



2nd Sunday of
Advent

St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Sterling Heights, MI

December 8th, 2019

Fr. T's Tidbits: Second week of Advent

In this second week of Advent John the Baptist plays a prominent role in the life and ministry of Jesus. John is often referred to as the precursor of Jesus. The definition of precursor is forerunner, forbearer or trailblazer. In reading the Scriptures that pertain to John the Baptist any one of those terms would be appropriate for John. John was indeed a trailblazer making people aware that one more powerful than he (John) was to come.

This Advent season affords us the opportunity to be like John and tell our stories of faith and our spiritual journey. Advent is one of those times that the Church encourages us to see how God is present in our daily life but more importantly to share those experiences of God's presence with those people who are a part of our life or who enter into our journey for a short time. We all have a story to tell and there are people who want to hear our story.

One of the materials I use every Advent season is what has become known as the, "the little blue book". The little blue book contains writings or reflections by Bishop Ken Untener. These little six minute reflections allows us to center our attention on the season of Advent in the midst of our busy life and Christmas preparations. I would encourage you to pick up an Advent book in the gathering space and spend that six minutes a day reflecting upon the scripture verse, the reflection and the prayer at the bottom of each page.

Whatever prayer form you use throughout this season of Advent may it prepare you to celebrate the great Feast of Christmas. This is a time for us to step back from our busy schedules and focus our attention on God and the many ways in which He reveals and shows Himself to us on a day to day basis.

Many people have asked, what is the meaning of Carpe Diem? It is Latin for "seize the day". I began using the term after I saw the movie: The Dead Poet Society. It is a reminder for us to see God's hand in our work, our play and our interaction with each other. As we journey through this season of Advent, may we seize each day and each moment as a gift from God knowing that He loves us and cares for us!

May we keep in our prayers the men and women who are serving in the military! May God protect them and their families! Let us also remember those women and men who will be away from their families this Christmas season that they may be united in spirit with their loved ones.

Bon Mot: With this hope, therefore, let our souls be bound to him who is faithful to his promises and righteous in his judgments. -St. Clement I, Letter to the Corinthians, c 95.

Carpe Diem,

Fr. Anthony Sulkowski



Fr. Tony Sulkowski
Pastor
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Prepare the
way of
the Lord,
make straight
his paths.
Matthew 3:3

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses: 4:00pm, 6:00pm, & Midnight Mass (11:30pm Prelude)

Christmas Day Masses: 9:00am & 11:30am

Mother Mary, Vigil Mass: Dec. 31st 5:00pm

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

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

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 7:00pm
 Wednesday and Thursday 8:00am

Holy Day Masses As Announced

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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

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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.

Parish Happenings

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

1:30pm Intercessory Prayer Team
 6:00pm Advent Reconciliation

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

1:00pm-6:30pm Adoration
 5:30pm Confessions
 6:00pm Rosary
 6:00pm Confirmation Prep
 7:00pm Mass

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:00am Mass
 9:30am Needlecrafters
 5:45pm Needlecrafters
 7:00pm Choir
 7:00pm Lectio Divina
 7:00pm CCS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

8:00am Mass
 10:30am Book Club
 1:15pm Swiffers Team 2
 5:30pm K-6 Faith Formation
 6:00pm Holiday Grief Support
 6:15pm K Of C Mtg

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

Office Closed

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

3:30pm Blood Pressure Screening
 4:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

8:30am Blood Pressure Screening
 9:00am Mass
 9:00am RCIA
 11:00am Holiday Grief Support
 11:30am Mass
 12:30pm Baptisms
 6:00pm HSYM Sun. Eve Gathering

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."

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!



LAURIE HALL
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Our readings today speak of peace, beginning with Isaiah. Isaiah pairs a lot of incompatible animals in his vision of the future kingdom, from wolves with lambs to cows with bears, culminating with the child and the snake. The picture painted by Isaiah brings to mind Eden before the fall of humanity. The “shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse” (Isaiah 11:1) is fulfilled in Jesus; Isaiah tells us he will be just and faithful. His justice will result in harmony among all the inhabitants

of the earth. It is interesting that Isaiah’s lion will no longer want to eat the ox, he will eat hay with the ox. His nature will be one of peaceable co-existence, leaving behind the aggression needed to survive.

Paul echoes this thought when hoping that the Romans will “think in harmony with one another” (Romans 15:5). He draws people to the church from all backgrounds, from all cultures, and from all nations, so he does not expect that they all think alike or behave the same way. But he prays that all may think, act, and work in harmony so that they all may be one in Jesus. Many backgrounds, one accord. Many languages, one voice.

Finally, in the Gospel reading, John the Baptist does not give us visions of peace and harmony; he speaks harshly to the Pharisees and Sadducees, accusing them of insincerity and presumption. He called them to repentance, demanding that they “produce good fruit as evidence” (Matthew 3:8). This would be a good lesson for all of us. Repentance means nothing if we do nothing. We are called to bear fruit—in our workplaces, our communities, and our world—to bring about the kingdom John so eagerly anticipates.

As we begin this second week of Advent, let us focus on peace and harmony. Prepare the way of the Lord in your own life. What can you do to bring harmony to those in your life, your family, your neighborhood, the world?

Peace, Laurie

As we celebrate the second Sunday of Advent, here is what’s going on at St. Jane Frances:

INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM – Advent is a great time to begin a new prayer practice. Join the Intercessory Prayer Team in praying for the needs in our Intention Box, the world, the Church and the Parish. The Advent date is Monday, December 9th at 1:30pm in Room B.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE – Monday, December 9th at 6:00pm in the Church.

ADORATION – Tuesday, December 10th, from 1:00pm to 6:30pm in the Chapel.



CHRISTMAS SEASON DECORATING – Please mark your calendars for Sunday, December 22nd, following the 11:30am Mass. At that time we will bring Christmas to light in our beautiful worship space. We need just a couple of hours to transform our space into a beautiful reflection of the season we are celebrating. (If you are a high school student looking for service hours – this is your opportunity!) Please join us – all are welcome! If you can commit early, please email me at lhall@sjfparish.org or call me at the parish number. If you don’t know your availability, just be there on Sunday, December 22nd following the 11:30am Mass! Looking forward to a fun time!

CHRISTMAS WAFERS – The Christmas wafer commemorates a custom that is many centuries old. Oplatek (from the Latin “Oblatum” – Holy Bread) is believed by some to emanate as far back as the “manna” of Exodus 16:31 and is sometimes referred to as the Bread of Angels. Shared at the Christmas Vigil meal, the breaking of the Christmas wafer offers best wishes to family and friends. Christmas wafers are now available in the Parish Office. A donation of \$1 per package of 4 wafers is appreciated.

Please note: December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, usually a Holy Day of Obligation, is met with this year’s regular Sunday obligation!



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In this spirit of Advent, are you sharing the Gospel? Are you being a witness? Where are you willing to share the Gospel? With your family, friends, the person in the line at the store? How do you share the Gospel? It can be as simple as a “God Bless You,” or “Have a Blessed Day” or so much more...

A way of sharing the gospel is the “Kerygma”. According to Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron in *Unleash the Gospel*, “*The ‘Kerygma’ is the New Testament word for the simple, radical, countercultural and joyful message of the Gospel—that ‘initial ardent proclamation by which a person is one day overwhelmed and brought to the decision to entrust himself to Jesus Christ by faith.’*”

The Kerygma Explained:

God loves you personally and has a plan for your life.

God created us out of love—we are a free creation of his goodness. The original plan was perfect happiness with Him.

Sin separates you from God.

Man said no to this plan. He rebelled against God by being deceived by the Evil One. When sin entered the world, it separated humanity from God. Redemption was necessary in order to make eternal life with God possible.

Jesus died on the cross to atone for your sins. This makes heaven possible for you.

However, God did not leave us in sin, and He responded to our infidelity with his fidelity. Christmas is God sending His Son to offer His life for our sins and to rob sin and death of its power. Jesus is the answer to sin and all of its effects.

Jesus is inviting you to accept His gift of salvation.

Through Baptism, we share in His victory over sin. We share in His identity (because He took on our flesh and was not ashamed to be called our brother). He gives us the power to live as His disciples; to be free!

Do you want to accept that gift and follow Him as a disciple?

Being Jesus’ disciple changes our identity. We are claimed by God and are then co-heirs with Christ of eternal, perfect, almost-incomprehensible joy in heaven.

In reflecting on the Kerygma, we need to remind ourselves and share with others of the life-changing call of Jesus.

How have you encountered Christ and how has it changed you? Why do you follow Christ? Have you accepted His gift of salvation? Do you follow Him as a disciple? What does this mean in your life? Can you share with others?

As we approach Christmas, Advent gives us the time to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas and the greatest gift of all. Take the time to reflect and open yourself to His love...

Blessings,

Debbie

Christmas Food Basket Collection



“Lord, when did we see you hungry?”

For Christmas our St. Vincent de Paul chapter provides holiday meal packages to over **40 families in need** within our parish boundaries. This only happens because of the **generosity of you**, our parishioners.

The **specific** items we need to complete our **Christmas** meals include:

- ◆ 35-40 Hams
- ◆ 50 boxes of potato casserole mix (scallop, au gratin)
- ◆ 50 Canned sweet potatoes
- ◆ 50 Jello or pudding mix



Note: Please bring **hams** to the church office **no later than Wednesday, December 11th**!
Thank You!

Health Ministry Hepatitis A Vaccination

Hepatitis A (HepA) is a highly contagious liver infection caused by the Hepatitis A virus (HAV). It can range in severity from a mild illness lasting a few weeks to a severe illness lasting several months and can result in liver failure and death. Since August 2016, there has been an increase incidence of Hep A in Michigan, with 905 cases reported. Eighty percent of these people required hospitalization, and 28 have died.

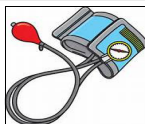
Symptoms of HepA include fever, vomiting, grey-colored stools, fatigue, abdominal pain, joint pain, loss of appetite, nausea, dark urine and jaundice. However, not everyone who has HepA feels or looks sick and can still spread the disease. HepA is spread through contact with the stool of an infected person. This can happen easily if someone does not wash his or her hands properly after using the bathroom, or after changing the diaper of an infected person. Hepatitis A also can be spread through contaminated food or water. Contamination of food can happen at any point: growing, harvesting, processing, handling, and even after cooking.

The best way to prevent HepA is to get vaccinated. HepA vaccination is an inactivated (killed) vaccine. You will need 2 doses, given at least 6 months apart, for long-lasting protection. Children are routinely vaccinated between their first and second birthdays (12 through 23 months of age). But Hepatitis A vaccine was not routinely given before 1996, so many adults are not immunized. It is also recommended to wash your hands well with soap and water after going to the bathroom, and when preparing meals, or eating. Use your own towels, toothbrushes, and eating utensils. Do not have sex with someone who has HAV infection or share food, drinks, or smokes with other people.

For more information: <https://www.webmd.com/a-to-z-guides/prevention-15/vaccines/need-hepatitis-vaccines>

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71550_2955_2976_82305_82310-447907--,00.html

Blood Pressure Screening



Our Health Ministry Team will be available for Blood Pressure Screening next weekend: **December 14th & 15th**. They will do the screenings on Saturday, December 14th from 3:30pm to 5:00pm and on Sunday, December 15th from 8:30am to 11:30am.

GRIEF SUPPORT THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS

St. Jane Frances de Chantal's Grief Ministry is having two sessions that are open to anyone who has experienced loss.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12th, 2019
6:00PM-8:00PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 2019
11:00AM-1:00PM

If you would like more information, please call Barb at 586-264-0845 or the Parish Office at 586-977-8080.

You are not alone.

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

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!

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



BEN KLASSEN
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ABOUT THE GOSPEL:

John the Baptist encourages people to turn to God with their whole hearts. He baptizes many people who desire a better relationship with God. John shares that God is sending a holy and mighty person who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire.

IN CHURCH:

Make a family visit to your church's baptismal font. Share a story from each child's Baptism. Bless yourselves with holy water and renew your promises to love God!

QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

- ◆ What can you do this week to strengthen your relationship with God?
- ◆ Who, in your life, has helped you to "change"? Who has helped you "grow"?
- ◆ John says that being a child of Abraham is not enough. Why not? What more is needed?

FAMILY PRAYER:

Thank you, Jesus, for welcoming us into your family. Help us to make choices that bring us closer to you. Amen.

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF NEXT WEEK, IN PREPARATION FOR MASS:

- ◆ What does it mean to wait for something? Does it mean *more* when you have to be patient waiting for it?
- ◆ How is Advent a waiting time? Can we use this time to prepare ourselves? How?
- ◆ How can you bring happiness to someone? What is the Good News that Jesus brought for us?

Faith Formation Reminder:

When the weather is bad, remember to check: www.sjfparish.org for potential building closings and/or cancelled sessions.

Our New Year has begun. Like many New Years (in January) we are filled with Hope as we were reminded last weekend when we celebrated the first week of Advent, but where do we see Hope, when we are surrounded in negativity, surrounded by the (oftentimes) upsetting 24 hour news cycle? Encompassed by injury, death, bad news, natural disaster, human beings out to hurt others in the name of a "god"?

This past week, I was at a breakfast gathering with my family, where an aunt and uncle brought their 4 month old grand-daughter. In the restaurant, talk ranged from Christmas (ribbing one another about gifts, past and future) to the earthquake in Albania last week. Through this, my cousin's daughter sat in her car seat, smiling, peeking, waving her arms, smiling more and looking intently at different voices from around the table. Amid all the discussion and chatter, a tiny little face, amazed by voices and vocal intonations. As adults, do we ever stop and listen, or do we feel compelled to be part of the conversation?

Hopelessness can creep up on us just like these days that are getting darker longer, but there is no "natural cycle" to bring us out of this internal darkness. We must look to the "little things" like the face of a new child experiencing so many "firsts" in their life. We have to look to others and soak in some of the happiness that they are going through but most of all we have to learn about, and rest in, the PEACE that Christ's life, death and resurrection brings to each of us. Mercy, forgiveness, compassion towards me and everyone, even when (especially when) we deserve it the least. We rest in PEACE knowing of the forgiveness of our sins, when we approach God with a contrite (a remorseful) heart, which means we know we did wrong, we don't want to do this wrong again and we want to do our best to make up for this wrong that we have done.

Look towards our traditions as signs of Hope and Peace. Each week, a new candle is added and lit to our "evergreen" wreath. A reminder that life and goodness still exists in the darkness that we experience and week by week, we get brighter and brighter, until we reach the point that happiness and peace are easier to see, and the days get brighter. Look to the Good of things, put negativity aside. Share the good that you feel with someone who may not be able to pull themselves from a dark funk. Empty your good onto others, so that God may fill you all the more with His Hope and Peace, so that you may be His hands, feet and body in the world.

Join us on a:

Journey to Bethlehem

Our Youth ministry program, will make a short pilgrimage to St. Clair Shores, for Mass, dinner and a Journey with Mary and Joseph from Nazareth to Bethlehem. You can find more information at: www.sjfparish.org/YouthMinistry

For a child will be born to us... They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of

PEACE

Isaiah 9:6

PARISH SUPPORT December 1, 2019

Registered Families:	1406
Envelopes Returned:	327
Amount Offered:	\$8,095.10
Loose Offering:	\$1,279.98
Online Giving Contributors:	77
Contributions:	\$3,254.00
Total Offerings:	\$12,628.68
Budgeted Offertory:	\$12,044.00
Actual Offertory:	\$12,628.68
Difference:	\$584.68



BAPTISM

The Catholic Community of
St. Jane Frances de Chantal
welcomes the
following child that was Baptized by
Fr. Anthony Sulkowski on
December 1, 2019



Caden Micallef

Parents: Kevin James Micallef &
Alaina Rose Micallef
Godmother: Kasia Wagner
Christian Witness: Adam Wagner



The Angels and
Inspiration Music Series
proudly presents:

The Judelaires in 'Ring Those Christmas Bells!'

Come early to hear St. Jane's Handbell Choir: 6:45pm Prelude!
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2019 – 7:00PM
ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL CHURCH
38750 RYAN RD., STERLING HEIGHTS MI

Celebrate the joy of the season and enjoy popular holiday favorites! Originally the St. Jude Choral Club in Detroit, the Judelaires began performing many years ago and are well known for their audience-pleasing style...and twice, they won the competition to open for the Rockettes Christmas show at the Fox Theatre!

Bring your family and friends...the more, the merrier.
A free-will offering will be taken up and a reception will be held afterwards.

For details, email TheJudelaires@yahoo.com
Visit The Judelaires on
Facebook: www.judelaires.com
or contact Janina Jacobs at Jjacobs2456@yahoo.com



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 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 (Please park in parking lot out by the garage.)

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:

January 30th— Drawing In The Galleries and Collection Tours.

In addition to offering tours of the DIA, art instructors will also be available for those who would like to draw in the galleries.

(Must sign up by **January 16th** 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.

SEND IN THE SWIFFERS

The Swiffers are volunteers who help keep our church and gathering space beautiful! The teams clean once a month and are usually scheduled on Wednesdays or Thursdays at 1:15pm. Due to several of the team members leaving for warmer weather, the Swiffers are in need of additional volunteers during the winter months. This commitment would only be during the months of January, February, and March. 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 at Lsmith@sjfparish.org Thank you!

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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

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 website:

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

December 8, 2019

Sunday

Second Sunday of Advent

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;

Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Monday

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4;

Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday

Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2,3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13;

Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday

Saint Damasus I, Pope

Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10;

Mt 11:28-30

Thursday

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;

Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Friday

Memorial of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Is 48:17-19; Ps:1:1-2, 3,4 and 6;

Mt 11:16-19

Saturday

Memorial of Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16,

18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday

Third Sunday of Advent

Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10;

Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9: NO MASS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10:

7:00pm Dec. Patricia Calabrese

(Mike & Sue Emerson)

Liv. Paulin's Family (Mom -Maria)

Ilir Malecaj (Maria)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11:

8:00am Dec. Tom Taylor

(Florita Newton)

Dec. Dolores Whitehouse

(Judy Taylor)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12:

8:00am Dec. Mike Scavo (Judy Taylor)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13: NO MASS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14:

4:00pm Dec. Ursula Steinhebel

(Judy Kotulis)

Dec. Josephine Roby

(Appleton Family)

Dec. James Polizzi (Wife)

Dec. Tom & Kris Boenlow

(Promo Family)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15:

9:00am For the Parishioners

Dec. Jerry Soldatek

(Al & Rose Rumball)

Dec. Franciszka & Piotr Palinski

(Daughter & Son-in-law)

Liv. Jenny Caradonna

(Friend)

11:30am Dec. Stella Lobaza 5th Annv.

(Pat Mandziuk)

Dec. Frank & Mary Skonieczny

(Pat Mandziuk)

Dec. Ron Rzeppa (Rzeppa Family)

Dec. Enrico Varani (Judy Taylor)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — December 14th & December 15th

Please see scheduling app for updates.

	4:00pm	9:00am	11:30am
Presider	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony	Fr. Tony
Sacristan(s)	Lori & Joe Nida	Selma & Paul Marzec	Lynn & Dave Burley
Lector 1	Dale Erickson	Kathleen Pawlik	Felix Erfe
Lector 2	Lisa Erickson	Gary Bjornrud	Janice Machusak
Altar Servers	Elizabeth Galadik	Amanda Dufoor	Elsa Jeffrey
	Terasa Mezzapelle	Nancy Dufoor	Lucas Jeffrey
Ushers	Team 1	Assigned	Team 2

WEEKDAY LECTOR

SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

Mary Anne Barczak

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

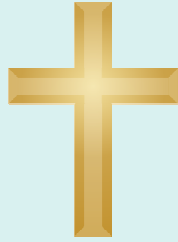
Annette Mobley

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

Barb Milczynski

PRAYER LIST

From the Letter of James 5:13: Is anyone among you suffering? He should pray. Is anyone in good spirits? He should sing praise!



It is our Christian duty to pray for others. Please call the Parish Office to add or remove a name from the Prayer List. Please be aware that, in this age of security issues, we can add only names of persons who have given permission to have their names printed. If you desire prayers for someone who does not wish to have their name printed in the bulletin, please use our Intercessory Prayer Box in the Worship Space.

The Intercessory Prayer team will include your intentions in their prayers. Names added to the Prayer List will remain on the list for a period of 4 weeks. If the illness or situation continues after that time and additional prayers are needed, please call the Parish Office. Thank you!

- Fr. Gerard Austin**
- Nancy Burr**
- Norma O' Connor**
- Mary Ann DeDonatis**
- Anna Lisa Flattery**
- Danny Frezza**
- Scott Harris**
- Daniel Lynch**
- John Mazur-Baker**
- Jean McDonald**
- Kevin McDonald**
- Anita Pitlock**
- Steve Sadecki**
- Daniele VanAcker**
- Nicole Zapinski**



The Catholic Community of **ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL** expresses our support & prayers to the families of:

John R. Shannon

Beloved husband, dad, papa, and great-grandfather.

Thomas Murphy

Beloved husband, father, and grandfather.

Albert Geldhof

Beloved husband, father, and grandfather.

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

EUCHRE NIGHT

Come join us for a Super Bowl Party

WHEN: Saturday, January 11th, 5:00pm until about 10:00pm

WHERE: In the Fr. Page Activity Center

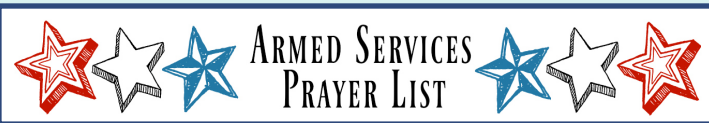
WHO: Whether you are a pro or a beginner join us for a fun night of Euchre!

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 \$10.00 per player and covers the cost of dinner, snacks, dessert, beverages and prizes. We ask that the \$10.00 please be paid before the night of the event.

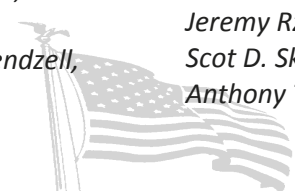
The cut off for signing up is Monday, January 6th (No refunds for cancellations received after January 6th.)

Questions: Contact Linda Smith at Lsmith@sjfparish.org or 586-977-8080, ext. 113.



- Robert Bain, Army*
- Nicholas Brosowski, Army*
- Chris Burley, Navy*
- Shaun Chaplin, Air Force*
- Charles Cosnowski, Air Force*
- Winndie Darrow, Coast Guard*
- Alexander J. Hendzell, Marines*

- Louis B. Kasper III, Coast Guard*
- Carmen LaForest, Navy*
- Matthew McDowell, Air Force*
- Cassidy Kicinski Rose, Air Force*
- Jeremy Rzeppa, Navy*
- Scot D. Skoczylas, Navy*
- Anthony Trotta, Navy*



Farewell
And Good Luck!

We say good bye to Ally Hynes our Communications Facilitator. We wish Ally all the best with her future endeavors.