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A Lenten Project

I hope your Lent is going well. There are many ways in which we can deepen our spiritual life throughout this season of Lent. During this season of Lent we are also called to remember those who are in need of our prayers.

A few weeks ago, I shared with you some facts about the number of priests who are serving within the Archdiocese of Detroit and as of today there are 209 priests. In 2030, there will be 157 priests. Also an interesting fact is that in 2027, I will be retiring. Even with the declining numbers of priests the needs of the people are still being met. As I have mentioned to my brother priests on several occasions, the church will look very different in ten years.

I truly believe that God will provide for His church, He always has. I also believe that we are called to ask and to encourage people to consider a vocation to priesthood or religious life. Each of us comes in contact with people everyday that may have a vocation to serve the church.

As we pray for vocation within the church, asking God to touch the hearts and minds of people to serve the needs of the church, we also pray for the people who have responded to God's call. We pray for Pope Francis, for Bishops, for retired religious men and women, and for retired priests who have served the church for decades. In our prayer we remember pastors and associate pastors who are at present serving the needs of the people in parishes across the Archdiocese of Detroit. We remember in a special way those religious men and women who are sick, infirmed and dying.

In an address that St. Pope John Paul II gave to a group of young people he said; "Good Shepherd, teach the young people gathered here, teach the young people of the world, the meaning of "laying down" their lives through vocation and mission."

Each of us are given a vocation to share that vocation in service to the mission of the Church, namely to proclaim, to manifest and make known the love that Jesus Christ has for all of us.

Bon mot: Live Lent, Live Life.

Carpe Diem, Fr. Tony

IF TODAY YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, HARDEN NOT YOUR HEARTS

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

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

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 7:00pm
Wednesday & Thursday 8:00am **Holy Day Masses** As Announced

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Confession
Tuesday 5:30pm

Rosary

Tuesday 6:00pm

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Monday, March 13, 2023

10:00am SVdP Meeting

1:00pm Intercessory Prayer (Zoom)

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

10:00am Bible Study 1:00pm Adoration 5:30pm Confessions 6:00pm Rosary 7:00pm Mass

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

8:00am Mass

9:30am Needlecrafters

9:45 am Seniors

6:00pm Needlecrafters 6:30pm Cantor Rehearsal 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Lectio Divina (Zoom)

Thursday, March 16, 2023

8:00am Mass

9:00am Swiffers team #1 2:00pm Chosen Video Series 6:30pm Chosen Video Series

Friday, March 17, 2023

4:00pm Fish Fry

6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 18, 2023

4:00pm Mass

Sunday, March 19, 2023

9:00am Mass

9:45am St. Joseph's Feast Day

11:30am Mass 12:15pm Baptism

The love of God has been poured into our hearts

Romans 5:5



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LENTEN SEASON INFO

ST. JOSEPH'S DAY CELEBRATION

Do not miss an opportunity to enjoy a delicious continental breakfast in celebration of St. Joseph whose feast day falls on a Sunday this year, March 19th. In honor of this feast, we will celebrate St. Joseph with food and fun following the 9:00am Mass. All are welcome to enjoy a continental breakfast and for the kids, assemble birdhouses in honor of St. Joseph's vocation as a carpenter. This event is free so mark your calendars and plan to join us!



WASHING OF THE FEET

At the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, April 6th at 7:00pm, Fr. Tony will wash the feet of 12 parish members. The foot washing on Holy Thursday may seem somewhat strange and old-fashioned. The church has kept it in the liturgy for good reason. As Christ washed the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper, emphasizing for them the connection between Eucharist and service to others, this ritual remains in our liturgy for the same reason. It is to emphasize that the Eucharist is not separate from service, but that they are inextricably bound together. The essential nature of Holy Communion is unity, not only with God, but also with one another. Having your feet washed in this way is a powerful and humbling encounter with the heart of discipleship! If you would like to participate in this beautiful act of service, please contact me via phone or email.

RCIA

During the Lenten season, we ask you to pray for our Adults seeking Initiation. I would like to ask you to also give them a card with a note of welcome to the parish.

A simple Easter card is sufficient, and the note need be nothing more than "Welcome to St. Jane Frances." These cards will then be given to the newly Initiated after the Easter Vigil. This gesture is always appreciated by our newest members, making them feel welcome and truly a part of the community of St. Jane Frances de Chantal. This year we have three catechumen: Deirdre Tracey, Nadia Raft, and Selah Fischer. Please bring your cards of welcome to the Parish Office by Holy Thursday, we'll see that they get to Deirdre, Nadia, and Selah. Thank you for your welcoming spirit and please remember our catechumen in your prayers this Lenten season!



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH RECITATION OF DIVINE PRAISES

Come spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament! Please join us in the chapel on Tuesday, March 14th & March 28th anytime from 1:00pm until 6:30pm for Eucharistic Adoration, ending with recitation of the Divine Praises at 6:30pm.

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FAMILY GOSPEL PAGE MARCH 12, 2023 JOHN 4:5-42, THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

REFLECTION

Jesus used water as an example to the Samaritan woman to show her how important it was to have Jesus in her life. Without Jesus, our souls are dead. He is the living water that makes our souls well and strong, just like physical water makes our bodies, as well as pets, and plants grow and be strong.

DISCUSSION

-What do you like to drink when you are thirsty?
-Who would you like to have a discussion about Jesus with?

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

CLEARLY JESUS: Take a picture and cover it with several sheets of waxed paper. Talk about how you can't see the image clearly. As you remove sheets of waxed paper, think about how the closer we are to Jesus, the better we will know Him.

TASTE TEST: Take your favorite treat or snack and begin to eat it with your family present. Describe how delicious it is and how it tastes. Ask the others if they are content to only know the treat by listening to you talk about it or if they want some for themselves. Point out that just as we want to taste the treat for ourselves, we need to know Jesus for ourselves.

Adapted from: https://truewaykids.com/samaritan-woman/

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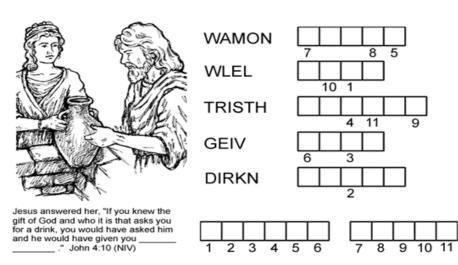
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PRAYER

Dear Jesus, help us to know you better and share the Gospel with others. Amen.

PUZZLE

The Woman at the Well Jumble



Unscramble each word, then use the marked letters to reveal the secret message.

SCRIPTURE READINGS WEEK OF March 12, 2023

Sunday

Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

Monday

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17; Mk 12:28-34

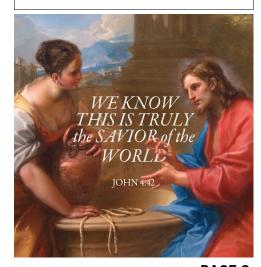
Saturday

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41



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Registered Families: 1,365 **Envelopes Returned:** 220 **Amount Offered:** \$8,183.00 \$1,066.00 **Loose Offering: Online Contributors:** 112 **Online Contributions** \$4,756.00 **Total Offerings:** \$14,005.00 **Budgeted Offertory:** \$11,786.00 Difference: \$2,219.00

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 9:00am—1:00pm & 4:30pm—7:45pm

Tuesday

2:00pm—7:45pm

Saturday

3:00pm-5:00pm

Sunday

10:00am-12:30pm



EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

are due by Sunday, March 19th



EUCHRE NIGHT: WELCOME SPRING

WHEN: Saturday, March 25th, from 5:00pm until about 10:00pm.

WHERE: In the Fr. Page Activity Center.

WHO: Whether you are a pro or a beginner, join us for a fun night of Euchre! **WHAT:** We'll be playing Euchre and having a fun evening together! The games

will be played using rotating partners.

HOW: Sign-up in the Parish Office. The cost is \$15.00 per player and covers the cost of dinner, snacks, dessert, beverages, and prizes. We ask that the \$15.00

please be paid by the cut-off date of Monday, March 20th.

(No refunds for cancellations received after March 20th)

Questions: Contact Linda Smith at 586-977-8080 ext. 101

or LSmith@sjfparish.org.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Saturday Sunday Mar. 14. 2023 Mar. 15, 2023 Mar. 16, 2023 Mar. 18, 2023 Mar. 19, 2023 7:00pm Mass 8:00am Mass 8:00am Mass 4:00pm Mass 9:00am Mass 11:30am Mass Sacristan Brian Finn John Martin Judy Taylor Mary Wolf Selma & Paul Jeannemarie Marzec Trotta Lector **Craig Smith** Annette Mobley Cindy Guzi Linda Smith William Burr Barb Milczynski Craig Smith Janice Machusak

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2023 EASTER EGG HUNT AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST SATURDAY, APRIL 1st

From 9:30am - 11:30am. Fr. Page Activity Center & Parish Grounds

Join the fun and bring your little ones for an Easter Egg Hunt and pancake breakfast! (The Easter Egg Hunt is limited to ages 10 years and younger, but parents and siblings are all welcome for breakfast.)
Please sign up by Monday, March 27th in the Parish Office.

Want to volunteer? Help is needed the day of the event. Please sign up in the Parish Office to help out. Thank you in advance!

Questions? Contact Linda at 586-977-8080 ext. 101 or LSmith@sjfparish.org



DESSERTS FOR 2023 FISH FRYS

Thank you so much for the donations of all of the delicious treats for the Friday Fish Frys! There are 3 weeks left and you can still donate your desserts to the Parish Office on Thursday before 7:45pm the week of each Fish Fry.

Please be sure your treats have:

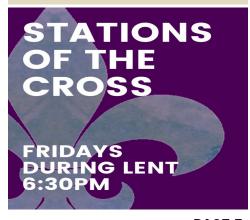
- **No Nuts or Peanut Butter**
- Nothing that needs to be refrigerated



3 weeks left! **Fridays** 4:00pm-7:00pm

Ministry Hosting Schedule

March 17th-Christian Service March 24th-Knights of Columbus March 31st-Christian Service



ARMED SERVICES PRAYER LIST

Robert Bain, Army

Nicholas Brosowski, Army

Chris Burley, Navy

Shaun Chaplin, Air Force

Michael DeVito, Army Reserve

Alexander J. Hendzell, Marines

Gregory Hielle, Army

Louis B. Kasper III, Coast Guard

Elijah Kuefler, Navy
Carmen LaForest, Navy
Matthew McDowell, Air Force

Lauren Patterson, Air Force

Cassidy Kicinski Rose, Air Force

Jeremy Rzeppa, Navy Anthony Trotta, Navy Kyle Wiegand, Army Steven Zurek, Navy

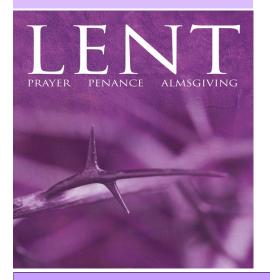
PRAYER LIST

Karen Belloli Al Brock Charles Jaynes Christine Lopre

Dennis McLellan Teri Painter

Daniel Reghi

Names added to the Prayer List remain for four weeks. Please call the Parish Office to request prayers.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 13, 2023 No Mass

Tuesday, March 14, 2023

7:00pm Dec. Rose & John Fouchey (Son-in-law)

Dec. Bill Parrish (Judy Taylor)

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

8:00am For the Parishioners

Thursday, March 16, 2023

8:00am For the Parishioners

Friday, March 17, 2023 No Mass

Saturday, March 18, 2023

4:00pm Dec. Sevorino Valencia (Family)

Dec. Eugene & Frances Berthiaume (Joyce)

Dec. Juanita DeBusscher (Family)

Dec. Joseph Pistono-3rd Anniv. (Wife, Ann)

Liv. Patty Wood (Susan Putrycus)

Dec. Helen Zwada (Sons)

Sunday, March 19, 2023

9:00am Dec. Carole Tucker (Judy Taylor)

Dec. Lillian Panny (Ball Family) Dec. Dolores Donnay (Family) Dec. Michal Palus (Family)

11:30am For the Parishioners

Dec. Antonio Garrisi (The Parrino's)

Dec. Rose Medved (Family) Liv. David Nguyen (Family)

Dec. Gloria Daquiz (Frank Balagtas) Dec. Estrella B. Reyes (Frank Balagtas) Dec. Conrado B. Reyes (Frank Balagtas)

Baptism

The community of

St. Jane Frances de Chantal welcomes into our parish family the following child that was baptized by Fr. Tony Sulkowski on March 5, 2023:

Clark William Zaglaniczny

Parents: William & Aimee Zaglaniczny Christian Witness: Tyler Gjesdahl Godmother: Laura Gjesdahl





OUR MISSION

"Nourished by God's Word & the Eucharist, we strive to be a welcoming Catholic community dedicated to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Would you like to join the St. Jane Frances de Chantal parish family? Become a parishioner!
You may register anytime in the Parish Office or online at sifparish.org/joinus. We would love to have you!

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CHILDREN'S BAPTISM

Do you have a child you would like to have baptized? Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Available Tuesdays at 5:30pm.

MARRIAGE

Congratulations! Please contact our Parish Office at least six months prior to your desired wedding date to begin preparations,

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Contact the Parish Office to schedule one-time or regular visits.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Contact Laurie Hall to begin the process. Welcome home!



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