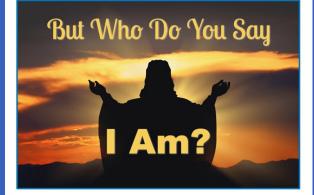


September 2021 Welcome to the SJF Monthly News! Please share this letter with your family, friends, and neighbors. This communication will contain brief updates from different groups in our parish each month. Our goal is to keep our parish, school, and community connected. Questions? Email sjfparishchicago@gmail.com 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.

News Sign Up



Mass



Mark 8:27-35

Current Mass Schedule Saturday: 4 pm

School



The 2021-22 school year is off to a great start!

Our community is alive and vibrant!

Sunday: 8 am, 11 am Weekdays (M-W-F): 8:15 am Confession: Saturday 3 pm

Please wear a mask to mass.

As Catholics who cherish every human life, the archdiocese urges anyone who has not been vaccinated to please do so for the safety of all.

Access Daily Readings

Things are feeling much more normal around here and it is awesome! We are so excited that we were able to kick-off the new year with our first **all-school inperson mass**. Our 8th graders assumed the role of the leaders of the school which is a hallmark of being an SJF Falcon.

View <u>this short video</u> in celebration of the new school year!

<u>Mrs. Nash's</u> <u>Notes</u>

St. John Fisher School Website



SJF Continues the Renew My Church Process

A committee of SJF representatives has been meeting with representatives from the archdiocese as SJF goes through the Renew My Church process.

The archdiocese will propose a few parish scenarios or potential configurations related to our grouping with St. Cajetan and St. Christina parishes and will be asking for formal feedback from our grouping.

The proposals will be published in the bulletin and on the parish website on the weekend of October 2nd and 3rd.

A town hall meeting for parishioners to provide feedback on those scenarios is tentatively planned for the evening of Tuesday, Oct 5th. Specific details on time and format will be provided closer to the date.

> Renew My Church



Lunch Making for PLD Families Continues



What a wonderful whirlwind of sandwich making happened in the Rectory basement on September 11th!

Thank you to all our wonderful donors and volunteers. You are truly the best!

The next lunch making session will take place on Saturday, October 2nd from 9 to 10am.

What we need for October 2nd are **DONATIONS**, **VOLUNTEERS** to make sandwiches and a few **DRIVERS** to bring the lunches to Posen / Robbins. We have been so blessed with donors, "sandwich makers," and packers.

Your donations welcomed!

Suggested donations are as follows and can be **dropped at the Rectory by the Wednesday or Thursday before Oct. 2nd:**

- 12 loaves of bread
- 4-5 large heads of iceberg lettuce
- 15 tomatoes
- 100 150 individually wrapped treats
- 4 cases of water
- disposable gloves
- 100 150 napkins

We welcome whatever you can do, part or all. Please consider joining us or donating if you can. You are all always so wonderful and generous and always welcome!

For right now, we will **continue to collect groceries in the SJF parking lot every Saturday morning from 10:30 to 11am.**

WE WILL ALSO FIRM UP DETAILS FOR THE USUAL OCTOBER COAT DRIVE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

If you have any questions at all please call Pam O'Mara 773-612-0281 or Jerry and Pat Hayes 773-203-7881.

SJF Service Opportunities Facebook Page



Get your tickets in advance to support SJF Oktoberfest Friday, October 15th - 6-11 pm! Send cash/check (payable to SJF) to school in an envelope labeled Oktoberfest – Jen Serpe. Also include name and contact info on the envelope. If SJF sells 150+ tickets in advance then students will have a dress down day on Friday, October 15th.

Featuring <mark>Ron Burgundy Band</mark> Beer - Music - Food 21+ Welcome, \$30/person or \$50/couple

Women's Club

St. John Fisher Women's Club is hosting a fun night of **Bunco** on **September 24th!** Doors open at 7:00pm, Bunco starts at 8pm in Kane Hall.

BYOB and **feel free to bring a Covid friendly app to share**! Looking forward to a fun night. Grab your neighbors! Women's Club is a Parish Organization. **All women of the parish are welcome!**

Click on Bunco below to sign up or email or text Maureen O'Malley 773-339-4951, <u>mpomalley5@gmail.com</u>



SJF Women's Club had a blast at the Sox/Cubs game!



Register for Women's Club

Women's Club on Facebook Register for Holy Name

ETC is Back at SJF School!

Enrichment and Tutorial Center (ETC) is **an after-school program** designed to



offer students a wide variety of classes not normally covered in the regular curriculum. Classes are a fun way for friends to explore areas of interest. We have done things from Lego lab to science clubs, arts & crafts and anything in between! We are looking forward to

starting some fun afterschool classes in October. Watch Mrs. Nash's notes for details in the weeks ahead.





THANK YOU Falcon Flower Growers!

Thank you, Chas Hayes and the Falcon Flower Growers for your dedication and handson service to beautify our SJF campus over the past many months! Every day, hundreds of people see the benefits of your efforts. **You are appreciated!**



MANNA is Free Money for You and SJF! Anyone can participate!



There is a lot of positive buzz from teachers and students enjoying the recent investment in electrical upgrades and **air conditioning**. Did you know that past **Falcon families actively participating in Manna led to a school savings that paid for the bill?!?!**

Last year, **earnings for the school were \$40,897 while families accrued individual earnings of \$70,756.** If all school families participated regularly **the school could earn over**

\$100,000. Reaching this goal together will help the school balance the budget and maintain competitive tuition rates. Manna is our #1 School Fundraiser. We are off to a great start this year with about 50 new users registering for Manna. Click below or email sjfsab@gmail.com with any questions.

Support SJF with Manna - for School AND Non-School Families

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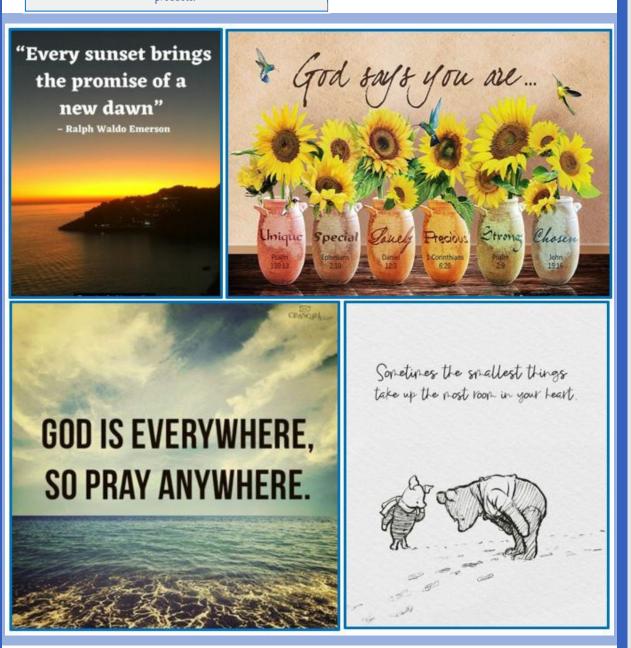
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