



ST. JOHN FISHER **PARISH**

October 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 sifparishchicago@gmail.com

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Mass

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Current Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4 pm Sunday: 8 am, 11 am

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

See our parish bulletins for reflections by Father Ken and Father Marty.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available at St. Cajetan on Tuesday 10/18 at starting after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, and ending with Benediction at 7:15 p.m.

Out of uniform passes are available to SJF students when they attend weekend masses (sponsored by the FSA).

Access Daily Readings

School



October brought Homecoming (Mass, fun, and football), successful Parent-Teacher conferences, an all-school Mass with our October theme of Respect (beautifully led by our 7th graders), and lots of learning and growing!

Please check Mrs. Nash's Notes for lots of important information and dates.

> Mrs. Nash's **Notes**

St. John Fisher Parish Website

Substitute Teacher Opportunities!

We need you!
Please consider joining our team.
Contact Principal Mrs. Maura
Nash at mnash@sjfschool.us

SJF School Website

SJF School on Facebook



October is the Month of the Rosary

If you don't know (or have fogotten) how to pray the rosary, you are not alone! Click here to learn or refresh your memory and give yourself the gift of some special time spent in prayer during the month of the rosary.

Help Make Our Church Home Beautiful

Over the years, St. John Fisher has been blessed with a number of hard-working, dedicated members of the Environment Committee and we are indeed grateful to them for their efforts in decorating our church for liturgical celebrations. Now after many years, **new members are needed** to organize and plan our church environment.



If you have a flair for design and color or if you could help lend a hand, please consider donating your time and talent to continue making our church a welcoming environment for our parish community. For more information, please contact the rectory office: 773-445-6565 or sjfparishchicago@gmail.com

CLICK HERE TO GET YOUR TICKETS FOR THIS SATURDAY'S OKTOBERFEST!

If you can't attend, but want to purchase split the Pot, you can purchase <u>HERE</u> through Wednesday.





Pro Labore Dei News

<u>Our coat drive continues</u>..... Through October 29th we will be taking donations of slightly used outerwear. Clothing can be dropped off at food drop off on Saturday

morning from 9:30 to 10am on the SJF parking lot.

Can the word **awesome** be used too often? Well, our lunchmaking session on Oct. 1st was awesome, awesome volunteers, awesome donors, awesome drivers on **Homecoming weekend, no less.**

Our next lunch making will be on Saturday, Nov. 6th at 9:15am in the rectory basement. Our needs at present are:

- 16 loaves of bread
- 150 small bags of chips

Please donate only what you can.

A super **BIG THANK YOU** to all who continue to donate food items to the PLD pantry and food distribution programs. The pantry shelves are very often pretty bare. The rising cost of food has driven many families to food pantries. It's a constant concern to be able to fill bags for these families.

We continue to collect every Saturday morning from 9:30 to 10am on the SJF parking lot. Thanks for your continuous help.

Any questions, feel free to contact Pam O'Mara (773) 612-0281 or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773) 239-8428.

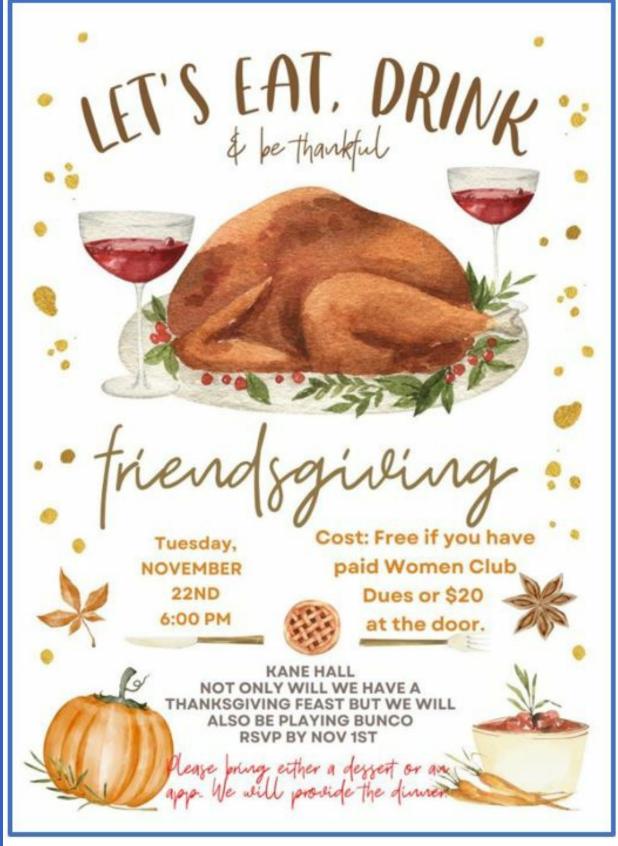
SJF Service Opportunities Facebook Page

Mark Your Calendar for these Women's Club Events

Friendsgiving, **November 22nd**. Click <u>HERE</u> or on the flyer below to register.

Holiday Vendor Night, **December 2nd**, in Kane Hall from 6:00 - 9:00 pm. Watch the SJF Women's Club Facebook page for details. Or email SJFwomensclub@gmail.com

SJF Women's Club Facebook Page



In Memorium: James L. Tierney, Class of '88. St. John Fisher's First Monsignor McElligott Scholarship Recipient

A reflection by Sr. Jean McGrath

After his retirement, Monsignor McElligott, a legend here at SJF, established a scholarship that would be awarded to two outstanding students from each graduation class. The scholarship continues to be awarded today. It is for partial tuition to a Catholic high school and is based not solely on academics but also on the student's ability



and desire to live the gospel invitation to be "not merely a hearer of the word, but also a doer of the word." Traditionally, a team of parish leaders, now in conjunction with the Fisher Falcon Education Foundation, interviews each eighth grade student who submits an essay outlining how he or she demonstrates how they understand and follow that mandate.

The first recipient of the award was Jim Tierney, son of long time parishioners Jim and Marita Tierney and brother of Patrick and Jean, also former Falcons. After a sixteen year battle with cancer, Jim died at his home near Los Angeles in July. He leaves a loving wife and ten children.

Jim surely took the values of the McElligott Scholarship to heart and made a significant difference in the lives of his family, friends and colleagues. Jim attended Mt. Carmel graduating as the valedictorian of his class and a member of the twice State Champion football team. He then went on to Harvard and later to the United States Marines where he earned the rank of Captain. Returning from the military, Jim went on to Stanford earning a Masters degree and creating his own successful business.

Throughout his life's journey, Jim, with his wife Kendra, lived a deep faith life that he often said was the foundation for anything he accomplished in life. Both he and his wife were bloggers who shared how deeply their lives were motivated by their faith. In a beautiful tribute to his brother, Pat Tierney wrote:

Jim Tierney is hands down, one of the best men the Southside has ever produced... Scholar-athlete, U.S. Marine, patriot, captain of industry, husband and father, man of faith...Jim's faith was inspirational. In a time when the world seems to be collapsing on itself, Jim took solace in the tenets of his faith and was a strong advocate for it and inspiring witness to it.

The SJF community will celebrate Jim's life and legacy at a memorial Mass on Saturday, Oct. 29, at 1:00 p.m. Fr. Bob Carroll (O. Carm.) will be the celebrant. Reception to follow immediately after Mass at Cork and Kerry. All are welcome.

Jim, like so many of our McElligott scholars, surely lived the goals of the scholarship to "be a doer of the word".



FSA

FSA will sponsor a **Pretzel Day** to celebrate Oktoberfest on **October 21st.** Order forms will go home to school families this week.

FSA's **Trunk or Treat** will take place on **October 28th from 5:00 - 7:00 PM** in the school parking lot. Watch Mrs. Nash's notes and our FSA Facebook page for more details.

FSA at SJF on Facebook

October Falcon Sports Highlights

Our SJF football teams are both 4-1 and playing well.

Our 7th grade girls A team won the 2022 Mother Mcauley girls basketball tournament.

Congratulations to all and GO Falcons!

(Photo by The Beverly Review)



Manna

Good news for participants in Manna. We have returned to our regular hours.

Come on back and start purchasing Manna for your holiday (and every day) shopping. If you are a new participant, please come in during our regular hours and register. We'll be happy to answer any and all questions and get you started **saving money** and helping SJF raise money at the same time, at no cost to you!

One of our families earned \$2240! They earned \$900 for the school and \$1340 off of their tuition on book day this year. Please come in and get your Manna!

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

Calling All Fathers of Daughters

If you are seeking a means to build a lasting bond with your daughter, check out the **Blackhawk Princesses**. Our group is dedicated to organizing **Father - Daughter** events that will create lasting memories for you and your daughter. **Our next event is our Pumpkin Hunt on 10/23**. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information. Jim Kintz, <u>jkintz@mail.roosevelt.edu</u>,312-218-2370 Rick Harris, <u>thatharris@gmail.com</u> 773.569.1595



Oktoberfest Sponsors

Thank you to local businesses and friends for sponsoring Oktoberfest.

With their support, we are on track to raise over \$15,000 for SJF School.

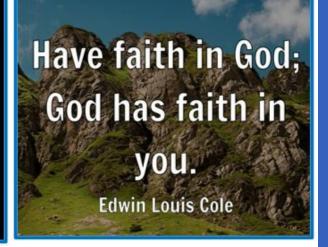
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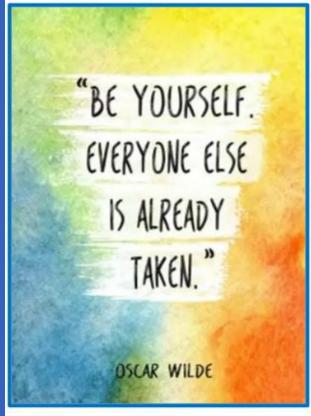


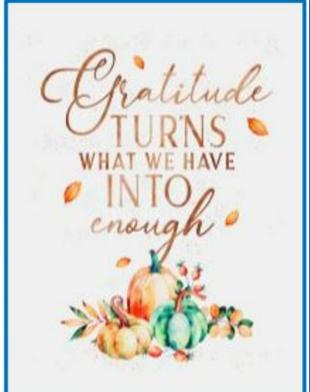
these businesses, JOIN US IN THANKING THEM FOR THE SUPPORT!

Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

C'mon over and bring the kids. -God







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