



ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH

July 2023

Welcome to the SJF Monthly News!

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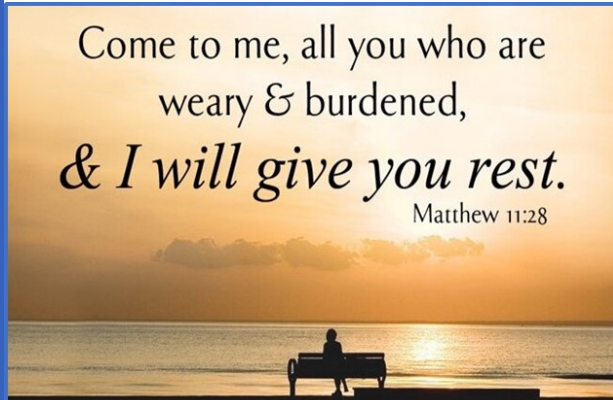
This communication will contain brief updates from different groups in our parish each month. Our goal is to keep our parish, school, and community connected.

Questions? Email sjfparishchicago@gmail.com

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Mass



Current Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 11 am

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

Altar servers are back!

See our [parish bulletins](#) for reflections by Father Ken and Father Marty and more parish information.

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School



Enjoy your summer!

The school office is closed for the month of July. Summer office hours will resume in August. T-TH 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Looking ahead:

August 17th: Book Day in Kane Hall,

August 22nd: Supply Drop-off for students in pre-k - 3rd ONLY

August 23rd: First Day of School, 11:30 dismissal

Read [Mrs. Nash's Notes](#) for more details, information, and a calendar for the upcoming school year.

Do you have a new neighbor or a new baby on your block? Let us know! We'd love to welcome them to our SJF Community! Email Mrs. Houston with

SJF Parish
Website

SJF
School Website

FSA at SJF on
Facebook

the details: khouston@sjfschool.us.
Thank you!

Mrs. Nash's
Notes

SJF School Facebook

HAPPY RETIREMENT!

Thank you Mrs. Biernacki, Mrs. Fanjoy, and Ms. Power for your over 70 years of service to Catholic education. The world is a better place because of you.
You left an indelible mark on our hearts.



PLEASE SUPPORT SJF SCHOOL!

Please consider a gift or pledge to
The Fisher Falcon Education Foundation.
All proceeds will go 100% to SJF School [Click here to read more.](#)
Make a gift online today at www.givecentral.org/FFEF.

Coming soon: Our 75th Anniversary Raffle!

Watch for details to come in future newsletters, bulletins, and on our websites.

WOMEN'S CLUB

Thanks to all for attending the WC Golf Outing. It was a beautiful day! Thanks to all of our sponsors for your contribution and to Tim Nitsche (Integra Graphics) for picking up the tab

for the cost of the signs and printing. Also, a special thanks to Siobhan Cotter and Kate Keller who always volunteer to help at these events!

Many thanks to the outgoing Women's Club board of Maureen O'Malley, Carlotta Lacy, Mary Winters, and Eileen Flynn for your leadership, many hours of service to the women and community of SJF, and your creative events and ideas. The outgoing board is passing the torch to Molly King Samansky, Molly Dooley, Erin Jarmusz, and Julie Gavin.

Looking forward to all of the events they have in store for next year!
See lots more pictures on the [Women's Club Facebook page](#).



Women's Club on
Facebook



PRO LABORE DEI

Yet again, we had a fabulous Saturday morning at lunch making on July 2nd. A total of **160 delicious lunches were delivered** to Robbins courtesy of the St. John Fisher community. Thanks one and all for the extra effort on this holiday weekend. Please consider joining us at our **next few sessions on August 5th and September 2nd**. Thanks everyone.

Our needs for August 5th are:

- 18 loaves of bread
- 50 small bags of chips
- large jars of mayonnaise
- inexpensive plates and napkins

We continue to collect pantry items on the SJF parking lot on Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 10am.

This mission has become extra critical.

You have been so generous here. Cereal, pasta and sauce, canned meats, peanut butter and jelly, canned fruits and vegetables are some of the items always welcome at the pantry.

For questions or concerns please contact Pam O'Mara (773-612-0281) or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773-203-7881) **Please note the change in phone number.**

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

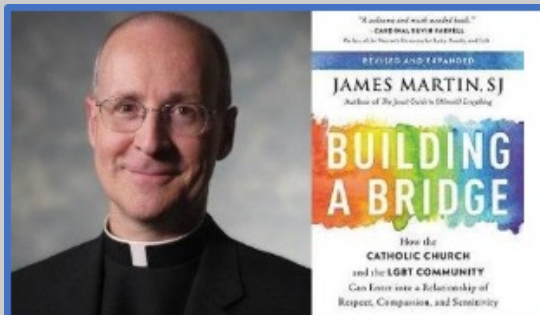
School Counselor: Part time school counselor. Please express interest at mnash@sjfschool.us

Development Lead: SJF seeks a candidate to lead school fundraising strategy for the school's 75th anniversary. This person would work closely with the School Leadership, Foundation, and School Advisory Board on planning, communication, and fundraising execution. This person is not expected to lead all fundraisers and would have the help of parent organizations. The ideal candidate is a self-starter with experience in sales and/or development and a proven track record of building relationships and collaborating across a variety of stakeholders. Alumni of SJF that may be interested in supporting these efforts as a part-time resource or committee member, please let us know. Please express interest at sjfsab@gmail.com.



SOUTHSIDE PARISH RENEWAL

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If you were unable to watch the live virtual conversation with Father Martin in June, [the full conversation is now available to stream](#) on the Southside Parish Renewal (SPR) Website!

The result of an initiative from SPR's Inclusion Committee, the one-hour discussion with Fr. James Martin focused on how a relationship of respect, compassion, and sensitivity between Catholics and the LGBTQ communities is not only possible but also encouraged by Pope Francis.

DONATE to SPR
Parish Renewal
Family Sponsorship



Thousands of men, women and children seeking asylum have arrived in Chicago since the fall of 2022. Catholic Charities has set up a program for parishes to help asylum seekers reestablish their lives. **Our neighborhood parishes have welcomed a Venezuelan family of 5!** We will accompany this mother, father, and their three sons as they begin life anew. This family has survived a treacherous journey and recently arrived in Chicago. They are in a nearby apartment that is being furnished by our incredible (and fast moving!) St. Vincent DePaul Societies. Now we need your help! **Donations are needed** to pay for rent, food, clothing, and transportation. We'll soon provide sign ups for volunteers to assist in navigating our school, health care and social service systems, learning English, and adjusting to a new community and culture. Learn more or donate at



ALL ARE WELCOME!

Notice the Southside Parish Renewal signs all around our Southside parish community!

Signs are available in the Church after Mass.

Click [HERE to learn more about Southside Parish Renewal](#) and sign up for their newsletter.

MANNA



How it works:

1

You buy gift certificates and shop with them. Hundreds of retail establishments available.

2

The store/brand/restaurant gives a percentage of the card value to SJF (2-14%). NO COST TO YOU!

3

You get 60% of the store rebate credited to your tuition at SJF, high school or college.

4

SJF gets 40% of the store rebate towards meeting operational costs.



Option 1: [RaiseRight](#) – Try it! It's easy!

Purchase physical cards, eCertificates or reloadable gift cards WITHOUT LEAVING YOUR HOME using the RaiseRight app.

1. Online (via website or app) Go to <https://www.raiseright.com/> or download the RaiseRight mobile app.
2. Complete the quick sign-up form either on RaiseRight.com or mobile app.
3. Select "Join a Program."
4. Enter your organization's unique enrollment code to tie your earnings to your organization (Email sjfmanna@gmail.com for the code).
5. Complete the fields to create your account.
6. Enter and verify your phone number for 2-step verification (2-step verification protects your account if you forget your password or someone is using your account without your permission).
7. Set Up Online Payment.
8. Place your order. Physical cards can be picked up at SJF during Manna hours.

Option 2: "Cash and Carry"

Stop by the convent during open hours to buy local and national gift certificates.

Manna Hours:

- Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00 PM
- Saturdays 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Check the [SJF Manna page on the school website](#) for more information.

Manna has historically been SJF's #1 School Fundraiser. **Tuition alone does not cover the school's expenses. SJF proceeds from Manna help to make up the difference between operating costs and tuition.** Participation is necessary and appreciated to balance school budget and maintain competitive tuition rates.

Parishioners can donate the full rebate to SJF School. Ask how!

School families

The school fundraising requirement per family is to raise \$300 FOR THE SCHOOL through Manna sales. Meeting this requirement would result in about a \$450 tuition credit for you each year. Any shortage to the min \$300 Manna contribution will be billed to the school family by May 15th in FACTS. **Grandparents, other family members, and neighbors can use the Raise Right App and earn for you.** Ask the manna team how to get that set up.

Email sjfmanna@gmail.com with any questions.

[Manna Forms and Information](#)



The Chosen Season 2

Interactive Bible Study

Each week we will watch an episode of “The Chosen” and reflect on Jesus and his followers.

Where: St Cajetan Parish Center

**When: Beginning Wednesday August 23rd at 7:00pm – 9:00pm,
continuing on 8 consecutive Wednesdays.**

Please RSVP to Deacon Joe at jroccasalva@cajetan.org or by phone at 773-474-7814. Please let us know how many are in your group and what parish you are from.



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Experience Making a Difference

Article Retired? Semi-retired? Open the Doors of Your Heart!

Join the Ignatian Volunteers Corps! IVC is a program for retired adults which

provides opportunities for service, reflection, and community. Volunteers are matched with not-for-profit organizations serving the poor and marginalized two days each week from September until June. Monthly, we come together for presentations, conversations and prayer based in Ignatian spirituality. Mass, lunch, and fellowship enrich these gatherings. Individual meetings with a spiritual reflector and an annual, two-night retreat are also part of IVC. Detailed information is online at www.ivcusa.org/chicago Learn more about Ignatian Volunteer Corps, volunteer opportunities and meet current volunteers. Please attend an **information session on Thursday, July 20 at 2pm at St. Catherine of Alexandria Rectory, 4100 W 107th Street, Oak Lawn.** Register online www.ivcusa.org/chicago or contact Jacqueline Fitzgerald 312-961-6206 /jfitgerald@ivcusa.org



 **SJF Alumni**

75th Anniversary Montage
Coming 2023-2024

We Are
Collecting
Throw-back
SJF Photos

Share your old grade school photos

Please include
caption and year

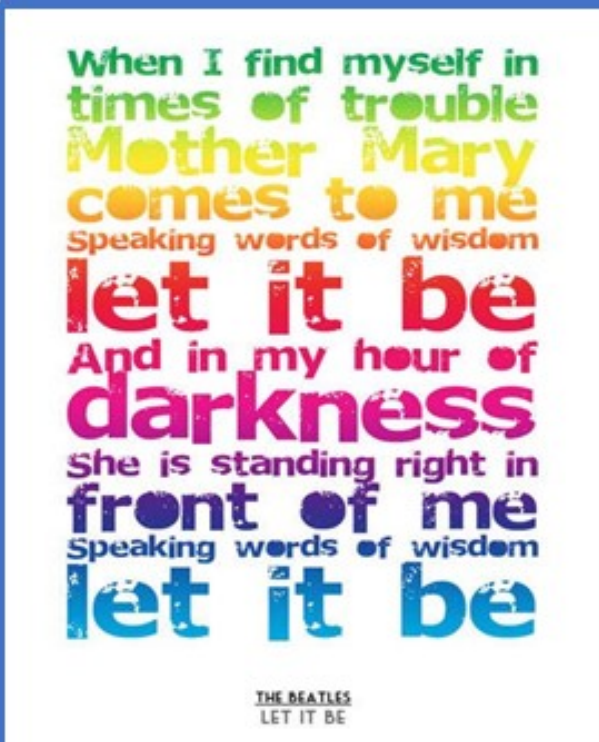
 Email to:
sjfalum@gmail.com

More Ways to Support SJF

Online Giving

Fisher

SJF Alumni



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

Bulletin
7/16/2023

Bulletin
7/09/2023

Bulletin
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