Pastors 2 Cents From: Fr. Jim DeBruycker

Last weekend I was at my 50th St. John’s Prep School reunion up at Collegeville. Surprising how many old people there seemed to know me. It was really weird, but we had a couple of nice dinners and I got a baseball cap along with some cool buttons to put on the cap. You’ll be impressed.

To be very honest, some of us haven’t aged well and some are disgustingly well preserved. We also all seemed to have an unnatural knowledge of geriatric diseases and medications. Most of my classmates are retired, and it was interesting that a lot of them are Republicans, at least more than I am used to. Many of them were one time small business owners, a group that in my experience more often seem to lean Republican. Perhaps being that deeply involved in your source of income makes you more naturally conservative.

Interestingly enough I did find that the people who irritated me 50 years ago still irritate me today and, more importantly, the people I liked back then are still likeable today. Imagine that! Of course, I’m sure I am more likable. It was also interesting to find out what everyone has been doing for the last 50 years.

Most are still nominally Catholic although a few are now Orthodox and one is Jewish. A few had been through treatment and it seemed like a few should go. Lots of talk about children and some remarkable stories about adoption.

Overall there were lots of stories with many, many embellished details. Maybe you can’t go home again, but you can remember what it was like. And if you didn’t like it you can always change the memory. Of course, it did start to get dangerous when we began asking "I wonder what would have happened if I had turned left instead of right in 1978." Then it was time to go home. One takeaway - I don’t think I will ever retire or use Grecian Formula for Men.

Gym Masses

Presider: Fr. Jim DeBruycker

Today we welcome the special music of Christina Pawlowski, singer and yoga instructor, and Fred and Anna Vagle, long-time SJA staff musicians. We are so grateful for music that lifts our spirits, gives us hope and sends us out into the world! Thank you!

The Sunday Morning Registration and Information Office is located in the Parish Center. In the office you may register to become a SJA parishioner, get program information, sign up for a program, and register to volunteer. The office is open after both of our Sunday morning liturgies.

Weekend Masses are Celebrated at:

- 5 pm Saturday and 7:45 am Sunday in the Church
- 9 am and 11 am Sunday in the Gym

Twin Cities Pride Parade Today! We are grateful to all the members of our community who have joined us to march behind the SJA banner in the Twin Cities Pride parade this morning. Also, thanks to Gabrielle Dane for making the incredible puppets from our Joan of Arc production (crafted by Heart of the Beast Mask and Puppet Theatre) available to be part of our contingent. We ask all those in the gym to keep us in your prayers of thanksgiving for this visible, vocal expression of solidarity with our LGBTQ individuals and families. We are blessed and grateful - Happy Pride to all!
Highlights This Week at SJA

FFI check the bulletin, the SJA website or call the Parish Center. The Upper Room is located in the Parish Center; Hospitality Hall, in the Church basement; the Arc, across 45th Street, 4457 3rd Ave.

Sunday, June 25
Pride Parade, 11 am, Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis
George Maurer Presentation, 7 pm in the Church

Tuesday, June 27
8 am Mass in the Church

Thursday, June 29
8 am Mass in the Church

The Parish Center Offices Will Be Closed
- Monday evening June 26, 4:30 - 9 pm
- Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4, 8:30 am - 9 pm

Summer Hours: The Parish Center offices will be closed on Saturdays Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Scripture Readings:
Sun, June 25: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matt 10:26-33
Mon, June 26: Genesis 12:1-9; Matthew 7:1-5
Tue, June 27: Genesis 13:2-5,18; Matthew 7:6,12-14
Wed, June 28: Genesis 15:1-12,17-18; Matthew 7:15-20
Fri, June 30: Genesis 17:1,9-10,15-22; Matthew 8:1-4
Sat, July 1: Genesis 18:1-15; Matthew 8:5-17
Sun, July 2: 2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16a; Rom 6:3-4,8-11; Matt 10:37-42

Looking Ahead...

Sunday 9 and 11 am Gym Masses:
- July 2: President: Fr. Cassidy. A Fourth of July reflection on nationalism and patriotism in visuals, music and readings.
- July 9: President: Fr. DeBruycker. Native American leader, teacher and renowned musician Mitch Walking Elk is with us. He will also join us after mass (FFI see Peace & Justice column)
- July 16: President: Fr. Cassidy. A preview of Camp St. Joan: Dreaming a World United! You will hear a short explanation of all the experiences campers and leaders are preparing for as they immerse themselves in the culture and history of Peru.
- July 23: Fr. DeBruycker will preside and speak.
- July 30: Fr. Cassidy will preside and speak.

August 6: President: Fr. DeBruycker. A commemoration of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We will read from an interview with Fr. George Zabelka, the chaplain who blessed the Enola Gay and its mission, and spent the remainder of his life repenting his - and the Church's - role in supporting the war.

August 13: President: Fr. Cassidy. Mission Sunday. Sr. Joanne Kernert will speak and a collection will be taken to benefit the Franciscan Sisters’ ministry to the poor.

Gluten-free Communion is available upon request. Please see any of the Sunday sacristans in the Gym before Mass.

SignUpGenius for Eucharistic Ministers is available online. It is simple, user friendly and a reminder is sent 3 days before your scheduled volunteer day. FFI contact Marcia at mkurtz@stjoan.com.

Prayer Corner: Please remember in your prayers those who are in need of healing:

Debbie Anderson, Zach Arlein, Mike B., Herman Bailey, Jr., Anne Barta, Phyllis Berninger, Elaine Boehm, Sally Bolster, Lorraine Bryant, Pam Burd, Evelyn Burns, Chris C., George C., Carlos & Frankie Campos, Carrie Carlson, Dayna Cell, Joe Chouinard, Dr. Dick Clemens, Jack Connings, Dolores Cufaude, Nick & Megan Daoust, Dave & Larry Dease, Colleen Dooley, Eric, Kris Erickson, Susan Erickson, John & Margaret Frenes, Peter & Kathleen Giefer, Betty Goodman, Donna Greenhagen, Heidi Gregorich, Tom Greg, Jim Haberkom, Jordy Hansen, Brent Harapat, Helen Hinton, Jim Hinton, Ethan Hoeschen, Megan Hoffman, Mary Hoody, Emily Homer, Jan Homer, Kathy Homer, Neya Housley, Kirk Ingram, Trica Jacobson, Judy, Cecilia Jaisle, Dan & Tom Jay, Paul Jonsson, Kevin, Stevie K., Judy Kablec, Lois Kalis, Maria Karpinski, Renee Keel, Donna Kelly, Glen Kelley, Gary Kremer, Amy Lainus, Iva Lang, Rachel Larson, Darlene Lawson, Gary Lindstrom, Helen Lishman, Margie Luttrell, Pat Lyon, Jim Lyons, Malia, Kyle M., Jolene Madden, Katherine Malaga, Anthony Marino, Harvey May, Dawn McClelland, Chuck Meiers, Marie Molienan, Tiffany Moy, Teddy Mueller, Nate, Neala, Steve Nathe, Pat Nelson, Tim Nipper, Craig Norby, Stacey OI, Ken Olsen, Charlie Olson, Dick Olson, Paul Olvera, Colette Ott, Pam, Judy P., Michelle P., Joan Penrose, Bill Peterka, Dick Pirola, John & Tom Ramerth, Doris Rausch, Rob Rivan, Scott Rivard, Donald & Susan Rousfs, Margaret Rowser, Helen Russett, Conrad Sampair, Kay Samuelson, Kay Sanders, Gene Schultz, Larry Seekamp, Dana Sell, Aileen & Dave Sheppard, Sam Slagerman, Corrine Smith, Ted Sparman, Joan Speltz, Doug Stahlike, Jeff Stearns, Tom, Irene Taddiken, Anne Taylor, Matthew Tennant, Mary Eve Thomas, Echo Thoren, Tom Turkelson, Carin Vagle, Leroy Vague, Becky Walker, Marlys Weber, Bennett Wentworth, Dave Wilkie, Dan Williams, Jim & Jerry Wohnoutka, Maureen Wolf, Annemaire & Ava Zubrycki

Prayer Corner Requests: To keep prayer requests current, names will be included in the bulletin for four weeks and then removed. To add a name or to renew your request, please call Nancy Becker at 612.823.8205 ext. 223.

A Book of Prayer is located in our Gym vestibule. If you have a family member or friend who is ill or who has recently died, please write their names in our Book of Prayer before Mass so we may include them in prayers during our Sunday Masses.
Choir: If you did not get your end of year memory CD, *Sing About It*, please pick one up at the front desk of the Parish Center. Have a wonderful summer and, as the old song says... *See You In September!* -Anna Vagle

**Parish Life**

**Cabaret 2017 - Save the Dates:** It's not too early to circle the dates for Cabaret 2017 on your calendar: Friday, October 27, Saturday, October 28, and the Sunday Show on October 29.

**Parking:** Please be considerate of our neighbors and their property. Don’t block driveways or park in their on-street handicapped areas. Thank you!

**Consider Carpooling or Riding the City Bus to Church:** Go to metrotransit.org for more information. Thank you!

**Biking Through Iceland...a Ride for the Cure:** Join jazz pianist and St Joan of Arc Band Leader, George Maurer (and friends), in concert **tonight** at 7 pm in the SJA church. This concert features George at the piano, as he weaves stories and shares videos of his solo bicycle adventures across Iceland last summer. George will be making his 4th annual Ride for a Cure across flood-ravaged Sri Lanka this July, doing volunteer work and riding to benefit cancer research at Mayo Clinic. Refreshments following and free-will offering accepted.

Joe Chouinard CD: The benefit concert that took place in March to support Joe Chouinard and his journey with cancer are now available at the Parish Center front desk for $10 each. The proceeds will go towards his health fund. Deep gratitude to all!

The **TRUST Chore Program** is currently looking for housecleaners. Pay is $15 per hour, and you can set your own schedule. Cleaning supplies are provided by the client. FFI, or to come in and fill out an application, call Wendy at 612.827.6150.

**Wedding Policies:** Weddings at St. Joan of Arc are provided as a service to members of the parish community. Because of the large number of weddings, it is not possible to provide the services of a Presider or our facilities for people who are not registered parishioners. For a wedding to take place at SJA, it is necessary that one of the engaged couple be a registered member of the parish for at least six months before a wedding date can be set. A date can only be scheduled by one of the priests after an initial interview with the engaged couple. A minimum of six months from the time the date is set to the wedding is necessary in order to complete requirements. In cases where there has been a previous marriage ending in divorce, it is not possible to set the wedding date until notice of an annulment is in hand. FFI call Mary Ann at the Parish Center.

**Where Does My Coffee Cup Go?** We strive to be a zero-waste campus and your help is needed making sure that coffee cups are disposed of properly on Sunday mornings. Here’s the info you need:

1. All hot cups brought in from outside SJA are TRASH (not recyclable), unless marked “Certified Compostable”
2. Cold plastic beverage cups and lids are RECYCLABLE. Straws are not.
3. All cups from within SJA are COMPOSTABLE - organic, made from corn.

Thank you for your help!

**Summary of contributions for the week and fiscal year. Includes plate, envelopes and estimated Sustaining Member payments.**

**Week of June 12 - June 18, 2017**
- Actual $33,220
- Budget $36,236
- Prior Year Actual $34,432

**YTD (July 1 – June 18, 2017)**
- Actual $1,964,180
- Budget $2,029,554
- Prior Year Actual $1,891,928

Thank You!
Pastoral Ministries

**FFI on Pastoral Ministries** contact Mary Ann Kelly-Wright at 612.823.8205 ext 228 or via email: mkelly@stjoan.com.

**Mental Health Ministry:**
- Our 2nd Monday program will be on vacation for July and August-no meetings. We hope you will experience a joyful summer. Please join us when the program resumes in September. Thank you for your continued support.
- Stop in the Parish resource library to browse for summer reading. The library is being rearranged to include new books and sections such as Family Support, Caregivers, Aging and Memory, End of Life. The library is open during regular Parish Center hours.
- If you are interested in more information about the Mental Health Ministry, or would like to be part of the ministry, call Mary Ann at the Parish Center.

**The BeFriender Ministry** offers confidential listening and support in times of life challenges or transitions. FFI contact Carolyn at 651.485.2868 or Mary Ann at the Parish Center.

**The Parish Visitor Ministry** is available to parishioners who cannot join us for worship or would like an additional long or short term parish connection in the home, hospital, rehab or care center. FFI contact Mary Ann at the Parish Center.

**TRUST, Inc, Grief Support Series:** Thursday, June 29, Eva Rogness, grief coordinator, grief facilitator and retired Chaplin, speaks on Stress and Grief at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 2914 W. 44th St. Registration and refreshments, 6:15 pm; presentation, 6:30 pm; facilitated small groups 7 - 8 pm. Schedules available from the Parish Center or the church/school hallway bulletin boards. FFI contact Jean Mills, 612.986.8217.

**From TRUST Meals on Wheels:** TRUST Meals on Wheels Site Coordinator Michael Bayly is leaving his position at the end of June in order to begin serving as a chaplain resident at Abbott Northwestern Hospital. To honor Michael, a Reception and Card Shower is scheduled for Monday, June 26, 11:30 – 1 pm at Judson Memorial Baptist Church, 4101 Harriet Ave South. Please join us in bidding Michael good bye and thank you!

**Pine Ridge Delegate Blessing and Request:** Next Sunday we will bless our delegates to Pine Ridge - youth and adults from St. Joan of Arc who will travel to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation to serve and learn from the Lakota people. Our delegates work with Re-Member, an organization on the reservation that has been a valued partner in our journey of solidarity. Re-Member has requested donations of Standard Twin sheet sets, blankets and pillows, as well as books for children and teens. These items must be dropped off to the Parish Center by Thursday, July 6 - thank you so much!

**Race: The Power of an Illusion.** On Wednesday, June 28, we will screen the third part of our film series (no need to have seen parts 1 or 2), *The House We Live In*. The film examines the policies and institutions we have built to enshrine inequality. Discussion will follow. Join us for a powerful evening together.

**A Conversation with Mitch Walking Elk:** The Long March to Rome. On Sunday, July 9, our guest speaker/musician is Mitch Walking Elk. Mitch is leading a youth delegation to the Vatican to meet with Pope Francis and discuss their continued effort to abolish two papal orders, or bulls, that have been in place for more than 500 years. These papal bulls have been invoked in the continuous domination and extermination of indigenous people around the world (FFI, go to longmarchtorome.com). Join us for an after-mass Q & A with Mitch Walking Elk and learn more about this prophetic work.

**SJA EcoSpirits Summer Field Trip!** On Saturday, July 15 or Saturday, August 5, we invite you to join our EcoSpirits in an intergenerational field trip to Anathoth Farm near Luck, Wisconsin. This Catholic Worker farm will provide a wonderful farm-to-table meal and will share their experiences of "sacramental agriculture." Participants provide their own transportation (approximately 90 minutes from the Twin Cities); free will offering will be collected. FFI/to register, call or stop by the Parish Center front desk. Please join us for a great summer day together on the farm - kids and families most welcome!

**SJA Outreach Fund: This is the REALLY GOOD News!** Parishioner Rita Benak belongs to a group called Power of 100, in which women select charities to support and everyone writes a check for $100. This week Rita presented to the group about the work of Mobile Loaves Twin Cities (a Sustaining Partner organization of the SJA Outreach Fund). Out of the charities that were suggested that evening, the group chose to support Mobile Loaves Twin Cities, and their contributions were partially matched by the Richard Schulze Foundation. The happy ending to this story is that Mobile Loaves Twin Cities will receive approximately $30,000 - almost half of their operating budget for the year! And because MLTC is totally run by volunteers, 95% of that budget goes to purchasing food so that every month more than 3000 hot and nutritious meals can be served to people in need in our community. Isn't this incredible? Congratulations to Rita, to all the supporters of Power of 100, and to everyone at our Sustaining Partner, Mobile Loaves Twin Cities.

**SJA Honored by Minnesota Women’s Press:** Our thanks to the MN Women’s Press for awarding St. Joan of Arc “Favorite Women-Friendly Spiritual Community in Minnesota” in their What Women Want! 2017 readers’ survey. Our thanks to everyone in this parish for creating an enduring community of welcome and inclusion.

Peace and Justice

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Faith Formation and Adult Learning

We form the faith of our community through participation in prayer, liturgy, sacraments, education, community and works of justice.

Adoption Book Club: This time around we’ve selected, *A Good Time for the Truth: Race in Minnesota*, edited by Sun Yung Shin, in which sixteen Minnesota writers provide a range of perspectives on what it is like to live as a person of color in Minnesota. Given the depth of this rich book, we have decided to meet twice to discuss it: June 24 and July 29. We meet at 10 am at Turtle Bread on Chicago in Minneapolis. Hope to see you there!

Registration for the 2017-2018 Faith Formation Programs, Nursery - grade 12, is available online or via paper forms available in the Parish Center lobby.

Camp St. Joan 2017 - Peru: July 17 - July 20, 8:45 am-12:30 pm. We need more campers! Registration is online at www.stjoan.com ($85 for individuals and $150 for families). Registration deadline for t-shirts is June 29. We are also looking for yarn donations for our weaving projects. Donations can be dropped off in the Parish Center. FFI contact Brooke Barnard at bbarnard@stjoan.com.

Baptism: To have your child baptized at St. Joan’s you must be a registered member and participate in a 90-minute Baptism preparation class. FFI and to register call JP at the Parish Center.

Nursery: FFI contact Michelle Dehn, Nursery Director at mdehn@stjoan.com or 612.823.8205 ext. 240.

Our Nursery, located in the lower level of the Parish Center, is open for the 9 & 11 am Sunday Masses. The Nursery is a wonderful community of families and volunteers that allows parents to enjoy Mass and meet other families in the Parish. Drop-ins welcome.

Pre-school: (Ages 4-Kindergarten) FFI contact the Parish Center at 612.823.8205.

Grade School: (Grades 1-6) FFI contact Marie Bissonnette at 612.823.8205 ext. 229 or mbissonnette@stjoan.com.

Volunteers: Everyone volunteering to work with children and youth must attend a Virtus training. There are in-person trainings scheduled for new volunteers on the virtue.org website. FFI contact Marie at the Parish Center.

Donations: The Faith Formation program makes use of various sacramentals throughout the course of the year. A few years ago we asked if you had items that you would like to find a good home and it seems a good time to ask again. Rosaries, statues, prayer cards-you name it, we can make use of it! Drop items off at the Parish Center marked FF or Marie B, and we will gratefully make good use of them. Thank you!

Youth Ministry: (Grades 7-12) FFI contact Dennis Heaney at dheaney@stjoan.com.

YM Update: Summer Stretch Has Been Cancelled. Kelley is starting a new adventure at Christ the King Church as the Director of Faith Formation. Due to low enrollment and her departure, we decided it was best to cancel. Thank you for all of your love and support over the last 4 years - your kids are truly the best! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dennis Heaney at dheaney@stjoan.com.

Adult Learning: FFI contact Cynthia Bailey Manns at 612.823.8205 ext. 226 or cmanns@stjoan.com.

Parish Book Club meets on the 2nd Wednesday of a month at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center to discuss our experiences with great stories. Everyone is welcome anytime! Here’s what to read next:
- July 12: *The Road to Character* by David Brooks
- August: No meeting

Scripture Matters: Join us for food, community and lively conversation as we explore *A Way to God* by Thomas Merton. Tuesday, June 27, 7 - 9 pm in Hospitality Hall.

Food Shelf Donations Are Needed: You are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items with you when you come to Mass on Sunday and place them in our food shelf bins, located in the entrances to our Church and Parish Center. Your food offerings are donated to the Foodshelf at Sabathani Community Center each week. Thank you for your willingness to help those in need.

Mobile Loaves Twin Cities needs toiletry size soap, toothpaste toothbrushes, shampoo, lotion and socks. Please place your donations in the collection hamper across from the food shelf bin in the Parish Center entrance. FFI contact mlf.mpls@gmail.com.

Meals on Wheels Volunteers are needed to deliver hot meals and warm smiles to elderly or disabled homebound people. Drivers are always needed to help with this valuable program. Time commitment is approximately one hour during the noon hour when called to help. FFI call 612.822.6040.

Recycle: Please use the labeled receptacles for compost, paper, glass, plastic, cans, waste and cups. By doing so we will be ecologically responsible and a big help to our maintenance staff as well. Thank you.
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