



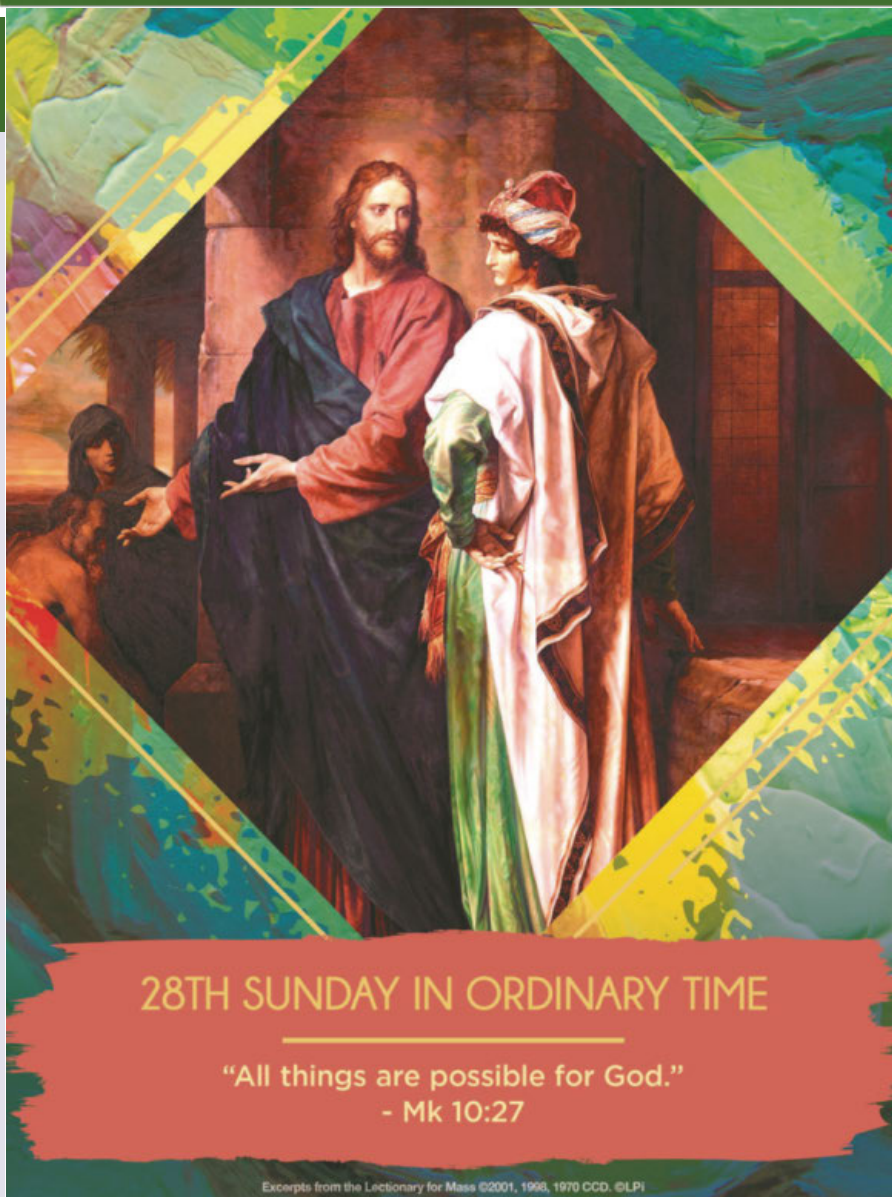
SAINT JOAN of ARC NEWS

The members of St. Joan of Arc Parish are disciples of Jesus Christ, who recognize God's love for the world & are empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel to all people through joyful worship, life-long education, compassionate service, responsible stewardship, & active community living.

~ Mission Statement - Pentecost 1998 ~

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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"All things are possible for God."
- Mk 10:27

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Parish Directory / Liturgy Schedule

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Monday thru Friday: 7:00 am
Wednesday: 6:00 pm

Weekends

Saturday: 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 pm

Holy Day Masses

Vigil Mass: (evening prior) 7:00 pm
7:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm

Reconciliation

Wednesdays: 5:00 pm
Saturdays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
in the Sister Carol Center

Holy Hour

Thursdays in Church at 7:00 pm

Rosary

Monday - Friday after the 7am Mass

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Center is open:
Monday - Thursday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
Friday: 8:30am - 4:00pm

Mass intentions and most services can be done in person or by calling us at 586-777-3670 during these hours.

Our after-hours emergency number: 586-777-1342.

Baptisms: Please go to our website (stjoan.church) and fill out the Baptism request form. You will be contacted to make further arrangements based on submission of that form.

Marriages: Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least six months prior to the desired date. Pre-marriage series required.

Registration: It is very important that every family and independent adult be registered in the Church in order to keep our records and mailings current. Please contact the Parish Office to register at your earliest opportunity: 586-777-3670.

OCIA: Please call the Parish Center: 586-777-3670.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARISHIONER?

If you would like to become a parishioner of St. Joan of Arc, please register at stjoan.church and we will contact you by phone. Or by calling us at 586-777-3670 during office hours.

Live Streamed Broadcasts at St. Joan of Arc

Live Stream Broadcasts have become a standard part of our celebrations at St Joan of Arc. This has increased our mass participation at daily and weekend masses. It has also allowed many of our parishioners to stay in touch with their faith community remotely.

Go to: livestream.stjoan.church to watch all live streaming and to view archived celebrations.

Weekday Masses

Monday thru Friday @ 7am
Wednesday @ 6pm

Weekend Masses

Saturdays @ 4pm & 6pm
Sundays @ 8am, 10am, 12pm

Holy Hour

Thursdays @ 7pm



Traveling with Ms. Daisy (Part 4): This is a continuation of my travelogue about my journey with “Ms. Daisy” (aka my mom) on our Eastern Seaboard

Journey on board the Viking Mars.

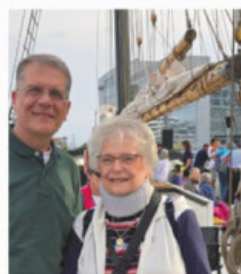
After leaving the Gaspé Peninsula, we traveled to Halifax, Nova Scotia. It was a full day at sea, and it was a rough one! Our boat was tossed around a bit because of some rough waters. I was surprised by how much we were rocking, and it became the talk of the ship as we encountered people at meals and throughout the day. There was a run on Dramamine that day! It was so bad that at one point, while sitting at the desk in our room, I felt like I was coming in for a landing as if I were on a plane. Then, I remembered I was on a boat!

Once we got to Halifax, my mom and I ventured into the city. We wanted to see the Cathedral in Halifax, but my mom also wanted to venture out to the largest Titanic grave site. I could tell from our conversations that the trip out to the grave site was pretty important to her, so we planned our day accordingly.

The Cathedral in Halifax was downtown and near one of the oldest cemeteries in Canada. It was in a pretty interesting area, so taking all of these sites in was pretty easy. The Cathedral was relatively simple but beautiful. We took our time looking around at the stained glass windows, said our prayers, and lit some candles. One of the technology “things” I saw at every Church so far was the ability to pay for your candles by credit card or QR code. Yes, look for some newer innovations to come to SJA because of our trip. But in Halifax’s Cathedral, the “gizmo” was simple. It had three price points, and all you had to do was tap your credit card and

it would beep to let you know your donation went through. It couldn’t have been simpler.

After leaving the Cathedral, we wandered over to the “Old Burying Ground,” one of Canada’s oldest cemeteries. The cemetery opened with its first burial in 1749! Strolling through this cemetery and reading some of the gravestones was fascinating. Many of the gravestones’ letters were “washed away” from the passage of time.



The Titanic Grave Site within the cemetery was well marked and had plenty of signage, so you could learn more about how it happened that many of the victims were buried there. As it happened, the White Star Line, which had offices in Halifax, commissioned four Canadian vessels to look for bodies in the area right after the disaster. Those four ships were able to recover 328 victims. While many were buried at sea, 209 bodies were brought to Halifax, the closest port to the area of the disaster. All of the Titanic

victims thought to be Protestant were buried in the Fairview Lawn Cemetery.

It was eerie to see all the graves with the same date of death: April 15, 1912. Each gravestone listed their name and date of death and had a number that represented the number assigned when the body was found. Having seen many documentaries and the big movie about the Titanic, it was a grace-filled opportunity to visit and pray at the graves of so many of the Titanic victims.

We then left the cemetery and raced back to the boat for our scheduled afternoon excursion of the Halifax Harbor on a Tall Ship. After all the racing around in the morning, it was nice to be on a relaxing little cruise of the Harbor. BUT I learned it’s a lot of work getting those

sails up and working; they were looking for volunteers, but I simply watched! We were able to sit and relax and look at some of the beautiful homes and parks that lined the Halifax Harbor.

Once we returned to the Viking Mars, it was time for dinner and our departure for another full day at sea before we arrived in Boston!

Enjoy the week. Know of my prayers.

In Christ,

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I then ordered an Uber to take us to the Titanic Grave Site. From what I could research, there were three Titanic Grave Sites in Halifax, the largest being Fairview Lawn Cemetery; the others were Mount Olivet and Baron de Hirsch Cemeteries. Fairview Lawn was on the outskirts of town, and I was getting a bit nervous not only because of the traffic but also because of the distance and knowing that we had a hard arrival time to be back at the ship because we had a planned excursion on a Tall Ship of the Halifax Harbor. But I also knew that the Titanic Grave Site stop was important for my mom, so I made it happen ... and prayed (and sweated) the whole time, hoping that all of my timing would work out.

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of October 13, 2024



Luke and the Eucharist

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn as they dive into the joy of the Eucharist as found in the Gospel of St. Luke the Evangelist.



Persecution and Defense | The Early Christians | Episode 3

Christians are attacked by the imperial authorities, by the public opinion through slander, and by pagan intellectuals. How did they react? Not with violence, but by conquering minds and hearts. This was achieved mainly by the shining figures of the Apostolic Fathers, building stones of the Christian tradition. Special focus on the danger of Gnosticism, and the Apocryphal writings. Who were the Apologist Fathers? How was their dialogue with the pagan culture?



Saint Teresa of Ávila: A Study in Perseverance

Both St. John of the Cross and his dear friend St. Teresa of Avila lived heroic lives of prayer. In honor of these spiritual masters, enjoy this film depicting the Carmelite way of life and the virtue of perseverance.

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Trying to teach someone about right and wrong is loaded with opportunities to fail. In fact, giving any moral direction is a setup to be rejected, if not hated. Just talk with any parent who corrects his or her child for doing something wrong, regardless of age, to find out how well such instruction is received. The response might be summed up in the pouty words addressed to Mom or Dad by their four-year-old: "I don't like you anymore!" Ouch! That hurt!

It doesn't feel much better when a teenager walls off her parents because they are *so* out of touch with reality – so restrictive, so old-fashioned, so boring. And it feels every bit as bad when a son isolates his children from their grandparents because Dad or Mom won't condone his adopted "alternative" lifestyle. We are in strange moral waters nowadays. Not only are we expected to say nothing about other peoples' sinful behavior, we are often expected to *support* it! Cohabitation, same-sex "marriage," substance abuse, petty theft, flaunting of traffic laws, rejection of religious obligations, and other such evils are fluffed off as "normal." We are told, "*Would you just get with the program, already!*"

Well, the "program" is failing while we watch. Those who have eyes to see, and ears to hear, are painfully aware of the decay in human society. So, we feel compelled to speak out. Be it to our children, our coworkers, our fellow citizens, or our parish flock; we desperately want them to hear the Good News of Jesus the Savior, and to return to him if he has been rejected in favor of worldly allurements. We want the people we care about to be happy and to thrive. So we try to guide them to the truth we have been graced to learn. Sadly, guiding is not easy.

I was thinking back on my homily from last weekend. I spoke in pretty blunt terms that marriage is

exclusively between a man and a woman, because God designed us that way. I said that marriage is not something that we get to tool around with, to define in our personal terms, to make into something other than what is actually is so that we can *feel* better about ourselves. I speak as strongly about abortion. Abortion is murder. There is no other way to frame it, no way to excuse it. To call abortion "reproductive healthcare" is an absurd lie. It is such a flagrant denial of the truth of what a human being is that it doesn't deserve rational discussion. But such a blunt truth statement invites rejection and hatred.

The truth of human life in the womb, or the necessity that marriage be between a man and a woman, should not be rejected thoughtlessly, though. We must learn to stop being *emotional* volcanoes when we need to be *thinking* humans. When we allow ourselves to be overrun by our emotions, we are sacrificing what makes us truly human – *our ability to reason*. We become animals running on instinct. We are mere beasts. We disregard our rational capacity, the thing we possess that reveals our image and likeness to God. Yet, rational as we are, we still have emotions.

I am acutely aware of human emotions when I speak about hot-button topics like abortion, marriage, and the cultural fads with which we are captivated. I know that there are people sitting in the congregation who have tried, with everything they've got, to make their marriage work – and it didn't. They already hurt from their situation and don't need someone to make them feel worse. I know that there are women in the congregation who have suffered mightily because of an abortion they had, and they want the pain to go away. They aborted their child because they were afraid, confused, pressured, lied to, threatened, and victimized just like their lost child was. There was no

where to go, and no one to help these women. Abortion was the only way out that they could see. So hearing the priest talk about this evil just tears the wound open again.

Tearing open wounds, and beating people over the head with their sins, is **not** the point of speaking about right and wrong. At least, it *shouldn't* be. Speaking the truth is meant to guide people to genuine happiness by living as God has instructed us. It means talking about what it takes to live a successful life: to do good, and to avoid evil. As Christians, we know that *true* goodness only comes from God, in Jesus, through the Holy Spirit. This truth must be spoken and, more importantly, *lived*, in season and out – when it is well-received or rejected.

There are "good people" among us who want to water down the truth. They want to make it easier for other "good people" to swallow. Diluting the truth kills it. It makes it into mush. It doesn't help. And it ultimately harms, if the people who consume *mushy* truth think it is *real* truth. This is why we must continue to *speak the truth*, as Pope Benedict XVI said, *in love*. Truth spoken in love is not a stick used to beat people with. Truth in love is a key to free us from slavery to sin. But to be freed by the truth, we must be willing to *receive* it, too.

When we hear the truth – and it hurts – will we stop and ask ourselves why it hurts? Or will we be reflexively overrun by our emotions. Will we shoot the messenger, or will we *think* about the message? Being in the truth business is tough duty. It doesn't make a lot of friends. But living in it reaps eternal rewards.

In the Way, the Truth, and the Life,

Fr. Bob



October 13, 2024

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11 | Heb 4:12-13 | Mk 10:17-30

Written by
THE
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GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

All this talk about wisdom in today's readings ... why should we care? Born of a familiarity with the heart of God, wisdom is a virtue that grants us discernment to know right from wrong and to follow God's plan. It is so important to the life of the disciple that it is a gift given to us by the Holy Spirit. In our first reading from – notice – the *Book of Wisdom*, the author, likely expressing the sentiments of King Solomon, praises and esteems wisdom above everything else. Prized over money, health, or beauty, wisdom brings together “all good things.” If wisdom is so valuable, we must follow Solomon's lead and seek it. Where do we find wisdom? In the second reading from Hebrews, we learn that we can seek wisdom in the word of God. God's word penetrates “between soul and spirit” and is “able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.” Therefore, immersing ourselves in God's word allows us to discern between right and wrong and choose the path most pleasing to God.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We become familiar with God's word by reading Scripture and by turning to him in prayer. Prayer, Scripture, and the sacraments are living encounters with Jesus through which we get to know the wisdom of his heart. Still, we are faced with many distractions along the way. What distracts us? Like the rich man in our Gospel, are we distracted by wealth? Or does our desire for health or beauty keep us from the wisdom of God? Although countless temptations in our world can draw us away from pursuing God's wisdom, if we remain close to God, we invite him to help us in our weakness. As Jesus assures his disciples in the Gospel, we can be confident in God's help: “For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God.” If we seek him and place our trust in him, our lives will begin to reflect his wisdom and communicate it to the world.

ACT Like Solomon, we, too, can pray for wisdom. Read Scripture prayerfully, asking God to help you understand his Word and grant you the gift of wisdom. When you come across Scripture verses that are especially meaningful to you, write them out and put them in prominent places in your home. This will help you keep God's word ever before you.

Readings for the Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCTOBER 20 B

Reading One – Is 53:10-11

The LORD was pleased to crush him in infirmity.

If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life, and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him.

Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days; through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear.

Responsorial – Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness, To deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you.

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Reading Two – Heb 4:14-16

Brothers and sisters: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.

Alleluia – Mk 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel – Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

St. Joan of Arc Gala Advertisement Form



Auction & Dinner Gala

EVENT DATE: 11/2/2024



PROGRAM ADVERTISING



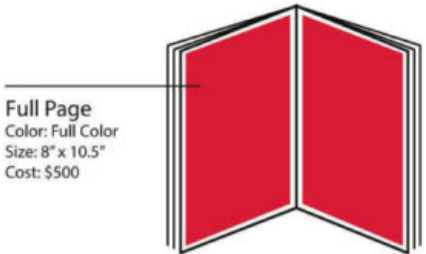
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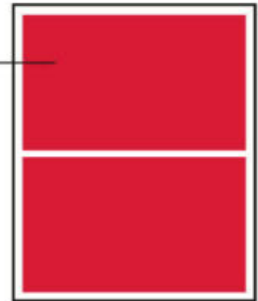
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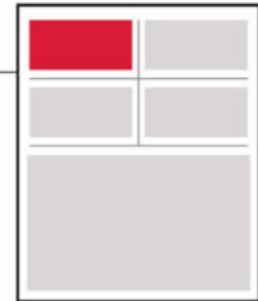
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Email: _____

Publication Notes:

The program trims to 8.5" x 11". The entire booklet is no-bleed and will carry a 1/4-inch margin throughout.

DUE DATE:
October 10, 2024

Please email print ready ad to EmilyARadatz@gmail.com

QUESTIONS: Emily Radatz at 586-873-3183, or Parish Center at 586-777-3670 or gala@stjoan.net

St. Joan of Arc Gala Donor Form



Auction & Dinner Gala

EVENT DATE: 11/2/2024



AUCTION ITEMS

One of the greatest sources of revenue for the Gala event comes from items that are auctioned. These items are donated by local businesses as well as from private individuals, many of whom are families of St. Joan of Arc School. If you would like to donate an auction item, or know of somebody that you can ask... this would go a long way to helping this year's auction be especially successful.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Our grand prize raffle is the backbone of this fundraiser. Only with steady sales of tickets for this raffle over several months can the Gala committee bring you the Gala dinner and auction event. For ticket sales information, check with the Parish and School offices. Help by buying tickets or becoming a ticket agent, selling them to friends, family or coworkers.

DINNER & AUCTION TICKETS

Come to the Gala event on Nov. 2, 2024. Party with your friends and members of the School and Parish community. Enjoy a gourmet dinner, open bar, live entertainment, live and silent auctions, raffles and much more. The event will be held at the prestigious

Grosse Pointe
Yacht Club



ADVERTISE

Advertise your product or service in our keepsake Gala Auction item catalog.

www.stjoan.net



CONTRIBUTOR FORM

DUE DATE: **OCTOBER 10, 2024**

Donor: Please print clearly so we may accurately acknowledge your company

Name: _____ Date: _____

Company Name: _____ Phone# _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Auction Item/Cash Donation: Please include any restrictions and expiration dates.

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Event Tickets: \$125.00/ea (Sold online. Available September 2024. Check www.stjoan.net for details)

Please make all checks payable to St. Joan of Arc School. Please submit donations and ads no later than October 10, 2024 to ensure recognitions in the Gala program. The Gala committee reserves the right to hold any item received after the deadline for the 2025 Gala.

For any questions regarding donations, tickets or advertising please contact:

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- Parish Center at 586-777-3670 or gala@stjoan.net

- Pam Graskewicz at 313-443-9059

- Emily Radatz at 586-873-3183

GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE

\$5,000 in prizes: one(1) \$3000,
one (1) \$1000 and two (2) \$500
cash prizes. Tickets are available for
\$20 each or six for \$100.

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- Author, *Personal Positioning for the Caregiver*, 2006
- Public Speaker, Professional Trainer, Support Group Facilitator

CAREGIVER *Survival*

Two opportunities - in the Emmaus Fellowship Hall

- **Thursday, October 24th at 10am & 6 pm**
- **Saturday, October 26th at 5 pm**

Delivered by Jill Gafner Livingston, *Caregiving Survival* offers an enthusiastic delivery of the steps needed to survive the stress of caregiving. Since caregivers share a common emotional thread, it often helps to see that caregivers are not alone and that there are things we can do to keep ourselves mentally healthy. *Caregiving survival* is based on the book, *Personal Positioning for the Caregiver*. *Caregiving survival* is designed with the family caregiver in mind and will encourage both positive thoughts and behaviors. Jill will complete the presentation by explaining the stages of dementia and share insightful information to assist the caregiver in their challenging role.

Call the Parish Office at 586-777-3670 to register. There's no cost to attend.

 **St. Joan^{of} Arc**

- The risks of caregiving
- Recognizing caregiver burnout and emotional turmoil
- What does it take to be a caregiver?
- Preparing your personal survival plan
- Three main stages of dementia



Weekly Calendar of Events

Monday, October 14th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed
 10:00 AM Funeral for Jeanne Gainer
 10:00 AM Walking with Purpose - EH
 7:00 PM Walking with Purpose

Tuesday, October 15th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed

Wednesday, October 16th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed
 5:00 PM Reconciliation
 6:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed
 6:30 PM Catholic Biblical School - EH

Thursday, October 17th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed
 1:00 PM Hearts Afire - EH
 6:30 PM Light of the Spirit Prayer Mtg.
 7:00 PM Holy Hour - Live Streamed

Friday, October 18th

7:00 AM Mass - Live Streamed
 10:00 AM Funeral for Nancy McCall

Saturday, October 19th

10:00 AM Funeral for Norman Dolinski
 11:00 AM Reconciliation
 12:30 PM Baptism of Theodore M. Pawlitz
 1:30 PM Baptism of Francesca Orlando
 2:30 PM Baptism of Gordie L. O'Neil
 4:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed
 6:00 PM Mass - Live Streamed

Sunday, October 20th

8:00 AM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed
 10:00 AM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed
 12:00 PM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed

Words on the Word

October 13, 2024 – Money, Money, Money

People spend their money in all sorts of different ways. For some, the choices are few; it's a matter of putting food on the table and a roof overhead.

For others, the choice is to invest in real estate, vacations, fine wines, hobbies, the lottery, sporting events, streaming service subscriptions ... the choices are endless.

What every one of those things have in common, though, is that the person buying them absolutely, positively, will not be taking it with them when they die. All of it gets left behind.

It's nice, then, to hear of people who, having been blessed with the means to make a difference in people's lives with their money, choose to do so.

The Detroit News a few weeks ago reported on a University of Michigan regent that donated \$25 million to establish a breast cancer center at the school's cancer facility.

"This center ... is going to enable the development of real national leadership in breast cancer research and care," an official was quoted in the story as saying. "It'll elevate our ability to provide world-class treatment and expand global knowledge on diagnosis and treatment."

That's good news, indeed, and, regardless of the particular donor's circumstances or motivation, is a great reminder to all of the importance of using our material resources wisely.

"Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God,'" we hear in today's gospel passage from St. Mark.

"The disciples were amazed at his words. So Jesus again said to them in reply, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.'"

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Mass Intentions / Weekly Readings

Mass Intentions

Monday	October 14, 2024 Weekday Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr (Green/Red)
7:00 am	Mario & Ann Catalanotte
Tuesday	October 15, 2024 Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church (White)
7:00 am	Elise Maes
Wednesday	October 16, 2024 Weekday Saint Hedwig, Religious & Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin (Green/White)
7:00 am	Pat Boehm
6:00 pm	John Ludeke
Thursday	October 17, 2024 Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr (Red)
7:00 am	Mary Ann Mecha
Friday	October 18, 2024 Saint Luke, Evangelist (Red)
7:00 am	Robert Swalec
Saturday	October 19, 2024 Vigil for the Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)
4:00 pm	Barbara Gaines, Elizabeth Stundon, James Forrester, Bonnie BATche, Edward, Helen and Henry Blind, Casey Zaranek, Joan Weber, Dr. Lori Karol, Martin Krall, Bob Ziolkowski, the deceased members of the Haberek Family, Marie Ann Easley, Michael Timmreck, Stella Ortisi, Julian Ross, and Special Intentions for the J. Champine Family, the Thomas Family, Karen Maher, and Anthony LaPorte
6:00 pm	For the Intentions of the Presbyterate & Diaconate of the Archdiocese of Detroit
Sunday	October 20, 2024 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)
8:00 am	The Intentions of SJA Parishioners
10:00 am	Barbara Biretta Snyder
12:00 pm	Terri Vanover, Steve Terlescki, Virginia Grabowski, Paul Burton Martin, Marie Bryski, Frank Mancuso, and a Special Intention for Ray Dinser

Daily Readings

Monday, October 14

Galatians 4:22-5:1
Luke 11:29-32

Friday, October 18

2 Timothy 4:10-17b
Luke 10:1-9

Tuesday, October 15

Galatians 5:1-6
Luke 11:37-41

Saturday, October 19

Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 12:8-12

Wednesday, October 16

Galatians 5:18-25
Luke 11:42-46

Sunday, October 20

Isaiah 53:10-11
Hebrews 4:14-16
Mark 10:35-45

Thursday, October 17

Ephesians 1:1-10
Luke 11:47-54



I Am The Resurrection & The Life

“Heavenly Father, welcome home those who you have called from this world and grant peace and consolation to their families.”

Marie Bryski
Marie Belloli
John Galbo
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Fr. Francis Weingartz
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“I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year: Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown. and he replied: Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way.”

Minnie Louise Haskins



Reporting Sexual Abuse

Individuals with knowledge of sexual abuse by clergy or other Church representatives are urged to contact local law enforcement and/or the Michigan Attorney General's Office at 844-324-3374 or aginvestigations@michigan.gov.

Individuals also may contact the Archdiocese of Detroit by visiting protect.aod.org calling the toll-free, 24/7 victim assistance line at 866-343-8055 or by emailing vac@aod.org. There are no time limits or restrictions on individuals wishing to report abuse.

Every complaint shared with the Archdiocese of Detroit, regardless of its source or the date of the alleged activity, is reported to civil authorities. No complaints are held back, pre-screened or disregarded.

2024 Soup Kitchen News

We were blessed to serve over 450 meals on Sunday, September 22nd at Crossroads Soup Kitchen.

We served a hearty bowl of chili, hot dogs, corn bread, cheese and crackers, bananas, oranges, apple sauce, capri sun for the kids, and beverages for the adults.

We also had 300 toiletry bags which included, shampoo/conditioner, body soap, deodorant, toothbrushes and tooth paste, and razors which were donated by the SJA school's students and parents. We had additional boxes of toiletries, men's undershirts and socks which Crossroads will be distributing within the next month.

Thank you for all the toiletry donations and for the 7th grade class who put the toiletry bags together. A huge thank you for all the parents and students who volunteered to make and serve the meal.

I want to thank everyone for their monetary donations which paid for all the food, men's undershirts and socks. We are so blessed to have so many generous, compassionate, and caring people within our parish. A huge thank you for all the parent and student volunteers who helped prepare and serve the meals.

We could not have done this without our wonderful St. Joan family. We cannot thank each and everyone of you enough.

May God bless you abundantly!

St Joan's Crossroads Team



 St. Joan of Arc

MEN'S *Fellowship*

*7 pm on the 2nd and 4th
Monday of each month in the
St. Mary Conference Room in
the Sr. Carol Center.*

- October 14 and 28: Special Presentation by Rusty Hills on Jesus and Politics. Rusty is an adjunct faculty member and lecturer at the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan.
- November 11: Begin Study of St. Francis de Sales' Introduction to the Devout Life

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Prayers Needed

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Edna Burton	Larry Graham	Patricia LaCombe	Sr. Alice Riegel	Kim Thomas
Maryann Carlin	Peter Grantz	Concetta Leone	Paulette Russia	Bernadette Thompson
Ed Cole	Chris Gretchen	Mila Lictawa	Jenna Rose	James Thompson
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Joan Combellack	Helen Waltz-Gutowski	Dominik Mackowski	Victoria Rydholm	Eileen Wallace
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Debra Dembeck	Lorraine Jonas	Nina Mondalek	Frances Stafford	Marilyn Wicker
Grace Dickerson	Rosemary Jonas	Jennie Mooney	Darlene Stanisky	Joyce Wiekrykas
George Dickerson	Zayne D. Kapinski	Marco Julian Moro	Wendy Stevens	Loretta Williams
Kainoa Dunn	Lorraine Kilroy	John Perna	Patty Stevenson	Jenny Wojcik
Jean Edwards	Catherine Konen	Michelle Pierson	Palma Strussione	Joan Wright
Frank Faiss	Delaney Kraemer	Frank Poeschel	Raymond Strussione	
Taylor Fisher	Shirley Kraemer	Vicky Pranger	Cathy Sullens	

Pray for the Sick List: Please note that we regularly clear the “Pray for the Sick List” because the list grows beyond our space allocation and we don’t always hear from people when they’ve gotten better. If you would like to add a person please call the Parish Center front desk at 586.777.3670 or send an email to our general inbox at info@sjascs.org.

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Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
October 13, 2024

Take Your Pick

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

The vast array of possibilities in today's world is both an extraordinary advantage because it can so enrich life and a bewildering encumbrance as we face weighty decisions. Many think that life in the past was less complicated. It might have seemed that way, but women and men have always had to face the same fundamental questions: What is life all about? To what shall I commit myself? And answering such questions has seldom been easy.

Today's first reading underscores the importance of discernment or wisdom as

we search for answers. It insists that such discernment or wisdom outstrips riches, or even health, as the goal toward which we should strive. It further assures us that in our striving for wisdom we will discover that she does not come to us alone. Rather, she brings all good things with her.

The Gospel passage tells of a young man in search of true meaning, of wisdom, of eternal life. Having valued the law and the way of life it offers a believer, he is dissatisfied. He wanted something more satisfying; something deeper. He is still struggling to discover what life is all about, to what he should commit himself. Jesus tells him that he will not find what he is looking for in his riches. Rather, he should commit himself to the welfare of others. Unfortunately, this advice was too much. He went away sad. Even knowing that he was dissatisfied with his wealth, he still would not walk away from it. †



Discernment or wisdom outstrips riches, or even health, as the goal toward which we should strive.

Sunday Readings

Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and prudence was given me;
I pleaded and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.

Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword.

Mark 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor...."

A Word from Pope Francis

A faith without giving...without works of charity, makes us sad in the end: just like that man who returned home "sorrowful" with a fallen countenance, even though he had been looked upon with love by Jesus in person. Today we can ask ourselves: "At what point is my faith?"

Angelus, Rome, October 10, 2021



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- Do you cling to something that cannot fulfill your deepest desires?
- Pray for the courage to commit yourself to what will make life more meaningful.

What Makes Us Happy?

Mario J. Paredes

It is the responsibility of the Church and of each Christian disciple to demonstrate, through what we believe and through what we practice, that Christ saves us. Or to say it another way, Christ makes us happy, he gives us abundant life, new life, full life, eternal life, for which we long. Christ leads us to measure our success as persons only against the true happiness we have obtained through faith in him.

If the way we live our daily lives does not make this message clear, then the Church's proclamation of salvation becomes one that no one understands or finds convincing. Moreover, if such a proclamation is clothed in the customs and language of past ages, the message of true happiness becomes one that is easily ignored. We must vigorously proclaim



this "good news" in each and every place we live and work.

As Christians, we believe that Christ saves us, he makes us happy. We believe that the question of the rich young man who asks Jesus what he should do to

obtain eternal life (happiness) is our eternal question as well. We also believe that Jesus' answer to the rich young man responds to our questions today. To find happiness, we must love and serve others, especially the most needy. (See Matthew 19:16-21.) Therefore life in Christ, as God's children and as brothers and sisters, is necessary for every person who seeks happiness. In the resurrection of Christ we confess the triumph of good, justice, mercy, and life beyond death. Through Christ, we know that God wants us to have life—and not just any kind of life, but life that is abundantly happy and truly successful, life that springs from the new commandment of love and calls us to serve one another just as God himself has loved and served us. (See John 10:10; 13:34.) †

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From "Blessed John Paul I: A Smile on the Face of Christianity"
by Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

Is there a secret formula for happiness? According to Earnie Larsen, "The two deepest desires most people have are to love and be loved and to believe they are worthwhile and know someone else believes that also. In other words, to be happy we need someone to love, something to do, and something to look forward to." Solid marriages, strong relationships with family and friends, social interaction, self-esteem, a fulfilling purpose and activity in life, faith and spirituality to provide hope and meaning, predict happiness because they include "someone to love, something to do, and something to look forward to." †

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grace to make wise choices,
to discern your call to lead the
life that will fill us with true
joy.*

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WEEKDAY READINGS

October 14–19

Monday, Weekday: Gal 4:22–24, 26–27,
31—5:1 / Lk 11:29–32

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Gal 5:1–6 / Lk 11:37–41

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Lk 11:42–46

Thursday, St. Ignatius of Antioch:
Eph 1:1–10 / Lk 11:47–54

Friday, St. Luke: 2 Tm 4:10–17b / Lk 10:1–9

**Saturday, Sts. John de Brébeuf,
Isaac Jogues, and Companions:**
Eph 1:15–23 / Lk 12:8–12

Bringing Home
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October 13, 2024

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