St. John Fisher Church January 1, 2023

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. - Lk 2:19

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LOST AND FOUND

Please stop by the Parish Office for lost items. Our shelf is filled with items such as eye glasses, umbrellas, cell phones, etc. Items not picked up will be donated to PV Resale.

PV RESALE

2321 Pacific Coast Hwy, Lomita, CA 90717

Welcome To Saint John Fisher

We are a welcoming Parish. Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, your past or present religious affiliation, your personal history,

age, background, race or color, sexual orientation, your selfesteem: you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected by the Catholic Community of St. John Fisher.

Pastoral Council Meeting - January 4

All parishioners are invited to attend the Pastoral Council meeting on Wednesday, January 4 at 7 pm in the Fireside Room. For more information, contact Gayle Plecha at gplecha@sjf.org. Pastor

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Parish Life:	
Advent Concert, December 11	
Simbang Gabi, December 17	
Life Teen Christmas Party, December 18	
Advent Penance Service, December 19	
Christmas Masses	
Together in Mission Update	
Building Committee Update	
Looking Ahead:	
Upcoming Events:	
Dawn Unity, "Noah and the Flood"	
Archdiocesan Council of Catholic	
Women Conference	
RE Congress	
SJF School Open House	
Chair/Vice-Chair	
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Approval of December minutes Staff representative brief: to be determined Lenten Soup Supper – PC Hosts on March 17 PC New Member Nominating Committee New Parishioner's Brunch – scheduling 2022-2023 Pastoral Plan Objectives Review: team progress

Next meeting: February 1, 2023



Faith Direct - eGiving If you want to help St. John Fisher flourish, now is the perfect time to make the switch to eGiving Very can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time

gift. Your recurring gifts will sustain and strengthen our parish. You'll provide us with consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/CA436, or text 'Enroll' to 424-352-7722. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

Sharing St. John Fisher Parish Life on Social

We invite you to share your parish activities with us on social. You can submit your photos and a brief caption to info@sjf.org pr simply tag us in your photos (@sjfrpv on Facebook or @StJohnFisherRPV on Instagram). We'll choose a few photos to highlight each week on our channels!

> Follow us on Facebook & Instagram f @SJFRPV 👩 @StJohnFisherRPV

WORSHIP

Mass Intentions at St. John Fisher

Each Mass at St. John Fisher Church is given for a special intention. Many parishioners request Mass intentions for their friends and family members. You can reserve a Mass intention by calling or visiting the Parish Office. Masses can be reserved for up to six months before the requested date. The suggested donation is \$20 and can be sent by mail or dropped at the Parish Office.



Mass Intentions: December 31- January 8, 2023

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Weekly Readings

Monday:	1 John 2:22-28, John 1:19-28
Tuesday:	1 John 2:29 - 3:6, John 1:29-34
Wednesday:	1 John 3:7-10, John 1:35-42
Thursday:	1 John 3:11-21, John 1:43-51
Friday :	1 John 5:5-13, Mark 1:7-11
Saturday:	1 John 5:14-21, John 2:1-11
Sunday :	Isaiah 60:1-6, Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6, and
	Matthew 2:1-12

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am * 11:00 am 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday 8:00 am * 5:15 pm Saturday 8:00 am *

* Also livestreamed

HOLY DAYS

Vigil: 5:30 pm Mass: 8:00 am, and 7:30 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Monday, Wednesday through Friday, 4:45-5:10 pm; Tuesday, 7:00 pm; Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Contact the Parish Office or visit our website at https://sjf.org/sacraments/ for details.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made with the Priest at least six months in advance.

PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL/HOMEBOUND

If you would like to receive the Sacraments of Communion, Reconciliation, or Anointing of the Sick, please call **310-377-5571**.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Spend an hour in the Chapel in honor of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Regular adorers are needed Monday to Friday from 8:45 am to 9:00 pm. For information, contact Carlyn Quinto at **310-480-2291** or carlynquinto@earthlink.net

PRAYER TREE

Contact Bev Fink at **310-377-5571** or email prayertree@sjf.org.

HEARING ASSISTANCE HEADSETS AVAILABLE

Audio Headsets are available for use in the Narthex for all who are in need of assistance.

CHILDREN



Volunteers Needed for Children's Liturgy of the Word!

We are in need of volunteers for our Liturgy of the Word for Children. Volunteers will share the Word of God with children, grades 1-6, in attendance at the Sunday 9 am Mass. Even if you don't have a child or grandchild who attends Mass with you, you can help share the Word of God with the children of the parish. This program is entirely staffed by volunteers. Lots of support is given, and the opportunities are enjoyable and fulfilling. All you need is a love of children! If you are interested please contact Justin Fontenot at **310-377-4573 ext 136** or email jfontenot@sjf.org.

Religious Education Christmas Break

Religious Education classes will resume on Sunday, January 8 and Tuesday, January 10. Have a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

Justin Fontenot | Coordinator of Religious Education K-8 | (310) 377-4573 ext 136 | jfontenot@sjf.org

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

Anima Christi Prayer Written by St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

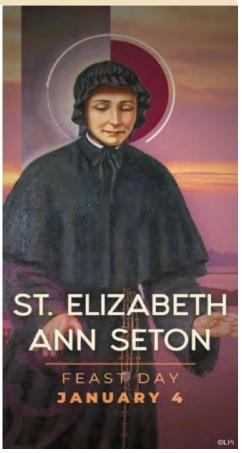
Soul of Jesus. *sanctify* me: Blood of Jesus, wash me; Passion of Jesus, comfort me. Wounds of Jesus, hide me; Heart of Jesus, receive me; Spirit of Jesus, enliven me. Goodness of Jesus, pardon me; Beauty of Jesus, draw me; Humility of Jesus, humble me. Peace of Jesus, *pacify* me; Love of Jesus, inflame me: Kingdom of Jesus; come to me. Grace of Jesus, *replenish* me, Mercy of Jesus, pity me; Sanctity of Jesus; *sanctify* me. Purity of Jesus, *purify* me. Amen

Confirmation Calendar:

Year 1:Sunday, January at 8, at 3:15pmYear 2:Sunday, January 22 at 3:15pmORMonday, January 9, at 7 pmORMonday, January 23, at 7 pm

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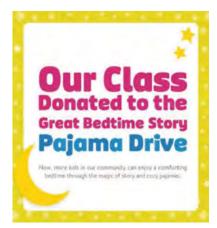
SJF SCHOOL



SJF School Supports the Scholastic

"Great Bedtime Story Pajama Drive"

This holiday season, the students at St. John Fisher School are donating pajamas to underprivileged children through a service organization in the Southbay. Since 2001, the Scholastic Pajama Program has delivered over 7 million good nights to children facing adversity by providing new pajamas, storybooks and resources to caregivers. Our classrooms collected brand new pajamas for all ages to support the children of the Pajama Program. As is tradition, Scholastic Book Clubs has pledged to match every pair of donated pajamas with a brand-new storybook! Thank you to all students and families who donated!





SJF School Office | (310) 377-2800 | principal@sjf.org

Pray for Sick

Yvonne Carnes, mother of Amy Carnes Norris Lois Cowan Michelle La'Riviera, daughter of Maria Acosta Brooke Sailer Dick Salmon father of Joan Kuzio

Continue to Pray For...

Sevi Adisa Christina Avila Tony Avila Paul Belfy Ray Bensch Cheryl Benyi Jane Bodine **Raymond Bodine** Arthur Bourgeois Michelle Clarke Mary Ellen Coffelt Gloria Fink Maggie Gil Silvia Fernandez Gomez Espie Gonzalez Emmanuel Hernandez Lanette Hernandez

Sadru Hudani Layla Lopez Nicole Ludwick Cecilia Magaña **Bob Markl** Frank McCormick Michael McCormick Maura McGuinness Thadd McNamara Annie Ruth Maruja Sedano Schmidt Family Joan Sing Judy Ann Tan Bill Weldon **Rosalind White**

Pray for Deceased

Albert Noyer, father of Bob Pethick

Pray for Military Personnel & Families

Maj. Cesare Santarosa, USA Maj. Christina Shelton, USA Sgt. Jacob Arnold, USA Ben Soto, USAF Kenny Soto, ARNG

If you have a loved one deployed overseas serving in the Military and would like his/her name on the prayer list and/or picture on the Military Board, please contact the Parish Office **310-377-5571** or Howard Schneider **310-378-2665**. Pictures should be approximately 4" x 5" and may be dropped off at the office, ATTN: Military Board. IMPORTANT: Please include a contact name and phone number. The Military Board is in the church narthex.

COMMUNITY

Stewardship of Our Treasure

December 18, 2022	\$86,128
December 19, 2021	\$23,875

Thank You for your continued generosity.



Eucharistic Adoration

January 6th, is the First Friday of the month. Come and spend an hour in Eucharistic adoration. The Blessed Sacrament is being exposed every Wednesday and Friday, from 9 am to 5 pm; and Thursday, from 9 am to 9 pm. We still need additional volunteers who could spend an hour in Eucharistic Adoration on any of the following hours: Wednesday: 10 am and 11 am; Thursday: 10 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, and 5 pm; and Friday: 10 am, 12 pm, and 1 pm. If you are interested in being a regular or substitute adorer, please contact Carlyn Quinto at 310-480-2291 or via email at carlynquinto@earthlink.net.

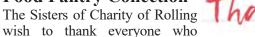


One Heart LGBTQ Ministry

This ministry is open to members of the LGBTQ community, their families, friends, or anyone who would like to join. We are here to offer support, help and make everyone feel welcome regardless of

their sexual orientation. Meetings take place the 2nd Tuesday of the month at St. Lawrence Martyr Church, 1940 South Prospect Ave, Redondo Beach, CA. Please contact Deacon Don Burt at 310-540-0329 x 381 or email at donbrt@verizon.net if you have any questions.

Food Pantry Collection



participated in the food drive for needy families. The variety of foods given is very impressive. This generosity shown to families whom we serve, but are unknown to you will one day be rewarded in Heaven when they thank you personally for your help. May God bless you and your families this Christmas season and always.

Pregnancy Help Center - Job Opportunity



The Pregnancy Help Center, a pro-life pregnancy medical clinic in Torrance, has full-time staff position available for а an Associate Executive Director. Bachelor's Degree required and management/ administrative experience, preferably in the nonprofit sector preferred. If you are interested, please email resume to administration@phctorrance.org.

Did you Know? What to do when a child discloses abuse

When a child discloses abuse, the first thing to remember is to stay calm. Coming forward takes incredible courage and trust; it is usually very hard for children to open up. If a child discloses abuse to you, it is important to listen fully to what he or she is saying. Limit your questions to short, simple queries: What happened? Who did this? Where? When? Let the child know you want to help and coming forward is the right thing to do. As soon as possible, make a report with a child protection agency in your state. For more information, read the "When a Child Discloses" VIRTUS® article, on lacatholics.org/did-you-know/. Parish Safeguard the Children 310-377-4573 Justin Fontenot. *Contact:* x136. *ifontenot*(*a*)*sif.org*

Join the OneLifeLA Family

January 21, 2023, come celebrate the beauty and dignity of every human life from conception to natural death. Our 2023 theme, "Our Mission is Love," guides us as we walk



from Olvera Street through Downtown Los Angeles to LA State Historic Park for a family-friendly day of inspiring speakers, live music, food trucks, and works of mercy. The event will conclude with the Requiem Mass for the Unborn at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. Bring your friends and family and join us to celebrate, defend, and embrace life.



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St. John Fisher Obra Buena

St. John Fisher Obra Buena (Good Works) financially supports the charitable outreach Obra Buena efforts of our parish. Your generous contributions make a significant difference

in the lives of those in need. Obra Buena provides much needed funding to several local charities which are vetted annually by the Stewardship Committee and approved by the Peace and Justice Council. For more information, please call Misty Jesse at 310-377-4573 or email mjesse@sjf.org.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

This Week At St. John Fisher

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New Years Day - All Offices Closed	Dav
Monday, 1/2	Car
9:30 am - Families of Nazareth - Auditorium 4 pm - At Home with the Word - Parish Library	The
Tuesday, 1/3	AC
8:15 am - Sandwich Ministry - Barrett Hall 9:30 am - Senior Fitness - PAC Gym 6 pm - Queen of Peace - Blessed Sacrament Chapel 7 pm - Families of Nazareth Tuesdays - Faculty Room	KO Fire
Wednesday, 1/4	Ler
 9 am - Eucharistic Adoration – Blessed Sacrament Chapel 6 pm - Walk with Christ - Outdoor Stations of the Cross 7 pm - Adult Basketball - PAC Gym 7 pm - Pastoral Council Meeting - Fireside Room 	Foo Foo
Thursday, 1/5	SJI
 9 am - Eucharistic Adoration – Blessed Sacrament Chapel 9:30 am - Senior Fitness - PAC Gym 10 am - Seekers – Cityside Room 5:50 pm - Divine Mercy - Church 	
Friday, 1/6	
9 am - Eucharistic Adoration – Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Saturday, 1/7	
6 pm - Family Fun Night BINGO - Barrett Hall 7:30 pm - AA - Hope on the Hill - Auditorium	

Sunday, 1/8



Save the Date!

Dawn Unity "Noah and the Flood"	Jan. 10
Camp Pendleton Collection	Jan. 21
The Mustard Seed	Jan. 23
ACCW Conference	Jan. 24
KOC Super Bowl Pre-Sale	Feb. 5
Fireside Chat with Msgr. Sork	Feb. 7
Lenten Soup Suppers	Feb. 24
Food Pantry Bag Distribution	Feb. 25 & 26
Food Pantry Bag Collection	Mar. 4 & 5
SJF Lenten Retreat	Mar. 12 - 14

If you'd like your meeting or event listed in the bulletin, please email to info@sjf.org or your group's pastoral staff liaison for approval:

- Event or group name (optional: a few words of description)
- Meeting date and time
- Meeting place
- Point of contact

Your event or meeting may run for up to 4 bulletins. Space limitations prevent permanent or standing announcements.

Do you want to maximize participation in your SJF event? Ministry and event leaders, you will find many great ideas for how and where to publicize your event. Visit www.sjf.org \rightarrow News & Media (pull-down menu) \rightarrow Publicity Protocols. Your Pastoral Staff representative is ready to help!

E VANGELIZATION



Adult Faith Formation & Pastoral Care

Screwtape Letters - Men's Faith Formation

Dates: Wednesdays, starting Jan. 25 Time: 6:30 – 8:30 pm Location: Rectory Meeting Room Facilitator: Christ Ratliff

Catholicism - The Pivotal Players

Series: Bishop Barron Dates: Thursday, Jan. 19 Time: 7 - 8:30 pm Location: Fireside Room Facilitator: Hanan Tanios

St. John Fisher Book Club

Dates: Tuesday, Jan. 10 Time: 7 pm Location: Cityside Room Book Title: *Catcher in the Rye* by J.D. Salinger

Dawn Unity - "Noah and the Flood"

Date: Tuesday, Jan. 10 Time: 7:30 pm Location: Congregation Ner Tamid 5571 Crestridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes Facilitator: Bob Rothman

The Mustard Seed Bible Study

Topic: Gospel of Matthew Date: Mondays, Starting Jan. 23 Time: 6:30 pm Location: Parish Library Facilitator: Misty Jesse

Connect Group Bible Study - Jesus

Series: Great Adventure by Jeff Cavins Dates: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, until May 25 Time: 6:30pm Location: Cityside Room Facilitator: Stephanie Reilly – Connect Groups



Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) begins with Adult Inquiry sessions, which are offered year around. Our RCIA Inquiry group generally meets the first Sunday of each month at 10 am in the Parish Conference room. All are welcome to Inquiry Sessions. Are you missing a sacrament of initiation such as First Communion or Confirmation? For questions about RCIA or the Sacrament of Confirmation for adults, please call or email the office of Evangelization: Misty Jesse, mjesse@sjf.org, (**310**) **377-4573 x130**.

Stewardship Reflection, Luke 2:16-21



Today we celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God. We have heard it said, "Jesus is the reason for the season." Indeed, this is true and, it is well worth remembering that Jesus does not come into his world without the hard labor of his mother. Mary said a brave "yes" to the angel's extraordinary request to bear God's

son. After months of pregnancy, Mary can now wrap the fruits of her faith in swaddling clothes and lay him in a manger. Our world will never be the same.

Screwtape Letters - Men's Faith Formation

The SJF Men's Faith Formation Group will be studying C.S. Lewis's *The Screwtape Letters*, "a masterpiece satire on hell's latest novelties." The group will engage Lewis's literary classic in the context of the Holy Bible and the Catechism. Wednesday evenings, Jan. 25-April 5th, in the Rectory Meeting room, 6:30 to 8 pm. Questions: Chris Ratliff, ratlifcs@hotmail.com.

Dawn Unity: Noah and the Flood

On Tuesday Jan. 10, at 7:30 pm, Congregation Ner Tamid of Rancho Palos Verdes will host a Dawn Unity Interfaith panel on the topic of Noah and the Flood. Panel participants include Rev. Dr. April Herron of Rolling Hills United Methodist Church, Prof. Amir Hussain of LMU, Rabbi Tal Sessler of Congregation Ner Tamid and Fr. Alexei Smith of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Catholicism: The Pivotal Players

Join us for Bishop Barron's Pivotal Playersseries. Our program takes place on Thursday, January 19 at 7 pm in the Fireside Room. This month's presentation is on the life of St. Augustine, the teacher. All are welcome; bring a friend.

Military Ministry - Camp Pendleton

The Saint John Fisher Military Ministry, along with Rotary Clubs of Los Angeles, assists young families of United States Marine Corps enlisted personnel at Camp Pendleton. There are 10,000 children under the age of five and most families arrive with only what they can fit in their car. These young men and women do not have the funds to adequately furnish an apartment and clothe their children. Items in greatest need are baby & young children clothing, diapers, toys, books, bathtubs, strollers, cribs, furniture, dishes, cookware, food prep utensils, mattresses with no stains or holes, bedding, etc. Our collection will take place on the weekend of January 21-22 in front of the St. John Fisher Gym. For more information please call Kit Ruona at **310-541-1758**. Thank you for your support!





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