

# *St. John Fisher Church*

March 22, 2020



## 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"  
- Jn 9:35

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

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### Chair

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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, your past or present religious affiliation, your personal history, age, background, race or color, sexual orientation, your self-esteem: you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected by the Catholic Community of St. John Fisher.

## A message from Monsignor Sork regarding the Coronavirus

I deeply regret that we are forced to suspend temporarily public celebration of the Mass at St John Fisher and in all parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Although many of our activities here have been suspended, we will do what we can to provide spiritual comfort and support during these challenging times. All three of your priests will be concelebrating a private Mass daily in Church as we pray for you. They will take place Monday through Saturday at 8 am and 9 am on Sunday. These will be live-streamed, so that you can view it from home. You may access it through the parish web site, [www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org). The office will remain open to respond to your pastoral needs. I and brother priests will be available for individual appointments while we maintain the necessary social distance of 6 feet. Confessions will be available on the usual schedule. I ask your continued prayers for all those who are afflicted with this virus and those who are afraid and vulnerable. You might use the prayer in the back of the bulletin. I also ask you to pray and reach out to help the many families who are facing difficulties as a result of this emergency. We also need to keep in our prayers all the doctors, nurses, caregivers, and public health and civil authorities working to contain the outbreak of this virus and treat those who are sick.

Msgr. David A. Sork, Pastor

## Catholic Relief Services Collection

Today, our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to people here and abroad. Please give generously to the CRSC and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief). To donate, please register with Faith Direct or drop it off your donation at the parish office.

## Faith Direct

It is never too late to help St. John Fisher! This Lenten season, we invite you to consider giving up envelopes and signing up for eGiving with Faith Direct. Signing up is quick and only takes a few minutes. For more information or to sign up today, visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net). Parish CA436.



## Follow us on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram

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## Join us for Mass online

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles announced the temporary suspension of public Masses. St. John Fisher will livestream Daily 8 am and Sunday 9 am Masses. To watch visit our website at [www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org). Each of our three priests will be offering one of the daily Mass intentions at the 8 am Daily Mass and at the 9 am Sunday Mass.

## Mass Intentions - March 21 - March 29

### MARCH 21, SATURDAY

**8:00 am** Nestor Evaristo†

### MARCH 22, SUNDAY

**9:00 am** Parishioners  
Josephine Appel†  
Rosalinda Jarvina

### MARCH 23, MONDAY

**8:00 am** Perry Fann†  
Paula Shoemaker†  
A. Grace Purol†

### MARCH 24, TUESDAY

**8:00 am** Paula Shoemaker†  
Sarah Bowlus†  
Thelma Aaen†

### MARCH 25, WEDNESDAY

**8:00 am** Bill Moyer†  
Carolyn Heyn†  
Marie Hungerford†

### MARCH 26, THURSDAY

**8:00 am** Paul Leo†  
Alan Halkett†

### MARCH 27, FRIDAY

**8:00 am** Alan Halkett†

### MARCH 28, SATURDAY

**8:00 am** Teddy Magsaysay Del Fierro†

### MARCH 29, SUNDAY

**9:00 am** Parishioners  
James Prendergast†  
Janice McDermott†

## Weekly Readings

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 [8a and 9a]/  
Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

**Sunday:** Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

## SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 am, Livestream only - [www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org)

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday 8:00 am, Livestream only - [www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org)

Saturday, 8:00 am, Livestream only - [www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org)

## 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

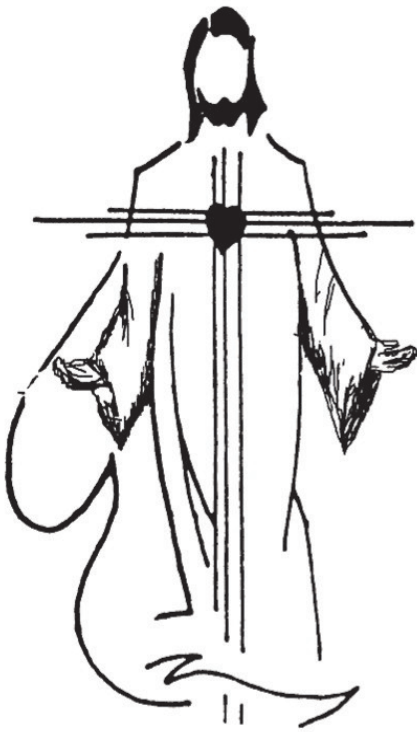
Spend an hour in the Chapel in honor of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Regular adorers are needed Monday to Friday from 8:45 am to 9:00 pm. For information, contact Carlyn Quinto at **310-377-5571** or [carlynquinto@earthlink.net](mailto:carlynquinto@earthlink.net)

## 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.



### Home is Holy: God's Healing Grace

In today's Gospel, we hear the story of how Jesus healed a blind man. Today's world is in need of healing too—of course from the illness that is spreading worldwide, but also from the fear, anxiety, and distrust so many are experiencing. When the world seems so scary, we need to remember that Jesus is always with us. Jesus calls us to be at peace, and to trust in him. Sometimes, like the man born blind, we have trouble seeing that Jesus is with us. But like the man born blind, when we have faith in Jesus, we can experience his work in our lives.

### Religious Education Classes cancelled until March 31

Religious Education classes have been cancelled through March 31. Classes are planned to resume on April 5. Families will be notified if events necessitate additional cancellations.

### Keep your children in touch with their faith!

Although Religious Education classes have been cancelled, you can still keep your children in touch with their faith. The 9 am Mass at St. John Fisher is live-streamed every Sunday at [sjf.org](http://sjf.org). The tape is saved, so you can watch at other times too. Gather your family together to watch, sing, and pray along with us!

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## HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

### SAINT JOHN FISHER LIFE TEEN

**BIBLE STUDY LIVE STREAM**  
**EVERY THURSDAY 6:00 - 7:00 PM**  
**ON YOUTUBE @ SJF LIFE TEEN**

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FACEBOOK: SAINT JOHN FISHER LIFE TEEN

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

ALMIGHTY FATHER, THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR LOVE, GRACE AND MERCY. I  
PRAY THAT MY DISCOMFORTS WILL  
TURN TO COMFORTS, MY PAINS TO  
GAINS, MY DEPRIVATION TO MORE  
BLESSINGS, MY LOSSES TO PROFITS,  
MY TEAR TO SMILES, MY SORROWS  
TO PLEASURES, MY ILLNESS TO  
WELLNESS, MY DEBTS TO CREDITS  
AND MY DREAMS TO REALITIES.  
AMEN



Dear St. John Fisher Parishioners:

As you know, our parish school is closed for an extended period; our students will be taught and complete schoolwork remotely. We pray for all the families in our parish who are caring for elderly relatives, as well as struggling to find care for their children while they are at work. For many families, this is a time not only of fear of contracting Covid-19, but also of economic hardship.

One of our Math teachers shared a new prayer she is using with her classes for this new educational endeavor we are all embarking on, and I would like to share this with you.

Dear God,

During this difficult time, we ask for your help.

Please guide us within our community to help and support one another.

Please support us as we try to continue our education in these trying circumstances.

Give us patience, strength, and self-discipline to achieve our very best.  
Amen.



Anne-Marie Hudani  
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## PRAY FOR SICK

Lien Pham

Judith Martinez, friend of Jesus Lopez

## CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

|                    |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Seyi Adisa         | Edward J. Koretzky     |
| Paul Belfy         | Jeanne Leo             |
| Jane Bodine        | Marie Lindgren         |
| Raymond Bodine     | Margaret Majid         |
| Matthew Bologna    | Helene Marhefka        |
| Emma Breslin       | Dave and Joan Matson   |
| Natividad Cariño   | Frank McCormick        |
| Pening Chacon      | Maura McGuinness       |
| Michelle Clarke    | Thadd McNamara         |
| Arlene Doty        | Betty Mullen           |
| Don Duperon        | Clare Nolan            |
| Eugenia Eyherabide | Mel & Gregoria Palting |
| Rosemary Ferrell   | Schmidt Families       |
| Gloria Fink        | William H. Sheridan    |
| Dan Finnegan       | Peter W. Smith         |
| William Fogerty    | Joan Sing              |
| Sue Foltz          | Blanca Solorio         |
| Lita Gonzalez      | Marie Lucas Soto       |
| Karen Gringas      | Florencia Tan          |
| Sadru Hudani       | Judy Ann Tan           |
| Rosalinda Jarvina  | Alice Valdes           |

## PRAY FOR DECEASED

Teddy Magsaysay Del Fierro, nephew of Cristina Baldemor

Paul Leo, husband of Jeanne Leo

## 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.



## COMMUNITY

### STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TREASURE

March 15, 2020 \$7,746.50

March 16, 2019 \$18,824.70

Thank You for your continued generosity

### 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.

### Isn't anyone listening?



It's something we do well. If you feel it would be helpful to have a confidential space and caring listener as you are trying to work out a problem in your own mind, please consider a Stephen Minister. We would be happy to act as a sounding

board as you work out solutions. Call Stephen Ministry at **310-541-1403**.

### Eucharistic Adorers Needed

Eucharistic adoration is still available without the exposed Blessed Sacrament but still present in the Tabernacle. We require adorers to limit themselves to 10 people and maintain a distance from each other of 6 feet. The hours of adoration are from 8:45 am to 9 pm. If you are interested, please call Carlyn Quinto at **310-377-5571** or email her at [carlynquinto@earthlink.net](mailto:carlynquinto@earthlink.net).



### Confessions and the Coronavirus

The schedule confession times and days have not changed. We do ask for parishioners to please confess 6 feet apart from the priest or behind the screen.

### Temporary Parish Office hours

Our parish office hours have changed due to the coronavirus. The parish office will be opened Monday-Friday from 8 am through 5 pm. Saturdays 9 am through 3 pm and Sundays from 8:30 am through 2 pm.

### Did You Know? Early abuse identification is key

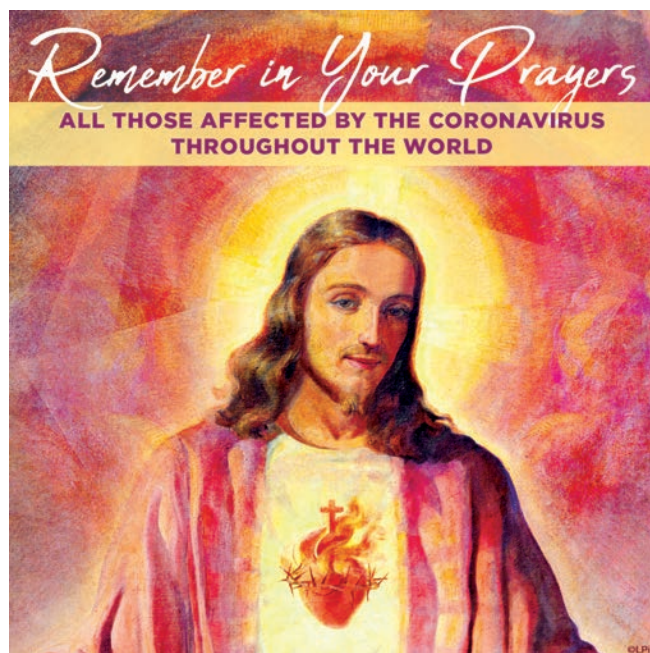
We can do our best to ensure that the children in our community are as safe as possible, and one critical way is to take immediate action at the first hint of improper behavior by an adult towards a child. Be familiar with ways in which perpetrators attempt to groom children, their parents, and church communities so that you can recognize and interrupt such behaviors promptly. Paying attention to changes in behavior, appetite, or demeanor in the children we know is also important as these cues may be reflective of a child's distress. For more information, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Early Identification is Crucial" at <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/> Parish Safeguard the Children Contact: Margaret Johnson, 310-377-4573 x136, [mjohnson@sjf.org](mailto:mjohnson@sjf.org).

### Part-time Hospitality Team Member

Provide hospitality and assistance to guests of Mary & Joseph Retreat Center, weekdays, evenings, or weekends, as needed. Applicants must be mature and responsible, and enjoy interacting with a diversity of people and groups. Working knowledge of personal computer (Microsoft Windows and Office) preferred. Bilingual in English and Spanish a plus. Interested candidates may email a resume to Christine Sanchirico at [csanchirico@maryjoseph.org](mailto:csanchirico@maryjoseph.org).

### Volunteers Needed

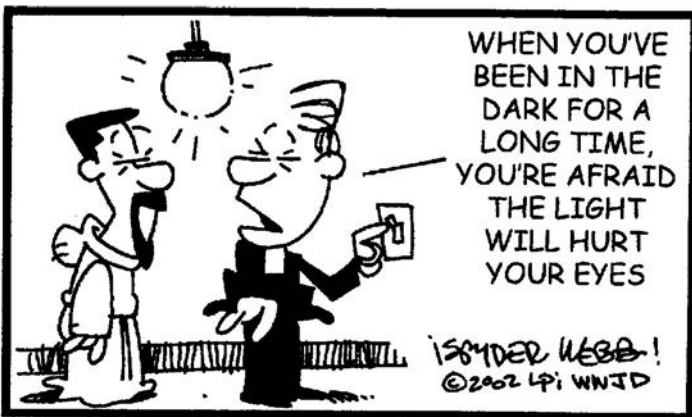
Eucharistic Ministers are needed at Providence Little Company of Mary Chapel to serve at the 10 am Mass on Sundays. Once a month, your help is needed. This is a very special way to serve our Lord. If you have the desire to be of service, please call Madeline at **310-540-1710**.



## Upcoming events cancelled

All events including the weekly Divine Mercy chaplet, Lenten Soup Supper, Lenten Concert, and Stations of the Cross are cancelled. Please check our website [sjf.org](http://sjf.org), Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for further notices.

## 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



## Save the Date!

**Seven Last Words of Christ** – April 8

**Penance Service** – April 8

**One Heart LGBT Ministry** – St. Lawrence Martyr – April 14

**Word on Fire: Catholicism** – April 15

**Divine Mercy Sunday** – April 19

**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

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 April 5th will be on the Role of Scripture in the Church. For questions, please email Misty at [mjesse@sjf.org](mailto:mjesse@sjf.org).

## Adult Faith Formation & Pastoral Care

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

Date: **Postponed**—Fall

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

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

### Fireside Chat #3— Father Kalu

Topic: The Church's Universal Mission

Date: **Postponed**

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

Presenter: Father Bernard Kalu

### Lenten Presentation: Eucharist: The Real Presence

Date: **Postponed**

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

Presenter: Father Francis

### Word on Fire: Communion of Saints

Date: April 15

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

Facilitator: Hanan Tanios

### Dawn Unity: Jesus Through Christian and Jewish Lenses

Date and Time: April 19, 7:30 pm

Location: Rolling Hills United Methodist Church

Presenters: Rev. Krauss, Rabbi Rembaum

## COVID-19 and SJF Adult Programming

Dear Parishioners, as a result of health and safety concerns, along with government and Archdiocese guidelines all gatherings greater than 10 individuals have been cancelled or postponed through the end of March. Please check the bulletin and the SJF website for current updates.

## Stewardship Reflection

*"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7*

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent, and treasure here on earth.

## Living the Paschal Mystery

Giving up habits and ways of thinking can be difficult. Imagine making a change to something simple, such as a banking account with direct deposit and automatic bill-pay. Once a structure has been established, linking accounts, deposits, and debits, it can be cumbersome to make a change, close the account and open a new one. If we encounter such difficulty with a matter as simple as a bank account, imagine what we encounter when we change a way of thinking about something as central as religion, meaning, and purpose.







## A Coronavirus Prayer

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents neighbors from helping one another.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. Amen.