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Fr. Tony Sulkowski Pastor FrTony@sjfparish.org Ext. 102 Lent

On Ash Wednesday we embarked upon the season of Lent. As we, the parish community of St. Jane Frances de Chantal, begin our Lenten journey, may we pray for each

other during this season but may we also lift up in prayer those people who are most in need of God's attention.

Recently, I read an article from America Magazine, a weekly Catholic periodical published by the Jesuits. The article is titled: 'Lent May Once Again Don Its Public Mask' This article was written in 1978 and reprinted in last week's edition of America and asks the question: What relevance does Lent have for Catholics?

The author reminds us that the three disciplines of Lent, namely fasting, almsgiving, and prayer, are to enable us to renew or refresh our relationship with God but also to move us outwardly into society and the world, to the people who are our brothers and sisters. I often use the example that food donations to the food pantry are very generous during the Christmas and Easter seasons. People are most generous at those seasons of the year, and how wonderful that is to see. However the needs of the poor and needy are year round. The good works we do are not meant to be done only in a particular season of the church's year. The good works that we perform during the season of Lent must become a part of our life and ministry as children of God.

The author states in the article, "Lent calls us to step out of the ordinary precisely so that we can step back into it with eyes opened and hearts renewed. The tradition has always emphasized the practical aim of Lenten self-denial: a greater openness and sensitivity to the needs of others."

He goes on to say: "Lent is, after all, the season of spring, of new life. Although its image may bear some cheerless connotations, its reality is refreshing. As American Catholics rediscover its ritual effectiveness, Lent may once again don its public face. And American society just might take notice". (Editorial Feb. 11,1978)

Have a wonderful Lent

Bon mot: No one is so rich that he does not need another's help; no one is so poor as not to be useful to his fellow man.

---- Pope Leo XIII, Graves de Communi, January 10, 1901.

Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses Saturday Sunday	4:00pm 9:00am & 11:30am
Weekday MassesTuesday7:0Wednesday & Thursday8:0	
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, February 26, 2024 10:00am SVdP Meeting 1:00pm Intercessory Prayer (Zoom)

Tuesday, February 27, 202410:00amBible Study5:30pmConfessions6:00pmRosary7:00pmMass w/Anointing

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

8:00am Mass 9:30am Needlecrafters 6:00pm Needlecrafters 6:30pm Cantor/Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Lectio Divina (Zoom)

Thursday, February 29, 20248:00amMass9:00amSwiffers Team #12:00pmThe Chosen Video Series

Friday, March 1, 2024 4:00pm Fish Fry 6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 2, 2024 10:45am Treble Choir Rehearsal 4:00pm Mass

Sunday, March 3, 20249:00amMass11:30amMass12:15pmBaptism1:00pmFaith Formation7:00pmYouth Group

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LENTEN SEASON INFO

OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Ss. Cyril and Methodius will have two opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday, March 25th, from 10:00am-12:00pm and from 6:00pm-9:00pm. As always, the Sacrament is available here at St. Jane Frances each Tuesday from 5:30pm-6:30pm.

WASHING OF THE FEET

At the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, March 28th at 7:00pm, Fr. Tony will wash the feet of 12 parish members. The foot washing on Holy Thursday may seem somewhat strange and old-fashioned. The church has kept it in the liturgy for good reason. As Christ washed the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper, emphasizing for them the connection between Eucharist and service to others, this ritual remains in our liturgy for the same reason. It is to emphasize that Eucharist is not separate from service, but that they are inextricably bound together. The essential nature of Holy Communion is unity, not only with God, but also with one another. Please prayerfully consider participating - having your feet washed in this way is a powerful and humbling encounter with the heart of discipleship! If you would like to participate in this beautiful act of service, please contact me via phone or email.

HELP NEEDED FOR DECORATING THE WORSHIP SPACE FOR EASTER!

Many hands make light work! On Good Friday, March 29th, immediately following the liturgy, we will be preparing the Worship Space to celebrate the joy of Easter. If you can stay and help for an hour, we would be very grateful. No special skills are needed. If possible, please call or email me to let me know you plan to be there. You can also simply stay and we will put you to work! Decorating will begin at approximately 3:00pm.

Baptism

The community of **St. Jane Frances de Chantal** welcomes into our parish family the following child who was baptized by Fr. Tony Sulkowski on February 18, 2024:

Ivy Sienna Servito

Parents: Eric & Jessica Servito Godfather: Nicholas Ryba Godmother: Angela Ryba



FEBRUARY 25, 2024



2024 EASTER EGG HUNT AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST SUNDAY, March 17th

From 9:30am - 11:30am, Fr. Page Activity Center

Join the fun and bring your little ones for an Easter Egg Hunt and pancake breakfast! All are welcome for the pancake breakfast. We will have the Easter egg hunt outside, weather permitting. Please sign up by Monday, March 11th in the Parish Office. (Due to limited space, this event is for registered parishioners and their families only.) Want to volunteer? Help is needed the day of the event. Please sign up in the Parish Office to help out. Thank you in advance! Questions? Contact Linda at 586-977-8080 ext. 101 or LSmith@sjfparish.org



 EUCHRE NIGHT: WELCOME SPRING
WHEN: Saturday, March 23rd from 5:00pm until about 10:00pm. WHERE: In the Fr. Page Activity Center.
WHO: Whether you are a pro or a beginner join us for a fun night of Euchre! WHAT: We'll be playing Euchre and having a fun evening together! The games will be played using rotating partners.
HOW: Sign-up in the Parish Office. The cost is \$15.00 per player and covers the cost of dinner, snacks, dessert, beverages and prizes. We ask that the \$15.00 please be paid by the cut-off date of Sunday, March 17th. (No refunds for cancellations received after March 17th) Questions: Contact Linda Smith at LSmith@sjfparish.org or 586-977-8080, ext. 101

St. Jane Frances "SENIORS"

Years of experience being young at heart! Seniors meetings for 2024 begin <u>Wednesday, March 6th !!!</u> NOTE: If you plan to attend March 6th you must

RSVP by March 3rd: 586-977-8080

Are you 55 or older (and wiser!)? Do you enjoy conversation, community, a shared meal or playing cards, dominoes or board games? Then join our SENIORS group!

SENIORS (55 yr +) meet the $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ and $\mathbf{3}^{rd}$ Wednesday of the month (excluding Jan. and Feb.) from 9:45am-2:00pm. If you can't attend all meetings – no problem, join us when you are able.

All meetings include morning refreshments at 9:45am and a lunch served at noon!

Entertainment options include...

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

- Progressive Pinochle (\$1.25)
- Card, Dice and Board games of your choosing
- Meet, make and visit with friends!

At **each meeting a \$6.00 donation** is collected at the door to fund hospitality and lunch. Membership is \$5.00 for the year.

[Note: If you are new, you are welcome to join us for a meeting or two before you decide to join and pay the \$5.00 membership fee.]

If you have any questions, give us a call (586-977-8080) and we'll be glad to explain!

SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF February 25, 2024

Sunday

Second Sunday of Lent Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

Monday

Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday

Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday

Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday Third Sunday of Lent Ex 20:1-17 or Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25



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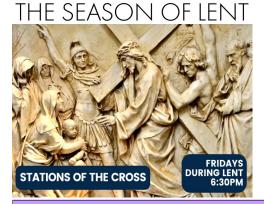
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2024 LENTEN FISH FRYS

Our Friday Fish Fry continues. 2-piece or 3-piece fish dinners are available as well as a la carte items. We will have dine-in and carry-out options. The following dates remain: March 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd. Please note that the dinners are CASH ONLY.

Dinners:

2-Piece cod dinner \$11 3-Piece cod dinner \$13 Dinners include french fries or macaroni & cheese, coleslaw and dinner roll. Dine-in dinners also include lemonade, water, coffee or tea.

Sides:

French fries - \$3; macaroni & cheese - \$4.50; coleslaw - \$1.50; slice of cheese pizza - \$2.50

DESSERTS FOR 2024 FISH FRYS

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society will be selling desserts at the Friday Fish Frys. We need your help to make it a success! You can donate your desserts to the Parish Office on Thursday before 7:45pm the week of each Fish Fry. Note that the parish office is closed from 1:00pm-4:30pm on Thursdays. Please be sure your treats have:



- No Nuts or Peanut Butter
- Nothing that needs to be refrigerated

This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

	Tuesday Feb. 27, 2024	Wednesday Feb. 28, 2024	Thursday Feb. 29 <i>,</i> 2024	Saturday Mar. 2, 2024	Sunday Mar. 3, 2024	
	7:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	8:00am Mass	4:00pm Mass	9:00am Mass	11:30am Mass
Sacristan	Brian Finn	John Martin	Cindy Guzi	Mary Wolf	Ray Knapp	Dan Rys
Lector	Barbara Sadecki	Annette Mobley	Jan Machusak	Keith Morris James Torres	Eileen Clase Janet Seefried	Robert Skwara Matthew Pawl
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JWJ Catholic Academy Family Activity Page

GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-10

Then Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

REFLECTION

We will one day see Jesus in His glory, but that is not now. Right now, we need to listen to Jesus, listen to the Gospel message and know that we are all part of Lent's salvation story. Be happy and rejoice in that, no matter how difficult things may be. Know the people in your life you can trust.

ACTIVITY

- 1) If you could spend one day with any 3 people, living or dead, who would you want to spend it with and why? Have all family members write down their list and share your answers.
- 2) Blow up a white balloon (to represent a cloud). Write "Listen to Jesus" on it and hang it in your room as a reminder of this gospel story, The Transfiguration, and its message.

8. What kind of white did Jesus' clothes become?

9. where did they come down from?

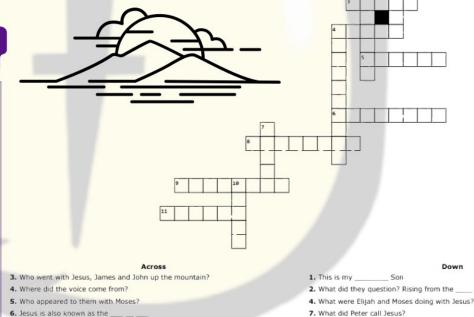
to him

11.

SONG

<u>"</u>Listen to Jesus"- The Transfiguration of Jesus Julie Sim JL (youtube)

<u>PRAYER</u> Jesus, thank you for always being near us to love and help us. Remind us over and over again how very special you are and how very blessed we are. Amen



10. What did they make three of on the mountain?

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ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST

Robert Bain, Army Nicholas Brosowski, Army Chris Burley, Navy Shaun Chaplin, Air Force Gregory Hjelle, Army Louis B. Kasper III, Coast Guard Carmen LaForest, Navy Matthew McDowell, Air Force Lauren Patterson, Air Force Cassidy Kicinski Rose, Air Force Kyle Wiegand, Army

PRAYER LIST

Kathy Bielinski Larry Bohy Rachel Canavesio Rosario Erfe Rosanna Formaro Robert Kraft Marilyn Luberti Gerri Maiuri Douglas Marceau Chuck McAnelly Jim Ochenski Edith Piche James Seager Sonia Shrum

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**.

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."

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 26, 2024

No Mass

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

7:00pm Liv. Sadecki Families and Grandkids (Barbara Sadecki) Dec. Rosemary Spring (Family)

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

Liv. Jack DeLisle (Judy Taylor) Liv. Thomas Smith II (Judy Taylor) Liv. Pavlin Vacaj & Family (Maria) Liv. Patricia Rooney (Nancy Volpe)

Thursday, February 29, 2024

8:00am For the Parishioners

Friday, March 1, 2024

8:00am

No Mass

Saturday, March 2, 2024

4:00pm For the Parishioners Dec. Sophia Kraft (Robert & Frances Kraft) Dec. Albert Brylewski (Geraldine Brylewski) Dec. Anita Acot (Carlo & Fredda Rivas) Dec. Alfredo Acot Jr. (Carlo & Fredda Rivas) Dec. Teresita Trespeses (Carlo & Fredda Rivas) Dec. Irene Michalec (daughter, MaryAnn DeDonatis) Dec. Ramon Catarata (Beth Catarata) Dec. Eliseo P. Corpus (Family) Souls in Purgatory (Beth Catarata) Dec. Mbrs. & Friends of Corpus/Catarata Family (Beth Catarata)

Sunday, March 3, 2024

9:00am	First Sunday Monthly Memorial Members
	Liv. Valentin & Silzana Vacaj (Mom)
	Dec. Rosemary Spring (Family)
	Liv. Maria Vacaj (Maria)
	Liv. Rene Juridico (Juridico Family)

11:30am Dec. Remo Benvenuti (Friends) Dec. Anthony Krull (Family)



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 **sjfparish.org/joinus**. We would love to have you!

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SACRAMENTS

CHILDREN'S BAPTISM

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

RECONCILIATION

Available Tuesdays at 5:30pm.

MARRIAGE

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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Contact the Parish Office to schedule one-time or regular visits.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Contact Laurie Hall to begin the process. Welcome home!



ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL FIRST SUNDAY MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

Bajercius & Nowak Families Michael & Mary Baker Michael Baranski Family **Carol Bardelline** Joseph Beauregard **Bielinski Family** Blacker & Bartz Families John J. Boczar Bonk & Szymanski Families Anthony & Mary Ann Bratke **Dennis Briston** Broski & Schaff Families **Brower & Ficaro Families** Albert Brylewski Isabel S. Cabalum William (Bill) Caiozzo **Clare Campbell** Caradonna & Campo Families Sammy P. Castelli Fr. James Challancin Thomas Chase Dr. Jeffery Cook **Desmond Cushing DeHayes & Kulhawik Families** Mark Dolata **Tina Dubiel Robert F. Endres Betty Eschrich**

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