

St. John Fisher Church

May 10, 2020



5th Sunday OF EASTER

Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." - Jn 14:6

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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

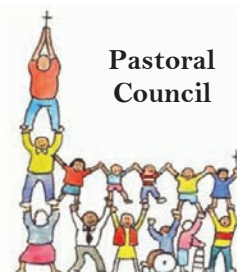
Welcome To Saint John Fisher



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.

Join the Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council is looking for new members to fill a two-year term that begins in the late summer. The Council, comprising parishioners that truly represent the diversity of our Catholic community, is a consultative body to our Pastor whose members serve collaboratively. The calling is to help guide St. John Fisher parish into the future and build a vibrant faith community inclusive of all parishioners. If you're interested, please fill out an application found at sjf.org/about/pastoral-council/ or the parish office. Applications are due in the Parish Office by May 15. If you have any questions, please email Chris Ratliff, Pastoral Council chair, at cratliff@sjf.org.



Pastoral Council

Support your Parish Electronically!!



During this time of social distancing, St. John Fisher depends on online donations to continue our ministry. We prayerfully invite you to sign up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. 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.

Join us every day for Mass online

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has announced the temporary suspension of all public Masses. St. John Fisher is livestreaming daily 8 am and Sunday 9 am Masses. To watch, visit our website at 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.



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Reserving Mass Intentions

While the Parish Office is closed, you can reserve a Mass intention by calling the Parish Office. Masses can be reserved for up to six months before the requested date. The suggested donation for a Mass intention is \$20 and can be sent by mail or dropped at the Parish Office. Please be sure to indicate the name of the person along with the date and time. Thank you for your understanding as we strive to serve you as best we can under these mandated restrictions.

Mothers Day Novena

In honor of all mothers, we will be celebrating a novena of Masses starting today, Mothers' Day. If you will like to remember your mother, whether alive or deceased, stop by the parish office this week and pick up a Mass Card then place the envelope in the mail slot. When picking up the Mass card, please do so cautiously and adhere to the COVID-19 guidelines.



Mass Intentions - May 9 - May 17

MAY 9, SATURDAY

8:00 am M. Salem Al-Hosri†

MAY 10, SUNDAY

9:00 am Parishioners
Mothers Day Novena
Gerhard Fischer†

MAY 11, MONDAY

8:00 am Mothers Day Novena

MAY 12, TUESDAY

8:00 am Mothers Day Novena
Ann Merrill†

MAY 13, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Mothers Day Novena

MAY 14, THURSDAY

8:00 am Mothers Day Novena
Joseph Andres†

MAY 15, FRIDAY

8:00 am Mothers Day Novena
Ivan Glavan†

MAY 16, SATURDAY

8:00 am Mothers Day Novena
Fred DePasquale†

MAY 17, SUNDAY

9:00 am Parishioners
Mothers Day Novena

Weekly Readings

Monday: Acts 14:5-18 and John 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28 and John 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6 and John 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 and John 15:9-17

Friday: Acts 15:22-31 and John 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10 and John 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17, 1 Peter 3:15-18 and John 14:15-21

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 am, Livestream only - www.sjf.org

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday 8:00 am, Livestream only - www.sjf.org

Saturday, 8:00 am, Livestream only - www.sjf.org

HOLY DAYS

Vigil: 5:30 pm

Mass: 6:30 am, 8:00 am, 7:30 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

By appointment only. Call the parish office at **310-377-5571**.

BAPTISMS

Every 4th Sunday of the month during the 12:30 pm Mass. Contact Parish Office or visit 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 - TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

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

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. Please write "SJF Prayer Tree" in the subject line.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Home is Holy: Hope and Encouragement

Jesus brought words of hope and encouragement in today's Gospel--something we all need! He assured his disciples that there was more work for them to do, even though he had to leave them. Jesus said, "I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life." The work of God the Father was also Jesus' work, and since he ascended into heaven, it is now our work. Jesus told us in the last line of the gospel, "Very truly I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father." What kind of good works do you see around you these days? How can you help your children to do good works for others?



Keep your children in touch with their faith!

Although Religious Education classes have been suspended, 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. The recording is saved, so you can watch at other times too. Gather your family together to watch, sing, and pray along with us! You can also watch a special presentation of Children's Liturgy of the Word each week—look for the link on our website!

Children's Faith Formation resources on SchoolSpeak AND Website!

Looking for help sharing your faith with your children? Check out the resources on SchoolSpeak as well as on the parish website. We have Children's Worship Bulletins for each Sunday, activity sheets, prayer suggestions, and links to other resources online. Contact Margaret Johnson (mjohnson@sjf.org) for more information.

Margaret Johnson | Director of Religious Education K-8 | (310) 377-4573 ext 136 | mjohnson@sjf.org

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

Gospel Recap: "We can be Miracle Workers, too"

Today's Gospel says that Jesus' followers will do greater works than he did. This sounds impossible, doesn't it? Through the last 2000 years, Christians have helped billions of people in Jesus' name. Have you ever had to go to a hospital? Christians were responsible for starting many ancient and modern hospitals. Soon you'll be looking for colleges. Christians were instrumental in starting the first universities in Europe and the Americas. And helping the poor... Christian agencies help millions of people each day. There have also been horrible people through the ages, who have done despicable things in Jesus' name. But all the good Jesus' followers have done over 2000 years of history, far outweighs the bad. So take Jesus up on his words this week. Live the Gospel. Act for others. God can use the most improbable people to change the world for good. Be open, and you will be amazed at the miracles God can work through you.

Online Life Teen Bible Study

All high school students (and adults) are invited to join us every Thursday at 6 pm for our Life Teen Bible Study with Zack Zuvich. Check out the link under Faith Formation on our website. Teen parents are sent emails and Remind texts each week with the link to join.

Join a Year 2 "Retreat Reboot!"

All Year 2 Candidates are invited to email Katie directly to sign up for a "Retreat Reboot." The retreat team will meet small groups online to give them support, guidance and to pray together during this difficult time of isolation and lock-down.





SJF School Second Grade Prepare for First Holy Communion

The second graders are continuing the preparation for their First Holy Communion in their remote classroom. Each day, the students come together during an afternoon Zoom session to increase their awareness of Jesus' love and to gain an understanding of how they are invited to participate fully in the celebration of the Eucharist.

A variety of curriculum components keep the students engaged. The Loyola text provides a solid foundation, and accompanying this text is a small Mass booklet that assists the students in familiarizing themselves with the parts of the Mass. The students also view a video series from the Dynamic Catholic website titled, "Blessed: First Holy Communion." I cannot express the privilege and gratitude I feel to share this instruction, lead the discussion, and guide these children through this important phase of their journey of faith.

The students are eager to receive this Sacrament, and as a faith community we cannot wait to witness their accomplishment when it is safe to do so.



PRAY FOR SICK

Tracy Gastelum
Gilbert Gastelum
Julian Lucero Gonzalez

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

Seyi Adisa	Margaret Majid
Heather Beatty	Dave and Joan Matson
Paul Belfy	Frank McCormick
Jane Bodine	Maura McGuinness
Raymond Bodine	Thadd McNamara
Matthew Bologna	Betty Mullen
Emma Breslin	Clare Nolan
Pening Chacon	Meredith Petrlich
Chinwe Chukwudebelu	Frank Sabatasso
Michelle Clarke	Schmidt Families
Don Duperon	William H. Sheridan
Eugenia Eyherabide	Peter W. Smith
Rosemary Ferrell	Joan Sing
Gloria Fink	Marie Lucas Soto
Diane Hewitt	Florencia Tan
Sadru Hudani	Judy Ann Tan
Jeanne Leo	Alice Valdes

PRAY FOR DECEASED

Francisco Guillen
Their funeral Masses will be announced after the pandemic restrictions are lifted.

PRAY FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL AND FAMILIES

Private Miranda Grosso, USA
Sergeant Jacob Arnold, USA-Green Beret
Maj. Cesare Santarosa, USA
Maj. Christina Shelton, USA
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

April 26, 2020	\$12,828.00
April 27, 2019	\$21,704.50
April 2020	\$136,219.17
April 2019	\$149,243.01

Thank You for your continued generosity

Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

At this moment, all church gatherings for Eucharistic Adoration have been cancelled. The church will no longer be open for personal prayer. Confessions are available only by appointment. Please call the parish office at **310-377-5571** to make arrangements. We ask for your understanding and to visit our website for further notices.

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) to obtain a brochure containing a detailed itinerary and pricing or contact the parish office.



Connect Groups Online



Share life in a group. Online conversations are our substitutes for in-person gatherings during this Covid-19 time. Contact Martha Newton at sjfconnectgroups@gmail.com to find an online group that suits your schedule.

Were you the victim of Abuse?

If so, you may still be dealing with anger and a myriad of feelings. A Stephen Minister would be available to help you come to peace by listening and praying with you. We are a free, confidential ministry which has been here for over 30 years. Call the Stephen Ministry at **310-541-1403**.



Come break open the Word of God



The A-Men and Women Faith Sharing group reflects on the scripture readings for the coming Sunday and how those readings affect their lives. All St. John Fisher parishioners are invited Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 pm on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Meetings will be held online using Zoom. If you would like to join our virtual faith sharing sessions, please email Hanan Tanios at hanantanios@yahoo.com for instructions and access to the zoom meeting.

Did you Know? Stress can affect the children around you

Everyone has stress, whether it is a bad day at work, car trouble, or simply too many things to do. It is important to learn how to manage your stress – for your own sake and for the sake of the children around you. Too much stress can make it hard to parent effectively. After a while, your children may show signs of stress, too. To learn more about how to identify and cope with stress, visit <https://www.helpguide.org/articles/stress/stress-management.htm>. *Parish Safeguard the Children Contact: Margaret Johnson, 310-377-4573 x136, mjohnson@sjf.org.*

Hearts to Serve

This is an opportunity for us as a Catholic community to come together in prayer and service. For this reason, the Archdiocese of Los Angeles is launching, in partnership with Saint Vincent De Paul and the Knights of Columbus, Hearts to Serve.

Hearts to Serve is a hotline to serve our families in need but most importantly our elderly community who are homebound during this difficult time. To learn more, visit lacatholics.org/hearts-serve or **855-423-6780**.



COVID-19 and Home Deliveries for Seniors



Dear St. John Fisher Senior Parishioners, if you need assistance with someone doing the grocery shopping for you and bringing the delivery to your doorstep, volunteers from the Parish and the Knights of Columbus are here to help. Please

leave a voice message at 323-3-TO-B-FED (**323-386-2333**) or an email at SJFfood2U@gmail.com, and someone will get back to you.

Remember in your Prayers

All those affected by the Coronavirus throughout the world through there dedicated service, especially,

Linda Anderson, RN
David Anderson, Respiratory
Therapist Michael Anderson, Fire
Fighter Christina DeLuca, RN
Ken Hashimoto, MD
Kaya Ochoa, RN
Angel Olvera, RN
Mercedes Perez, RN
Kaitlyn Prosser, RN
Camille Washowich, RN



Upcoming events cancelled

All meetings and events including the weekly Divine Mercy chaplet are cancelled. Please check our website sjf.org, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for further notices.

Save the Date!

Military Ministry Collection – May 16-17

Anointing of the Sick – June 6

One Heart LGBT Ministry – St. Lawrence Martyr – June 9

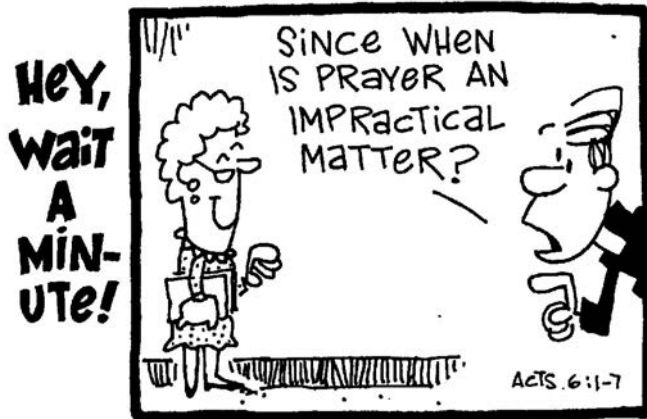
Women's Council Luncheon – June 10

Food Pantry Bag Distribution – June 13-14

Word on Fire: Catholicism – June 17

Food Pantry Bag Collection – June 20-21

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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 → 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 year around and take place the first Sunday of each month (except for Holidays). Currently because of pandemic restrictions we are offering Inquiry through the Zoom platform. If you would be interested in joining our next Inquiry session, please email Misty at mjesse@sjf.org.

Adult Faith Formation & Pastoral Care

Bible Study: Growing in the Word: Revelation

Location: SJF Website—www.sjf.org —Online

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

Bible Study : Growing in Word: Gospel of Matthew

Location: SJF Website—www.sjf.org—Online

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

Amen and Women

Location: SJF Website—www.sjf.org—Online—Zoom invite

Facilitator: Hanan Tanios, M.D.

For Zoom invite— Contact Hanan at 310-377-5571

Joshua's Prayer Warriors

Location: SJF Website—www.sjf.org—Online—Zoom invite

Facilitator: Fr. Francis Aguilar

For Zoom invite— Contact Fr. Francis at fvaguilar@sjf.org

COVID-19 and SJF Adult Programming

Dear Parishioners, following government and Archdiocese guidelines in regards to health and safety, much of our programming is now being offered Online or through Zoom interface. Please check the bulletin and the SJF website for current offerings.

Stewardship Reflection

"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." 1 Peter 2:7

Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom on earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember, no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.

Reflecting on the Gospel

The opening words of today's gospel are addressed to the disciples, and we can imagine they are addressed to us as well: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me." These words were written to a community that did not have a history of a Trinitarian theology. Monotheism was in some ways challenged by Jesus' identity with the Father. We recall that Jesus was crucified for, among other things, blasphemy. The early Christians believed in Jesus. They had faith in Jesus. They also believed in God and had faith in God. Centuries later, and after many disagreements and councils, Trinitarian theology developed to a point where a common creed was held. Ultimately, Christianity is about service in the name of Jesus rather than knowledge in the name of Jesus. Therefore, we have faith in Jesus, as we have faith in God. We strive to die to ourselves in our limited understanding, so that we might live to serve in his name. Such is the paschal mystery (Living Liturgy, 2020).

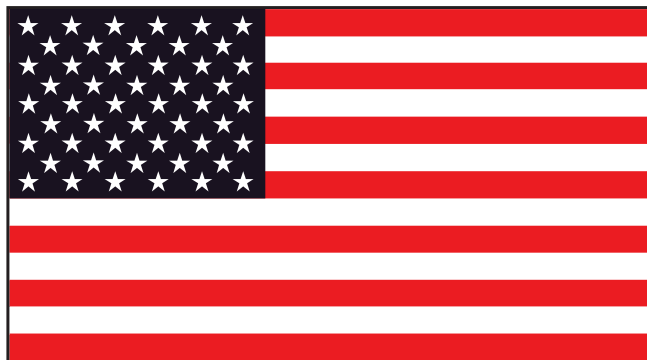
Growing in the Word: Gospel of Matthew

The Gospel of Matthew is the first book of the New Testament, one which provides us with a unique faith portrait of Jesus. In this Gospel we learn important lessons on the formation of community and of Jesus as an authoritative teacher. This six week series is presented by Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin. The class is available online at the St. John Fisher website. To view please go to: www.sjf.org, then click on the Faith Formation tab at the top of the page. On the drop down menu click on Bible Studies this will take you to a listing of our current Growing in the Word—Online bible classes. Enjoy!



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MILITARY MINISTRY



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Collection Dates:

May 16th and 17th between 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Collection will take place in front of the PAC-Gym

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

*** Urgent Needs ***

★ Disposable Razors ★ Peanut Butter

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| ★ Peanut Butter | ★ Travel Sized Toothpaste |
| ★ Cases of Water and Soda | ★ Travel Sized Mouthwash |
| ★ Individually Packaged Snacks: | ★ Chapstick |
| Jerky, Nuts, Granola Bars, etc. | ★ Candy |
| ★ Pop-Tarts | ★ Monetary donations welcome |
| ★ Travel Sized Shaving Cream | (Please make checks payable to St. John Fisher) |

Contact Howard Schneider for more information at 310-378-2665.

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We pray for our military personnel and their families!
To add someone to our prayer list,
please contact Howard Schneider at 310-378-2665.

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