By the time you read this article, the Archbishop will have announced that Father John Bettin has been appointed the next pastor of Saint Daniel Parish. I know Fr. John and was truly hopeful he would be chosen to take the helm at this special parish. Technically, under Canon law, Fr. Bettin will be named Administrator (not to be confused with my function as temporary administrator) and this title usually is changed to pastor by the Archbishop after a year or so.

Fr. John is a dynamic priest ordained one year ahead of me and like me is a 50-something priest who had a career before he said yes to our Lord. He is presently the associate pastor at Saint Joan of Arc parish in Saint Clair Shores. I will be getting things ready for Fr. John between now and my departure on 1 May.

One more housekeeping matter, Fr. John will not assume his new duties until 1 July. Accordingly, between 1 May and 1 July, the pastor at Our Lady of the Lakes, Fr. Scott Thibodeau will fill in for me as temporary administrator. You won’t see Fr. Scott at Mass as we have guest priests lined up but he will stop over to check.

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This Week at St. Daniel Parish
Activities, Volunteer Schedules & Sacramental Celebrations

Calendar of Events

**Monday, March 9**
- Mass 8:30 am
- Regnum Christi 9:15 am
- Confirmation Yr2 6:00 pm
- Gr 1-7 FF Classes 6:00 pm
- Rosary Cenacle 6:30 pm

**Tuesday, March 10**
- Mass 8:30 am
- Gr 1-7 FF Classes 5:00 pm
- K of C Officers
- Gr 1 Mass
- Stations of the Cross
- SVDP — Youth Group
- Evening Prayer 6:30 pm
- Youth Group 6:30 pm
- SVDP 7:00 pm
- Scripture Study 7:15 pm

**Wednesday, March 11**
- Doing What MATters 10:00 am
- Sunday by Sunday 10:00 am
- Scripture Study 12:30 pm
- FF Gr 6/7 Classes 3:30 pm
- Evening Prayer 6:30 pm
- Ladies Small Group 6:30 pm
- Youth Group 6:30 pm
- SVDP 7:00 pm
- Scripture Study 7:15 pm

**Thursday, March 12**
- Scripture Study 10:00 am
- Rosary 10:30
- Mass 11:00 am
- Lunch & Learn series 11:45 am
- Choir: 7:30 pm

**Friday, March 13**
- Mass 8:30 am
- Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

**Saturday, March 14**
- Soup Kitchen Trip 9:00 am
- Reconciliation 4:00 - 4:30 pm
- Mass 5:00 pm
- K of C St. Patty’s Party 6:00 pm

**Sunday, March 15**
- Masses: 7:30 & 9:00 and 11:00 am
- Family Cat Parents 12:15 pm
- Family Cat Gr 4/5 12:15 pm

Readings for the Week

**Monday, Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6: 36-38**
- Tuesday, Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23: 1-12
- Wednesday, Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20: 17-28
- Thursday, Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16: 19-31
- Friday, Gn 37:3-4,12-28a/Mt 21: 33-34,045-46
- Saturday, Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3,11-32

**Third Sunday in Lent**
- Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

**Liturgical Ministers**

**March 14 – 5:00 p.m.**
- Lectors: K. Marheine, M. Gemborys
- Servers: L. Donagrdl, R. Majewski
- Ushers: D. S. Chamberlain, P. Carpenter, T. Kwapisz, R. Stawarz, M. Zurek

**March 15 – 7:30 a.m.**
- Lectors: D. Schneider, Y. Wiedemann
- Servers: M. Schneider
- Ushers: D. & P. Blust, J.2 Rzepka, F. Ruggirello

**March 15 – 9:00 a.m.**
- Lectors: Y. Pawlik, J. Cable
- Servers: D. & L. Walker
- Ushers: M. Gravel, G. Gipe, C. Turner

**March 15 – 11:00 a.m.**
- Lectors: J. Kupe, M. VanBuskirk
- Servers: J. Ellis, A. Finnerty
- Ushers: E. Erickson, M. Gunderson, K. Williams

**Sacraments**

**New Baby in the House?**
Congratulations! To schedule the Sacrament of Baptism for your new addition, please contact the Parish Office at 248-625-4580! If a 1st time parent, the parents should plan on attending one of the baptism preparation classes here at St. Daniel, before the baptism takes place and preferably before godparents are finalized.

**Just Got Engaged?**
If you are interested in celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage at St. Daniel, please contact Fr. John Maksym at 248-625-4580 at least six months before the anticipated date — BEFORE any arrangements are made for reception facilities. A letter containing guidelines on how to establish a wedding date at the parish will be sent to the prospective bride or groom.

**Pray for the Sick**

Please Pray For...
- Fr. Ron Babich
- Emma Beltram
- Linda Billette
- Richard Brondyke
- Valerie Carpenter
- Carrie Cashmon
- Cindy Catin
- Bill Chamberlin
- Lewis Collins
- Cheryl Cucci
- Isaiah Dale
- Mike Daly
- Cass DeFiore
- Irene Delasko
- Pat Detkowski
- John Deibel
- Todd Dorau
- Carol Druskinis
- Jerry Fields
- Renee Garavaglia
- Gary Garza
- Mary Godfrey
- Bill Goosby
- Suzanne Gozdor
- Nancy Grimmer
- Dee Hall
- Greg Hall
- Charlene Hayes
- Charlene Hernandez
- Nancy Kwapisz
- Joshua Goolsby
- Lt. Jamiel Choker – Coast Guard

**Prayers for Our Military:**
- Nancy Kwapisz
- Charlene Hernandez
- Nancy Kwapisz
- Joshua Goosby – AirForce
- Lt. Jamiel Choker - Coast Guard

The worst time to have a heart attack is during a game of charades.

Don’t you hate it when someone answers their own questions? I do.

If we shouldn’t eat at night, why do they put a light in the fridge?

Moses had the first tablet that could connect to the cloud.
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on the store from time to
time. Of course, with our
great staff his temporary
role will promise to be
uneventful.

As you grow closer to
Christ this Lent, please do
keep Fr. Bettin in your
prayers. I am confident
that this brilliant,
gregarious and truly happy
priest will have a stored
and loving relationship with
his new parish and its very
kind people.

Keep up the good work on
your Lenten sacrifice.

+ Father John
Tuesday, March 10
Parish Mission & Soup Supper!

Soup Supper 5:30pm-6:45pm
Join us in the Social Hall for a tasty soup and salad dinner!

Fr. John Bartunek
speaks at 7pm
A dynamic speaker who consulted with Mel Gibson on the set of *The Passion of the Christ!*

Easter Candy Donations Now Being Accepted for St. Daniel’s Annual Easter Egg Hunt!
If you’d like to contribute a bag of wrapped candies that can fit inside plastic Easter eggs, bins are located in back of church and in the Cushing Center. Thank you!

St. Daniel Adult Formation Presents...

**LUNCH & LEARN**
Where: Cushing Center Social Hall
When: Thursday 11:45am
Complimentary lunch will be served!
We will watch video talks by Sacred Heart Major Seminary professors and then dialogue with one another over lunch.
**MARCH 12 TOPIC** Encountering Christ in the Sacraments with Fr. Peter Ryan.

You are invited to join the AOD Lenten Family Prayer Challenge!
St. Paul exhorts us to pray without ceasing (1 Thess 5:16), and we shouldn’t wait for a crisis to pray for family members. Beginning Ash Wednesday, you will receive a daily prayer prompt to say for your spouse, children, and parents. On Fridays, you will also have the opportunity to pray for your parish priests. Participants are encouraged to pray these intentions in the noon hour so that families across the whole Archdiocese can be united in prayer.

To sign-up, simply text LENT20 to 84576.
Reminders to pray can be received via email or text message. For more information about the AOD Lenten Family Prayer Challenge, please visit: [www.52sundays.com/lenten-prayer-challenge](http://www.52sundays.com/lenten-prayer-challenge)

Prayer is the life-breath and heartbeat of a Christian home, and it’s one of the best ways to help your family thrive. Please join us for this challenge!

Take the Mystery Out of the Sermon on the Mount . . .

**Thursday Mornings March 12—April 2**
Jesus' call to profound discipleship in the Sermon on the Mount is too often dismissed as special instructions for only the holiest and most exceptional Christians. In *The Sermon on the Mount*, Clifford Yeary challenges us to hear the sermon once again as Christ intended it, as our call to follow him whose life illustrated its every ideal. Yeary helps us to hear the Sermon on the Mount as a message for each of us, a challenge that is our constant call to renewal. Join us for some lively discussion and a video in the Cushing Center Lounge from 10 – 11:30 am.

Books from Little Rock Scripture Study are available in the Faith Formation Office for $11. Contact Robin McKenzie at robin.mck74007@comcast.net for more information.
Last Chance to Get Your Tickets!!!

... FOR THE ANNUAL ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARTY ON SATURDAY, MARCH 14, hosted by the Knights of Columbus in the St. Daniel Social Hall. Festivities begin at 6:00 p.m. Home-cooked Irish dinner. Cash bar. Entertainment provided by DJ Kurt LaDuc. Event tickets are $20 each or $30 for two. Proceeds benefit St. Daniel Youth Ministry and Diocesan Seminarians.

NEW THIS YEAR: Raffle to benefit parish programs. Tickets are $10 each or three for $25. Info and tickets were mailed to all parish households.

For party or raffle tickets, contact: Geoff Wright (248-675-9284); Dan Torres (248-321-9782); Bob Reinelt (248-625-4052); Brad Hasenfratz (248-877-2760); or the Parish Office (248-625-4580). PARTY TICKET SALES CLOSE MARCH 10, SO DON’T DELAY!!!

Five Weeks of Giving

During Lent, we will be journeying through the “Five Weeks of Giving” together. We will focus on our St. Vincent de Paul Conference and other local agencies that help our neighbors in need.

FIRST GIVING OPPORTUNITY: Little cardboard “Self Denial” boxes are located in church and the Cushing Center. Take a box and place the money you save by “giving something up” for Lent into the box. Or, just make an outright donation to SVdP! (Checks made payable to “SVdP St. Daniel Conference”). Then bring the filled box to Mass with you on Holy Thursday, or drop off at the Christian Service Office during normal business hours.

SECOND GIVING OPPORTUNITY: Also accepting donations of food and other items to benefit our SVdP Conference, Lighthouse Clarkston, and St. Anne’s (Ortonville), with a different theme each weekend. Simply bring the requested items to Mass each weekend and place in the labeled boxes/bins.

March 14/15 — Spaghetti Night: Pasta; sauce; canned green beans or corn.
March 21/22 — You Say “Po-tay-to”, I Say “Po-tot-oh”: Boxed/bagged potatoes and rice; canned beans.
March 28/29 — Gift Cards Galore!: Donations of gift cards to Kroger, Neiman’s, Speedway (fuel only), Meijer, Dollar Tree. SVdP reps will be at all Masses this weekend to accept donations.

Intercessory Prayer Tree

A Lenten prayer opportunity, located in the church gathering space. Need prayers or know someone who does? Fill out a purple tag and hang it on the tree. Want to be a prayer warrior? Take a tag (or more than one), and lift that person up in prayer during Lent. Prayer is powerful!!!

Dine to Donate to SVdP!

Our parish St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) conference helps those in need in our community with rent, utility, and other emergency assistance. The need is great, and sometimes, the funding is pretty thin.

Andiamo Trattoria (7228 N. Main St., Clarkston) is sponsoring a fundraiser for our conference THE ENTIRE MONTH OF MARCH!!! A portion of the customer’s total bill will go to help our conference help those in need.

NOTE: Please bring a copy of the fundraiser flyer with you to the restaurant on to give to your server. The flyer is available in church, the Cushing Center, and on our parish Facebook page. Check it out, and we hope to see YOU there!!!
Mass Intentions
For the Week

Friday, March 13th, 8:30 am Mass
++Kayla Cruz
Requested Cortney Wilmering

Saturday, March 14th, 5:00 pm Mass
++Chester Ostaszewski
Requested Nancy Messina

Sunday, March 15th, 9:00 am Mass
++Ted Kertesz
Requested Bev Kertesz

To schedule a Mass Intention, please contact Marsha Eagleton on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 248-625-1482 or meagleton@stdanielclarkston.org.

There is a suggested donation of $10 per Mass Intention.

Lenten Plenary Indulgence
From: Archdiocese of Detroit, Office of Christian Worship

Every sin has consequences. It disrupts our communion with God and the Church, weakens our ability to resist temptation, and hurts others. The necessity of healing these consequences, once the sin has been forgiven, is called temporal punishment. Prayer, fasting, almsgiving and other works of charity can diminish this temporal punishment. Because of the fullness of redemption obtained for us by Christ, the Church attaches to certain prayers and actions an indulgence or pardon for the remission of temporal punishment due to sin. Christ, acting through the Church, brings about the healing of the consequences of sin when an individual uses such a prayer or engages in such an action.

During the Fridays Lent, the Church grants a Plenary Indulgence (a full remission of temporal punishment) to the faithful who fulfill the conditions of receiving the indulgence.

The conditions of receiving a Plenary Indulgence on a Friday in Lent are:

- Being in the state of grace
- Recent reception of the sacrament of Penance (usually understood to be within the last 3 weeks)
- Reception of Holy Communion
- Prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father (an Our Father and a Hail Mary suffice)
- Then praying the prayer “En ego, O bone et dulcissime Iesu” (Behold, O good and loving Jesus) before a crucifix after receiving Holy Communion on a Friday in Lent

Behold, O good and loving Jesus

Behold, O good and loving Jesus, that I cast myself on my knees before you, and, with the greatest fervor of spirit, I pray and beseech you to instill into my heart ardent sentiments of faith, hope and charity, with true repentance for my sins and a most firm purpose of amendment. With deep affection and sorrow I ponder intimately and contemplate in my mind your five wounds, having before my eyes what the prophet David had already put in your mouth about yourself, O good Jesus: “They have pierced my hands and my feet, they have numbered all my bones.” (Ps 21: 17-18)
Those we love don’t go away,  
They walk beside us every day.  
Unseen, unheard, but always near,  
Still loved, still missed and very dear.

Nancy A. Kwapisz

Please keep Nancy and her family in your prayers.

Church signs:
- God recycles, he made you from dust.
- Be thankful, you’re still above ground.
- Just love everyone. I’ll sort’em out later, God.

RUMMAGE SALE
MARK YOUR CALENDARS
It’s that time of year - to clean out those closets.
St. Daniel’s 3rd Annual Rummage Sale is the first weekend of June; (Friday, June 5th through Sunday, June 7th).
You can start dropping off your items at the Cushing Center during working hours: Monday—Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.
Please no TV’s or computer, clothing (except clean baby clothes) and no bedding or broken items. Only sellable items. Keep your eyes on the bulletin for more details to come.

One person’s junk is another person’s treasure!