



ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH

April 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

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Mass



Current Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 11 am

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

Confession: Saturday 3 pm

Adoration: First Friday 7 - 8 pm

Sign-ups are NO LONGER REQUIRED for weekend or weekday masses.

We always need volunteers to greet, sanitize hands at communion and wipe down pews after Mass. Please sign up if you are willing and able by clicking below or by calling the rectory 773-445-6565.

**Alleluia! He has risen, indeed!
May God bless all of you**

School



Under the guidance of our amazing Mrs. Corley, all of our Falcons contributed to this beautiful, collaborative piece which was displayed in church at Easter Mass.

Thank you for sharing your feedback on SJF's Strategic Plan Survey. **Our responses to your thoughtful feedback** and questions are linked [HERE](#). And in case you missed it, [HERE](#) is a link to the **Strategic Plan Presentation**.

and your families.

Mrs. Nash's
Notes

Usher, Greeter,
Cleaner Volunteer Sign-Up

St. John Fisher School Website

Women's Club



Virtual BINGO is TOMORROW!!
Friday, April 16th at 7:30 pm.

Click below to sign up.

All women of the parish are invited
and encouraged to attend.

SIGN UP FOR BINGO

Women's Club on
Facebook

Register for Women's
Club

Women's Club events:

- Are fun!
- Help to keep our SJF Community connected and strong.
- Raise funds to support curriculum and material needs for teachers for the 2021-22 school year.



Mark your calendar for the the **Women's Club Scavenger Hunt May 14th**. For more information, watch the Women's Club Facebook page, talk to your block captain, or contact Maureen O'Malley, mpomalley5@gmail.com, 773-339-4951

School Advisory Board Applications

Please **consider sharing your skills and talents with us by serving on the School Advisory Board (SAB)** for the 2021-2022 school year. The role of the board is to provide counsel and advice to the pastor and principal regarding: Mission effectiveness, Member development, Financial and Physical resources, Institutional advancement including: Communication, Marketing, Recruitment/Enrollment/ Retention, Development and Creation of the school's long-range strategic plan.



The minimum time commitment is about 2-3 hours per month including a monthly meeting and follow-up committee work. There is additional information on our purpose, structure and objectives under the **“Organizations” tab** of the school website. The selection process includes 1-2 interviews with current and past board members in late spring/early summer. We aim to select new board members by August to enable a strong start for the new school year.

SAB is seeking applicants with Education, Development and Fundraising backgrounds. Click below to access the application. Applications are **due by Friday, May 7, 2021**. Please email sjfsab@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you.

School Advisory Board Application

Renew My Church Beginning in May

St. John Fisher Parish will begin the Archdiocese *Renew My Church* process in May. Our parish is grouped with St. Cajetan and St. Christina.

Father Ken and a small team from the parish will meet several times with the Archdiocese team from June through October, reviewing data, introducing structural scenarios, and providing feedback. There will be a formal parish town hall meeting to be held most likely in early October and a formal presentation to the Renew My Church Executive Committee later in October or November. **The Cardinal will make his decision in November, December, or January.**

Click the button below to visit the Archdiocese website to learn more about this program and process.

Renew My
Church



Falcon Flower Growers

Happy Spring from the Falcon Flower Growers! The perennial plants are growing great around the church grounds! Here's hoping they're fully bloomed for this year's First Communion and graduation.

All of the flower pots around the church now have **beautiful annuals and vinca vines, thanks to a generous parishioner.** The pots were filled just ahead of Easter services for all to enjoy on that special day. Another **generous parishioner also donated several hostas**, which will soon go towards beautifying the grounds.

If you have any flowers you would like to donate, let us know!

If you would like to help out, let us know!
Contact Chas Hayes at chas.hayes@gmail.com



When you come to church or school, take a look around at the beautiful work of Chas and the Falcon Flower Growers! Thanks, Chas!

Family School Association



FSA is contemplating **hosting a community yard sale**. For a registration fee, participants can either rent a table to be set up in the St. John Fisher Parking lot or set up their sale at their own home. FSA will be responsible for advertising, creating, and publicizing a map of all the yard sale locations. The registration fee would be used to support the needs of St. John Fisher.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to help us gauge interest in our yard sale.

Pro Labore Dei

AGAIN, thank you, thank you, thank you St. John Fisher Parish and School Community! On Saturday, March 27th, Pro Labore Dei distributed more than 500 Easter baskets to the communities in which they work. So many came together to support this effort. The **SJF community contributed well over 200 of the baskets** through donations of actual baskets, the makings for baskets, or monetary support.



In particular we need to mention that:

- Each SJF classroom made a basket as part of their Lenten project.
- Eisenhower high school through the efforts of a SJF parishioner delivered 55.
- Other communities brought baskets to the SJF rectory because they heard about the project.

It was truly, truly amazing. St John Fisher, thanks for all you do!

We continue to collect and distribute food each and every week. 10:30 to 11am each Saturday in the parking lot or by dropping at the rectory anytime. Financial donations can be dropped off at the rectory and are always appreciated. We use donated funds to purchase groceries for the families we serve.

Questions? Contact Pam O'Mara (773) 612-0281 or Pat Hayes (773) 203-7881.





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