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As of July 1st, 2022 the four parishes, namely Our Lady of Czestochowa, Sts. Cyril and Methodius, St. Rene Goupil and St. Jane Frances de Chantal will officially become a Family of Parishes. Let me state from the outset that nothing will change in the daily operations of our individual parishes.

The priests of our families have had several meetings to define and write a covenant that will aid us in sharing of resources. For example, each Advent and Lent, Sts. Cyril and Methodius hosts a reconciliation day in which the priests of the families of parishes come together for one day to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with the people of our four parishes. This event allows a great number of people to celebrate the Sacrament and it is less taxing on the priests.

With the declining number of priests, the needs of the people are still being met; people are still being married and buried, children are still being baptized and Masses are being celebrated at various times throughout the week and weekend.

Families of Parishes is also a time for the people of God to come forward to offer their gifts and talents in service to the church. There is no such thing as too many volunteers. We are slowly coming out of the pandemic, people are returning to church. We are experiencing the new normal, yet we are in need of new volunteers in every ministry at St. Jane Frances de Chantal. We all have gifts and talents and we all can do our part to "build up the body of Christ."

In the Easter season as we draw ever closer to the great Feast of Pentecost, may we be open in the prompting of the Spirit. The Spirit will endow us with the gifts of service and ministry within the Church. As Cardinal John Francis Dearden often said, "the more difficult the task, the more the Spirit will be given."

I believe that Families of Parishes is the Spirit's response to this present time in the Church. It is also a time for all of us to "think outside the box" in regards to the Church and her mission. As I mentioned on Holy Thursday, the Church has changed in the thirty-five years since I was ordained a priest and in will continue to change. It is not the same church that I was ordained into in 1986. However, what has not changed throughout the church's history is that the Eucharist is the "summit and source of who we are, it is the spiritual food that sustains us and strengthens us for the journey".

Bon mot: "Do not try to please everyone. Try to please God, the angels, and the saints. They are your public."

-St. John Vianney

Have a great week. Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony



MAY 22, 2022

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

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

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 7:00pm 8:00am Wednesday & Thursday

Holy Day Masses As Announced

Confession

Tuesday 5:30pm

Rosary

Tuesday 6:00pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 9:00am—1:00pm & 4:30pm—8:00pm

Tuesday

2:00pm-8:00pm

Saturday

3:00pm-5:00pm

Sunday

10:00am—12:30pm

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Monday, May 23, 2022

1:00pm Intercessory Prayer Team

Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

9:00am Bible Study 5:30pm Confession 6:00pm Rosary 7:00pm Mass

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

8:00am Mass

9:30am Needlecrafters Needlecrafters 6:00pm 7:00pm **Choir Practice**

Thursday, May 26, 2022

8:00am Mass

9:00am Swiffers Team #1

Friday, May 27, 2022

No Events

Saturday, May 28, 2022

4:00pm Mass

4:45pm **Divine Mercy Prayers**

Sunday, May 29, 2022

9:00am Mass

10:00am K of C Family Rosary

11:30am Mass



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May is the month that we particularly remember the Blessed Virgin Mary. "As the LHall@sjfparish.org Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us.

Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed. The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf" (USCCB)

We have a beautiful statue of Mary that, since the beginning of the pandemic, has stood just inside the worship space entrance doors. We know that not only our parish community but the larger community that surrounds our parish has a devotion to our Blessed Mother and often finds comfort in this image. We would like to add a statue of Mary to our outdoor garden, providing greater access to those who wish to pray with Mary, and move the indoor statue back to its former place inside the gathering space.

We would like to manage the cost of purchasing a statue of Mary by asking you, the parishioners, to donate to the Mary Statue fund. This would be a nice way to remember a loved one who was particularly devoted to Mary or as a way to express your dedication to our Blessed Mother. We have been searching for a large concrete statue that can withstand the winter season but, due to material and transportation shortages, have not yet found one that is available and reasonably priced. I will keep you updated in this column as soon as we are successful in locating the right statue.

If you can contribute, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Mary Statue." You may drop it in the basket during Mass or bring it to the Parish Office. We are grateful for your support!





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Jimmy John's Baseball Game

St. Jane Frances Parish has tickets ordered for the Westside Woolly Mammoths vs Birmingham Bloomfield Beavers Baseball game at Jimmy John's

Field (located at 7171 Auburn Rd, Utica, MI. 48317) for Friday, July 15, 2022 at 7:05pm. Gates open at 6:00pm. There will be Fireworks after the game. The cost is \$15.00 per person on a first come first serve bases. If you are interested, please contact Charles Benvenuti at 586-216-0647 after 5:00pm.

ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL **HEALTH MINSTRY**

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2022 CAR SHOW

Join us for a Cruise-In Car Show on Friday, June 10, 2022 from 4:00pm—8:00pm. Proceeds from the evening go to the Pastoral Outreach Support Fund. Whether you're



bringing a car to show, or just want to stroll around and check them all out, consider yourself invited! Concessions will be provided by the Knights of Columbus, and music provided by Rockin' Ronnie! We hope you can join us!

Bringing a car? Registration information is available in the parish office.

SCRIPTURE READINGS **WEEK OF MAY 22, 2022**

Sunday

Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Monday

Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday

Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday

Acts 18:1-8; 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 16:16-20

Friday

Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; In 16:20-23

Saturday

Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday

Ascension of the Lord Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

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Registered Families: 1,365 **Envelopes Returned:** 176 **Amount Offered:** \$5,659.00 \$663.00 **Loose Offering: Online Giving Contributors:** 106

\$10,496.00 **Total Offerings:**

\$4,174.00

Online Contributions:

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EUCHRE NIGHT: WELCOME SUMMER!

WHEN: Saturday, June 11th, 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 be paid before the night of the event. The cut off for signing up is Monday, June 6th. (No refunds for cancellations received after June 6th)

Questions: Contact Linda Smith at LSmith@sifparish.org or 586-977-8080, ext. 113.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

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	Tuesday May 24, 2022	Wednesday May 25, 2022	Thursday May 26, 2022	Saturday May 28, 2022	Sunday May 29, 2022	
	7:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	8:00am Mass	4:00pm Mass	9:00am Mass	11:30am Mass
Sacristan	Brian Finn	John Martin	Judy Taylor	Jan Sepanik	Karen Frontera	Dan Rys
Lector	Jan Machusak	Annette Mobley	Cindy Guzi	John Czarski	Chris Darner	Robert Skwara

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TODAY'S GOSPEL FOR KIDS Sunday, May 22, 2022: Sixth Sunday of Easter John 14:23-29

GOSPEL EXPLANATION FOR KIDS

How many of you have ever lost something? I know I have! At times like that, I really wish I had a helper to help me find what I have lost. It's hard to remember things sometimes and hard to find things we have lost. Right? In today's Gospel, God knew that sometimes it was hard to remember things, even His precious words. So what did God do? He promised us that the Holy Spirit would help us to remember the things of God and help us to also remember God's word.

ACTIVITIY

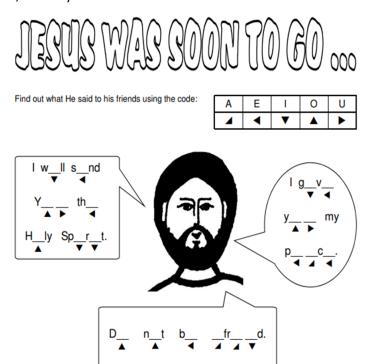
Get a large clear plastic bag, maybe a gallon size Ziplock. Go around the house and put as many things in it as you can fit, things like a shoelace, pen, pencil, staples, rubber band, coins, paper clip, cell phone, TV remote, spoon, fork, band aid, Q-tip, glue stick, hair tie, comb, etc. Put the bag on your table and cover it with a towel. Gather family members together around the table. Give them each a piece of paper and a pencil. Tell them you are going to lift up the towel for 20 seconds. After 20 seconds, put the towel back over the bag. See who can remember the most items that were in the bag and write them down on their paper. Remind them that God sent the Holy Spirit to help us remember things about God and to remember God's word. (adapted from https://ministry-to-children.com/holy-spirit -memory-object-lesson-1-john-1426/)

SONG

The Holy Spirit: John 14:26 (YouTube)

PRAYER

We thank you dear Lord for our friends. We especially thank you for the Holy Spirit, our very best Friend. Amen



Baptism

The community of **St. Jane Frances de Chantal** welcomes into our parish family the following children who were baptized by Fr. Tony Sulkowski on May 15, 2022:



Oliver Aldrich Miska

Parents: Megan & Brian Miska Godfather: Zachary Spencer Godmother: Elizabeth Spencer



Caterina Lucia-Nicole Parrino

Parents: Adria Parrino & Jeremy Teich Godfather: Lorenzo Ventura Godmother: Kaylee Kirschner



Sophie Ann Wilkins

Parents: Laura & Peter Wilkins Godfather: Andrew Leduc Godmother: Elizabeth Wilkins

ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST

Robert Bain, Army

Nicholas Brosowski, Army

Chris Burley, Navy

Shaun Chaplin, Air Force

Alexander J. Hendzell, Marines

Louis B. Kasper III, Coast Guard

Elijah Kuefler, Navy Carmen LaForest, Navy

Matthew McDowell, Air Force

Cassidy Kicinski Rose, Air Force

Jeremy Rzeppa, Navy Anthony Trotta, Navy Kyle Wiegand, Army Steven Zurek, Navy

PRAYER LIST

Karen Belloli John Coriatis Elaine Enck Janet Green Judy Green Steve Green Dennis Hallam

Anja Kowalewski

Deacon Gene Krzeminski

Kevin McDonald Norma O'Connor Michael Puzio

Names added to the Prayer List remain for four weeks. Please call the Parish Office to request prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 23, 2022 No Mass

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

7:00pm Dec. James Taylor (Judy Taylor)

Dec. Kenneth Oakes (Rita Oakes) Dec. Brian Oakes (Rita Oakes) Dec. Richard Volpe (Rita Oakes)

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

8:00am For the Parishioners

Thursday, May 26, 2022

8:00am Dec. Matilde Balagtas (Frank & Marisa Balagtas)

Dec. Rose Marie Spies (Cindy Guzi)

Friday, May 27, 2022 No Mass

Saturday, May 28, 2022

4:00pm For the Parishioners

Dec. Sophie Novak - 3rd Anniversary (Putrycus Family) Dec. Anna & Guido Urbano (Barbara & Richard Urbano)

Dec. June Verona (Carol & Vince)

Dec. Suzanne DeDonatis (Mother & Family) Liv. Helen Ward (Tom & Phyllis Harris)

Sunday, May 29, 2022

9:00am Dec. Wanda Sztaba (Son, Dennis Sztaba)

Dec. Jerry Soldatek (Sylvia Soldatek) Dec. Ronald Guzi (Cindy Guzi)

11:30am Dec. Jack Campo (Caradonna Family)

Dec. Maria & Damiano Campo (Caradonna Family)
Dec. Vincent & Bridget Caradonna (Caradonna Family)
Liv. & Dec. Mbrs. of the Weiler Family (Loretta Miscavish)



OUR MISSION

"Nourished by God's Word & the Eucharist, we strive to be a welcoming Catholic community dedicated to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Would you like to join the St. Jane Frances de Chantal parish family? Become a parishioner!

You may register anytime in the Parish Office or online at sifparish.org/joinus. We would love to have you!

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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.

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