

# *St. John Fisher Church*

**July 5, 2020**



*14<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

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“Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” - Mt 11:29-30

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

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8 am - 5 pm Friday

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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.

## Father Francis Receives a New Assignment

Last month, Archbishop Gomez met with the deacons who are to be ordained as priests. One of them, Deacon Thomas Park, has been assigned to St. John Fisher. He will be ordained a priest at the Cathedral on Saturday, August 8. His assignment will start September 1. Father Francis has been with us for four years and has served St. John Fisher faithfully. His new assignment will start September 1 at St. Mary Magdalen Church in Camarillo. I am grateful for all he has done. He co-chaired the liturgy committee and worked on the liturgical environment. I am particularly grateful for his work with youth in areas in which I am not so gifted. He also established a Men's Group called "Joshua's Warriors" whose aim is to connect men to God and others with a focus on the Great Commandment and Great Commission. Through his leadership we have transitioned into LIFETEEN and have seen the program grow, particularly those who are involved after Confirmation.

Msgr. David A. Sork

## Saint Junipero Serra

There has been in the news recently about attempts to take down the statue of Saint Junipero Serra around the state. On July 1, the date of his feast, Archbishop José A. Gomez has written a letter about him that provides a fuller perspective of this man who has had such a positive effect on our state and the Catholic Church. If you are interested you may find it on our parish website at [www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org).

## Parish Office is closed

Although the parish office is closed, a receptionist is available to take your call. Just call **310-377-5571** during business hours and we will answer any questions. If no one answers, just listen for the extension of the person with whom you want to speak. The general extension is 101. Please leave a voicemail message and we will return your call.



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**Join us every day for Mass online**

If you are over the age of 65 or have underlying health conditions, we encourage you to stay home. St. John Fisher will continue to livestream daily 8 am and Sunday 9 am Masses. To watch, visit our website at [www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org).



**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. 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 is \$20 and can be sent by mail or dropped at the Parish Office.

**Mass Intentions - July 4 - July 12**

**JULY 4, SATURDAY**

**9:00 am** Robert Sayegh†

**5:00 pm**

Fr. Kalu

**JULY 5, SUNDAY**

**9:00 am** Mark Mulkerin†

**11:00 am** Parishioners

**5:00 pm** Ceferino Madlansacay†

Fr. Kalu

Fr. Aguilar

Fr. Aguilar

**JULY 6, MONDAY**

**8:00 am** Maria "Girlie" Cinco†

**5:15 pm** Robert Graham†

**JULY 7, TUESDAY**

**5:15 pm** Marvin Ratcliffe†

**JULY 8, WEDNESDAY**

**5:15 pm** Fr. Henry Drozd†

**JULY 9, THURSDAY**

**8:00 am** Lourdes Inducil†

**5:15 pm** Paul Leo†

**JULY 11, SATURDAY**

**8:00 am** Micheal Bak-Boychuk†

**5:00 pm**

Fr. Aguilar

**JULY 12, SUNDAY**

**9:00 am** Shari Pheng

**11:00 am** Parishioners

**5:00 pm**

Fr. Aguilar

Fr. Kalu

Fr. Kalu

**Weekly Readings**

**Monday:** Hosea 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22 and Matthew 9:18-26

**Tuesday:** Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13 and Matthew 9:32-38

**Wednesday:** Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12 and Matthew 10:1-7

**Thursday:** Hosea 11:1-4, 8e-9 and Matthew 10:7-15

**Friday:** Hosea 14:2-10 and Matthew 10:16-23

**Saturday:** Isiah 6:1-8 and Matthew 10:24-33

**Sunday:** Isiah 55:10-11, Romans 8:18-23 and Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

**SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

Sunday

9:00 am

11:00 am

5:00 pm

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

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

Saturday, 8:00 am

**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 -**

**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](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: Are you tired?

Jesus promised us that when we are tired, he will give us rest. It seems like people are always tired these days. We are tired of the limitations we face because of the coronavirus. Tired of not seeing our friends, and tired of worrying about what will happen next. Sometimes it feels as if we will never be able to put down our burdens. But Jesus wants us to know that he is not going to give us heavy burdens. Being faithful to God is not meant to be a difficult thing, but a source of joy and peace. If you are tired and feeling burdened, you can turn to God for help. God loves you and wants to take care of you. God wants you to be happy and peaceful.

### Keep your children's faith alive!

Even if you are not ready to return to Mass, you can 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 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, as well as other resources—look for the links on our website and on SchoolSpeak!

### What will Religious Education look like this fall?

Will classes be taught on-line? In classrooms? The short answer is, we don't know! Families who had children registered in Religious Education classes in 2019-2020 will be e-mailed a short survey to help us learn your preferences. One thing we do know is that we look forward to sharing faith with your children, in whatever way works best for everyone. Please complete the survey as soon as possible. We hope to have registration forms available on SchoolSpeak in July.



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### Gospel Recap: "Are You All Tied Up?"

Farmers put yokes on their oxen to tie them to a plow. Oxen tied to yokes have no freedom. They go where their farmer commands—just like people who are manipulated by bad habits or addictions. There once was a senior in high school, who was the life of the party every weekend—mostly because he was a drunk. I pray that he hasn't put on the yoke of alcoholism, which can take hold of teens who make alcohol a focus of their social life. One older high school student got caught seriously cheating on a big test. I pray that she hasn't put on the habitual yoke of "dishonesty," which destroys a person's inner character and her outer reputation. It can develop quickly from little lies and "borrowed" homework. This week, Jesus is inviting us to take up his unique yoke. "Let me and my teachings guide every decision you make," he pleads. "I'll lead you to peace and to true meaning in this life. Then you will have union with God in the next one." Examine your life this week. See if you are tying yourself to a yoke that could hurt you. If so, ask Jesus to help you break free. Then take on his yoke. You'll never look back with regret.



### 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, or check your Confirmation SchoolSpeak account page.



## St. John Fisher School Updates

### Faculty Changes

**Mary Clare McQuade**, our beloved Religion Co-coordinator and teacher will be retiring to Omaha after 17 years at SJF. The current 2nd grade teacher, Mrs. Gradoville, will take over this position in the fall.

**Joan Christovale**, who pre-dated my arrival at SJF, has supported several Kindergarten teachers over the years. Joan has worked year after year from 7am until after 6pm, and I am incredibly grateful to her for all she has done for the children of SJF.

**Shirley Bailiff** worked with individual and small groups of students for many years and will be sorely missed. Shirley will be remembered for her wisdom and calm, her kind demeanor and willingness to sub at a moment's notice.

**Colleen Perez**, we say farewell to our dynamic middle school advanced math teacher! Colleen had a great rapport with her students and devised innovative ways to deliver instruction.

### New Teacher for Second Grade

We are delighted to welcome Kathleen Bergan to SJF School. Kathleen has several years of experience teaching 2nd grade in Catholic Schools. She holds a Bachelors Degree in Liberal Studies/ITEP, and a California Multiple Subject Teaching credential. Kathleen is currently enrolled at LMU where she is studying for a Masters Degree in Education Studies and Reading Certification. Growing up in Torrance, Kathleen attended Saint Lawrence Martyr Church in Redondo Beach, but currently attends St. John Fisher Church.

### PRAY FOR SICK

Glenn Burr, husband of Heather Burr

Carmelita Cayamanda

### CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

Seyi Adisa	Dave and Joan Matson
Paul Belfy	Frank McCormick
Jane Bodine	Maura McGuinness
Raymond Bodine	Thadd McNamara
Emma Breslin	Betty Mullen
Pening Chacon	Clare Nolan
Michelle Clarke	Kenneth Sax
Arlene Doty	Schmidt Families
Don Duperon	William H. Sheridan
Eugenia Eyherabide	Peter W. Smith
Gloria Fink	Joan Sing
Julian Lucero Gonzalez	Marie Lucas Soto
Sadru Hudani	Florencia Tan
Jeanne Leo	Judy Ann Tan
Margaret Majid	Alice Valdes

### PRAY FOR DECEASED

Rosemary Ferrell, mother of Kathleen Yinger

### 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 McKindere 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

June 28, 2020	\$16,880.00
June 2020	\$166,751.90
June 2019	\$151,797.87
Thank You for your continued generosity	

## Support your Parish Electronically!!

As businesses and churches reopen, we are beginning the summer season. It is during these months that we depend the most on online giving to continue our ministry. We prayerfully invite you to use eGiving to set up a recurring donation or make one-time gift. Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/CA436](http://faith.direct/CA436), or text 'Enroll' to **424-352-7722**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

## Eucharistic Adoration

At this moment, all church gatherings for Eucharistic Adoration have been cancelled. The church is currently not open for personal prayer. We ask for your understanding and to visit our website for further notices.



## Are you afraid to call a Stephen Minister?

"Be not afraid," Jesus tells us. Men and women many times carry a burden of depression, loneliness, family problems, or other conflicts. Stephen Ministry is a Christian, caring, confidential ministry. We would be happy to speak with you. Call Stephen Ministry at **310-541-1403**.

## Face Covering



Masks are required for entrance to the church for everyone over the age of 2. This is crucial in preventing the spread of COVID-19. They must cover the mouth and nose at all times except when receiving the Eucharist. Please keep at least 6 feet social distance.

## Part-Time Job Opening

The Pregnancy Help Center in Torrance, a pro-life pregnancy medical clinic, is seeking candidates for a part-time Development Manager position. Responsibilities include individual donor cultivation, grant writing, and coordinating fundraising events. A minimum of three years of development experience is preferred. Please email resume to [agross@phctorrance.org](mailto:agross@phctorrance.org).

## Mary and Joseph Retreat Center

As we all move towards healing and beginning to resume a more normal lifestyle, we hope you have all been well and safe. The Mary and Joseph Retreat Center has reopened its doors. To view our upcoming events, please visit <http://www.maryjoseph.org/> or call **310-377-4867**.



## Did you Know? Tips for keeping calm and parenting during stressful times

We are living in unprecedented times, and many parents are stretched to capacity. The added stress of pandemic living can make it hard to parent calmly and effectively when children are acting out, but it's important to remember that children are also going through a huge period of change right now. Instead of reacting in anger, try these ideas to keep your cool. Talk to a friend – many people are suffering from a lack of physical community, so reach out by phone or text. Pray together as a family, asking for patience, cheerfulness, and whatever other virtues you need to get you through the day. Set an example of forgiveness with your children — ask for it when you need it and grant it when they ask. For more tips, get a copy of the VIRTUS® article, "Say it on repeat: I am going to keep my calm!" 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).

## Remember in your Prayers

All those working on the frontlines during the Coronavirus pandemic throughout the world, 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

## 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](mailto:SJFfood2U@gmail.com), and someone will get back to you.



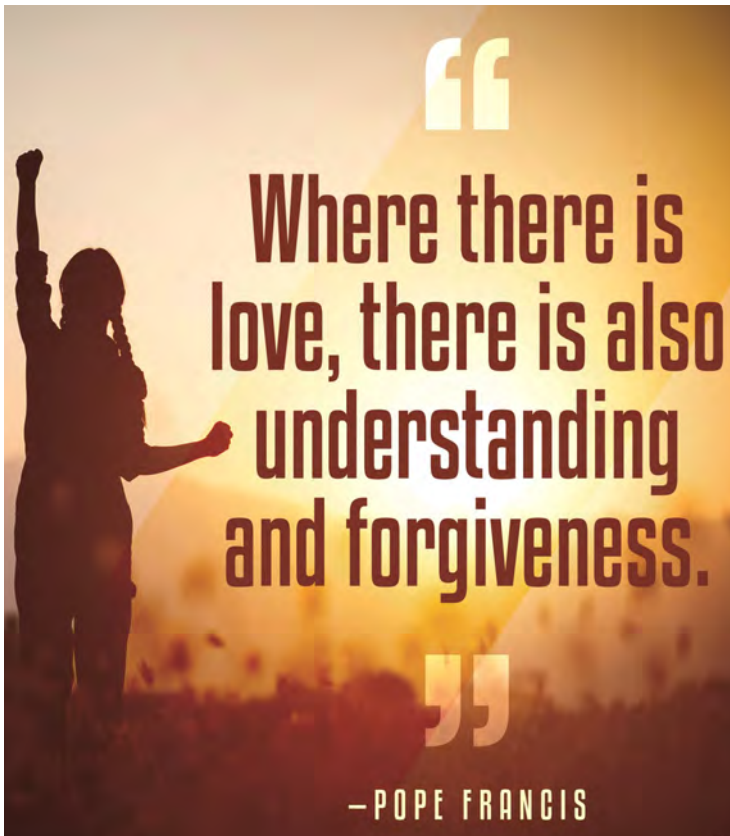
## Hearts to Serve



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](http://lacatholics.org/hearts-serve) or **855-423-6780**.

## Upcoming events cancelled or postponed

All meetings and events including the weekly Divine Mercy chaplet are suspended at this time. Please check our website [sjf.org](http://sjf.org), Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for further notices.



**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 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 on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. Our next Zoom Inquiry session is Tuesday, July 7th at 7 pm. The subject is The Mass. If you would be interested in joining our next Inquiry session, please email Misty at [mjesse@sjf.org](mailto:mjesse@sjf.org).

## Adult Faith Formation & Pastoral Care

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

Location: SJF Website –[www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org) —Online under Faith and Formation Tab– Bible Studies

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

### Bible Study : Growing in Word: Gospel of Matthew

Location: SJF Website-[www.sjf.org](http://www.sjf.org)– Online under Faith and Formation Tab—Bible Studies

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

### A-Men and Women

Location: SJF Website-[www.sjf.org](http://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](http://www.sjf.org)-Online-Zoom invite

Facilitator: Fr. Francis Aguilar

Zoom invite– Contact Fr. Francis at [fvaguilar@sjf.org](mailto:fvaguilar@sjf.org)

### Pre-Baptism Class

Location: Zoom Invite

Date: 2nd Monday of the Month, July 13th, 7 pm

Facilitator: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

### RCIA Inquiry

Location-Topic: Zoom Invite, “The Mass”

Date: 1st Tuesday of the Month, July 7th, 7 pm

Facilitator: RCIA Ministry Team

## 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

*“For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” Matthew 11:30*

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.

## Focusing on the Gospel

As Christians, we come to God the Father through his Son, Jesus Christ. In the person of Jesus we find the “Lord of heaven and earth” revealed. He is the humble carpenter, the son of Mary who was born among animals in Bethlehem and died upon a cross. He is also the Son of God, whose birth was heralded by angels, whose life conquered death, and who now sits at the right hand of the Father. In Jesus we find God, truly glorious and powerful, and also perfectly meek and humble. (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. New units are added every two weeks. The class is available online at the St. John Fisher website. To view please go to: [www.sjf.org](http://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!

## Pre-Baptism Classes – Online

Baptisms for infants and children under the age of 6 will resume in July. Please go to the SJF website, download and complete the necessary forms. Call the Parish office to make an appointment with a Priest. Appointments can be in-person or through a phone conference. Once you have met with the priest, a Zoom Invite will be sent, inviting you to participate in the next Pre-Baptism class. Pre-Baptism classes are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7 pm. Our next class is Monday July 13th, 7 pm. Infant baptisms are held the fourth Sunday of the month.



St. John Fisher Church invites you to see

# Stations of the Cross: Overcoming Racism

led by California Catholic Bishops

Each station depicts a symbolic place uniting us as a Catholic family and praying for the end to racism.

To view the Stations of the Cross: Overcoming Racism,  
please visit [lacatholics.org](http://lacatholics.org)

