



ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH

September 2020

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

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Mass Updates



Current Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday: 8am, 11am

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

Confession: Saturday 3pm

Adoration: First Friday 7pm-8pm

Sign-ups are required for **weekend Masses** only. Click the button below to reserve your spot.

Click Here to Sign Up to
ATTEND Weekend Mass

We are in need of more **volunteers** to help with our reopening. We need people to help as greeters, ushers, and to clean after each Mass. If you would like to help, please send us an email:

sjfparishchicago@gmail.com

Falcons are Back in School!

Well, we did it! We safely and successfully opened our doors to our students last week. I could not be prouder of our students, faculty, staff and parents as we embraced and adapted to this new normal



together. Our campus, school buildings, curriculum, faculty and staff were all in place...we just needed our falcons! Their energy, perseverance and resilience are unmatched as they continue to remind us that we can do hard things and together we can overcome any challenge that comes our way!

Click the buttons below to read the rest of Principal Maura Nash's News and to visit the school website.

Mrs. Nash's Notes

SJF School Website

Join the Falcon Flower Growers

The "Falcon Flower Growers" is an all-volunteer club for anyone who enjoys fresh air, getting their hands dirty, and seeing their hard work blossom for all to appreciate. **No skills necessary. Volunteer hours are very flexible.**



The group has been busy beautifying the grounds. This includes trash pick up, fixing stones around bell tower, trimming bushes, pulling weeds, and planting perennials in flower box at 103rd and Washtenaw and around church. There's even a pumpkin patch growing behind bell tower.

The group will also do outdoor decorations during the year. It is planning to develop an area for family pictures for graduations, First Communions, etc.

If anyone wants to donate perennials or help plant, all are welcome! Current gardeners include Chas Hayes, Erin Hassan, Elizabeth Weber, Amy Pilafas, Mary Blake, Jackie Long, and Kate Keller.

For more information, Contact Chas Hayes at chas.hayes@gmail.com

Pro Labore Dei Needs Grocery Donations

Pro Labore Dei continues to work for those in need in the Robbins, Blue Island, and Posen areas. We continue to **collect groceries every Saturday morning** between 10:30 and 11:00 in the SJF parking lot. School supplies and toiletries are appreciated, too. Pick ups can also be arranged.



If you are unsure of what to donate, think in terms of a day of meals: cereal, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, jelly, cheese, bread, pasta, marinara, potato mix, hot dogs, canned vegetables, fruit, cookies, cake mixes.

A little bit of something from you is an awful lot to somebody in need. Thank you all so much for your thoughtfulness and generosity! For more information contact Pam O'Mara 773-612-0281.

You're Invited!

Holy Name Society

Our Holy Name Society will be having their **Meet and Greet at Cork and Kerry on 10/1**. This will be the Meet and Greet where you can sign up and pay your annual dues (\$30). The meeting will start at 7pm. If you have any questions, you can email Dave Cahill @ SJFHNS@gmail.com.

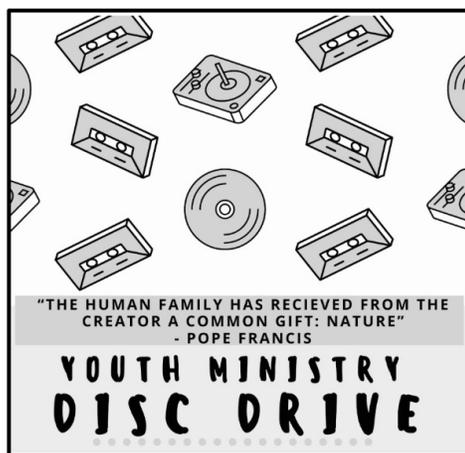
Youth Ministry Wants Your Discs!

Bring us your old discs
(CDs, DVDs, BluRays, Video Games, etc.)

to be carefully recycled.

Sat. September 26, 2020. Noon to 4:00 pm.
Most Holy Redeemer Parking lot.

This is a community based recycling drive designed by the SJF/MHR Youth Ministry program to safely dispose of household discs which can sit in landfills for over 1 million years while releasing harmful toxins into the oceans and air as they gradually decompose. Text "recycle" to 81010 to be reminded.



[Visit the Youth Ministry Website](#)



First Friday Holy Hour

Join us **every First Friday for Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.** If you are looking for a few moments of silence to pray and adore our Lord, this is the perfect opportunity. Come stay for the whole hour or just stop by for a few minutes. Families and children are most welcome. The next Holy Hour will take place on October 2nd at 7pm.

Online Giving

Please consider signing up for online giving. While our church was closed for several months due to the pandemic, our bills continued to come in. We know that these are challenging days for all. If you are able, please remember to support SJF. Online giving is a convenient way to support SJF financially. Click the button below. Please call the rectory with any questions. 773-445-6565 and ask for Lynn O'Connor.

Thank You!

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