



# ST. JOHN FISHER

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## PARISH

November 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](mailto: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

Click [HERE](#) to get your  
**SJF Holiday Grand Raffle ticket today!**  
Tickets are also available at the rectory.  
Winners will be drawn DEC 4th!



*St. John Fisher*  
**Holiday Grand Raffle**

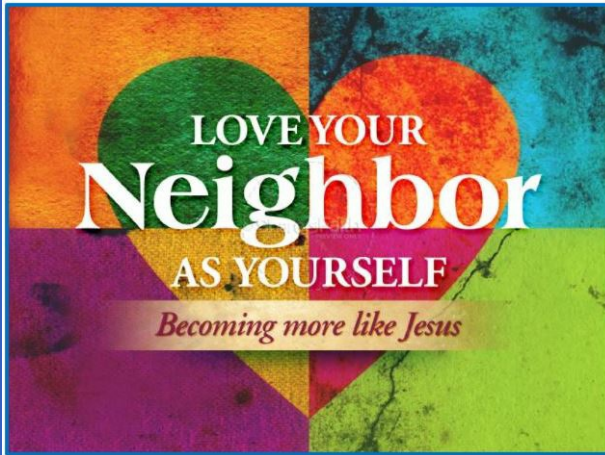
**Tickets are \$100 each**

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**First prize: \$25,000 Second prize: \$5,000 Third prize: \$2,000**

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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

Please **wear a mask to mass.**

Please join us as we celebrate the beautiful holiday of Thanksgiving at **9:00 Mass on Thanksgiving morning.**

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[St. John Fisher Parish Website](#)

## School



In the last month, our Fisher Falcons have accomplished so much, including **honoring our veterans, donating food and time to the PLD food drive, and successfully starting the second trimester.** Read more in [Mrs. Nash's notes.](#)

**Oktoberfest** was incredibly successful **raising \$30,000** that will be used for modernizing classrooms and improving learning resources. Falcon students, staff and families are the best!

[Mrs. Nash's Notes](#)

[SJF School Facebook Page](#)

[St. John Fisher School Website](#)

# SJF SCHOOL IS THE BEST!



**HERE ARE JUST A FEW OF OUR SUCCESSES SO FAR THIS YEAR:**

## Earlier Parent Teacher conferences

We met with parents earlier in the school year so challenges could be addressed sooner, helping our Falcons to be more successful learners.



## EXCELLENT IREADY SCORES!

**WOW!**

86% of our students scored at or above grade level - evidence that small group instruction is successful at SJF!

## FUNDATIONS PHONICS + OUR NEW READING CURRICULUM = SUCCESS!



Fewer students are needing our reading intervention program, and are advancing to higher levels in our Reading curriculum. Quick evidence that our curriculum investment is paying off already!



And a few more things we're doing:

- Curriculum mapping to align our goals, content, and assessments
- Homework Club & Academic Eligibility Club for additional support
- High enrollment in ETC for enrichment
- High School entrance exam Test Prep sessions
- Smart posts sharing Falcon success and news across social media

**AND MORE! VISIT [SJFSCHOOL.NET](http://SJFSCHOOL.NET)**

It has to be mentioned **again** that the **entire St. John Fisher community gave an absolutely incredible amount of fixings for Thanksgiving dinners** for the families in Posen, Robbins, and their neighboring communities. **A special thanks to the school families who "adopted" PLD for this venture.** We need to especially thank **Ms. Dunlavy and her fifth-grade class** who loaded two trucks!

December lunch making will be on **December 4th, from 9:00am — 10:00am** in the Rectory basement. As always we need **VOLUNTEERS** and **DONORS**.

As always, **we welcome whatever you can do, part or all.** Please consider joining us or donating if you can. Monetary gifts are always appreciated. We will continue to collect groceries in the SJF parking lot every Saturday morning from 10:30 - 11:00am.

If you have any questions at all, please call Pam O'Mara (773) 612-0281 or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773) 239-8428.

## **December Lunch Making Donations Requested**

The following are the needed supplies December lunches:

- 5 loaves of bread
- 3 large heads of lettuce
- 15 good sized tomatoes
- 50 bags of chips
- 120 treats
- 150 large brown lunch bags

Please **bring to the rectory by December 2nd.** Thank you!







## PLD CHRISTMAS GIFT COLLECTION

The annual **PLD gift give away** will take place on **Saturday, December 11th** for the families in Posen, Robbins, and their neighboring communities. If you would like to help bring joy to these families, PLD asks that your gift be a minimum of \$10.00.

Please **wrap your gift** and, **with a marker, write on the gift** if it is for a/an:

- Child - write "boy" or "girl" and age range
- Teen - write "boy" or "girl" and size, if clothing
- Adult - write "man" or "woman" and size, if clothing

**PLD is emphasizing teen gifts this year. This is always an area of critical need.**

Please **drop off the gift at the rectory by 10:00 a.m. on December 9th** or earlier. We will also be glad to pick up the gift from your home.

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**SUPPORT SJF WHEN YOU DO YOUR  
CHRISTMAS SHOPPING:  
MANNA  
WOMENS CLUB VENDOR FAIR  
SJF SPIRIT WEAR  
AMAZON SMILE**



**Use MANNA for your Christmas gifts! Limited Special Orders and More**

**For a limited time, you can special order \$5 & \$10 gift cards from 15+ popular brands.** They're the perfect holiday treat for mail carriers, bus drivers, teachers, and more. Manna gift cards are also a generous way to support people in need this season. Any way you use them, they're sure to spread joy while supporting the SJF aMnna program.

**\$5 gift cards:**

• Barnes & Noble • Cold Stone • Panera Bread • Starbucks • Taco Bell

**\$10 gift cards:**

• Amazon • Applebee's • CVS • Darden • The Home Depot • IHOP • Meijer • Outback Steakhouse • Red Lobster • Regal • Safeway • Target • Walmart

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

# **HOLY SHOP!**

## **CHRISTMAS IS COMING!**

### **HOLIDAY VENDOR FAIR**

#### **ST. JOHN FISHER'S WOMENS CLUB**

**FRIDAY • DECEMBER 3RD • 7 - 10 PM**  
**KANE HALL • 10200 S. WASHTENAW**

**\$10 ENTRANCE INCLUDES DRINK AND RAFFLE TICKET**

[Register  
for Women's Club](#)

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[Register for Holy  
Name](#)

**SJF Spirit Wear Looks Great and Supports our School!**  
**There are sizes and styles to fit all of the Falcons on your list!**



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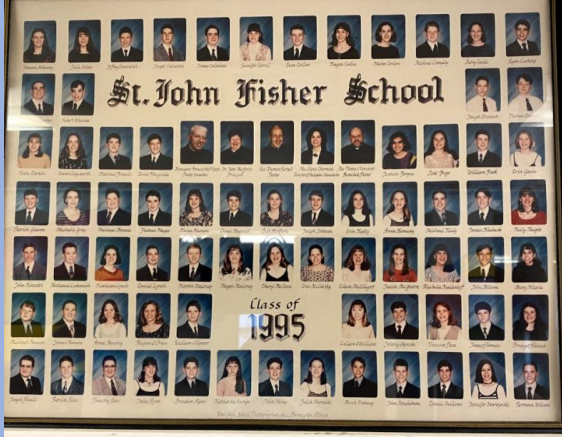
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**Attention All Falcon Alumni!**





We want to help you plan class reunions and connect with your former SJF classmates.

Click [HERE](#) to help us build our lists. Please share with all of your alumni friends. Be sure to visit the SJF Alumni Facebook page too.

**Once a Falcon, Always a Falcon!**

**SJF ALUMNI - Click here for the SJF Alumni Facebook page**

### Renew My Church

We await the Cardinal's decision on Renew My Church, which will likely come early in 2022. Please send any questions or comments you have to our committee at [renewmychurch@sjfschool.us](mailto:renewmychurch@sjfschool.us)

Slides from  
our Renew My  
Church Town  
Hall Meeting

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What if today,  
we were just  
grateful for  
everything?”

CHARLIE BROWN

From the fullness of His  
**GRACE**  
WE HAVE ALL RECEIVED ONE  
*Blessing*  
AFTER ANOTHER

JOHN 1:16



*Give*  
**THANKS**  
TO THE  
*Lord* FOR  
**HE IS GOOD**  
FOR HIS *Mercy*  
ENDURES FOREVER. PSALM 107

LET OUR  
*hearts*  
BE FULL OF BOTH  
**THANKS** AND  
*giving*

REMEMBER TO GET YOUR RAFFLE TICKET!

*St. John Fisher*  
**Holiday Grand Raffle**

SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING

Read all of the bulletins on the parish website. Click below for the most recent bulletins:

Bulletin 11/07/2021

Bulletin 10/31/2021

Bulletin 10/24/2021

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