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Family of Parishes

FrTony@sjfparish.org On January 12th of 2023, the four parishes, namely Our Lady of Czestochowa, Sts. Cyril and Methodius, St. Rene Goupil and

St. Jane Frances de Chantal officially become a family of parishes. The name that we chose for our grouping of parishes is the Family of the Good Shepherd. 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 the sharing of resources. For example, each Advent and Lent, Ss. 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. Also, St. Rene and St. Jane Frances have a joint Confirmation Mass once a year that is held at St. Rene.

These are just two examples of how we are sharing our resources to continue to meet the spiritual needs of the people in our Family of Parishes. As Moderator of our Family of Parishes, I can say that the priests of our family are very dedicated and are hardworking as we proclaim and make manifest the Kingdom of God. I would ask that you continue to pray for the priests of our Family of the Good Shepherd as we pray for you.

Even with the declining number of priests, the spiritual needs of the people are still being met; people are still being married and buried, the sick and the dying are being anointed, children are still being baptized, and Masses are being celebrated at various times throughout the week and weekend.

The Families of Parishes offers 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 and as 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, we all can do our part to "build up the body of Christ."

I believe that Families of Parishes is the Holy 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 a few weeks ago, the Church has changed in the thirty-seven 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. For example, when I was ordained (1986) there were 1,300 priests serving the Archdiocese of Detroit. In 2023, we have 199 priests in ministry and by the year 2030 that number will drop to 158 priests. That is the reality and we have to deal with the situation as it presents itself to us. 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. The Eucharist invites us and calls us to become involved disciples in the church.

SEPTEMBER 17. 2023

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses Saturday Sunday	4:00pm 9:00am & 11:30am
Weekday Masses Tuesday Wednesday & Thu	7:00pm 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—7:45pm Tuesday 2:00pm—7:45pm Saturday 3:00pm—5:00pm Sunday 10:00am—12:30pm PARISH HAPPENINGS

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Monday, September 18, 2023 6:30pm The Chosen Video Series

Tuesday, September 19, 202310:00amBible Study5:30pmConfessions6:00pmRosary7:00pmMass

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 8:00am Mass

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9:30am	Needlecrafters
9:45am	Seniors
6:00pm	Needlecrafters
7:00pm	Lectio Divina (Zoom)

Thursday, September 21, 20238:00amMass9:00amSwiffers Team #4

2:00pm The Chosen Video Series

Friday, September 22, 2023 Office Closed/No Events

Saturday, September 23, 2023 Ministry Weekend-Faith Formation 3:45pm Blood Pressure Screenings 4:00pm Mass

Sunday, September 24, 2023 Ministry Weekend-Faith Formation 9:00am Mass 9:30am St. Jane Frances Health Fair 11:30am Mass

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Please consider participating in the presentation of the gifts at Mass

Have you and your family signed up to present the gifts at Mass yet? There is a

sign-up book in the Gathering Space at the Welcome Desk. The book contains one page for each weekend of the next year. It is our hope that you will participate in the Mass in a special way by signing-up to present the gifts in thanksgiving to God. Consider signing up for an anniversary of marriage or in remembrance of the anniversary of the death of a loved one, a birthday, in celebration of special moments in your family's life, or any Mass, for any reason.

We ask that you arrive 10 minutes before the Mass you signed up for to check in with an Usher so they know that all is covered. If a particular Mass does not have anyone signed up, the Ministers of Hospitality will continue to ask people as they come into Mass. I have been told that the Ushers are turned down by many who are asked. Please consider saying yes, not just to the Usher who asks, but yes to God's invitation to participate in the Mass! It is our great hope that we will see an increase in the variety of people who participate in this beautiful action of the liturgy.

Mass is the center of our faith, our participation in it is a wonderful sign of our love for God.

Please join us and sign-up soon!



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This year, our Family of the Good Shepherd will participate in the **Seventh Annual Mercy in Action Day of Service**. Parishes from across the Archdiocese of Detroit will be witnessing to the power of God's Mercy. Each parish within our Family of the Good Shepherd will be participating with various activities on **Saturday, October 14, 2023**. The day will start out with Mercy in Action prayers and refreshments at St. Jane Frances de Chantal at 9:00am in the parish hall. We ask that you prayerfully consider participating in one of the activities that are scheduled:

- **Our Lady Of Czestochowa**-Oakmont Sterling Senior Community visit. Providing refreshments, gifts, entertainment, and spiritual support/prayers. Contact Aneta (313) 377-9476 for more information.
- **Ss. Cyril & Methodious**-Fatima Rosary Rally at 12:00pm. Rosary procession for pro-life intentions to the corner of Ryan Rd. & 18 Mile Rd. Refreshments will be served in the community center following the rosary. Contact Annette (586) 247-7214 for more information.
- St. Jane Frances de Chantal-Free AED training at 10:00am. Ushers, ministry leaders, and parishioners from all parishes are encouraged to attend. CPR training will also be offered at 11:00am. Both sessions will be held in the parish hall. The AED training is free. There is \$25 fee for the CPR training. Registration is necessary. Please call the parish office (586) 977-8080. Payment can be made on the day of the training.
- St. Rene Goupil-Book Drive for Pediatric Hospitals. Each parish will have a donation box during the month of October to collect books for children that have cancer and are receiving treatments. Children's Hospital and Beaumont (Corewell) Pediatric Hospital will be receiving the donations and only NEW books are accepted. Contact Kristen at St. Rene Goupil (586) 939-7500 for more information.

JWJ CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Register online for 2023-2024 Catechism classes at jwjcatholic.academy/registration or at sjfparish.org under the "Formation" tab Walk in registration for both St. Jane Frances de Chantal and St. Rene Goupil will be at St. Rene on Monday, September 25th from 6:00pm-8:00pm



JWJCatholic.Academy

Sterling Heights, MI

join us for a

Faith Formation Rally Weekend

Saturday & Sunday, September 23rd & 24th after all masses

INFORMATION

Find out about the new and innovative Faith Formation Program (Catechism).

SIGN-UPS

Sign up to be a volunteer in the faith formation program as a catechist (teacher), catechist aide, hall monitor or specialty coordinator "All areas are in need.

DONATIONS

Donate or be a sponsor to help support our youth and adults who will be attending a MISSION TRIP to ALASKA in 2024.

PRIZES

Pick a sucker and be an instant winner at the Faith Formation Rally Weekend booth set up in the gathering area of the church after all masses.

for more information contact Michael V. Novak @ (248)219-8438

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF September 17, 2023

Sunday Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30 – 28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Monday 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13

Friday 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Timels 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a



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OFFERTORY INFORMATION September 3, 2023

Registered Families:	1,365
Weekly Envelopes:	201
Amount Offered:	\$8,126.00
Loose Offering:	\$826.00
Online Contributors:	106
Online Contributions	\$3,973.00
Total Offerings:	\$12,925.00
Budgeted Offertory:	\$11,786.00
Difference:	\$1,139.00

OFFERTORY INFORMATION September 10, 2023

Registered Families:	1,365
Weekly Envelopes:	200
Amount Offered:	\$7,786.30
Loose Offering:	\$1,126.00
Online Contributors:	100
Online Contributions	\$3,919.00
Total Offerings:	\$12,831.30
Budgeted Offertory:	\$11,786.00
Difference:	\$1,045.30

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time





Next weekend, September 23rd and 24th, our parish will take up a special collection to help defray the cost of retirement and show our appreciation for those priests who have cared for us and ministered to us throughout the years. Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best contribute to the With Thanks for Their Service in Christ special collection this year. You may return your special collection envelope at Mass next weekend or mail it to the parish office.

Baptisms

The community of St. Jane Frances de Chantal welcomes into our parish family the following children who were baptized by Fr. Tony Sulkowski on September 3, 2023:



Isaac Sabah Mammou

Parents: Sebastian & Kristina Mammou Godfather: Gabriel Mammou Godmother: Isabella Mammou

Delaney Loretta D'John Parents: Matthew & Kristen D'John Godfather: Ryan D'John Godmother: Erika Huber



sday	Wednesday	Thursday	Saturday	Courselance	
. 19, 2023	Sept. 20, 2023	Sept. 21, 2023	Sept. 23, 2023	Sunday Sept. 24, 2023	
pm Mass	8:00am Mass	8:00am Mass	4:00pm Mass	9:00am Mass	11:30am Mass
n Finn	John Martin	Judy Taylor	Janet Sepanik	Mary Kay Storen	Jeannemarie Trotta
ara Sadecki	Annette Mobley	Cindy Guzi	James Torres Keith Morris	Chris Bajercius Janice Machusak	Matthew Pawl Robert Skwara
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LITUDCICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24th

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ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL HEALTH FAIR

- FLU SHOTS
- PNEUMONIA
 VACCINATIONS
- BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS
- MEDICATION DISPOSAL
- EYEGLASS DONATIONS
- REFRESHMENTS

9:30AM-1:30PM

38750 RYAN RD, STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48310



Have your blood pressure checked!

Elevated blood pressure (B/P) is considered a category, not an actual health condition like high blood pressure (hypertension). But elevated blood pressure tends to get worse over time unless it's properly managed. That's why it's important to regularly check and control your blood pressure. Healthy lifestyle habits, such as regular exercise and a healthy diet, can help prevent and control high blood pressure (hypertension).

Uncontrolled, elevated blood pressure and hypertension increase the risks of heart attacks, strokes and kidney damage. Some research says long-term elevated blood pressure can lead to changes in memory, language, thinking or judgment (cognitive decline). (Mayo Clinic)

The normal range for a blood pressure reading is 120/80. Prehypertension is considered with a systolic (top number) of 120-139 and a diastolic (bottom number) of 80 to 90. Once the number is 140/90, you are into the high blood pressure readings. (AHA)

The Health Ministry/Parish Nurse Group offers B/P checks the fourth weekend of most months. For those who rarely see a doctor or who have conditions that require some evaluation, having a check can give you input into your health status. Most people never know if they have high B/P and that it is why it is often called the silent killer.

At a neighboring parish, a member came in after Mass feeling unwell and a little dizzy. The first person taking her B/P was alarmed at the reading and called another nurse to repeat the procedure. Her reading was extremely high and was on the verge of having a stroke. EMS was called and she was transported to the emergency room where they confirmed that she was teetering on having a stroke or heart attack. They immediately started giving intravenous medication to bring down those numbers. She now has her B/P under control with daily medication.

Why not come and have your blood pressure taken at the **Health Fair on September 24**th after Mass. There will be pamphlets available to help explain B/P readings and heart disease.

TWENTY-FOURTH 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 Carmen LaForest, Navy Matthew McDowell, Air Force Lauren Patterson, Air Force Cassidy Kicinski Rose, Air Force Anthony Trotta, Navy Kyle Wiegand, Army Steven Zurek, Navy

PRAYER LIST

Hosie King Marylyn Krzeminski Jack O'Mara Christine Rodman Charles G. Shermetaro Larry St. Clair Judy Taylor 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, September 18, 2023

No Mass

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

7:00pm Dec. Willard Fasczewski (Graziano Family)

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

8:00am Liv. Steven Wioskowski (Judy Taylor) Dec. Michael Tarter (Judy Taylor)

Thursday, September 21, 2023

8:00am Dec. Gary Gleich (Mary Ann & Grandchildren)

Friday, September 22, 2023

No Mass

Saturday, September 23, 2023

4:00pm Dec. Edward Kempa Sr. (Ed & Sandy Kempa) Dec. Rachel M. Ulinski (Benvenuti Family) Dec. Richard Centalla (Maurene) Dec. Joann M. Sepanik (Sepanik Family)

Sunday, September 24, 2023

11:30am

9:00am Dec. Thomas Jarboe (Family) Liv. John Varani (Judy Taylor)

Dec. Jack Campo (Caradonna Family)
Dec. Maria & Damiano Campo (Caradonna Family)
Dec. Vincent & Bridget Caradonna (Caradonna Family)
For the Parishioners
Dec. Thomas & Rose Medved (Family)
Dec. Anton Wolf (Family)
Dec. Leonard E. Parada-1st Anniv. (Family)
Dec. Manny Malicsi-40th day of passing (Aida Malicsi & Family)
Mitchell & Theresa Bialczak-50th Wedding Anniv.
Dec. Salvador Balagtas (Balagtas Family)
Liv. Bobbie Sierzputowski (Ron & Annete Mobley)
Dec. Mary Zalewski-100th Birthday Remembrance (Family)
Dec. John G. Dipucchio (Patricia)

With Deepest Sympathy

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

Anthony John Fortuna

Beloved husband of the late Vera Dear father to Sandra, Mark, Bev, and Joseph Cherished grandfather & great-grand father

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.

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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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James & Dolores LaRocca John & Marisa LaRocca Joann Lichocki Stanley & Dolores Lichocki Louis & Grace Loconte Maguran & Baglama Families Raymond J. Mandziuk Mandziuk & Skonieczny Families Frank & Joan Mazur Thomas & Rose Medved Clara & Stanley Milczynski Sr. Alice Miller Liz & Pam Miller Family Padraic I. Mullin Harry & Lottie Musialowski George Muylaert Family Vincent Nesci, D.C. Edward J. Novak & Family Brian Oakes Kenneth Oakes John "Jack" O'Connell Marsha Olson Edward & Bernadine Ostin **Rev. Leon Page** Jane & John Pastor Helen & Henry Perliskey Genevieve Perliski Joseph Pistono

Pokrywka & Zalucki Families Lois Polkinghorne Aniela Poslaiko Arnold & Shirley Putrycus Deborah Puzzuoli **Quitter & Duncan Families** Luigi & Elvira Rastelli Reghi & Ditaranto Family Rucinski & Kennedy Families Rudzinski & Szutkowski Families Steve Sadecki Sadecki & Wojtkiewicz Families Esse & Grace Salamie Jim Sawicki Joan Schnepf Ruth Schramski Doreen Schrieber **Richard Schriedel** Arnold Semrau Marsha Snider Helen & Earl Starr Jean Stevens Anthony & Phyllis Sulkowski, Sr. Lee Sutton, Sr. **Ronald Suwinski** Jack Taylor James & Mae Taylor Jon Taylor

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