

# *St. John Fisher Church*

**February 23, 2020**



## **7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*"I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those  
who persecute you." - Mt 5:44*

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***Love God. Love All People. Make Disciples.***



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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 310-534-1722

2321 Pacific Coast Hwy, Lomita, CA 90717

## Welcome To Saint John Fisher

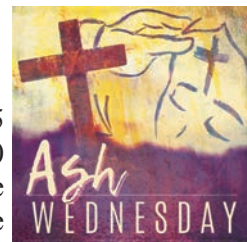


We are a welcoming Parish. Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, whatever your past or present religious affiliation, whatever your personal history, age, background, race or color, sexual orientation, whatever your self-esteem: you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected by the Catholic Community of St. John Fisher.

## Ash Wednesday is this week!

The schedule of services is as follows:

Masses at 6:30 am, 8 am, 11 am, and 5:15 pm. Liturgy of the Word at 4 pm and 7:30 pm. Ashes will be distributed at all of the above services. Adoration will end before the 5:15 pm Mass.



## Fast and Abstinence This Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is a day of **fast** and **abstinence**. Fasting means the two secondary meals together must be less in quantity than the primary meal. All Catholics over 18 and under 60 are to fast on this day. Abstinence means that all Catholics over 14 years of age are to abstain from meat on that day and on **all Fridays of Lent**.

## Faith Direct

Fast. Pray. Give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help St. John Fisher by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide the church with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season! Signing up is easy! Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: **CA436**.



## Serving Our Community for 59 years

In 2013, we realized our goal of opening a new church built to welcome all to our parish. We now embark on completing that mission, to ensure that our campus as a whole serves the needs of our community through a unified Pastoral Center.

## Follow us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram

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## 6:30 Morning Mass During Lent

To encourage attendance at daily Mass as a Lenten commitment, we will be adding a 3rd weekday Mass during the season of Lent. There will be Mass at 6:30 am from Monday through Friday.

## Mass Intentions - February 22 - March 1

### FEBRUARY 22, SATURDAY

5:00 pm Tina DiStefano† Msgr. Sork

### FEBRUARY 23, SUNDAY

7:30 am Erik Fleming† Msgr. Sork

9:00 am Victor Chan† Fr. Kalu

10:45 am Edwina Mangiameli† Fr. Aguilar

12:30 pm Parishioners Fr. Kalu

5:00 pm Judy Deponte† Fr. Aguilar

### FEBRUARY 24, MONDAY

8:00 am Matia Larawan

5:15 pm Monique Marti†

### FEBRUARY 25, TUESDAY

8:00 am Ed Escovar†

5:15 pm Alan Halkett†

### FEBRUARY 26, WEDNESDAY

6:30 am Dan Lucela†

8:00 am Rogelio Soriano

11:00 am James Soo†

4:00 pm Liturgy of the Word

5:15 pm Leah Aquino†

7:30 pm Liturgy of the Word

### FEBRUARY 27, THURSDAY

6:30 am Antonio S. Rey†

8:00 am Denine Tahbaz†

5:15 pm Baldomera Medrano†

### FEBRUARY 28, FRIDAY

8:00 am Joseph Hubbard

5:15 pm Ramy Al-Hosri

### FEBRUARY 29, SATURDAY

8:00 am Tim Jones†

5:00 pm Maureen Rogers† Fr. Kalu

### MARCH 1, SUNDAY

7:30 am Erik Fleming† Fr. Caro

9:00 am Kobe† & Gianna Bryant† Fr. Aguilar

10:45 am John Grablewski† Msgr. Sork

12:30 pm Sarah "Jerri" Hurst† Fr. Aguilar

5:00 pm Parishioners Fr. Kalu

## Weekly Readings

**Monday:** Jas 3:13-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [9a]/Mk 9:14-29

**Tuesday:** Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23 [23a]/Mk 9:30-37

**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32

**Sunday:** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 [cf. 3a]/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

Sunday

7:30 am

9:00 am, Contemporary Choir

10:45 am, Parish Choir

12:30 pm

5:00 pm, Youth Choir

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday 8:00 am, 5:15 pm

Saturday, 8:00 am

## LITURGY OF THE HOURS

### Morning Prayer

Monday-Saturday 7:45 am

Chapel of the Blessed Mother

## HOLY DAYS

Vigil: 5:30 pm

Mass: 6:30 am, 8:00 am, 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

Every 4th Sunday of the Month during the 12:30 pm Mass. Contact Parish Office or visit [www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org) 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**.

## EUCCHARISTIC 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 **310-377-5571** or [carlynquinto@earthlink.net](mailto:carlynquinto@earthlink.net)

## NEED A CARING LISTENER?

Call the Stephen Ministry Hotline at **310-541-1403**.

## PRAYER TREE

Contact Bev Fink at **310-377-5571** or [penhimom@hotmail.com](mailto:penhimom@hotmail.com). Please write "SJF Prayer Tree" in the subject line.

# FAITH FORMATION

## CHILDREN



### Home is Holy: Love your enemies!

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenged the people to go beyond loving those who are kind to them, to loving their enemies as well. That is a hard teaching! Most times, we want to get back at people who hurt us, but this is not the way God wants us to respond. God sent Jesus to us as an example. Do you remember what Jesus said when he was being crucified? "Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing." Only with the help of the Holy Spirit can we follow Jesus' example in returning love for violence. Because staff will be attending the Religious Education Congress in Anaheim this weekend, we will not be able to distribute our welcome gift for the children after the 9 am Mass this Sunday. We look forward to seeing you again next week!

### Mass with a focus on children, 9 am March 1

Please come to this special Mass with a focus on children. Fr. Francis will address the children in his homily, and the children will be invited to sit up front and to gather around the altar for the Eucharistic Prayer. What a great start to Lent!

### No Religious Education classes, Pre School-Grade 8, February 23 and 25

Religious Education classes, Preschool-Grade 8, will NOT meet on Sunday, February 23 and Tuesday, February 25. Office staff will be at the Religious Education Congress in Anaheim this weekend, and celebrating Mardi Gras on February 25!



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## HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

### SAINT JOHN FISHER LIFE TEEN

FEB 23, 2020  
"ELEPHANT ON MY CHEST"  
XLT

*Many of you are asking what is XLT? XLT means to Exalt our God. A night of Praise, Worship, and Adoration with a dynamic speaker's message. Our speaker will help teens recognize the symptoms of depression and anxiety disorders and give them tools to help themselves and their peers experiencing depression or anxiety.*

*\*ALL LIFE NIGHTS WILL FOLLOW THE 5:00 PM  
SUNDAY TEEN MASS, AND END AT 8:00 PM\**

*\*ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS ARE INVITED\**

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL ZACK ZUVICH  
[ZZUVICH@SJF.ORG](mailto:ZZUVICH@SJF.ORG) OR 310-377-4573 EXT 147

### YEAR 2 CONFIRMATION

FEB 23, 2:50 - 5:00 PM  
OR  
FEB 24, 6:50 - 9:00 PM

### PEW OPPORTUNITIES

ATTEND XLT ON SUN, FEB 23  
6:15 - 8:00 PM @ THE SJF GYM

ATTEND ASH WED SERVICE ON WED, FEB 26  
6:30 - 8:30 PM @ AUDITORIUM & CHURCH





## Student Achievements

It is an SJF tradition for students to participate in the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution essay, poetry, and art competition. Many of our students received recognition for their fine efforts this year, but special congratulations go to sixth grader Sloane Houterman, whose essay won the 6th grade competition at both the District and State levels. Her essay has been submitted to the Regional competition.

Eighth grader Kylie Mone recently competed in the SOCAL Scholastic Fencing Championship as a representative of St. John Fisher School. The competition included students from Harvard Westlake, Brentwood, Lycee Francois, Marlborough, and Dana Point. Kylie took home individual gold and combined events gold in Women's Epee. Good luck to Kylie as she heads to Ohio to the Junior Olympics to compete in the U17 and U20 Women's Epee events!

## Urgently Needed

Aftercare Director needed immediately for St. John Fisher School; hours are 3-6 pm Monday-Friday. Every other Friday the hours are from noon-5 pm. Please contact the school principal at: [principal@sjf.org](mailto:principal@sjf.org) or directly in the school office at (310) 377-2800.

**Anne-Marie Hudani**  
**St. John Fisher School Principal**  
**(310) 377-2800 | [principal@sjf.org](mailto:principal@sjf.org)**

## PRAY FOR SICK

Natividad Cariño  
 Pening Chacon  
 Marie Lindgren  
 Michael Lubega, nephew of Anthony Lubega  
 Maria Marciniak, aunt of Joanna Lawniczak  
 Joe Sinagra, husband of Frances Sinagra

## CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

Seyi Adisa	Patrick Lightman
Josephine Appel	Margaret Majid
Wena Noble Bayro	Dave and Joan Matson
Paul Belfy	Frank McCormick
Jane Bodine	Maura McGuinness
Raymond Bodine	Thadd McNamara
Matthew Bologna	Betty Mullen
Emma Breslin	Clare Nolan
Michelle Clarke	Schmidt Families
Jim Chappuis	William H. Sheridan
Don Duperon	Joan Sing
Eugenia Eyherabide	Rogelio Soriano
Rosemary Ferrell	Marie Lucas Soto
Gloria Fink	Florencia Tan
Joseph Hardesty	Judy Ann Tan
Sadru Hudani	Michelle Tong
Jeanne & Paul Leo	Alice Valdes

## PRAY FOR DECEASED

Janice McDermott, daughter of Warren and Ann McDermott

## PRAY FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL AND FAMILIES

Private Miranda Grosso, USA  
 Sergeant Jacob Arnold, USA-Green Beret  
 Kenny Soto, AFRC  
 Ben Soto, AIRF  
 Sergeant First Class Teresa Perrin, USA  
 Chief Warrant Office McKinderee Perrin, USA

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**. 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.

## STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TREASURE

February 16, 2020 \$21,693.92

February 17, 2019 \$20,795.47

Thank You for your continued generosity

## Shrove Tuesday Luncheon



The St. John Fisher Women's Council will hold its annual Shrove Tuesday Luncheon on February 25 in Barrett Hall. We are pleased to have Msgr. Peter O'Reilly as our guest speaker. His topic will be "Getting the Most from Lent."

Admission will be \$25 per person; doors open at 10 am. We will serve refreshments at 11 am and the speaker begins at 12 pm. Tickets will be sold outside of Mass on February 22-23. For additional information, contact Bernie Maynard **310-377-5571**

## Holy Land Pilgrimage - October 4-15

Join us for an amazing adventure as we travel the footsteps of Jesus Christ in the Holy Land. Our journey will take us on a pilgrimage, led by Msgr. Sork, which promises to be inspirational and transformative. Dates for the pilgrimage are October 4-15. Visit our parish website ([www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org)) to obtain a brochure containing a detailed itinerary and pricing or contact the parish office.



## "The Passion of Our Lord" - February 28



Join us for a moving beginning to the Lenten season. On the first Friday in Lent, February 28 at 7 pm, the Contemporary Choir will present "The Passion of Our Lord" according to John

in the church. This dramatic rendition features the choir, our fine section leaders, and pianist. Please join us for this powerful free musical and spiritual experience. The "Passion" will last about 25 minutes.

## Eucharistic Adorers Needed

SJF needs adorers who could spend an hour in Eucharistic adoration in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, any day, Monday to Friday; anytime, from 8:45 am to 9 pm. We still need additional adorers for the following hours: Monday 12 pm, 1 pm, 5 pm, and 6 pm; Tuesday 11 am, 12 pm, 4 pm, and 5 pm; Wednesday 10 am, 2 pm, 3 pm, and 5 pm; Thursday 1 pm and 6 pm; and Friday 4 pm, 5 pm, and 6 pm. We also need more substitute adorers. If you are interested, please call Carlyn Quinto at **310-377-5571** or email her at [carlynquinto@earthlink.net](mailto:carlynquinto@earthlink.net).



## Did You Know? Visiting clergy members are VIRTUS® trained

A priest who is visiting the Archdiocese to minister for more than 15 days is required to complete a VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children Adult Awareness Program, or present certification that states they have already completed a safe environment program. Archdiocesan officials will review alternative safe environment programs to ensure that they meet the standards held in our archdiocese for content and training protocols. These requirements are not just for priests — any bishop, deacon, religious brother or sister ministering in the archdiocese must be cleared before beginning their ministry. For more information, visit <http://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/chapter-9/section-9-4/topic-9-4-1>. Parish Safeguard the Children Contact: Margaret Johnson, 310-377-4573 x136, [mjohnson@sjf.org](mailto:mjohnson@sjf.org).

## Forgiven and Set Free

The Pregnancy Help Center in Torrance will be hosting a 10 week post abortion bible study called Forgiven and Set Free starting Wednesday, March 4 at 7 pm meeting at 1211 Crenshaw Blvd, Suite A, Torrance 90501. If you would like to attend, contact Susan Lofy at [slofy@phctorrance.org](mailto:slofy@phctorrance.org) or call **310-320-8976**.



## Banns of Marriage

Martin Flores - Angelica Horton

ASH WEDNESDAY



## This Week At St. John Fisher

<b>Sunday, 2/23</b>
Shrove Tuesday Ticket Sales after all Masses Food Pantry Bag Collection after all Masses Girl Scout Cookie Sales after all Masses Baptisms during 12:30 pm Mass
<b>Monday, 2/24</b>
7:25 & 8:30 am Rosary – Blessed Mother Chapel 9:30 am Families of Nazareth – Auditorium 4 pm At Home with the Word – Parish Library 7 pm Growing in the Word: Matthew – Auditorium 7:30 pm Men's Families of Nazareth – Rectory Meeting Room
<b>Tuesday, 2/25</b>
7:25 & 8:30 am Rosary – Blessed Mother Chapel 9:30 am Senior Fitness – Gym 10 am Shrove Tuesday Luncheon – Barrett Hall 5:45 pm Queen of Peace Prayer Group – Blessed Mother Chapel 6:30 pm Great Adventure Bible Study: Psalms – Fireside Room 7 pm Connect Group Bible Study – Cityside Room 7:30 pm Families of Nazareth – Faculty Lunch Room
<b>Wednesday, 2/26</b>
Ash Wednesday 7:25 & 8:30 am Rosary – Blessed Mother Chapel 9:30 am Catholic Update – Cityside Room 7 pm Adult Basketball – Gym 7 pm A-Men & Women Faith Sharing Group – Multi-Purpose Room
<b>Thursday, 2/27</b>
7:25 & 8:30 am Rosary – Blessed Mother Chapel 9:30 am Senior Fitness – Gym 10 am Seekers – Fireside Room 5:50-6:15 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy – Church 7 pm Mission Circle – Cityside Room
<b>Friday, 2/28</b>
7:25 & 8:30 am Rosary – Blessed Mother Chapel 9 am Great Adventure Bible Study: Matthew – Fireside Room 6 pm Lenten Soup Suppers – Auditorium 7 pm Passion of our Lord – Church 6:30 pm Charismatic Prayer Group – Rectory Meeting Rm 7:30 pm Chinese Bible Study – Cityside Room
<b>Saturday, 2/29</b>
7:30 pm AA Meeting – Auditorium
<b>Sunday, 3/1</b>
10:30 am RCIA Inquiry Session – Fireside Room

## Save the Date!

**Lenten Friday Soup Suppers** – February 28 – April 3  
**Stations of the Cross Fridays** – February 28-April 3  
**One Heart LGBT Ministry** – St. Lawrence Martyr – March 10  
**Growing in the Word: Revelation** – March 16 – April 6  
**Word on Fire: Catholicism** – March 18  
**Fireside Chat with Fr. Kalu** – March 19  
**Living Stations of the Cross** – March 20 & 22  
**Lenten Concert** – March 29  
**Lenten Presentation with Fr. Francis** – March 30  
**Seven Last Words of Christ** – April 2  
**Community Seder** – April 7  
**Penance Service** – April 8  
**One Heart LGBT Ministry** – St. Lawrence Martyr – April 14  
**Word on Fire: Catholicism** – April 15  
**Divine Mercy Sunday** – April 19  
**Grief Support Series #3: Caregiver Support** – April 22  
**South Bay Catholic-Jewish Women's Dialogue Conference** – (Temple Ner Tamid) – May 5  
**One Heart LGBT Ministry** – St. Lawrence Martyr – May 12  
**Military Ministry Memorial Day Collection** – May 16-17  
**Word on Fire: Catholicism** – May 20  
**Anointing of the Sick** – June 6  
**One Heart LGBT Ministry – St. Lawrence Martyr** – June 9  
**Women's Council Luncheon** – June 10  
**Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon** – June 13  
**Word on Fire: Catholicism** – June 17  
**Family Promise of the South Bay** – July 5-12

If you'd like your meeting or event listed in the bulletin, please email to [info@sjf.org](mailto: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](http://www.sjf.org)→News & Media (pull-down menu)→Publicity Protocols. Your Pastoral Staff representative is ready to help!





## Rite of Christian Initiations for Adults (RCIA)

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Are you missing some of your sacraments such as First Communion or Confirmation? Our RCIA program runs September through May with classes taking place on Sunday mornings. Adult Confirmation classes are offered in the fall. Adult Inquiry sessions are offered all year and take place the first Sunday of each month (except for Holidays) in the Fireside Room at 10:30 am. Our next Inquiry session on March 1st will be on Questions asked about the Church. For questions, please email Misty at [mjesse@sjf.org](mailto:mjesse@sjf.org).

## Adult Faith Formation & Pastoral Care

### Bible Study: Great Adventure-Psalms

Date: Tuesdays, January 7 - March 31

Time and Location: 7-9 pm, Fireside Room

Presenter: Adult Faith Facilitator Team

### Bible Study: Growing in the Word: Matthew

Date: Mondays, Jan. 13 - March 9

Time and Location: 7-8:30 pm, Auditorium

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

### Dawn Unity-Searching for Civility in a Partisan World

Date: Tuesday, March 12

Time and Location: 7:30 pm, Rolling Hills United Methodist Church

Facilitator: Bob Rothman

### Bible Study: Growing in the Word: Revelation

Date: Mondays, March 16 - April 6

Time and Location: 7-8:30 pm, Auditorium

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

### Word on Fire: Catholicism

Date: Wednesday, March 18

Time and Location: 7-9 pm, Fireside Room

Presenter: Adult Faith Facilitator Team

### Fireside Chat #3- Father Kalu

Topic: The Church's Universal Mission

Date: Thursday, March. 19

Time and Location: 7-8:30 pm, Fireside Room

Presenter: Father Bernard Kalu

## Stewardship Reflection

*"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you..." Matthew 5:44*

Love your enemies. Easier said than done, no doubt! But remember, the foundation of stewardship is prayer. When we are in close communication with God, it opens our heart and it turns our attention away from "me" and moves it towards God and others. It allows us to have a little more empathy for "our enemy." When we pray for others, even "our enemies," maybe it softens their hearts as well.

## Lenten Reflection Books Are Here!

Lent begins this Wednesday, February 26. The Daily Reflections for Lent booklet is now available. These booklets provide daily reflections to help you prepare for this special time. We encourage you to pick up a copy of this booklet as you leave Mass today. Please one per family only.

## Food Pantry Drive – Feb. 22-23

The Food Pantry Ministry is sponsoring a Food Drive this weekend of February 22-23. They are collecting nonperishable food and personal hygiene items to support Harbor Interfaith, Peter and Paul Poverty Program and Rolling Hills Charity. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please use the pink envelope attached to the bag distributed last week. If writing a check please add Food Pantry to the memo line. Interested in being part of the Food Pantry Ministry, contact: Frank Brown [fj.brown@verizon.net](mailto:fj.brown@verizon.net) or Adamma Ajufoh at [adjufoh@yahoo.com](mailto:adjufoh@yahoo.com). Thank you for your support!

## Lenten Soup Supper, Fridays, Feb. 28-April 3

St. John Fisher will be offering a meager meal Soup Supper every Friday evening during Lent. The evening meal is offered at 6 pm in the Auditorium. Alms are collected and will go toward supporting Habitat for Humanity. Stations of the Cross will take place in the Church after the meal for those who would like to participate. The February 28th meal will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

## Growing in the Word: Book of Revelation

As the final book in the New Testament the evangelist's focus is on the need for conversion and a message of warning and consolation for the first churches in Asia Minor within the context of their historical and cultural world. This four week series is presented by Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin. Presentations will be on Monday evenings, March 16-April 6, 7-8:30 pm in the Auditorium. To register for the program please call or email the Office of Evangelization, or simply join us in the class.

Misty Jesse

Director of Evangelization

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# **St. John Fisher Lenten Soup Supper**



All are invited to share  
a meager soup supper  
every Friday during Lent  
beginning February 28, 2020

6:00 PM in the Auditorium

February 28 - Hosted by Knights of Columbus  
March 6 - Hosted by Family Promise of the South Bay  
March 13 - Hosted by Italian Catholic Federation  
March 20 - Hosted by Habitat for Humanity  
March 27 - Hosted by Pastoral Council  
April 3 - Hosted by SJF School

Alms to benefit  
Habitat for Humanity

