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#### It's a Paradox

Recently I received a letter from a friend of mine who would attend St. Basil from time to time. Enclosed in her note was the following article that was obviously written some years

ago because the picture of me in the article shows me with longer hair and more importantly no gray hair. I hope you find this article thought provoking.

#### Some food for thought:

With our nation at war we find ourselves struggling with conflicting attitudes about what life has to offer. At times we have to step back and ponder the meaning of life and our role in God's plan. As we go about our daily routine may we ponder who we are and the people and things that make our life meaningful. As I say so often, "tomorrow belongs to no one." Live in the present and know that God is with you.

#### Thoughts to Ponder:

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers, wider freeways but narrower viewpoints. We spend more but have less—we buy more but enjoy less. We have bigger houses but smaller families; more conveniences but less time; we have more degrees but less sense, more knowledge less judgment; more experts but more problems; more medicine, but less wellness.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom and hate too often. We've learned how to make a living but not a life. We've added years to life, not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon, but have trouble crossing the street to meet our new neighbor. We have conquered outer space, but not inner space. We've cleaned the air, but polluted the soul. We've split the atom but not our prejudice.

We have higher incomes but lower morals. We are long on quantity but short on quality. These are the times of tall people and short character---steep profits and shallow relationships. These are times of world peace but domestic warfare—more leisure but less fun--- more kinds of food but less nutrition. These are days of two incomes but one divorce—of fancier houses but broken homes.

It is a time when there is much in the show window and nothing in the stockroom; a time when technology can bring you a letter or a text and you can choose to make a difference of delete it.

—Author unknown

Life is too short to let it slip through your fingers, but we have the power to make a difference if we choose to do so. As I have always said and remind myself often: I have more years behind me than ahead of me, so enjoy life and the plan that God has for each of us. Have a wonderful day.

Bon mot: Every person's life is a fairy tale, written by God's fingers.

--- Hans Christian Andersen

Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony

#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**Weekend Masses** 

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

**Weekday Masses** 

Tuesday 7:00pm 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 & 4:30pm—7:45pm

Tuesday

2:00pm-7:45pm

Saturday

3:00pm-5:00pm

Sunday

10:00am-12:30pm

#### PARISH HAPPENINGS

Monday, August 21, 2023

No Events

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

9:30am Walking Club (off-site)

5:30pm Confessions 6:00pm Rosary 7:00pm Mass

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

8:00am Mass

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

Thursday, August 24, 2023

8:00am Mass

9:00am Swiffers Team #4

Friday, August 25, 2023

Office Closed

Saturday, August 26, 2023

3:45pm Blood Pressure Screenings

4:00pm Mass

4:45pm Divine Mercy Prayers

Sunday, August 27, 2023

9:00am Mass

9:45am Blood Pressure Screenings

11:30am Mass



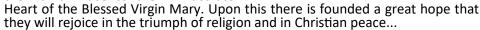
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In this feast, particularly cherished by the Popes of modern times, we celebrate Mary as the Queen of Heaven and Earth.

Pope Pius XII in the Papal Encyclical Ad Coeli Reginam proposed the traditional doctrine on the Queenship of Mary and established this feast for the Universal Church.

Pope Pius IX said of Mary's queenship: "Turning her maternal Heart toward us and dealing with the affair of our salvation, she is concerned with the whole human race. Constituted by the Lord Queen of Heaven and earth, and exalted above all choirs of Angels and the ranks of Saints in Heaven, standing at the right hand of Her only-begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, she petitions most powerfully with Her maternal prayers, and she obtains what she seeks."

And Pope Pius XII added the following: "We commend that on the festival there be renewed the consecration of the human race to the Immaculate



Agency:

Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, is the feast of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. If

you are not familiar with this feast, here is

some information from the Catholic News

...Therefore, let all approach with greater confidence now than before, to the throne of mercy and grace of our Queen and Mother to beg help in difficultly, light in darkness and solace in trouble and sorrow...

... Whoever, therefore, honours the lady ruler of the Angels and of men - and let no one think themselves exempt from the payment of that tribute of a grateful and loving soul - let them call upon her as most truly Queen and as the Queen who brings the blessings of peace, that She may show us all, after this exile, Jesus, who will be our enduring peace and joy."

Prayer in Honor of the Queenship of Mary O Mary Immaculate Queen, look down upon this distressed and suffering world. You know our misery and our weakness. O thou who art our Mother, saving us in the hour of peril, have compassion on us in these days of great and heavy trial.

Jesus has confided to you the treasure of His grace, and through you He wills to grant us pardon and mercy. In these hours of anguish, therefore, your children come to you as their hope.

We recognize your Queenship and ardently desire your triumph. We need a Mother and a Mother's Heart. You are for us the luminous dawn which dissipates our darkness and points out the way to life. In your clemency obtain for us the courage and the confidence of which we have such need.

Most Holy and Adorable Trinity, You Who did crown with glory in Heaven the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Savior, grant that all her children on earth may acknowledge her as their Sovereign Queen, that all hearts, homes, and nations may recognize her rights as Mother and as Queen.

Mary Immaculate Queen, triumph and reign! Amen

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#### **HEAVENLY DELIGHTS**

Join us once again on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, after the 9:00am Mass for coffee, bagels, donuts, juice, and tea! This is a great time to build community and form new friendships! There is no cost, but a free will offering is accepted. We hope you can join us!

### SCRIPTURE READINGS **WEEK OF**

August 20, 2023

#### Sunday

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40; 43ab & 44; Mt 19:16-22

#### Tuesday

Memorial of the Queenship of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** 

Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 19:23-30

#### Wednesday

Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 20:1-16

#### **Thursday**

Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

#### **Friday**

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Mt 22:34-40

#### Saturday

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Mt 23:1-12

#### Sunday

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

# Observe what is right,

Isaiah 56:1

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Registered Families: 1,365 Weekly Envelopes: 191 **Amount Offered:** \$6,648.00 **Loose Offering:** \$922.00 Online Contributors: 95 **Online Contributions** \$2,814.00 **Total Offerings:** \$10,384.00 **Budgeted Offertory:** \$11,786.00 Difference: -\$1,402.00

## Attention all St. Jane Frances de Chantal Volunteers Safe Environment Policy Update

The Archdiocese of Detroit has updated the Safe Environment Policy. Effective immediately, all employees and volunteers must read and digitally sign a Code of Conduct document, take Protecting God's Children (PGC) Training, and have a background check completed. Current volunteers who have had PGC Training in the past will need to be recertified. This can be accomplished online. You can log into your account at virtusonline.org that you created when you signed up for PGC and it will prompt you to read the Code of Conduct document, digitally sign it, and it will then guide you through the process. All new volunteers will be required to take a PGC Training session either in person or on Zoom. Go to virtusonline.org to set up a new account and it will prompt you to sign up for PGC Training. Background checks need to be done every year. Please pick up a Background Check Form in the parish office, complete it, and return it to Jody Gazo. Teen volunteers will now be required to complete a Virtus online workshop. Teen volunteers will be asked to set up an account on virtusonline.org, and they will be prompted to put in their birthdate and Virtus will assign them the Healthy Relationships for Teens 2.0 module. If you questions or need log-in help, contact Jody at jgazo@sjfparish.org or 586-977-8080 ext. 112.



#### **EUCHRE NIGHT: WELCOME FALL!**

WHEN: Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 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 Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. (*No refunds for cancellations received after September 10<sup>th</sup>*.)

Questions: Contact Linda Smith at LSmith@sjfparish.org

or 586-977-8080, ext. 101.

| LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE |                          |                            |                           |                             |                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                               | Tuesday<br>Aug. 22, 2023 | Wednesday<br>Aug. 23, 2023 | Thursday<br>Aug. 24, 2023 | Saturday<br>Aug. 26, 2023   | Sunday<br>Aug. 27, 2023       |                                 |
|                               | 8:00am/7:00pm            | 8:00am Mass                | 8:00am Mass               | 4:00pm Mass                 | 9:00am Mass                   | 11:30am Mass                    |
| Sacristan                     | Brian Finn               | John Martin                | Judy Taylor               | Janet Sepanik               | Selma & Paul<br>Marzec        | Brian Finn                      |
| Lector                        | Chris Bajercius          | Annette Mobley             | Barb Milczynski           | Keith Morris<br>John Martin | Denise Dara<br>Janet Seefried | Robert Skwara<br>Joey Buhlinger |

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Taryn Pawl
Kelly Pletcher
Christine Rodman
Barb Wojtas

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**.



#### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 21, 2023

Tuesday, August 22, 2023

**7:00pm** For the Parishioners

Dec. Mbrs. Of Maiani & Gasperoni Families (Rosa Maiani)

No Mass

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

**8:00am** For the Parishioners

Dec. Carl Lewis (Judy Taylor)
Dec. Jerry Sniegur (Judy Taylor)
Dec. Sam Orlando (Judy Taylor)

Thursday, August 24, 2023

**8:00am** For the Parishioners

Dec. Mbrs. Of Maiani & Gasperoni Families (Rosa Maiani)

Friday, August 25, 2023 No Mass

Saturday, August 26, 2023

**4:00pm** Dec. Andrew Richard & Jane Pomnichowski

(Rchard & Barbara Urbano)

Dec. John J. D'Angelo (D'Angelo Family)

Dec. Betty Cianfarani (Family)

Dec. Suzanne DeDonatis-3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv. (Family)

Sunday, August 27, 2023

**9:00am** For the Parishioners

Andrew & Janet Seefried-35<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniv. (Family) Dec. Andrew Koritnik (Andrew & Janet Seefried)

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

Dec. Maria & Damiano (Caradonna Family)

Dec. Vincent & Bridget Caradonna (Caradonna Family)

Dec. Eddie Varani (Judy Taylor)



#### **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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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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