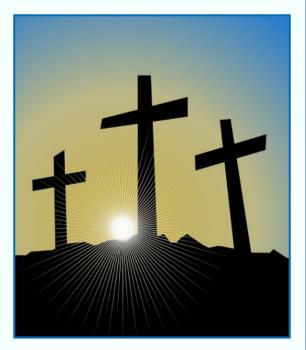


March 2021

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 <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.

News Sign Up

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

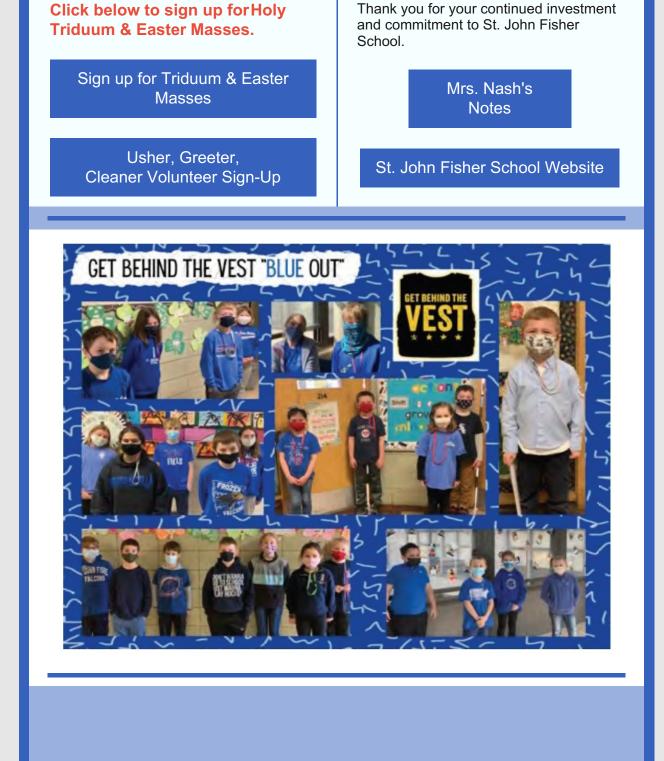
Sign-ups are NO LONGER REQUIRED for weekend or weekday masses.

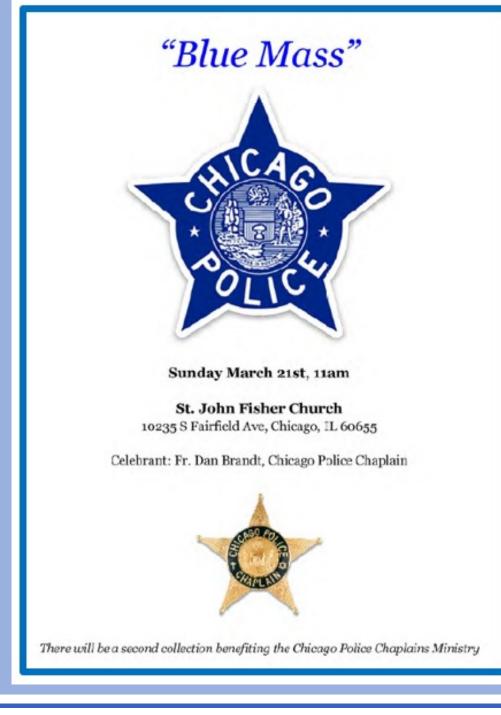
Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent in the church at 7 pm.

School



On behalf of SJF's School Advisory Board and the SJF Leadership Team, thank you for your engagement with **our strategic plan update**. In case you missed it, here is a <u>link to this past</u> <u>Tuesday's live meeting</u> as well as <u>the</u> <u>slide presentation</u> and a <u>link to our</u> <u>survey</u>. Please share your feedback with us! We welcome your perspective and involvement so together we can continue to work toward being the best version of St. John Fisher!





Can You Help Decorate the Church for Easter?

The Environmental Committee is looking for help in the decorating of the church for the Easter season. Work will take place on Saturday, April 3, starting at 10 am. Many hands will make the project go quickly. There are banners to hang, the placement of plants, and cleaning up after placing the flowers and plants. If you are interested in helping to create a beautiful atmosphere, please contact Anna Duffy at either 773-445-7813 or 312-684-1207. Thank you!



Youth Ministry - Stations of the Cross Online - NOT just for Teens!

Visit the Youth Ministry website for a unique and meaningful experience with the Stations of the Cross.



Pro Labore Dei



This will be a BIG year for **Easter baskets** for the families we serve at Pro Labore Dei. It would be awesome if each SJF family would **consider making and donating a filled Easter basket**. Please drop off filled baskets at school or the rectory anytime before **Friday, March 26th**.

Some suggestions for contents of baskets for children: A rosary, prayers, candy, fruit, gift card (McDonald's or Burger King), socks, granola bars, sports cards, matchbox cars, batteries, dolls, gel pens, hair accessories.

We will also collect baskets for adults. Some suggestions for contents: A rosary, prayers, gift cards, socks, candy, fruit, any ideas you may have.

Please mark the basket BOY, GIRL, ANYONE.

We continue to collect and distribute food each and every week. St John Fisher, thanks for all you do.

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

Thank you from Pro Labore Dei

Pro Labore Dei wants to say **thank you to St. John Fisher** for constantly sharing your groceries with us through these most difficult winter days. We have so much to be thankful for as **you have truly reminded us of the spirit of God's love for those in need** as



you persevere in generosity every Saturday in giving us bags of food to distribute. Last Saturday we were able to feed 500 families in all branches of our mission efforts that include the following areas: Robbins, Posen, Blue Island, Dixmoore, Harvey and Markham. Without your continued efforts to gather what you have and bring it to us, this would not be possible. **Thank you and thank God for such loving and incredible, charitable communities like you**. We are blessed and we thank you for your heartfelt prayers, commitment and generosity always!!! Love,

Ann DeAngelis Director of PLD Chicago/Robbins

Falcon Flower Growers

Happy St. Patrick's Day! The Falcon Flower Growers are eager to see the plants start popping up! **Tulips and Tiger Lillies** are already beginning to appear! The hostas, catmint, and ground covers will soon be right behind! The bird feeder and birdbath are also set up. The hummingbird feeder will go up in late April.

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



Lent + March + Spring (a) Saint John Fisher School Genten Promises beautifying our "bridge"



colored gels. We are excited to see the sun shining through these flowers: welcome signs of Spring. As much as we

emphasize doing good deeds, the idea



FSA



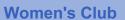
FSA is contemplating **hosting a community yard sale**. For a registration fee, participants can either rent a table to be set up in the St. John Fisher Parking lot or set up their sale at their own home. FSA will be responsible for advertising, creating, and publicizing a map of all the yard sale locations.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

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to help us gauge interest in our yard sale.



Support the SJF FSA and a local business with our **S&T fundraiser**. Orders due March 19th. Click the button below for more information.

FSA S&T Fundraiser



Virtual BINGO is April 16th at 7:30. Details will be found on the Women's Club Facebook page. Or contact your block captain or Maureen O'Malley: <u>mpomalley5@gmail.com</u>, 773-339-4951.

Scavenger Hunt will be May 14th.

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

Women's Club on Facebook

Register for Women's Club

Please continue to send your recipes for our Women's Club Cookbook!



Please email recipes to: colnitsche04@gmail.com melissazmich28@gmail.com

Renew My Church



Later this year St. John Fisher Parish will begin the Archdiocese **Renew My Church** process. Our parish is grouped with St. Cajetan and St. Christina. Click the button at the right to visit the Archdiocese website to learn more about this program and process.

Renew My Church

Manna

Manna is here all year! **School families get a tuition credit** equal to 60% of the store rebate. **Non-school families** can donate their credit to a school family (at SJF or any

