



# ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH

January 2021

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 [sjfparishchicago@gmail.com](mailto:sjfparishchicago@gmail.com)

If this letter was forwarded to you from someone else, please sign up to get your own letter each month by clicking on the button below.

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## Mass



### Current Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** 4 pm

**Sunday:** 8 am, 11 am

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

**Confession:** Saturday  
3 pm

**Adoration: First**  
Friday 7 - 8 pm

Sign-ups are required for **weekend masses**.

**Click the buttons below to sign up** - for one mass or as a regular attendee. You can also call the rectory to sign up. 773-445-6565.

Weekend  
Masses

Usher, Greeter,  
Cleaner Volunteer Sign-Up

## School

**Enrollment  
for the  
2021-2022  
school year  
for new  
families  
opens up  
on January**



**31st** - now is a great time to be a Falcon!

**Catholic Schools Week** is January 31-February 6th. The theme is *Catholic Schools: Faith, Excellence, Service*. We cannot wait to celebrate all things SJF that week!

Our resilient Class of 2021 will make their **Confirmation** on Sunday, January 24th and we could not be prouder of them!

Read all of [Principal Mrs. Nash's weekly notes](#) on the school website to learn more about all of the terrific happenings at SJF School.

St. John Fisher School  
Website

SJF Church needs you!

We need a **volunteer coordinator** to help us stay open for mass, and we have a critical need for **volunteers to assist at funerals and baptisms** as they arise. Please contact the rectory at 773-445-6565 or email [sjfparishchicago@gmail.com](mailto:sjfparishchicago@gmail.com) if you can help. **Thank you to all of our tireless mass volunteers for keeping us safe and open!**

## New Year's Resolutions



Think about the year ahead and what is important to you. **What will you do in 2021 that aligns with what matters most to you?**

**Do you value Catholic education** and its impact on your life, the life of your family, and the community? Consider **buying Manna** as an easy way to support SJF school. Donations to the school are always welcome, as well.

**Is your faith important to you?** [Sign up](#) and **attend mass**. Attend an **Exposition and Benediction** of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:00 pm on the first Friday of each month. Listen to [The Bible in a Year podcast](#). Check the bulletin regularly for more ideas.

**Do you value our St. John Fisher Parish community?** Make a one time or monthly [donation to SJF parish](#). Sign up for the [Women's Club](#) or [Holy Name Society](#). Check the bulletin regularly for opportunities to share your talent and time.

Are you looking for ways to **share your blessings?** Support PLD with **donations of groceries or money** that help feed those less fortunate.

Do you love God's gift of **nature?** Join the **Falcon Flower Growers** as they beautify our parish grounds.

## Manna

**Pay your Kohl's bill** from Christmas using Manna! Use Manna for your shopping all year long to support SJF. **School families** get a tuition credit equal to 60% of the store rebate. **Non-school families** can donate their credit to a school family (at SJF or any school or university) or to the SJF school fund.

CLICK FOR  
MORE  
INFORMATION  
ABOUT  
MANNA

## Renew My Church



Later this year St. John Fisher Parish will begin the Archdiocese **Renew My Church** process. Our parish is grouped with St. Cajetan and St. Christina. Click the button at the right to visit the Archdiocese website to learn more about this program and process.

Renew  
My  
Church

## Women's Club

All women parishioners are very welcome to **join Women's Club!** To register, click below, contact your block captain, or Maureen O'Malley: [mpomalley5@gmail.com](mailto:mpomalley5@gmail.com), 773-339-4951.

A Women's Club **cookbook** may be in the works! Check the Women's Club Facebook page for updates and send any questions to [sjfwomensclub@gmail.com](mailto:sjfwomensclub@gmail.com).



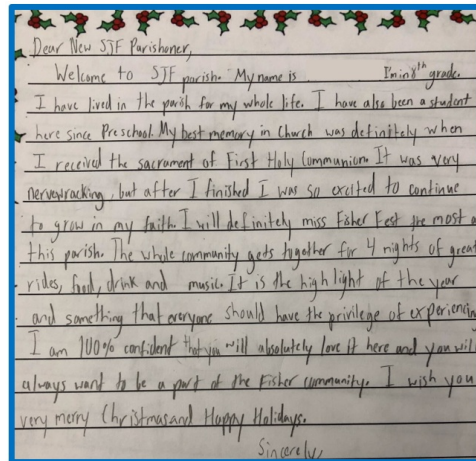
[Register for Women's Club](#)

[Women's Club on Facebook](#)

## Welcome Committee

The School Advisory Board, Women's Club, and SJF students collaborated to deliver **Welcome bags to new parishioners**. The bags included a few treats, an SJF ornament, and a welcome letter from a student.

If you know of any **new neighbors**, please **contact** [sjfwomensclub@gmail.com](mailto:sjfwomensclub@gmail.com). And please encourage your new neighbors to register at the parish office or by calling 773-445-6565.



## Happy New Year from the Falcon Flower Growers!



While there are snow and ice blanketing the church grounds, we're instead envisioning beautiful plants, and bumblebees and butterflies flying around. We're looking forward to the Spring, and preparing the grounds for First Communion and graduation.

We're hoping for **donations to enhance the grounds**, such as **birdbaths, birdhouses, and perennial plants**. Let us know if you can help! Contact Chas Hayes at [chas.hayes@gmail.com](mailto:chas.hayes@gmail.com)

## Pro Labore Dei

**THANK YOU TO THE ST. JOHN FISHER COMMUNITY FOR ALWAYS EMBRACING PRO LABORE DEI WITH SUCH GENEROSITY AND WARMTH!**

We are grateful to the St. John Fisher School community who surprised PLD with a check for over \$600.00!

PLD **serves 125-200 families EVERY Saturday** morning in the Robbins, Blue Island, and Posen communities. **You can help by donating items** such as cereal, pancake mix, peanut butter, jelly, bread, pasta, sauce, mac & cheese, canned fruit and vegetables, milk and juice, etc. Bring **donations to the rectory anytime or to the SJF parking lot from 10:30 to 11:00 am every Saturday**. We can also pick up donations from your home. Your donations warm the hearts of our PLD families.



**Monetary donations** are also greatly appreciated. The **SJF Youth Ministry** uses these funds to shop for PLD families.

**PLD wants to help ANY family in need. If your family is struggling or you know a family that can use a helping hand, please let us know.** Your information will be held in strict confidence and will not be shared with anybody.

Thank you and God Bless!

Questions? Contact Pam O'Mara (773) 612-0281 or Pat Hayes (773) 203-7881.

## The Year of St. Joseph



Pope Francis declared on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception that this year is the Year of St. Joseph.

Pope Francis wrote, "Each of us can discover in Joseph – the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence – an intercessor,

a support and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. A word of recognition and of gratitude is due to them all."

Vatican News

Apostolic Letter, Patris Corde "with a Father's Heart"

Request a free book about St. Joseph at Relevant Radio

More information and a book

Pray to St Joseph, Hope of the Sick and Protector of the Holy Church to intercede for us in this special year.

## Youth Ministry

**THREE THINGS WILL LAST FOREVER**  
— FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE —  
**AND THE GREATEST OF THESE IS Love**  
1 Corinthians 13:13

**LOOKING TO DO SOME GOOD?**

If you have access to a car and are willing to shop for Pro labore Dei

Please text @shoppld  
To the number 81010

#helpushelpPLD

[Click to go to the Award-Winning SJF/MHR Youth Ministry Website](#)

## First Friday Holy Hour

Starting in February, we will meet **every First Friday for Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.** Come for a few moments of silence to pray and adore our Lord. Stay for the whole hour or just stop by for a few minutes. Families and children are most welcome.

FRIDAY

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## SUPPORT SJF!

SIGN UP FOR  
ONLINE GIVING

AMAZON SMLE-  
AMAZON DONATES \$  
WHEN YOU BUY.

Buy SJF Spirit  
Wear

**SJF ALUMNI - Click here for the SJF Alumni Facebook page**

Read all of the bulletins on the parish website. Click below for the most recent bulletins:

Bulletin 1/10/2021

Bulletin 1/03/2021

Bulletin 12/27/2021

**YOU are an important part of St. John Fisher Parish!**

Visit our parish website