



ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH

December 2022

Welcome to the SJF Monthly News!

Please share this letter with your family, friends, and neighbors.

This communication will contain brief updates from different groups in our parish each month. Our goal is to keep our parish, school, and community connected.

Questions? Email <u>sifparishchicago@gmail.com</u>

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Christmas Mass Schedule



Christmas Eve

Saturday, December 24, 2022 4:00 PM - Christmas Vigil Mass 10:00 PM - Christmas Vigil Mass

Christmas Day

Sunday, December 25, 2022 8:00 AM - Christmas Mass 11:00 AM - Christmas Mass

Mass

School





Saturday: 4 pm Sunday: 8 am, 11 am

Weekdays (M-W-F): 8:15 am

PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO masses from Monday, Dec 26th through

Friday, Dec 30

See our <u>parish bulletins</u> for reflections by Father Ken and Father Marty and more parish information.

Access Daily Readings

St. John Fisher Parish Website



It's a very busy December at school!

The 4th graders hosted a beautiful Mass for the Immaculate Conception.
Along with their usual dedicated learning, students starred in Christmas concerts and shows, made Christmas cards for Smith Village, decked the SJF halls with creative and festive artwork and donated gifts to the PLD Christmas gift collection.

Merry Christmas to all of our Falcons, families and supporters!

Please check <u>Mrs. Nash's Notes</u> for lots of pictures and important information.

Mrs. Nash's Notes

SJF School Website

SJF School Facebook



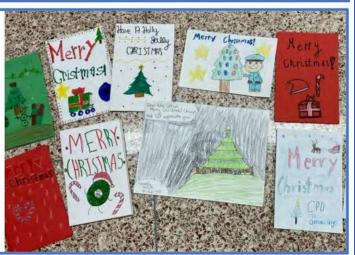














Please Help Us Decorate our Church for Christmas

We welcome all helpers!

The SJF Environment group needs volunteers to help decorate the church for Christmas. Decorating will be on FRIDAY, <u>December 23</u> at 9am. We could use some strong men and women as there will be trees to put together, ladders to climb, and banners to be taken down and new ones put up. There is plenty of work that doesn't require ladders or heavy lifting, too! The more people who can help the faster things will go. We are happy to sign school service hour forms. Thank you!

Please contact Anna Duffy at 773-445-7813 or aduffym@att.net.



Did you know that Chicago Public Schools receives ~4x more funding per student from the city and state than SJF takes in from the average student's tuition and fees?

Please consider a gift or pledge to The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation's annual appeal to offset this material funding gap. Our goal is to raise \$75,000 this year, and we need the community's support to do so. No amount is too small, and all proceeds will go 100% to helping SJF School maintain and build on its long legacy of developing the academic, athletic, social, and faith lives of our children.

Click here to read more.

Make a gift online today at www.givecentral.org/FFEF.

Exciting news to share!



Southside Parish Renewal (SPR) is a community of vibrant parishes striving to grow stronger in faith together through shared ministry, inclusion, spiritual enrichment and celebration.

Made up of lay and clergy members of Christ the King, St. Barnabas, St. Cajetan and St. John Fisher parishes, we invite YOU to join us in this important mission!

To learn more and get involved, visit... www.southsideparishrenewal.org

Renew My Church

Watch the bulletin and other communications for exciting updates on the Renew My Church process. You'll soon be hearing about the Southside Parish Renewal initiative where our four local parishes, Christ the King, St. John Fisher, St. Cajetan, and St. Barnabas, will be working together to strengthen and enrich the faith lives of Catholics in our community. We'll collaborate to address the sources of disengagement from parish life and create vibrant new ways to enrich and express our Catholic faith. Ideally our entire parish community will participate in this exciting new faith journey and we hope you will get involved! More information on this exciting renewal to come!

Athletic Board Raffle

The Athletic Board will be running a raffle to assist with the cost of the new concession stand. Each winter sport participant will be selling 10 tickets for 10 dollars each ticket. All students that are not

in winter sports are welcome to sell tickets, too.

Grand prize is \$10,000 Second prize is \$5,000

Student ticket sellers also have a chance to win big! For every 10 tickets they sell, student sellers will get an entry into the student \$1000 raffle.

Tickets will be available for purchase after masses.

Thanks for your support of SJF Athletics!





Get Manna for all your Christmas Shopping Needs!

Use Manna to buy your gifts or buy gift cards to give as gifts. And use Manna to pay your Kohls and other bills, too.

School Families: Earn Manna credits to lower your tuition at no cost to you!

If you don't have a student at SJF, earn Manna credits at no cost to you! Then:

- Use your credit to pay for tuition at any school – even colleges
- Donate your credit to a friend or neighbor with students at SJF
- Bank your credit for a future student
- Donate your credit to SJF

Email sjfmanna@gmail.com with any questions.

MANNA HOURS

Sunday: 10:30 - 11:30am

Monday: 8 - 9am Wednesday: 6 - 7pm Thursday: 8 - 9am

Friday: 2 - 3pm (When school

is in session)

Saturday: 8:30 - 9:30am

SJF Manna Forms and Information





Pro Labore Dei News

The people of St. John Fisher are truly amazing. Every single time PLD requests, you answer in abundance. From the food at Thanksgiving to the gifts at Christmas



to the time spent making lunches once a month to the food donations each Saturday morning in the church parking lot, you respond with unbelievable generosity. **The recipients of your generosity in Robbins, Blue Island and Posen are truly appreciative.** (You can see some of the donated food and a few of the gifts in the newsletter pictures.)

The next **lunch session will be Jan. 7th at 9:15am** in the rectory basement. Volunteers are most welcome. Please watch bulletins and our Facebook page for details of needs.

We continue to accept donations of food for our food pantry each and every Saturday morning from 9:30 to 10am in the SJF parking lot. The need for food is getting greater and greater as the providers of food have less and less to give.

Have the merriest of Christmases and a happy New Year!

Any questions or concerns, please contact Pam O'Mara (773-612-0281) or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773-239-8428)

SJF Service Opportunities Facebook Page





Thank you from Women's Club!

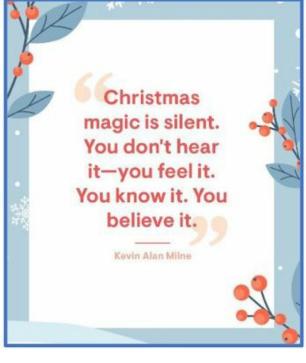
Thank you to all who volunteered, shopped, sold, or otherwise supported the Women's Club vendor night. It was a great success!

Watch the bulletin and our Facebook page for more events in 2023. Questions? Email SJFwomensclub@gmail.com

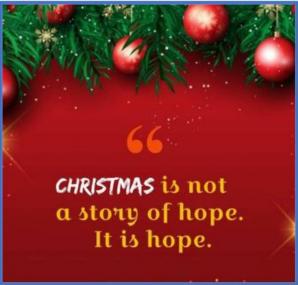
SJF Women's Club Facebook Page











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