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Summer Is Fleeting

As I sit at the computer writing this article, I am amazed that we are at the midpoint of July. Life does seem to fly by and that is why it is important to enjoy each day as it

comes because, as we all know and have experienced from time to time, life can change in a minute.

I hope all of you had a chance to get away for some rest and relaxation. Last week I received a copy of Matthew Kelly's latest book titled <u>I Heard God Laugh, A Practical Guide to Life's Essential</u> <u>Daily Habit.</u>

The central focus of the book is the importance of prayer in our life and our daily activities. That our life is centered on prayer and our relationship with God is strengthened through prayer. In the later part of the book, Matthew Kelly presents what he calls the prayer process. This process invites people to a deeper understanding of how their prayer life impacts their relationship with God and those people we come in contact with in our daily life. I hope you find this prayer process helpful and enlightening

The Prayer Process

- **1. Gratitude**: Begin by thanking God in a personal dialogue for whatever you are most grateful for.
- **2. Awareness**: Revisit the times in the past twenty-four hours when you were or were not the "best version of yourself". Talk to God about these situations and what you learned from them.
- **3. Significant moments**: Identify something you experienced today and explore what God might be trying to say to you through that event (or person).
- **4. Peace**: Ask God to forgive you for any wrong you have committed.
- **5. Freedom**: Speak with God about how he is inviting you to change your life, so that you can experience the "best version of yourself".
- **6. Others**: Lift up to God anyone you feel called to pray for today, asking God to bless and guide them.
- 7. Finish: by praying the Our Father.

As you pray through the process, may you reflect upon your relationship with the Lord. That relationship like any relationship we have with family or friends, is ever changing. Each day is a new opportunity to see God working in our life and in the lives of those we meet along the way. We are called to live in the present and appreciate that God is in that present moment.

Have a wonderful week. Carpe Diem. Fr.Tony

Bon mot: "Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the doing you have to worry about." St Jane Frances de Chantal -Feast day August 12.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses					
Saturday	4:00pm				
Sunday	9:00am & 11:30am				
Weekday Masses					
Tuesday	7:00pm				
Wednesday & Thu	rsday 8:00am				
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, July 11, 2022 No Events

Tuesday, July 12, 20221:00pmAdoration5:30pmConfession6:00pmRosary7:00pmMass

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

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

Thursday, July 14, 2022

8:00am Mass 9:00am Swiffers Team #4 6:00pm K of C Officer's Mtg. 6:30pm K of C General Mtg.

Friday, July 15, 2022 Parish Office Closed

Saturday, July 16, 2022 4:00pm Mass

Sunday, July 17, 2022

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8:00am Red Cross Blood Drive 9:00am Mass 11:30am Mass 12:15pm Baptism



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As I have written about before, RCIA can be joined at any time, so now is the time to begin praying in earnest for the Holy Spirit to send us seekers. I am asking for the prayers of the entire community to ask God to send us seekers – people looking to form a relationship with Jesus through the Sacraments of the Catholic Church. We can begin the process at any time to prepare people for reception of the Sacraments at Easter Vigil in 2023. Once we have seekers, we will need sponsors and those who are willing to share their faith with a small group. I ask you to please include prayers for a Spirit-filled group of people to come forward to form the RCIA team, but, most importantly, for our evangelization efforts to be increased so that we bring in those seeking initiation.

Struggling with how to pray for seekers? If you need a little inspiration, here are some thoughts:

Pray that God will send his Holy Spirit to those who recognize they are missing something, but don't recognize yet what it is they are missing. "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you so that you walk in my statutes, observe my ordinances, and keep them. You will live in the land I gave to your ancestors; you will be my people, and I will be your God." (Ezekiel 36:26 - 28).

Pray for more people to come to Christ. There is only one way to salvation, through Christ and Christ alone. "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me'" (John 14:6). Remember, too, that Christ is the one who calls us. (see Matthew 11:28-30). Pray that God would open people's hearts to believe the gospel. God is always calling us, always seeking to bring us to Himself. We must respond. So pray that God would open the hearts of these unbelievers so they can in turn believe, just as Lydia did. "The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what Paul was saying" (Acts 16:14).

Pray to the Saints. Here is a prayer from the Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers:

O God, you made your name known to us through the Apostles.

By the intercession of St. Jude,

Let your Church continue to grow

With an increased number of believers.

Grant this through Christ our Lord. AMEN

Finally, pray like the Saints. The following is the prayer of St. Dominic, a beautiful prayer to remind us of our responsibility to live in the Lord, bringing people to God by our example and the Word.

Prayer of St. Dominic

May God the Father who made us bless us.

May God the Son send his healing among us.

May God the Holy Spirit move within us and give us eyes to see with, ears to hear with, and hands that your work might be done.

May we walk and preach the word of God to all.

May the angel of peace watch over us and lead us at last by God's grace to the Kingdom.



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It is hard to believe July is already here... the month of coney dog specials, ice JJacobs@sjfparish.org cream, fireworks, and hopefully some carefree summer days. We all need that in our lives. God has provided the seasons of

the year for us and we need to use them to recharge in whatever way is beneficial.

For me, summer brings golf events, many charity events which I help run, and some in which I play. I don't have a packed schedule of competitive tournaments as before - there's just no time for them - but try to accept invitations that come my way. My game has suffered due to lack of practice, but, oh well.

A couple of weeks ago I was a guest at the Indianwood Ladies Invitational golf event. I used to be a member at Indianwood Golf and Country Club in Lake Orion back in the '80s when it was just getting back on its feet after many years of disrepair. An older links-style course, it is modeled after those in Scotland or Ireland. The 'New Course' was built in 1986 but in a different style that is very difficult and especially tough for the ladies. We played on both courses.

It's wonderful to connect with old friends at these events, but also disconcerting to see how poorly some folks can behave towards one another.....all in the name of competition. Here, we were privileged to be able to play at a beautiful course, but some people simply had to make the day miserable. On Day 1, my partner and I were blessed to be paired with two delightful playing partners. On Day 2, we were unlucky enough to play with polar opposites. The member was over 80 years old and as crabby as they come. She knew me in my member days from 40 years ago but I was not her target....my less-experienced (and very sweet) partner was. She was intimidating, would correct her on rules, count and announce her strokes and vell at her for some supposed infraction. That day we played a strange, complicated and unfamiliar format and if we paused a moment to make sure we were hitting the right shot, she upbraided us for being too slow. I am not a confrontational person and it was everything I could do to be tactful, understanding this for the gamesmanship it was, absorb the barbs and tell my partner to just walk away.

So why did I let it go and not attack her back? Because I am a Christian Catholic and that is not what Jesus teaches. Because she behaved badly toward us didn't mean I had to do the same. Because I knew she was deliberately trying to intimidate and throw us off.....and, because once I opened my mouth, there would be no turning back. All of this started on the second hole and there were 16 holes of uncomfortable golf left. Who needs that?

Looking deeper, I believe she is a very unhappy individual who has a lot going on behind that tough facade. And so, I prayed for her. It is easy to like or love people who are nice, friendly, and kind. Not so much the ones who aren't...but they need it more. Below is a quote I came across from Native American Chief, Dan George. It speaks to our inner peace as human beings and respect for nature.

"It I hard for me to understand a culture that not only hates and fights his brothers but even attacks Nature and abuses her. Man must love all creation or he will love none of it. Love is something you and I must have. We must have it because our spirit feeds upon it. Without love, our self-esteem weakens. Without it, our courage fails. Without love, we can no longer look out confidently at the world. Instead, we turn inwardly and begin to feed upon our own personalities, and little by little we destroy ourselves."

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF JULY 10, 2022

Sunday

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36,37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Col 1:15-20; Lk10:25-37

Monday

Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday

Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab & 15, 16-18, 19-21; Mt 11:28-30

Friday

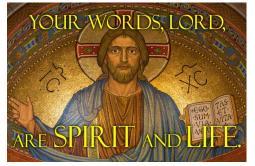
Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42



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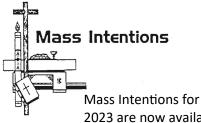
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2023 are now available. Please stop in or call the Parish Office.

CONGRATULATIONS 2022 GRADUATE!

Sarah Friedmann Class of 2022 Bishop Foley Catholic High School

Sarah will attend The Catholic University of America to study Studio Art with a Digital Concentration.

Graduate Blessing

Lord, I lift this graduate up to You and ask for Your mighty blessings to rain down. Show this child success in life and allow her to be respected and appreciated in all that she does. Allow her to feel the joys of accomplishments after hard work, but also keep her focused on knowing that You are the reason for all successes in life. Give her courage, unbending faith, strong values, and a generous heart. Keep her Christian foundation a part of all decisions made and bless her with bountiful opportunities. I ask these things in Your name. Amen.

-Natalie Regoli, Connectus Publishing

Kindness

is in your blood.



American Red Cross

Blood Drive

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church

Church Hall 38750 Ryan Road Sterling Heights

Sunday, July 17, 2022 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE							
	Tuesday July 12, 2022	Wednesday July 13, 2022	Thursday July 14, 2022	Saturday July 16, 2022	Sunday July 17, 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	Mary Wolf	Selma & Paul Marzec	Brian Finn	
Lector	Craig Smith	Annette Mobley	Cindy Guzi	Linda Smith	William Burr	Barbara Milczynski	
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Michael Novak Faith Formation & Youth Ministry MNovak@sjfparish.org Ext. 108

TODAY'S GOSPEL FOR KIDS Sunday, July 10, 2022: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 10:25-37: THE GOOD SAMARITAN

SIMPLE GOSPEL EXPLANATION FOR KIDS

God wants us to love others (especially when they are different).

<u>ACTIVITY</u>

LIVE NEWS REPORT: Write the names of all the characters in today's gospel story on index cards, one name per index card. Have family members or friends each pick one. YOU don't pick one. You are the reporter. Read the story out loud and then interview each person, asking questions about how they felt when they saw the man, why they acted like they did, etc. Record the interviews of each person on a phone or tablet. After all are interviewed, ask "Raise your hand if you showed love like God wants us to show?" That person raises their hand and the interview ends.

FOR MORE FUN: Have everyone dress up as their character.

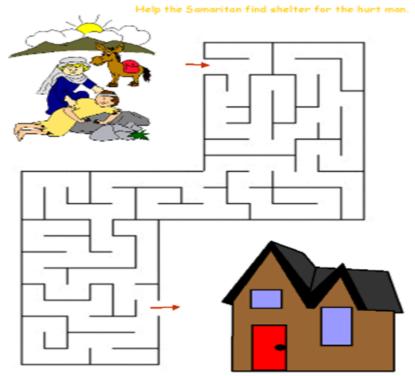
<u>SONG</u>

Good Samari-Friend (Lyric Video) | Here for the Gold [Ktunez Praise] -YouTube

PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for the words of the Bible. Thank you for those around us. Please help us love you and help us share your love with everyone around us. Thank you for your love. Thank you for Jesus. Amen!

Good Samaritan Maze





SEND IN THE SWIFFERS

Have you noticed how sparkling clean the church and gathering area are? This is all thanks to our wonderful teams of volunteers called the Swiffers. The Swiffers do light household duties to include: cleaning the altar area and pews, wiping the windows on the entrance doors and vacuuming the gathering space.

Teams clean once a month on Thursdays starting at 9:00am. All cleaning supplies are provided and it usually takes each team less than 2 hours to make our worship space look beautiful.

If this is something you can help us with or you want more information, please contact Linda Smith at 586-977 -8080 ext. 113 or

Lsmith@sjfparish.org.

Thank you for considering this volunteer opportunity! Linda

EUCHRE NIGHT WELCOME SUMMER!

WHEN: Saturday, July 30th, from 5:00pm until about 10:00pm 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, July 25th. Questions: Contact Linda Smith at LSmith@sjfparish.org or 586-977-8080, ext. 113.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST

Robert Bain, Army Nicholas Brosowski, Army Chris Burley, Navy Shaun Chaplin, Air Force Alexander J. Hendzell, Marines Gregory Hjelle, Army 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 Pat Campbell John Coriatis Trenton Fagan Pat Krajewski Andy Maiuri Michael Puzio Nadia Raft Violet Winter

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 11, 2022

No Mass

Tuesday, July 12, 2022

7:00pm Dec. Anna Maguran (Family)

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

8:00am Dec. Cornelius & Ann Dornatt (Harry & Judy Burzynski) Dec. Ziggie & Virginia Burzynski (Harry & Judy Burzynski) Dec. Anthony & Eileen Modrzynski (Harry & Judy Burzynski) Dec. Sandy Cotten (Diane & John Martin)

Thursday, July 14, 2022

8:00am For the Parishioners

Friday, July 15, 2022 No Mass

Saturday, July 16, 2022

4:00pm

9:00am

Fr. Tony Sulkowski –HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Dec. Shirley Putrycus-Birthday (Putrycus Family) Dec. Conrad Modlinski (Alfreda Modlinski) Dec. Jean Zacharias (Alfreda Modlinski) Dec. Leta Vacaj (Mom, Maria)

Sunday, July 17, 2022

Fr. Tony Sulkowski For the Parishioners Dec. Angeline M. Tringali (D'Angelo Family) Dec. Jerry Soldatek (Sylvia Soldatek)

11:30amFr. Tony Sulkowski
Dec. John Morell (Ron & Annette Mobley)
Dec. Walter Majka (Annetta Majka)
Dec. Joseph Diz (William Navalta & Family)



With Deepest Sympathy

The community of St. Jane Frances de Chantal extends support and prayers to the family and friends of:

Trudy Gottselig

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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 **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!



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