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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> 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



<u>Current Mass Schedule</u> Saturday: 4 pm Sunday: 8 am, 11 am Weekdays (M-W-F): 8:15 am Confession: Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 pm

Stations of the Cross Fridays 7:00 pm

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March is a very busy time at SJF!

Our 3rd and 4th graders were exceptional as they performed the inspiring and heroic story of St. Patrick at our St. Patrick's Mass, which was very wellattended.

SJF held a St. Baldrick's event raising over \$30k to support pediatric cancer and to honor some of our bravest Falcons.

The 8th grade students participated in the Polar Plunge raising over \$5,000 for Special Olympics Chicago.

Our teachers were honored in the Southside Irish parade along with all of the dedicated Catholic school teachers in the area.

RENEW MY CHURCH



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the over 150 parishioners who responded to the recent survey about the "new" alternate scenario that has been raised for consideration. If you haven't already, you can read the preliminary proposal for a "Collaborative Ministry Plan" across

SJF, St. Cajetan, St. Christina, Christ the King, and St. Barnabas by clicking HERE. Given that this scenario continues to be revised and reviewed by our groupings' RMC teams and the Archdiocese, there will likely be a further delay on the final decision from the Cardinal. We now expect that to come in early-mid May.

Please send any questions or comments you have to our committee at renewmychurch@sjfschool.us.

Mark your calendar for these 2 important events:

SJF Leadership and School Advisory Board will present the **State of the School address Thursday, March 24th at 7 p.m**. via zoom. The link will be available on the school website.

March 27th – SJF School Family Open House from 9:30 – 10:45 a.m. followed by the 11 a.m. Family Mass.

> Mrs. Nash's Notes

St. John Fisher School Website

SJF School Facebook Page

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Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday	Saturday, April 9 - 4:00PM Mass
	Sunday, April 10 - 8:00AM Mass & 11:00AM Mass
Holy Thursday	April 14 - Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00PM
Good Friday	April 15 - Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00PM
Holy Saturday	April 16 - Easter Vigil in the Holy Night 7:00PM
Easter Sunday	April 17 - 8:00AM Mass and 11:00AM Mass

Liturgy of the Word for Children Needs You!

This popular and important part of our Sunday liturgy **needs a few adult volunteers** to help lead the program during Sunday Mass. We can offer the program at either 8 or 11 AM Mass depending where there is more interest. Parents are required to be Virtus trained to participate. **Materials will be provided for you to make it simple and fun**. Please **email Carrie at sjfsab@gmail.com** if you are interested in being a leader.



Can you volunteer a little time to help decorate our church for Palm Sunday and Easter? Please Contact Anna Duffy at 312-684-1207









TICKETS FOR THE FISHER FALCON

EDUCATION FOUNDATION GALA ARE STILL AVAILABLE BUT GOING FAST! CLICK HERE TO BUY YOUR TICKETS or to MAKE A DONATION



TICKETS ON SALE FEBRUARY 14TH @ 9:00 AM

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If you can help plan the FFEF Grand Gala or have a silent auction item to donate, please Contact John O'Connor jpo11380@hotmail.com

What's Going on with Pro Labore Dei?

So much....

First, **thanks** to all who make Saturday lunch making such a success. <u>You never stop being</u> <u>amazing!</u>

Next, and most exciting, **the Easter basket giveaway is returning**. We are asking for help in providing Easter baskets for those in need.



We will collect baskets for men, women, boys and girls. Please bring your baskets to the Rectory by April 7th. Some suggested items to include in the baskets in addition to candy are socks, toothbrushes, trial size personal care items, small toys, rosaries and prayer cards.

The baskets will be distributed on April 9th in Robbins and Posen. Again, our most sincere thanks.

Last, **the need for groceries for meals is still great.** We continue to collect on the **parking lot each Saturday from 9:30 to 10am.** Thanks for all you do. As always, you are all so awesome.

Any questions, feel free to contact Pam O'Mara (773-612-0281) or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773-239-8428) The next lunch making will be on April 2nd at 9:15 am (Please note the new time).

As always **we welcome all donations** for the makings and **volunteers** to help compile the lunches.

For April, our needs are:

15 loaves of bread 2 heads of lettuce 8 large tomatoes 100 paper plates 150 quart size baggies 150 large brown lunch bags 100 bags of chips 100 treats (granola bars, fruit snacks...)





SJF Service Opportunities Facebook Page



Women's Club

Watch next month's newsletter and the SJF Women's club Facebook page for details about the **May 20th scavenger hunt** and the **June 24th golf outing**.

Email <u>SJFwomensclub@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

Women's Club on Facebook

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Holy Name Society

Thursday March 24th we will have our HNS Meeting for the NCAA Tournament in Kane Hall starting at 7pm.

All men of the parish are welcome! Questions? Email sjfhns@gmail.com

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