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A time to reconnect.

I hope that everyone is enjoying the summer. As we all know, the season of summer goes quickly. I would like to thank all those people who contributed to the annual Catholic Services Appeal. I would encourage those who have not yet responded to the appeal to prayerfully consider making a pledge. The monies received above and beyond our target are returned to the parish for projects that were unforeseen when the parish budget was put together.

I will be on vacation from July 13th-21st. Fr. Bob Malloy will be here to preside at the weekend liturgies. Fr. Bob is no stranger to St. Jane Frances de Chantal. He has been here several times and is looking forward to re-connecting with members of the parish. Please give him a great St. Jane Frances de Chantal welcome.

This year is a milestone year for me as I will celebrate my 65th birthday this month. I have decided to have a quiet celebration with my family. I cannot believe how quickly 65 years have gone by. Yet in those years I have experienced many things and have encountered many people along the way. God has blessed me in so many ways.

I ask that you remember me in your prayers that God may continue to give me the strength and sustain me in my ministry to the people of God. Know that you are always in my daily prayers.

The summer will come and go. I hope that whatever your summer traditions are, that it will be relaxing and restful. A time to break away from the routine and reconnect with family and friends. Reflecting and recalling all that God has given us throughout our life.

May we see with the eyes of children all that is around us and never lose the sense of wonder and awe. And if you have lost the sense of wonder and awe that life has to offer, may we use this time to recapture that sense of wonderment.

Bon mot: "I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again."

--- William Penn

Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony

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-7:45pm

Tuesday

2:00pm-7:45pm

Saturday

3:00pm-5:00pm

Sunday

10:00am—12:30pm

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Monday, July 17, 2023 No Events

Tuesday, July 18, 2023.

9:30am Walking Club (off-site)

6:00pm Rosary

NO CONFESSIONS/NO MASS

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 NO MASS

Needlecrafters 9:30am

9:45am Seniors

6:00pm Needlecrafters

Lectio Divina (Zoom) 7:00pm

Thursday, July 20, 2023

NO MASS

9:00am Swiffers team #3 6:30pm Bike Club (off-site)

Friday, July 21, 2023 Office Closed/No Events

Saturday, July 22, 2023

4:00pm Mass

Sunday, July 23, 2023

9:00am Mass 11:30am Mass 12:15pm Baptism

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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This weekend, and the next few weekends, the readings from Matthew's Gospel highlight several of parables. Jesus uses parables to stimulate

thought. Rather than teaching by providing guidance in a straightforward way, Jesus seeks to overcome those who "look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand" (Matthew 13:13). Jesus' parables invite us to contemplate his word and conform our worldview to his, seeking to see not as the current culture sees, but through the lens of faith.

As we find ourselves already in the middle of July, today's readings reflect the season, taking us outside and into nature. In both the first reading and the Gospel, we hear of seeds and their potential within. Isaiah's focus is on the rain that nourishes the earth, enabling the seeds planted there to bear fruit. Jesus' parable focuses on soil where seeds can either fail or be fruitful. Both Isaiah and Jesus explain that the seed represents God's word, which can be fertile and fruitful. Let us listen to God's word today, imagining it as a seed that will take root in us, grow in us, and bear fruit in us, yielding a rich harvest for the kingdom of God.

A Summer Blessing

May you walk with God This summer In whatever you do Wherever you go

Walking with God means... Walking with honesty And with courage, Walking with love And respect And concern for the feelings of others

May you talk to God This summer And every day and In every situation

Talking with God means... Praying words of praise For the beauty of creation Saying prayers of thanks For friends and good times, Asking God's help In all your decisions **Expressing sorrow** When you have failed

May you talk with God Every day. Amen.

- Author unknown



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WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 JULY SUMMER SERIES-week 3 DAYS IN THE DIOCESE

Days in the Diocese will take place from July 26-31, 2023

Days in the Dioceses

The gathering of young people from all over the world that precedes WYD Lisbon 2023, will be held from 26 to 31 July 2023



We will be spending these days in the Diocese of Guarda.

What are the "Days in the Diocese"?

"Days in the Diocese" is a gathering that precedes the week of WYD Lisbon 2023 and consists of integrating young people from around the world into the parish communities of the country's various dioceses. The "Days in the Dioceses" are a kind of preparation journey for the pilgrims and host community to experience the days around WYD.

On these days, the participants can become better acquainted with the host region, as well as the local Church and its features. As is also the case in WYD week, they will stay in family homes or parish or public facilities, in order to have a true experience of the Church, evangelization and mission.

GUARDA

The Diocese of Guarda has existed for over 800 years. It's seat was brought to the city of Guarda by D. Sancho, who ordered the construction of a magnificent cathedral, which marks the center of the city.

Since 2005, the diocese has been represented by Bishop D. Manuel Felicio, who relies on the collaboration of around 80 parish priests from a total of 365 parishes.

The diocese, which covers the districts of Guarda, Castelo Branco and Coimbra, is one of great social and cultural diversity, tracing the slopes of the striking Serra da Estrela mountain range.

In a markedly rural area, the Catholic religion is still predominant, stemming from its great traditions and devotions, and also its youth, brought to the diocese by Higher Education campuses or Guarda and Covilha.

-Visit JWJCatholic.Academy/World-Youth-Day for more information on our pilgrimage

SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF July 16, 2023

Sunday

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or Mt 13:1-9

Monday

Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Mt 10:34 – 11:1

Tuesday

Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1 & 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27; Mt 11:28-30

Friday

Ex 11:10 – 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15 & 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

Sgs 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Sunday

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 12-13, 16-19; Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 or Mt 13:24-30



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OFFERTORY INFORMATION July 2, 2023

Registered Families: 1,365 **Weekly Envelopes:** 197 \$8,208.00 **Amount Offered:** \$568.00 **Loose Offering:** Online Contributors: 109 **Online Contributions** \$3,969.00 **Total Offerings:** \$12,745.00 **Budgeted Offertory:** \$11,786.00 \$959.00 Difference:

July 9, 2023

Registered Families: 1,365 212 **Weekly Envelopes: Amount Offered:** \$7,983.00 \$767.00 **Loose Offering: Online Contributors:** 107 **Online Contributions** \$4,433.00 **Total Offerings:** \$13,183.00 **Budgeted Offertory:** \$11,786.00 \$1,397.00 Difference:



Saint Mary Magdalene July 22

Though her transgressions may have been many, just as abundant was her love for her Lord.

Perhaps one of the greatest conversion stories of the New Testament, Mary Magdalene was one from whom seven demons had been expelled, a woman plagued by turmoil. She lived her own type of hell on earth, that is, until Jesus crossed her path one day. She first appears in the Bible accompanying him as he journeyed from one town to the other "preaching and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God". Her gratitude led her to follow and serve her Lord tirelessly, all the way up to the foot of the cross. She did not abandon him in the face of difficulty,

nor did she deny him despite the harsh cruelty all around her. She was one of the few to accompany him, gazing upon his beaten and torn countenance as he took his final breath. Jesus rewarded this loving devotion as she is known in Mark's account to be the first one to see him after the Resurrection (Mark 16:9). May we follow the example of Saint Mary Magdalene in our unwavering dedication to God, so that at the end of our days we may also declare, "I have seen the Lord!"

ST. JANE FRANCES



There are 3 more bike rides this summer! We will be meeting 6:15pm with our rides beginning at 6:30pm. We will be meeting in the Onyx Ice Arena parking lot located at 24 Mile Rd. and Dequindre. From there we will either ride the Macomb Orchard Trail or the Clinton River Trail. You don't need to register but you must wear a helmet! Please bring bug spray, sunscreen, water, or anything else you will need.

The dates for the remining rides are: Thursday July 20th, Wednesday August 2nd, Thursday August 17th.



WALKING CLUB

Want to join others for leisurely walks through a beautiful park? If so, come along and join fellow walkers every Tuesday morning at the Joseph J. Delia Jr. Park (located on the North side of 18 Mile Rd between Ryan Rd and Dequindre Rd). Please plan to meet at 9:15am with the walks beginning at 9:30am. We will be meeting in the first parking lot as you enter the park. Please bring bug spray, sunscreen, water, or anything else you will need.

It is a great opportunity to meet new people while enjoying the beautiful outdoors.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Saturday Sunday July 18, 2023 July 19, 2023 July 20, 2023 July 22, 2023 July 23, 2023 7:00pm Mass 8:00am Mass 8:00am Mass 4:00pm Mass 9:00am Mass 11:30am Mass Sacristan NO MASS NO MASS NO MASS Mary Wolf Janet Sepanik Jeannemarie Trotta Lector NO MASS **NO MASS** NO MASS **Keith Morris** Kathleen Pawlik **Robert Skwara** Phil Mina Janice Machusak Joey Buhlinger

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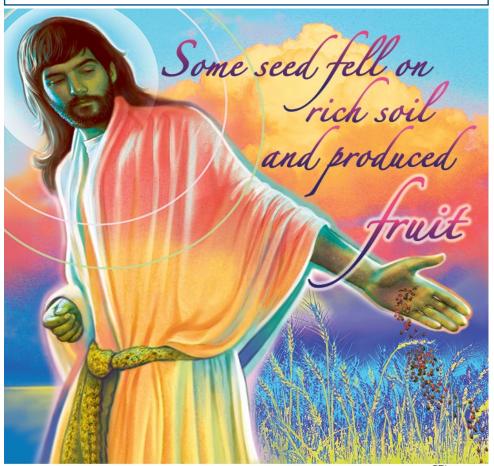
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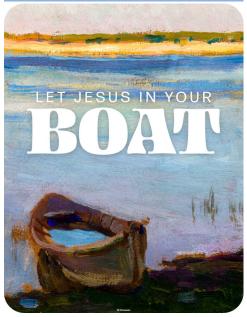
Sunday, July 16, 2023 8:00am to 2:00pm

To schedule an appointment to help save lives, please log onto RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code: stjane) or call Sam at 586-884-3410.





Thank you to all that have contributed to the 2023 CSA Campaign. We are still short of our goal of \$92,951. Envelopes are available at the Welcome Desk or in the Parish Office.



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PRAYER LIST

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

PARISH NEWS

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All news will be delivered to your email inbox.

Sign up at **sjfparish.org/news**.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 17, 2023 No Mass

Tuesday, July 18, 2023 No Mass

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 No Mass

Thursday, July 20, 2023 No Mass

Friday, July 21, 2023 No Mass

Saturday, July 22, 2023

4:00pm Dec. Gerald Williams (Williams Family)

Dec. Gabe Durante (Durante Family)

Dec. Joe & Maria Gronowski (Gronowski Family) Dec. Pauline Gronowski (Gronowski Family)

Dec. Joani Zwada (Husband)

Dec. Edward Roby (Appleton Family)
Dec. Ray Mandziuk (Pat Mandziuk)

Dec. Irene Mandziuk-6th Anniv. (Pat Mandziuk)

Liv. Jeff Taylor (Judy Taylor)

Dec. Antonia Schkrinjar (Merisa & Lana Musemic)

Sunday, July 23, 2023

9:00am Dec. Don Deiotte (Family)

Dec. John Burnagiel (Judy Taylor) Dec. Joani Zwada (Husband)

11:30am For the Parishioners

Dec. John Morell (Ronald & Annete Mobley) Dec. Ken Morell (Ronald & Annette Mobley Dec. Tom LaFramboise (Bill & Marie Gagnon)



extends support and prayers to the family and friends of:

Raymond Turczyn

Beloved husband of Janet

Dear father to Joan, Monica, Michael, Steven, David, and Andrew Dear brother to Robert, Irene, Helen, and Casimir

Cherished grandfather

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.

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ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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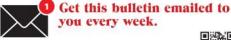
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