



St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 29, 2020

SIGN UP FOR PARISH NEWS!

Get the latest news from St. Jane Frances de Chantal delivered straight to your inbox! While Masses are suspended, we are sending video Liturgy of the Word sessions, prayers, and ways to deepen your faith and continue to grow this Lent. Sign up at sjfparish.org!



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Greetings from Fr. Tony and the staff at St. Jane Frances de Chantal! Today marks the first full week since the suspension of Mass in the Archdiocese of Detroit. While this week has been a rollercoaster of information and emotion, the love and mercy of God remains steadfast.

Did you participate in the Mass celebrated by Archbishop Vigneron at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral last Sunday? I hope you found it a comfort and felt a sense of community as we all gathered spiritually. Each Sunday of the suspension, at noon, you can participate in Mass the same way. Visit aod.org/LiveMasses to tune in.

This is a time to be creative in our prayer. Fr. Tony and I recorded a Liturgy of the Word for the Fourth Sunday in Lent (with the talented Lucas Jeffrey as our producer). Visit our website, sjfparish.org, to watch it. There are also lots of resources online, like daily Mass, Stations of the Cross, Rosary, Divine Chaplet, even Eucharistic Adoration! Try something new. I also hope you are observing our noon community prayer. At 12:00pm each day, stop whatever you are doing, pray the Lord's Prayer, and bring your needs and the needs of the world to our merciful God. Together, we can connect and support others through prayer, a phone call, or an email.

Finally, take note of the goodness and kindness of others at this time. I have received some amazing stories, prayers, and encouragement from parishioners at St. Jane's! I am delighted by your spirit of hopefulness.

St. Paul spoke of where we find the source of hope:

Not only that, but we even boast of our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance, proven character, and proven character, hope, and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Romans 5:3-5

We pray and hope for the continued health and safety of our parishioners.

Stay in contact with St. Jane Frances de Chantal. Visit us online: sjfparish.org | [@sjfparish](https://www.facebook.com/sjfparish) on Facebook and Twitter | [@stjane francesparish](https://www.instagram.com/stjane francesparish) on Instagram

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"Nourished by God's Word & 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 Parish family? Become a Parishioner! You may register anytime during Parish Office hours. Please call 586-977-8080 if you have any questions.

PRAYER LIST

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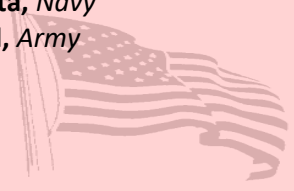
“Is anyone among you suffering? He should pray. Is anyone in good spirits? He should sing praise!”

James 5:13

Names added to the Prayer List will remain on the list for a period of 4 weeks. If the illness or situation persists after that time and additional prayers are needed, please call the Parish Office. Thank you!

ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST

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 Chris Burley, Navy
 Shaun Chaplin, Air Force
 Charles Cosnowski, Air Force
 Winndie Darrow, Coast Guard
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 Matthew McDowell, Air Force
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Note: While at this time St. Jane Frances de Chantal offers funeral services with reduced attendance, we print this article in hopes of returning to normal soon.

From time to time, I put this reprinted article in the bulletin for those parishioners who are new to St. Jane Frances de Chantal, and to remind all of us of the protocol that works best at St. Jane Frances de Chantal with regard to funerals.

Since my arrival at St. Jane Frances de Chantal, we have had our share of funerals. I would like to share with you funeral protocol in the event that you find yourself planning a funeral for a loved one. This is the time for the Church to minister to you. The death of a loved one is difficult, and the Funeral Ministry Team at St. Jane Frances de Chantal is here to assist you in any way that we can.

Once a death occurs, please call the funeral home of your choice. Once you have made contact with the funeral home, have the funeral home call St. Jane Frances de Chantal and ask for me. I, together with the funeral home, will set the date of the service. We will always try to honor the wishes of the family. Funerals are scheduled at 10:00am, with the body lying in state in the chapel at 9:30am.

Once you have met with the funeral home, please call the parish and set a time to meet with me to pick out the readings and music for the funeral liturgy. I will also ask for some background information about the deceased. **Of note:** eulogies or sharing of memories are not permitted at church and should be done at the funeral home the night before the funeral. In my experience, the funeral home is a more relaxed atmosphere to share memories of a loved one.

The day of the funeral, members of the Funeral Ministry team will be there to answer any questions you may have. They will also instruct those who are reading at the Mass and others who were asked to participate in some way at the Mass. They will guide you through the whole of the liturgy.

I would like to thank the Funeral Ministry Team for all that they do. It is a great ministry to the families who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Lastly: a person does not have to be a member of St. Jane Frances de Chantal to be buried at St. Jane Frances. One of the corporal works of mercy is to bury the dead, and everyone has the right to a Christian burial. May we pray for those who have died, because someday, someone will be praying for us.

Bon mot: “Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, today is a gift.”

—Eleanor Roosevelt

Carpe Diem,

Fr. Tony

MARRIAGE BANNS

Week 1

Thomas Kassab & Angela Hellow



St. Roch, patron saint of plague, was, according to tradition, born with a red cross on his breast. He grew up to help plague victims in Italy, curing the sick with the sign of the cross. He later fell ill, was mistaken for a spy, and jailed. According to tradition, an angel appeared in St. Roch's cell after his death, saying that those who invoked his intercession would be cured of the plague.

Join us in prayer so that we may end the COVID-19 pandemic.

PRAYER TO ST. ROCH

O Blessed Saint Roch, Patron of the sick, Have pity on those Who lie upon a bed of suffering. Your power was so great When you were in this world, That by the sign of the Cross, Many were healed of their diseases. Now that you are in heaven, Your power is not less.	Offer, then, to God Our sighs and tears And obtain for us that health we seek Through Christ our Lord. Amen. <i>(Repeat the following 3 times)</i> Saint Roch, pray for us, That we may be preserved From all diseases of body and soul.
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If you have a prayer, know of a saint, or have other uplifting words you'd like to share, please email LHall@sjfparish.org. We gladly welcome your words in this time of need.



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There is no shortage of online resources to help guide your faith during the COVID-19 pandemic. A few weeks ago, I wrote on the many opportunities available online for prayer and faith

reflection—I can now confidently say that those resources have grown tenfold!

It's wonderful to see so many organizations, groups, and individuals stepping up to provide faith guidance during this time. To the right of this article, you'll see select Tweets from three accounts offered by the Catholic Church that offer reassurance and resources during this pandemic. *This is by no means an exhaustive list!* Further, the Archdiocese of Detroit (@ARCHOFDET on Twitter), the Catholic News Service (@CATHOLICNEWSVC on Twitter), the Michigan Catholic Newspaper (@MICHIGANCATHOLIC on Instagram), Detroit Catholic Young Adults (@DETCYA on Instagram)—each of these accounts have stepped up to provide helpful, healing faith resources at this time. I strongly encourage you to check them out.

Again, the accounts I have listed and shown here are only jumping-off points. Many smaller groups and individuals are producing their own content, running livestreams, and giving us, the faithful, ways to stay engaged in our faith while we are away from Mass.

I'm pleased to state that St. Jane Frances de Chantal is no different! We currently offer a Sunday Newsletter which includes prayers, links to the Archdiocese of Detroit's livestreamed Masses, the day's readings, the bulletin, and, beginning this week, **a complete, recorded Liturgy of the Word done by Fr. Tony himself!** Please visit sjfparish.org to sign up for Parish News and receive all of these resources and more.

While we may be separate physically, we are by no means separate spiritually. It's times like this that we must look inward, rely on our faith, and seek ways to remain engaged.



Pope Francis
@PONTIFEX



Dear Brothers and Sisters, this evening let us join together spiritually in the prayer of the Holy Rosary. May Mary, Health of the sick, and St Joseph, man of faith, intercede for us!

#PrayTogether, entrusting ourselves to the intercession of St. Joseph, who knew precariousness and bitterness. Though he worried about the future, he knew how to walk through the darkness of certain moments, always letting himself be guided by God's will without reservation.

Posted on March 19, 2020



Archbishop Vigneron
@DETARCHBISHOP

I want to assure you of my prayers during this distressing time. As people of God, let us unite both in our prayers and in our commitment to following the guidance of government and health officials.

"Let us entrust ourselves to Our Lady of Lourdes, patron for those who suffer illness. Through her intercession, may God grant healing and protection to the people of southeast Michigan and beyond."

Posted on March 12, 2020



U.S. Catholic Bishops
@USCCB

"The Eucharist is the summit of God's saving action: the Lord Jesus, by becoming bread broken for us, pours upon us all of his mercy and his love, so as to renew our hearts, our lives and our way of relating with him and with the brethren."
#PraywithPopeFrancis

Posted on March 19, 2020

SOCIAL DISTANCING, SELF-MONITORING, QUARANTINE, ISOLATION



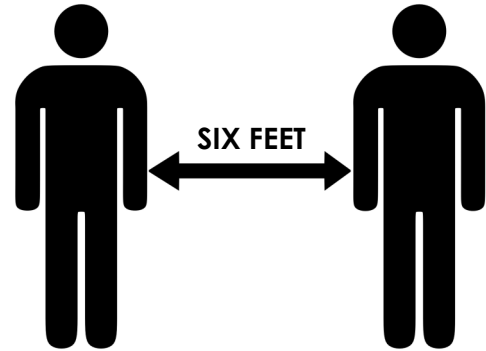
What do these terms mean? And what do I do if I'm asked to do them? This information, adapted from the Macomb County Health Department, can keep you informed on how to act during the COVID-19 pandemic.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

We should ALL be practicing social distancing. It help protect everyone in our community, especially those who are most vulnerable, from illness. What does this look like?

INDIVIDUALS CAN:

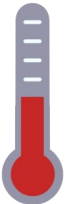
- Keep six feet between people as much as possible.
- Get curbside pick up for groceries or restaurant orders instead of going inside.
- Use online or drive-through services at the bank.
- Avoid public places at their busiest times.
- Avoid getting together in large social groups.



BUSINESSES CAN:

- Have employees tele-work.
- Limit in-person meetings and travel.
- Modify operations to provide more online options and restrict people from gathering.

YOU MAY ALSO BE ASKED TO DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING...



SELF-MONITOR.

People without symptoms, but who have had a low-risk exposure to an area—like an airport or restaurant—at the same time as someone with a confirmed case of COVID-19, should self-monitor.

Self-monitoring means practicing social distancing, checking and recording your temperature twice a day and watching for symptoms, and **calling your doctor** if you begin to develop symptoms.



SELF-QUARANTINE.

People without symptoms, but who have a higher potential for becoming sick because of a compromised immune system, where they traveled, or who they came into contact with, should self-quarantine.

Self-quarantining means staying at home 24/7 and self-monitoring for 14 days. Your family and roommates should practice social distancing. If you become symptomatic, your family and roommates should self-quarantine.



UNDERGO A MONITORED QUARANTINE.

People who have traveled to an infected country, city, or area, or who have come into close contact with people who have tested positive for COVID-19, should undergo a monitored quarantine.

A monitored quarantine means following the same steps as a self-quarantine, as well as reporting your twice daily temperature and symptoms to the Health Department during your quarantine.



SELF-ISOLATE.

People sick with symptoms of COVID-19, but who are not sick enough to be hospitalized, should self-isolate.

Self-isolating means staying in a separate room from the rest of your household members, using a separate bathroom if possible, avoiding contact with anyone around you, and avoiding any public or shared spaces. Your family and roommates should self-quarantine.

Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, has issued the following regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19):

With the worldwide outbreak of the coronavirus, we are confronted once more with the fragility of our lives, and again we are reminded of our common humanity—that the peoples of this world are our brothers and sisters, and that we are all one family under God.

God does not abandon us; he goes with us even now in this time of trial and testing. In this moment, it is important for us to anchor our hearts in the hope that we have in Jesus Christ. Now is the time to intensify our prayers and sacrifices for the love of God and the love of our neighbor. Let us draw closer to one another in our love for Him and rediscover the things that truly matter in our lives.

United with our Holy Father Pope Francis, let us pray in solidarity for our brothers and sisters here and around the world who are sick. Let us pray for those who have lost loved ones to this virus. May God console them and grant them peace.

We pray also for doctors, nurses, and caregivers, for public health officials and all civic leaders. May God grant them courage and prudence as they seek to respond to this emergency with compassion and in service to the common good.

In this time of need, I invite all the faithful to seek together the maternal intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and I share this prayer with you:

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.

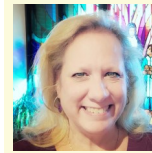
Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.
Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

Amen.



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This past Wednesday, March 25th, was the Feast of The Annunciation of the Lord. This feast celebrates the Angel Gabriel's appearance to the Virgin Mary (Luke 1:26-38) and his announcement that she had been chosen to be the mother of the Savior of the world.

Also being celebrated during this feast is Mary's fiat, which means "let it be" in Latin—her willing acceptance of the news.

As we continue in our Lenten journey and look to ways to pray, give, and grow, we may wish to reflect on Mary:

- Pray the rosary
- Say the Hail Mary when you have only a moment
- Read about Mary
- Donate to a charity that helps mothers
- Reflect on her willing "acceptance of the news"
- Read and reflect on Luke 1:26-28.

Are you willing to accept God's plan? Do you take the time to pray? During this Lent, continue to find ways to enhance your spiritual life with the 2020 Vision of a clear view of Christ's presence in your life.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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ABOUT THE GOSPEL:

Jesus hears that his friend Lazarus is very sick. He returns to see Lazarus four days after Lazarus's death. Jesus and Lazarus's sisters are very sad. Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead and proves to many people that he is the Son of God.

IN (YOUR DOMESTIC) CHURCH:

Mary, Martha, and Lazarus were a very close family. Since you are spending a lot of time with your family, take turns telling each family member why you are thankful for them. Pray the Our Father together and thank God for the gift of one another!

QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

- How can you show your friends and family members that you love them, even if you cannot go to see them in person?
- Why did Mary and Martha send a message to Jesus? What did Jesus do?
- What does the story of Lazarus promise all of us who are friends of Jesus?
- What can you do for others to brighten their day while you are stuck at home?

FAMILY PRAYER:

Thank you, God, for the gift of our family. We are very thankful for the love that we share. **Amen.**

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF NEXT WEEK IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

- How do you welcome Jesus to your house?
- How did the people welcome Jesus into Jerusalem?
- What is the week before Easter called? Why is it special?



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Fear was one of the things that I wrote about last week. How can we “overcome” fear? I, myself, need to dive into my fears. I do not like heights, so, when I get the chance, I ride roller coasters and enjoy rock

climbing. I have that sense of physical protection about me (harnesses and restraining devices). I do not like being the center of attention, so, when asked if I would be willing to do Faith Formation, I naturally said, “Nope, no way, find someone else!”—out of a kind of fear.

Eventually, through thinking about the situation and prayer (two different prayers: “Is this where I am being called, Lord?” and “Please find someone else to do this! Please, please, please!”), I offered to step in and fill the Faith Formation position. Am I the “right” one? I really do not know. What I *can* say is that when we gather (all of us disciples, ready to learn together) the younger people smile and sing and seem to enjoy being there together with us and each other. Our Confirmation Candidates speak with one another, they play games with one another, and they interact with one another honestly and freely. The goal now is to pass this joy, this fun, this attitude on to the rest of our lives.

What in the world does this have to do with this fifth week of Lent? I think we are all making crazy sacrifices this year! Going to Mass weekly is one of those things in my life that has grounded and united my faith and the life that I live. That is askew right now—at least the sacramental part! I sit and join (as best I can from home) in the Mass on television, computer, tablet or phone, but it is so hard to stay focused. Where I find comfort is in my knowledge and faith in God.

*I will put my spirit in you that you may live...
 thus you shall know that I am the LORD.
 I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.*

Ezekiel 37:14

If God feels each of us is worthy of His Spirit, it is paramount that we accept and live out His Mission for us. We have a wealth of resources and knowledge at our fingertips. If we are unsure how to access it, do like I do: I call my niece and nephews. I ask for help from someone who lives in the digital world.

So, this is a call to you younger “digital natives”—help us out! Give us suggestions on how we can best help you! Show us how, and walk this path (that is new for many of us) with us, giving us a hand! Too often you get the short straw because of how many (definitely not all) in your age group behave. Instead of falling in with that crowd, be the shining light to your peers through your actions as well as your words. Keep yourself clean spiritually and physically. Be the example to follow, not the follower of the crowd. Find the fun and uplifting memes and send them to your parents and grandparents. Skype, Facetime, or, heck, give someone a good old-fashioned phone call and speak with them for a few minutes, as if they were right there in the room with you.

This “social distancing” thing is rough, and it can exacerbate fears. Be steadfast in faith and prayer, ask for some help doing things you need help with, and offer help to others doing things that you can do. We will help each other as we continue this journey!



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Today, on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, the readings remind us that God alone has the power of life over death. This is a particularly poignant message while we struggle with the loss of so many lives to the pandemic.

When we discuss the gospel reading with our RCIA members in preparation for the third scrutiny, we ask them to reflect on and discuss: “What am I willing to let go of, to let die, to give up, in order to give myself fully to God?” Some examples of things to give up are societal ills, like racism, sexism, turning a blind eye to the poor and the disenfranchised, or just a general lack of care for the other. Some personal examples of things to give up are hopelessness, negativity, control issues, a lack of forgiveness, materialism, a lack of faith, or an unwillingness to accept the need to change for the good of all.

Today would be a good day for all of us to spend some time thinking about that question—acknowledging the aspects of our lives that are not of God and that need cleaning up so that we may have new life in Christ. As Catholics, we believe that death is not the end of life. Let us follow Christ and live our lives in freedom as the people of God!

Pope Francis, in his Angeles talk of April 6, 2014, speaks of God’s mercy in raising Lazarus from death and each of us from sin:

“Jesus calls to us as he called to Lazarus in his tomb: ‘Come forth!’ This call is addressed to every human person because we are all marked by death. Christ is not resigned to the sepulchers that we have constructed with our choices of evil and death, with our mistakes, our sins. [Jesus] invites us, almost orders us, to come out of the tombs into which our sins have plunged us. This is where our resurrection begins: when we decide to obey the command of Jesus to come into the light, to life; when the masks fall from our faces [...] and we rediscover the courage of our original faces, created in the image and likeness of God.

[The raising of Lazarus shows us that] there is no limit to the divine mercy, which is offered to everyone. [...] The Lord is always ready to roll away the tombstone of our sins, which separate us from him, the light of the living.”



Fourth Sunday of Lent | Liturgy of the Word | March 22, 2020



St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish



Published on March 22, 2020

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish presents the Liturgy of the Word for the Fourth Sunday of Lent.

Want to stay connected with your parish while Masses are suspended? Watch the Liturgy of the Word on YouTube, done by Fr. Tony every Sunday! Visit our website, sjfparish.org, to view the latest video.

OFFERTORY INFORMATION

The staff of St. Jane Frances de Chantal is still working for you. While we are not able to come together for worship due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are working hard to keep in communication with all of you and to keep our plant maintained. We are still:

- **Creating weekly bulletins.** All staff are still preparing information for you, with a focus on the current situation.
- **Providing daily and weekly email communication.** This includes prayer support, status updates, faith formation materials, and ways to worship.
- **Updating our website and social media presence.**
- **Continuing RCIA through Skype.** Please continue to keep our Elect and Candidates in your prayers!
- **Recording the Liturgy of the Word.**
- **Deep cleaning.** All surfaces of the parish received a deep cleaning, including the floors of the worship space, the font, and all surfaces people regularly come into contact with.
- **Paying the bills.** (These don’t stop!)

Some have wondered about maintaining monetary donations during the suspension of public Mass. Just like at home, monetary demands on our Church will remain. While the parish offices are closed due to Governor Whitmer’s “stay home, stay safe” executive order, you may still mail in your envelopes or use our online giving option. Online giving is a secure way to make monetary donations to the parish. If you are interested in using online giving, visit our website, sjfparish.org, to sign up. We sincerely appreciate any contributions made.

Again, we thank you for your support during this turbulent time. Our prayers are with you. Any new information will be posted on our website, sjfparish.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 30: NO MASS

TUESDAY, MARCH 31: NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1:

8:00am For the Parishioners

THURSDAY, APRIL 2:

8:00am Dec. Jack Taylor (Judy Taylor)

FRIDAY, APRIL 3: NO MASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 4:

4:00pm Dec. Loraine Felisiak (Ed & Sandy Kempa)

Dec. Gabriel Durante (Durante Family)

Dec. Pauline Gronowski (Gronowski Family)

Dec. Helen Roby (Appleton Family)

SUNDAY, APRIL 5:

9:00am First Sunday Monthly Memorial Members

For the Parishioners

Dec. Kim LaForest (Family)

11:30am Dec. James Klassen (1st anniv.) (Klassen Family)

Dec. Nancy Peterson (Judy Taylor)

Dec. Lazzaro & Angela Gasperoni (Rosa Maiani)

Dec. Margaret Rayes (Family)

DID YOU KNOW?

While our attendance and participation at Mass is suspended, Mass itself has not been suspended. Fr. Tony celebrates private Mass daily, offering the Mass for all the Intentions requested, along with the needs of the Church, the world and our community.

You do not need to be in a church to pray or to encounter God. Jesus explains: "Whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you" (Matthew 6:6).

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UNIVERSAL PRAYERS: MARCH 23, 2020

For the Church: that God will transform our fears into hope, selfishness into love, and deaths into new life, let us pray to the Lord.

For those who govern nations and for those who lead corporations: that they may be men and women of righteousness, let us pray to the Lord.

For all the Elect and candidates of our parish: that they may allow the Spirit to remove from their hearts anything that keeps them from the fullness of life, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who have contracted the Coronavirus and for those suffering from other illnesses at this time: that God's healing Spirit will ease their symptoms and restore them to health, let us pray to the Lord.

For an end to the pandemic: that God will guide and inspire everyone working to curtail the virus and develop a vaccine for future health, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who must face death each day, particularly emergency personnel and hospital chaplains: that God will strengthen their spirits and help them honor the life of each person they assist, let us pray to the Lord.

For this faith community, may the Lord graciously look upon our every need, including the requests sent through our Intercessory Prayer link and the needs we carry in our hearts, let us pray to the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 29, 2020

Sunday—*Fifth Sunday of Lent*: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or Dn 13:41c-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday—*Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit*: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday—*Saint Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday—*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*: Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14—27:66 or Mt 27:11-54

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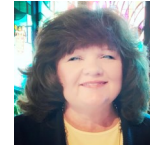
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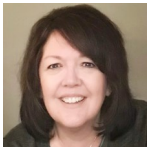
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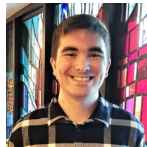
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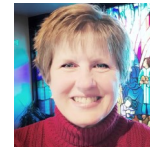
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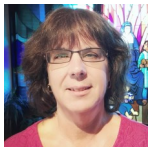
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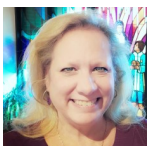
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SACRAMENTS

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

Reconciliation is temporarily suspended in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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 one-time or regular visits.

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!

MINISTRIES

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