth@sjfparish.org.

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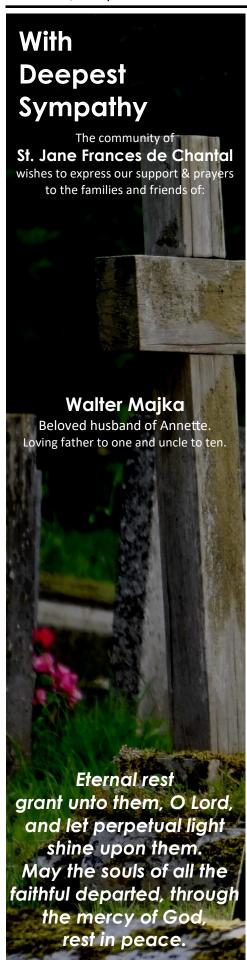
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If you have any questions, contact Jody at JGazo@sjfparish.org or 586-977-8080, ext 112.





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One aspect of our faith life we may miss right now are retreats. Whether you make a point to regularly attend retreats, or have only been on a few, they can be powerful, formative

experiences that guide our faith. There is no feeling like spending time with others as you deepen your faith in the Lord.

Because of COVID-19, however, we can no longer experience that feeling. Luckily, there are several online retreats. A Google search for "online Catholic retreats" pulls up a whopping 15,100,000 results! But what if we can't attend an online retreat? We may not have a strong enough Wi-Fi connection to maintain a video chat. We may not have a webcam and microphone. Or we may just miss the traditional retreat experience so much that doing it online isn't the same.

How, then, can we experience a retreat? Doing an "at-home retreat" may be the answer we're looking for. An at-home retreat can include:

**Dedicated time for prayer**. Prayer helps us form our thoughts, bring ourselves into the presence of the Lord, and experience that "togetherness" that we might miss from a retreat. When we pray, we know we aren't only in the presence of the Lord, but of all the other Catholics praying around the world as one Church.

**Appreciating the outdoors**. Taking time to appreciate God's creation can be deeply formative. Whether it's watching through a window, spending time on a patio, or sitting in a backyard, try observing the outdoors. Appreciate the plants and animals of God's earth. Allow your surroundings to sharpen your spirit and guide your prayer.

**Discussion**. If you live at home with a family member, friend, or spouse, try inviting them to join you on your in-person retreat. One of my favorite parts of retreats is sharing in the faith with others. By inviting another to retreat with you, you're setting up a space in which to discuss your faith. Try praying, reading Scripture, or listening to worship music together.

**Adoration**. If you're comfortable leaving your house, come to St. Jane Frances de Chantal for Eucharistic Adoration. We offer Adoration on the second Tuesday of every month from 1:00pm—6:00pm. Spending time in the presence of the Eucharist can be a faithfully invigorating experience.

I hope these suggestions help you to shape your own at-home retreat experience. A retreat is what you make it; try coming up with your own ideas to make your experience meaningful!

## JOIN US ONLINE!

Visit our website, sjfparish.org, to find ways to connect outside of Mass. Find us on Instagram (@stjanefrancesparish), Facebook, and Twitter (@sjfparish)!

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUG 2, 2020

**Sunday**, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

Monday:

Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday, Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest:

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

**Wednesday**, The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major:

Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

**Thursday**, Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday, Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest:

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday**, Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest:

Hb 1:12—2:4; Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 17:14-20

**Sunday**, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

#### MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, AUGUST 3: NO MASS** 

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 4** 

**7:00pm** Dec. John Graver (Friends)

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5** 

8:00am Dec. Marsha Olson (Family)

Dec. Esther Scavo (Judy Taylor)

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 6** 

8:00am Parishioners

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 7: NO MASS** 

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 8** 

**4:00pm** Archbishop, Priests, & Deacons of the AoD

Dec. John Mathews (33<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.) (Family)

Dec. James Skuza (Gayle Skuza)

Dec. Florian & Julia Promo (Promo Family)

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 9** 

**9:00am** Archbishop, Priests, & Deacons of the AoD

For the Parishioners

Dec. Mbrs of the Florek Family (Sylvia Soldatek)

Liv. Valentine Vacaj (Mom Maria)

**11:30am** Archbishop, Priests, & Deacons of the AoD

Dec. Mark & Lena Pepaj (Son)

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#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### Children's Baptism

Do you have a child you would like to be baptized? Please call the Parish Office to discuss options and make arrangements.

#### Reconciliation

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#### Marriage

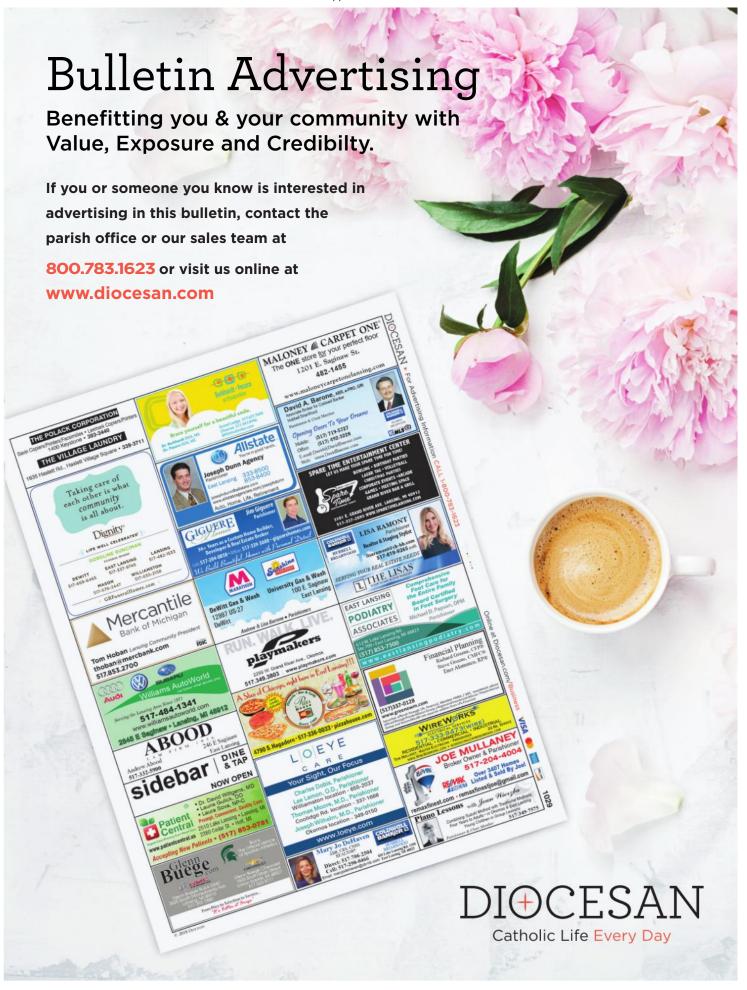
Congratulations! Please contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to your desired wedding date to begin preparations.

#### Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office to schedule regular or one-time visits.

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

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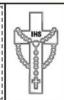


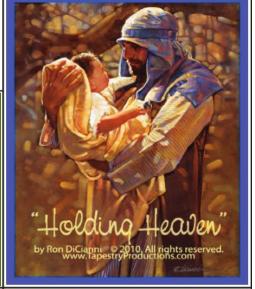
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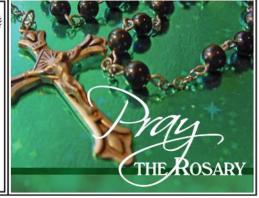
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