



St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Catholic Community

STERLING HEIGHTS
MICHIGAN

21TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

August 25, 2019



Fr. Tony Sulkowski
Pastor
Ext. 102

FR. T'S TIDBITS:

For Whom the Bells Toll

I would like to thank the Knights of Columbus for hosting the Hot Dog Luncheon last Sunday. It was a great day. I would also like to thank the Knights for all they do for the parish.

I was reminded last weekend by a number of parishioners on the fact that summer has flown by very quickly. The last holiday of the summer will soon be upon us. As students and teachers prepare to return to the classroom this academic year, may we as a community of faith offer to them our prayers and blessing that they, students and teachers alike, may enjoy learning and take delight in new discoveries and share those experiences with others. We also remember parents, who are the first teachers of the faith, that their faith and love may be an example to their children and the community. As they prepare for a new school year we offer them this blessing:

Lord our God

In your love and wisdom you surround us with the mysteries of the universe.

In times long past you sent us your prophets to teach your laws and to bear witness to your undying love.

You sent your Son to teach us by word and example that true wisdom comes from you alone.

Send your Holy Spirit upon these students and their teachers and fill them with your wisdom and blessing.

Grant that during the academic year they may devote themselves to their studies and share what they have learned from others.

We pray this through Christ our Lord.

Bon mot: The distance we have gone is less important than the direction in which we are going. Live seeking God, then you will not live without God.--- Leo Tolstoy, Spiritual Writings.

Carpe Diem,

Fr. Tony



Faith Formation 2019-2020

Registrations for the 2019-2020 School Year were mailed out last week.

Check to be sure that you received yours!

If you are looking to join our Faith Formation Program, blank registrations can be found in the parish office or online at:

www.sjparish.org/FaithFormation

We are looking forward to a new year of discovery, a new year of learning from and with one another, and a new year of some of the same, but new friends as well!

Come and join us!

Questions? You can e-mail us at

FaithFormation@sjparish.org

or give us a call at

(586) 977-8080 ext. #108

We look forward to meeting you!

-Ben Klassen

**ST. JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL
PARISH COMMUNITY**

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MASS 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

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:30am - 8:00pm
(Closed from 12:00 to 1:15 for lunch)

Friday: Closed

Saturday: 2:30pm - 5:00pm

Sunday: 10:00am - 12:30pm

MINISTRIES

- Knights of Columbus #13340**
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- Parish Nurse Ministry**
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- Seniors**
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- Soup Kitchen**
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- St. Vincent de Paul**
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- Ushers-Ministers of Hospitality**
Lawrence (Larry) Frontera 586-306-3450

SACRAMENTS

CHILDREN'S BAPTISM

Do you have a child you would like to have baptized? We would be delighted to talk to you about your options! Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday from 5:30pm-6:30pm (or by appt.)

MARRIAGE

Congratulations! Please contact our Parish Office at least six months prior to your desired wedding date to start your preparations and make arrangements. Couples should stop by the office and fill out the Request for Celebration of Marriage form. Fr. Tony will call the couple and answer any questions regarding marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office to schedule. Also available once a month during the Tuesday evening Mass.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? We are thrilled to have you! Contact our Pastoral Associate/Worship Coordinator, Laurie Hall, to begin the process by calling the Parish Office. Welcome home!

PARISH SACRAMENTAL POLICY

We ask that in order to have your child baptized here, or to be married here, you should be a registered parishioner or active in your previous parish. This means attending weekly Mass with your faith community, using your envelopes and taking part in parish activities.

**Visits to the Homebound for
Communion / Anointing**

Please call the Parish Office to schedule.

This Week in Our Parish

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

- 10:00am Mercy in Action Meeting
- 7:00pm Intercessory Prayer Team

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

- 5:30pm Confessions
- 6:00pm Diabetes Prevention Program
- 6:00pm Rosary
- 7:00pm Mass w/ Anointing

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

- 8:00am Mass
- 9:30am Needle Crafters
- 1:15pm Swiffers Team 4
- 5:45pm Needle Crafters
- 7:00pm Lectio Divina

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

- 8:00am Mass

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

No events

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

- 4:00pm Mass
- 5:00pm Divine Mercy Prayers

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

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

Visit the parish website to stay up to date on what is happening, to sign up to our parish news blasts, & to view the bulletin online!

sjfparish.org

Stay connected through social media! Find us on Facebook at @sjfparish and on Instagram at @stjane francesparish.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE ST. JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL FAMILY? BECOME A REGISTERED PARISHIONER!

You may register at the Parish Office at anytime after Mass on the weekend or during regular office hours. Please call 586-977-8080 if you have any questions. We look forward to having you here!

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"Nourished by God's Word and the Eucharist, St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish is a welcoming Catholic community dedicated to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ."



Laurie Hall
Pastoral Associate
& Worship Coord.
Ext. 104

LITURGY DAY

It is time to register for our upcoming Liturgy Day on Saturday, September 14th from 8:30am to noon. To register, please call the Parish Office at (586) 977-8080 or email me at lhall@sjfparish.org. We will need to know who will be in attendance in order to have enough materials and refreshments. Please register as soon as possible and no later than Tuesday, September 10th. Thank you!

This morning gathering is for all those who serve in Liturgical Ministries and anyone interested in serving in these ministries. **All are welcome!** Here's the agenda:

8:30am	Gathering and Continental Breakfast
9:00am	Opening Prayer
9:15am	Prayer Forms and Praying with the Psalms
10:40am	Adoration
11:00am	Breakout Sessions for Individual Ministries
11:45am	Closing Prayer

RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

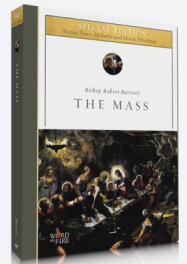
Have you experienced a retreat lately? Are you in need of a day to step away from the ordinary and spend some time reconnecting with God? There is a great retreat opportunity coming up - Ladies Day of Renewal at the St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center (23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit, MI 48223) on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 from 9:30am – 2:00pm. The cost is \$30/person or \$50 for two people. The day will include:

- Reflective Talks
- Conversation
- Hot Lunch
- Quiet Time

You can register on-line at stpaulretreat.org or by phone at (313) 286-2800. If you have any questions about the day of renewal, please contact Lynnette Marshall at lmarschall@stpaulretreat.org.

SAVE THE DATES

This fall St. Jane will present a six-week DVD/Study series from Bishop Robert Barron entitled "The Mass." This will be a wonderful opportunity to deepen your understanding of the liturgy and to participate with others, learning, growing and sharing our faith! The series will be presented on six consecutive Monday evenings, September 30th through November 4th, 6:45pm – 8:45pm here at St. Jane. We will pray, watch the video series and spend time in discussion to deepen the experience. Light refreshments will be served and registration is necessary. More information will be included in the September 8th bulletin – mark your calendars now!



Many of you are asking about choir and music programs as Fall arrives next month (Oh, it pains me to use that word, even though autumn is beautiful in Michigan.....). If you'd like to join us for any music program here at St. Jane, please come up and see me after Mass, drop off your name and contact information at the parish office, or join us at our choir 'after picnic' following the Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 15th. See me for details.

Adult Choir will continue with 9am mass on Sunday, warming up at 8:30am. Choir rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 7:00pm-8:30pm in the church. The first practice is on Wed., Sept. 25. As I wrote last week, we don't 'officially' meet in the summer for practice or church, but any choir member is invited to sing on Sunday, and they certainly have been showing up!

Instruments In Praise (you heard them last Sunday at 11:30am mass) is a small group which plays the first and third Saturdays of the month, and we rehearse prior to those masses at 2:45pm. (Although in September, due to Labor Day, the schedule is switched a little bit).

The Gospel Choir sings on the remaining Saturdays, usually the 2nd, 4th and 5th Saturdays of the month. Since gospel music is more 'feel' than rehearsed, we only rehearse periodically. Many of my gospel choir members have been with me since the 1980's so we sort of know how to sing together pretty well....but that doesn't mean we don't encourage new members....we do!

Bell Choir is led by choir member Fawn Kopas and you are welcome to contact her to join that group. Fawn also organizes the percussion sounds you hear and we can always use extra hands, literally. Contact the parish office with your name and phone number and we will pass your information to Fawn.

If you don't wish to make a full commitment and want to join us for Christmas only, that's fine too. All the groups come together for that great feast and there is room for everyone.

The Angels and Inspiration Music Series will be back, beginning with a holiday concert on **Thursday, December 19, 2019**, when **The Judelaires** will perform a return engagement at **7:00pm**.

While I am not planning a Veterans Tribute concert like last year, the **Swing Shift Orchestra** will be back at some point...and that is mainly because I've asked them to perform at the **Motor City Navy Ball** I'm chairing (as President of the Metro Detroit Council of the Navy League) on Friday, October 11th from 6:30pm-10:30pm at the Detroit Yacht Club...and you are invited. Just see me. — *Janina*



**DEBBIE MAZUR**

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Last week I wrote how Christian Service is often thought of as being the “the hands and feet” of Jesus. It incorporates the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. I had shared information about the Spiritual Works of Mercy and this week I would like to elaborate on the Corporal Works of Mercy and share some practical suggestions for practicing the Corporal Works of Mercy.

The Corporal Works of Mercy

To feed the hungry; give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit the imprisoned; to shelter the homeless; visit the sick and bury the dead

How are you or can you incorporate these Works of Mercy in your life? During this next week, find ways to incorporate the Corporal Works of Mercy into your life. Spend some quiet time with Jesus, he will show you how...

Feed the Hungry

- ◆ See to the proper nutrition of your loved ones
- ◆ Support and volunteer for food pantries, soup kitchens, and agencies that feed the hungry
- ◆ Educate yourself about world hunger
- ◆ Avoid wasting food and share your meals with others

Shelter the Homeless

- ◆ Help neighbors care for their homes and do repairs
- ◆ Support and/or volunteer at a homeless shelter, build homes, and provide support in the wake of natural disasters
- ◆ Consider being a foster parent

Clothe the Naked

- ◆ Support the work of St. Vincent de Paul Society
- ◆ Go through your drawers and closets and find good-condition clothes and shoes to donate
- ◆ Volunteer to work at a clothing drive or at a shelter where clothing is distributed to those in need

Visit the Sick

- ◆ Spend quality time with those who are sick or homebound
- ◆ Take the time to call, send a card or an email to someone who is sick
- ◆ Volunteer for the DENIS Connection
- ◆ Assist those who are fulltime caregivers for family members

Visit the Imprisoned

- ◆ Support and/or participate in ministries to those who are incarcerated or agencies that advocate on behalf of those who are unjustly imprisoned
- ◆ Support job-training and educational programs designed to rehabilitate prisoners (i.e. On the Rise Bakery)
- ◆ Support the abolition of the death penalty

Give to the Poor

- ◆ Take some small bills or loose change with you to hand out to people you encounter who are in need
- ◆ Throw your coin change into a jar and periodically donate it to a charity
- ◆ Make a regular monetary donation to a charity that tends to help the poor

Bury the Dead

- ◆ Be faithful about attending wakes/visitation
- ◆ Support or volunteer at a hospice
- ◆ Participate in a bereavement ministry
- ◆ Spend time with widows/widowers
- ◆ Take friends and relatives to visit the cemetery
- ◆ Send Mass cards to families of those who have died
- ◆ Offer daily prayers for those with terminal illnesses and for those who have died.

Adapted from Practical Suggestions for Practicing the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy—by Joe Paprocki, DMin



C.A.R.E. PROGRAM
Caregiver Assistance Resources and Education Program®

September 7, 2019

Advance Directives and Verbal De-escalation Techniques

9:00am-11:30am Fr. Page Activity Center

In continuation of our 1st Saturday Caregiver Series, the next session is Saturday September 7th. You can attend even if you missed last session in August!

Cost per session is \$5 per person.
Light refreshments will be offered.

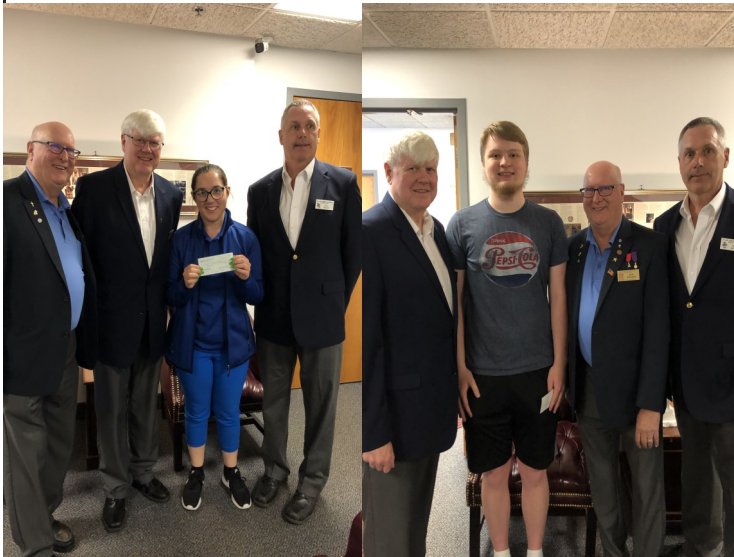
Registration is required! Sign up in the parish office or call 586-977-8080.

**St. Jane Frances de Chantal Knights of Columbus
Council #13340
2019 Scholarship Winners**

Brian Finn, Bob Bielinski and Bill Meyer presented checks to the 2019 Scholarship winners:

- Isabella Cavaliere is entering her 2nd year at Michigan State University in Hospitality Business.
- Paul Graziano is entering his 2nd year at Macomb Community College.

Congratulations!!



Coffee & Catholicism

Theology traditionally has been understood as “Faith seeking understanding”. If you have ever been interested in understanding why we believe what we believe or have had questions about Catholic doctrine and dogma then join us **twice a month on Tuesday nights**. We will be discussing doctrinal changes concerning the Catholic Church in the modern age such as:

- ◆ What occurred at the First and Second Vatican Councils
- ◆ Development of Catholic mystical theology
- ◆ And more!

This series will be an excellent introduction with no prior knowledge or experience necessary.

All are welcome to come. There is no cost to attend!

We will meet from 6:30pm-7:45pm

Upcoming dates are:

September 10th & 24th

October 15th & 29th

November 12th & 26th

For further information contact Debbie or to sign up , call the office at 977-8080.



YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

Executive Speaker Series

August 28, 2019

7pm-9pm

Old St. Mary’s Church

1032 Saint Antoine St. | Detroit

Mike Stefanski is a multi-disciplined senior financial leader with extensive mobility and telecommunications experience at Verizon Communications. He has held key executive roles designing, supporting and implementing global strategic and operational initiatives as well as developing relationships with global financial institutions. Mike’s commitment to developing, mentoring and coaching individuals has been a cornerstone of his management style with numerous direct reports advancing to senior leader positions in the company. His volunteer activities include mentoring young professionals, college students and high school students.

**Put on your Walking Shoes
For a Good Cause!**



**Friday, September 20, 2019
9AM—1PM**

The 5th Annual Strides for Seniors Walk & Expo will be helped at Palmer Park in Detroit.

To register or to donate Contact:
St. Patrick Senior Center
313-833-7080



**Saturday, September 28, 2019
9am Registration 10am Walk**

The 12th Annual
St, Vincent de Paul Detroit
FRIENDS WALK
at Belle Isle State Park

For more information and to register visit:
www.FriendsWalk.org



BEN KLASSEN
Youth Ministry Coordinator &
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Catholic—what does this word mean to you? How often do you see it, hear it, say it? Are you Catholic or catholic? Both, one or the other, neither but want to explore more about it? Maybe you're asking yourself, "what in the world is he talking about?"

Catholicism is, to me, the Church of Christ in the world. The Church, begun the moment Jesus died on the cross. While Jesus was on Earth, we didn't need a Church, because **the** Christ was right before us, but when He died, we needed the connection to God through the Church. Jesus came back to help kick-start the Church and Her Mission of spreading God's Word to the nations, but He really just laid it all out there for the Apostles and Disciples to get their rears in gear to go further than one man (even though He was God) could go.

To be catholic (note the small "c" at the beginning of the word) is to be "universal". This is quite the hard topic to write about because it seems that so many people have a different understanding of what the word "universal" means! The Nicene Creed that we *proclaim* at Mass (that's right, it's a statement of BELIEF, not *just* something that we read, not necessarily a prayer, although it *can* be prayed) is proclaimed by different denominations of the Christian faithful, at their services. If you look at the front of our hymnals, and most official printings of the Creed, towards the bottom, the word catholic is written just like that, with a small "c" (some "Wiki-" pages and personal websites capitalize it, but those are not official printings of the Creed). This being "catholic" is one of the four marks of the Christian faith, that of universality.

Does this mean that anything goes? There are no "regulations" in the universality of faith? Absolutely not. We abide by certain rules. We adhere to certain beliefs. Jesus Christ came to Earth and died for me, for you, for each and every one of us: Christian, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, etc. It is up to my our own free will(s) to look at this statement, research it actively (not passively), find answers to our questions and believe or not believe. Regardless of our personal understanding and belief, there is an objective reality to this eternal truth. This means that the truth of God (and therefore His Word, Jesus) does not depend on my, or anyone else's, belief. It simply IS. This is part of the universality of faith.

This week's Gospel encourages us to, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." (Lk 13:24). St. Paul wrote, "...do not disdain the discipline of the Lord or lose heart when reprov'd by him; for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines;" We are but human beings, flawed and limited by our flesh and blood, but redeemed but the Flesh and Blood of the Messiah. A simple yet complex truth that can encourage as well as discourage. This is part of the catholic nature of our Catholic Church.

My search has been circuitous. It has gone around (a few times) but comes back to the simple truth of Catholicism. No matter what mankind does, Jesus Loves us, encourages us and welcomes us back—all we have to do is ask. Welcome to being Catholic.



St. Jane's Parish Picnic 2019

Sunday, September 15th
 Join us for food and fun!



Want to join others for a non-competitive bike ride once a week? Come along on our rides around various trails in the area! Check out the full schedule and details on where to meet at <http://sjfparish.com/bikeclub>. You don't need to register unless otherwise noted, but **you must wear a helmet!** Please bring bug spray, sunscreen, water, or anything else you would need.



ST JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL
BIKE CLUB

REMINDERS: For reminders of where we are riding or notifications due to weather, etc., sign-up for our Remind Group by texting @sjfbike to 81010 or email sjfbike@mail.remind.com. You can unsubscribe at any time.

NEXT RIDE: THURSDAY AUGUST 29TH

**Ride through Downtown Royal Oak
Meet at 6:45pm. Ride at 7:00pm.**

Gather in parking lot at St. Mary's Catholic Church (730 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak).

This will be a destination ride.

Stopping for a bite to eat after the ride.

Liability – At no time does St. Jane Frances de Chantal, the Archdiocese of Detroit, employees or volunteers assume liability for any event that may occur during these workouts. The members participate of their own free will understanding that any exercise program has the inherent risk of injury. No one associated with this group is operating as a doctor or licensed medical practitioner. Members should consult with their doctor or other licensed care representative if they have any questions or concerns about participating in an exercise program. It is up to the best judgment of those participating to listen to their bodies and prevent injury.

ATTENTION SENIORS

“THURSDAYS AT THE MUSEUM”

The Detroit Institute of Arts is offering a **FREE special program for adults 55 and older**

The DIA is offering groups of 25-50 people from Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties **FREE** admission, **FREE** transportation and a complementary coffee and cookie reception. The itinerary is:

- 12:00pm Bus pick-up at St. Jane Frances
- 1:00pm Program begins
- 2:30pm Coffee and cookie reception
- 3:15pm Bus departs from DIA to St Jane Frances

We are scheduled to attend the following event:

October 3rd—Masters Old and New Tour (Must sign up by **September 23rd** in the parish office.)

We can only take a maximum of 50 people, so sign up early!! Any questions contact Linda at 586-977-8080, ext. 113 or Lsmith@sjfparish.org.

Want to deepen your devotion to Mother Mary? Join Fr. Tony as he leads you on the trip of a lifetime to the Apparition site at the shrine of Our Lady of Knock in Ireland! Stay tuned for more details!



**Ireland Pilgrimage
St Jane Frances de Chantal
& Fr. Tony Sulkowski
May 4 - 14, 2020**

- Day 1 Monday, May 4 - Depart for Ireland
- Day 2 Tuesday, May 5 Shannon, Cliffs of Moher, & Galway
- Day 3 Wednesday, May 6 - Knock & Ballintubber
- Day 4 Thursday, May 7 - Kylemore, Croagh Patrick, & Murrisk
- Day 5 Friday, May 8 - Ennis & Adare
- Day 6 Saturday, May 9 - Adare, Tralee, & Killarney
- Day 7 Sunday, May 10 - Killarney: The Ring of Kerry
- Day 8 Monday, May 11 - Blarney, Holycross Abbey, Cashel, & Waterford
- Day 9 Tuesday, May 12 - Glendalough & Dublin
- Day 10 Wednesday, May 13 - Dublin
- Day 11 Thursday, May 14 - Depart for Home

Ireland Pilgrimage Meeting

We are hosting an informational night for anyone who is interested in going on the pilgrimage to Ireland on May 4-14, 2020. Those who have already signed up are also invited to attend this meeting. The meeting will be held at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish on Tuesday, September 10th in Room E. The meeting is from 7:30pm-8:30pm. Brochures on the pilgrimage are available in the parish office or the welcome desk in the Gathering Space.

See you there!

Fr. Tony

Thanks to your help, St. Jane Frances de Chantal has now raised \$86,746.00 toward our 2019 CSA target of \$92,273.00. We are grateful for those of you who have already pledged your support!



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The ministries, programs, and services that the Catholic Services Appeal funds, help us to Unleash the Gospel in our own parish, throughout Southeastern Michigan, and beyond! Truly, we are *Opening Doors to Witness Christ!*

If you are still prayerfully considering your sacrificial gift to this year's CSA, you may bring your completed pledge card to Mass or drop it by the Parish Office. You may also make your pledge to our parish's campaign online at:

sjf.aodcsa.org

Thank you again for your continued support of our mission to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ in our parish, our community, and to the world.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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Pastor: Fr. Craig Giera

WEEKEND MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
8:30am
Saturday
12:15pm

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE: For our parishioners with Celiac Disease, we now have procedures in place to help you celebrate the Eucharist with your parish family. For more info or to take part, call the Parish Office at 586-977-8080.

ONLINE GIVING

We are grateful for your support of our church. Online Giving allows you to make contributions to our church without writing checks or worrying about cash donations. Visit our parish website at:

WWW.SJFPARISH.ORG

to sign-up for Online Giving. Email Jody Gazo at jgazo@sjfparish.org or call 586-977-8080, ext. 112 with any questions. Thank you!

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF
August 25, 2019**

Sunday

Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13;
Lk 13:22-30

Monday

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and
9b; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday

Memorial of Saint Monica

1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday

**Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church**

1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab;
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday

**Memorial of the Passion of
Saint John the Baptist**

1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17;
Mk 6:17-29

Friday

1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97: 1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12;
Mt 25:1-13

Saturday

1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11;
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

WEEKDAY LECTOR SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

Mary Anne Barczak

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

Annette Mobley

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

Cindy Guzi

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, AUGUST 26: NO MASS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27:

7:00pm Dec. Ed Varani (Judy Taylor)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28:

8:00am Dec. Cheryl Gulock (Family)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29:

8:00am Dec. Joanne Tuzinowski
(Marvin, husband)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30: NO MASS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31:

4:00pm For the Parishoners
Dec. George Baker
(Mike & Sue Emerson)
Dec. James Klassen
(Ron & Dianna Christoff)
Dec. Pauline Gronowski
(Durante Family)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1:

9:00am 1st Sunday Memorial Members
Dec. Sharon Meccariello
(Shirley Essad)
Hasaj Family in Purgatory (Maria)
Dec. Jerry Soldatek
(Al & Rose Rumball)

11:30am Dec. Marsha Olson (Family)
Dec. Thomas & Rose Medved
(Family)
Dec. Deanna Norkiewicz
(Vera Pellerito)
Dec. Stanley & Mary Tuzinowski
(Marvin, Son)

Marriage Banns

WEEK II

**NICHOLAS TAUBITZ
&
JENNIFER GMEREK**

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — August 31st & September 1st
(Please see scheduling app for updates.)

	4:00pm	9:00am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Sacristan(s)	Lori & Joe Nida	Ray Knapp	Kathaleen Burley
Lector 1	John Martin	Felix Erfe	Barbara Milczynski
Lector 2	Bill Burr	Julius D' Ambrosio	Geri Miles
Altar Servers	Elsa Jeffrey	Nancy Dufoor	Isabella Schilling
	Lucas Jeffrey	Amanda Dufoor	Madeline Kleinberg
Ushers	Team 1	Assigned	Team 2

Mass intentions for 2020 are now available! Please stop by the Parish Office to schedule your Mass Offerings. They will be scheduled on a first come, first serve basis.



Thank you for your contributions to this year's CSA! Please honor your pledge, if you have not yet done so!

LETTER OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS TO PRIESTS: Encouragement & Mother Mary

How can we speak about gratitude and encouragement without looking to Mary? She, the woman whose heart was pierced (cf. Lk 2:35), teaches us the praise capable of lifting our gaze to the future and restoring hope to the present. Her entire life was contained in her song of praise (cf. Lk 1:46-55). We too are called to sing that song as a promise of future fulfillment.

Whenever I visit a Marian shrine, I like to spend time looking at the Blessed Mother and letting her look at me. I pray for a childlike trust, the trust of the poor and simple who know that their mother is there, and that they have a place in her heart. And in looking at her, to hear once more, like the Indian Juan Diego: "My youngest son, what is the matter? Do not let it disturb your heart. Am I not here, I who have the honor to be your mother?"

To contemplate Mary is "to believe once again in the revolutionary nature of love and tenderness. In her, we see that humility and tenderness are not virtues of the weak but of the strong, who need not treat others poorly in order to feel important themselves".

Perhaps at times our gaze can begin to harden, or we can feel that the seductive power of apathy or self-pity is about to take root in our heart. Or our sense of being a living and integral part of God's People begins to weary us, and we feel tempted to a certain elitism. At those times, let us not be afraid to turn to Mary and to take up her song of praise.

Perhaps at times we can feel tempted to withdraw into ourselves and our own affairs, safe from the dusty paths of daily life. Or regrets, complaints, criticism and sarcasm gain the upper hand and make us lose our desire to keep fighting, hoping and loving. At those times, let us look to Mary so that she can free our gaze of all the "clutter" that prevents us from being attentive and alert, and thus capable of seeing and celebrating Christ alive in the midst of his people. And if we see that we are going astray, or that we are failing in our attempts at conversion, then let us turn to her like a great parish priest from my previous diocese, who was also a poet. He asked her, with something of a smile: "This evening, dear Lady my promise is sincere; but just to be sure, don't forget to leave the key outside the door". Our Lady "is the friend who is ever concerned that wine not be lacking in our lives. She is the woman whose heart was pierced by a sword and who understands all our pain. As mother of all, she is a sign of hope for peoples suffering the birth pangs of justice... As a true mother, she walks at our side, she shares our struggles and she constantly surrounds us with God's love".

Full excerpt: http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/letters/2019/documents/papa-francesco_20190804_lettera-presbiteri.html

TOGETHER LET US PRAY...

Please pray for those who are in special need of our prayers.

Lillian Arendall
James Baggi
Christine Bloedel
Tim Broders
Charlene Brown
Rachel Canavesio
Sam Castelli
Sandy Castelli
Jack Caradonna
Lorenza Caradonna
Sid Cavataio
Bernie Colasanti, Jr
Brittany Clarke
Francis Dascenza
MaryAnn DeDonatis
Mike Dinardo
Lorraine Dory
Rita Duffey
Kevin Dufoor
Jim Duncan
Anna Lisa Flattery
Dennis Franklin
James Friedmann
Marie Gagnon
Greg Gibson
Charles Grade
Pauline Gronowski
Donald Gulock
Daniel Hadel
Mike Harris
Phyllis Harris
Scott Harris

Nicholas Kaptur
John Karalunas
Richard Kaufmann
Frances Kraft
Walter Kronner
Sandra Lewis
Daniel Lynch
Sr. Eileen Lynch
Lynn Macieczni
Walter Majka
Addison Mathews
Jeffrey Maxwell
John Mazur-Baker
Erin McClaine
Jean McDonald
Barbara Mezzapelle
Patsy Mirek
Lilly Moon
Karen Mosher
William Navalta
Norma O'Connor
Fr. Leon Page
Matthew Pawlik
Adam Phillips
Anita Pitlock
Susan Putrycus
Amy Zachwieja Raggio
Angie Randazzo
Rommel Rebuca Jr.
Magdalene Risko
Diana Roberts
Marlene Rokicki

Olivia Rokicki
Enakshi Roy
Ray Samarziya
Sr. Adrienne Schaffer, O.P.
Arnold Semrau
Joan Senkowski
John Shea
Brian Smith
Pat Sowa
Lois Theisen
Debbie Thueme
Daniel Van Acker
Roy Weickel
Mel Werner
Kevin Wilcox
Gary Winters
Don G. Wisniewski
Toni Woodring
Carol Zachwieja
Marsha Zanardelli
Nicole Zapinski
Barbara Zolnierczak

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Amir Ciplakovic, Marines
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