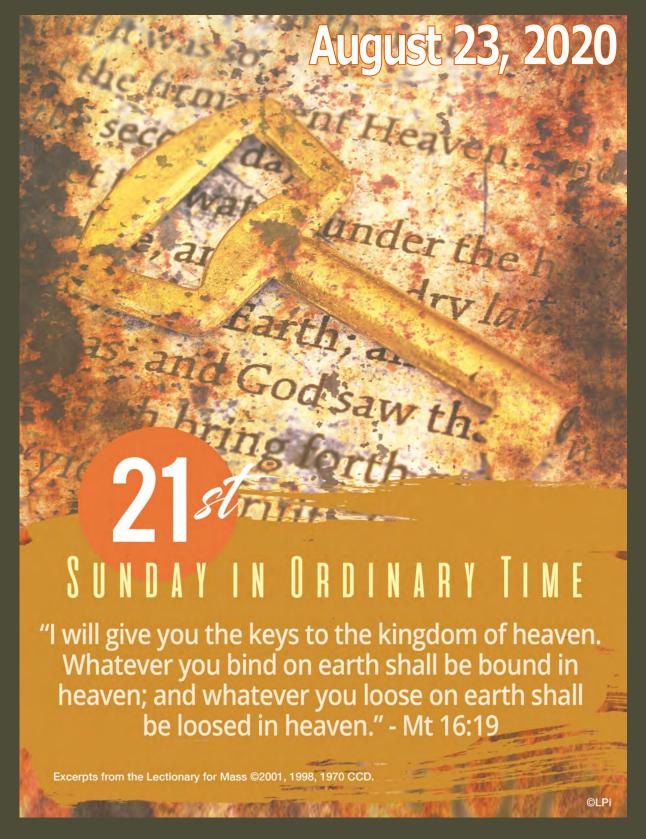
# St. John Fisher Church



Love God. Love All People. Make Disciples.

## ADMINISTRATION

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Rev. Francis Aguilar, Assoc. Pastor, fvaguilar@sjf.org	x103
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#### PARISH OFFICE

310-377-5571

8 am - 7:30 pm Monday - Thursday

8 am - 5 pm Friday

9 am - 3 pm Saturday

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8:30 am - 5:00 pm - Monday - Friday

**Director of Religious Education** 

x136 Margaret Johnson, mjohnson@sjf.org

8:30 am - 12:30 pm - Sunday (when class in session)

Coordinator of Confirmation and Youth Ministry

x145 Katie Dante, kdante@sjf.org

Director of Evangelization

x130 Misty Jesse, mjesse@sjf.org

Parish Library - Call for availability x130

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**During School Year** 

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**Music Director** 

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Chair

Chris Ratliff, cratliff@sjf.org

#### Women's Council

Chair

Bernie Maynard, wcouncil@sjf.org

#### 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.

#### **Goodbye Message from Fr. Francis**

Greetings to all you. As I write this 'goodbye love letter' - I am both excited and sad - peaceful and nervous. I have no doubt that God directs every step that I take. Still - 'moving and saying goodbye' is never easy. It's an adventure to take on my new assignment. But it's sad to leave behind the families here that I have come to *fall in love* with. You welcomed me with open arms and big smiles. You believed in me and supported my gifts all the way through. You taught me how to be a better - loving and caring priest. You have become part of my life. We've talked together - laughed together - cried together - hiked together shared meals together. You shared with me your life - your homes - your challenges - your concerns - your worries - but also your joys and passion. I felt humbled by many of you who welcomed me into your homes - taking me in as one of your children - brother - close friend - and spiritual mentor.

Your friendship - your love - your vote of confidence - your vulnerability - your openness - kindness - generosity - your jokes and laughter - are but a few characteristics that I have come to 'fall in love' with. As I write this letter, I can't help but sing Elvis Presley's song in my head, "I Can't Help Falling in Love with You." Thank you for the ways that you have loved me. Thank you for inviting me into your homes. Thank you for the ways you have listened to my heart and gently encouraged me to keep doing what I'm doing. I love each of you so much, and am very sad to say goodbye. I have grown so much during my time here and I will be forever grateful.

I kindly ask you to keep me and the people I will be serving in your prayers as you are in mine. On my part - I encourage each of you to remain open to God's plan. Never lose your 'awe and wonder' when it comes to our loving and merciful God. For those of you that have requested my ongoing use of 'social media to evangelize' - you can find me at: https://www.youtube.com/c/ FrFrancisAguilar. Remember that you always have a friend in 310-377-5571 Camarillo if you are ever in the area or you simply want to visit St. Mary Magdalen Church. I promise to make you feel right at home. I love you all and I will miss you. Until we meet again.

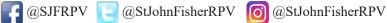
Humbly yours in Christ,

Fr. Francis

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#### 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 the Parish Office at 310-377-5571. 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.

## Banns of Marriage

Ethaniel Rubio - Sophia Mohiuddin

## Mass Intentions - August 22 - August 30

August 22, Saturday

5:00 pm Msgr. Sork

AUGUST 23, SUNDAY

9:00 am James D. Prendergast† Fr. Aguilar

11:00 am Parishioners Msgr. Sork

5:00 pm Teresa Galvez Fr. Aguilar

AUGUST 24, MONDAY

8:00 am Byron Yamada† 5:15 pm Maureen Cash†

August 25, Tuesday

8:00 am Dorothy Lawson†
5:15 pm Patrick Joyce†
AUGUST 26, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Sandra Rene Markward†
5:15 pm Joyce Matsumoto†

August 27, Thursday

8:00 am Ruby Itchon†
5:15 pm Rosemary Ferrell†

AUGUST 28, FRIDAY

8:00 am Ernesto Medrano† 5:15 pm Chet Danforth AUGUST 29, SATURDAY

8:00 am James D. Prendergast†

5:00 pm David Strand† Fr. Aguilar

AUGUST 30, SUNDAY

9:00 amDonna Daly Nissan†Msgr. Sork11:00 amParishionersFr. Aguilar5:00 pmChester Brown†Fr. Aguilar

## Weekly Readings

Monday: Revelations 21:9b-14 and John 1:45-51

**Tuesday**: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17 and Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18 and Matthew 23:27-32

**Thursday**: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 and Matthew 24:42-51 **Friday**: 1 Corinthians 1:17-25 and Matthew 25:1-13 **Saturday**: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 and Mark 6:17-29

**Sunday**: Jeremiah 20:7-9, Romans 12:1-2 and Matthew 16:21-27

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm (outside church) Sunday 9:00 am (livestream only) 11:00 am (outside church) 5:00 pm (outside church)

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Friday 8:00 am (livestream only) 5:15 pm (outside church) Saturday 8:00 am (livestream only)

#### HOLY DAYS

Vigil: 5:30 pm

Mass: 6:30 am, 8:00 am, 7:30 pm SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS) - OUTSIDE NEAR CHURCH

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. 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**.

#### **EUCHARISTIC 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.

## FAITH FORMATION



#### **CHILDREN**

## Home is Holy: Who do you say that I am?

Jesus asked his disciples: "Who do you say that I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the son of the living God." What an amazing statement of faith! Peter put his love for Jesus into a few simple words that summed up his belief. So how about you? Who do you say that Jesus is? Maybe you think of Jesus as our savior, or as a teacher, or a healer, or as the one who loves us all so much. All of these answers are good, and any of these answers can be the most important one for you depending on what you need most in life right now. When Jesus is central to our lives, we can see Jesus in many different ways. One of the most important ways to learn about Jesus is to see him in other people. Whether you encounter Jesus through friends, family members, or strangers this week, pay attention to what you can learn about Jesus through them.

## Religious Education Registration is finally open!

We are so relieved to finally be able to plan something! Registration for Religious Education, 2020-2021, is finally open. We will begin the school year for grades 1-8 in a home-school only format. The program will begin in late September (or possibly early October) and you will be

receiving resources and information as we plan our next steps. We will be very careful about resuming in-person classes when we have permission to do so, and we will continue to make the home-school format available throughout the school year. Unfortunately we are not able to offer our Preschool and Kindergarten program at this time. Thank you for your patience as we work our way through this new world! The link for registration is https://tinyurl.com/SchoolSpeak-SJF2020-21.

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

## HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

## Gospel Recap: Falling Rocks at Times, But Still Rocks

Peter is quite a character. A few weeks back, we heard how he almost drowned in a storm because he lacked faith in Jesus. In Holy Week, we remember how he denied knowing Jesus, his close friend, three times, in order to save his skin. And this week, Jesus tells us that this guy will be the "rock" upon which he will build his church. Think about the many times we have all reached for the wrong things in order to help us throughout life's storms. We may have even betrayed our own core values in order to fit in. Many of us tend to give up on ourselves because we realize our sinfulness. This is normal, but God also sees our sinfulness. And yet he still wants us to build a reign of peace and justice in the world. It's good to know that God can still use us as he did Peter, despite our flaws. This week try to be a rock for the people of God's Church. Do your best to forgive others and to reach out to them. Try to make an effort to put others first. When you mess up, (which you might do), don't get down on yourself. Pray for forgiveness, wisdom, and faith to stay on the right path.



## **High School Confirmation Registration is ready**

Thanks for your patience as we got all of our ducks in a row for our revised Online Confirmation program this Fall. We have worked with Schoolspeak to get everything set up for registration, and we will be using Google Classroom. To register please go to https://tinyurl.com/SchoolSpeak-SJF2020-21. Please email Ricardo Mata with further Confirmation questions: rmata@sjf.org

## SJF SCHOOL



#### Welcome Back!

This Monday, August 24, students and parents will come to campus to pick up all textbooks and materials needed for distance learning, and classes begin August 25.

Last week, families received a schedule of classes along with a set of Distance Learning Norms and recommendations for the duration of our time online. Teachers held informal Zoom meetings with parents and recorded Back to School videos to address concerns and answer questions, so that we are all on the same page as we face the challenges of the new school year together.

The future is still uncertain, but the SJF faculty and staff have a plan in place to welcome students back to campus as soon as it is safe to do so. We miss our students!

We ask for your prayers as we begin our grand adventure in learning and follow our school motto to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and one another."



#### PRAY FOR SICK

Cheryl Benyi Joel Cossette, brother of Barry Cossette Sil Quirarte, wife of Vic Quirarte

#### CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

Seyi Adisa Paul Belfy Jane Bodine Raymond Bodine Emma Breslin Pening Chacon Michelle Clarke John & Jackie DeLuca Sammy DeLuca Don Duperon Lydia Emnace Katrina Enriquez Eugenia Eyherabide Gloria Fink Sadru Hudani Crystal Kzmark Jeanne Leo Peter Lvons Margaret Majid

Dave and Joan Matson Frank McCormick Maura McGuinness Thadd McNamara Betty Mullen Clare Nolan Schmidt Families William H. Sheridan Peter W. Smith Joan Sing Marie Lucas Soto Joseph Spells Residents and Staff at **HN Senior Home** Florencia Tan Judy Ann Tan Alice Valdes Tom Villardi

#### PRAY FOR DECEASED

Dr. Richard Cowan, husband Lois Cowan

## 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

August 16, 2020 \$9,293.00 August 17, 2019 \$14,807.05

Thank You for your continued generosity

## **Face Coverings Required**



Face coverings are required for all outdoor Masses and when coming to receive communion 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 you place the Eucharist in your mouth.

Please keep at least 6 feet distance from one another at all times.

## Join us every day for Mass Outdoors and Online

St. John Fisher will continue to livestream Daily 8 am and Sunday 9 am Masses. To watch, visit our website at www.sjf.org. Communion will be distributed after all livestreamed Masses. The priest will announce where they will be distributing communion. Outdoor Masses will take place



Monday-Friday 5:15 pm, Saturday 5 pm, and Sunday 11 am and 5 pm outside the church on the plaza. Parishioners are required to wear a face covering and maintain at least 6 feet distance from one another.

## Our Lady of Fatima Statue is Available

for a week stay in your home. For more information, please contact the coordinator for Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue Visitation Program, Jan Kelly at 310-377-5571

## **LA County Road to Recovery**

## YOU COULD HAVE COVID-19 AND NOT KNOW IT

PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19



For more information, visit: publichealth.lacounty.gov/coronavirus (County to Ico Amoust



## Did you Know? Get to know your child's online activities

More and more children will be relying on the internet to continue their education this year. For parents who have already instilled strict screen time guidelines, having children online for school can be cause for concern. Talk to your children about appropriate online behavior, how to know what sites they should and should not visit, what to do if they find themselves on an inappropriate site or in an exchange that makes them feel uncomfortable, as well as how they should handle themselves on social media and other online correspondence. Your child's teachers will likely have detailed plans for how to handle any online schooling. Communicate with them about what apps or websites your child will need, and their plans for protecting children from cyber bullying, inappropriate contact, and other online dangers. For more information, visit https:// lacatholics.org/did-you-know/. Parish Safeguard the Children Contact: Margaret Johnson, 310-377-4573 x136, 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
Lindsay Kew, MD
Veronica Lock, Rehab/long term care staff
Kaya Ochoa, RN
Angel Olvera, RN
Mercedes Perez, RN
Kaitlyn Prossor, RN
Geraldine Van Niekerk, 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, and someone will get back to you.

#### **Hearts to Serve Hotline**



The Archdiocese of Los Angeles, in partnership with Saint Vincent De Paul and the Knights of Columbus, is helping to connect people with available resources during this period of COVID-19. Hearts to Serve is a hotline to serve families in need

but most importantly our elderly community who are homebound during this difficult time. Visit lacatholics.org/hearts-serve or **855-423-6780**.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## 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, 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 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 end of August through May with classes taking place on Sunday mornings. Adult Confirmation classes are offered in the fall. Adult Inquiry sessions are offered year around. 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, September 8 at 7 pm, the subject: Questions Asked About the Church. If you would be interested in joining our next Inquiry session, please email Misty at mjesse@sjf.org.

## **Adult Faith Formation & Pastoral Care**

**SJF On-Line Bible Studies** 

Series: Growing in the Word

Currently Available: Revelation, Gospel of Matthew

Location: SJF Website – www.sjf.org – Faith Formation –

On-Line Bible Studies

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

Bible Study: Growing in the Word: Book of Ruth

Location: Zoom

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

Date and Time: Monday, September 28, 7-8:30 pm.

Contact: mjesse@sjf.org for Zoom invite Great Adventure Series: The Prophets

Location: Zoom

Facilitator: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin Date: September 23 - November 25 Time: Wednesdays, 10 am-11:30 am Registration Required: cacherman@sjf.org

Cost: \$30, includes a workbook **A-Men and Women Faith Sharing** 

Location: Zoom

Facilitator: Hanan Tanios, M.D.

For Zoom invite contact Hanan at 310-377-5571

RCIA Inquiry Location: Zoom

Topic: "Questions Asked About the Church"
Date: 1st Tuesday of the Month, September 8, 7 pm.

Facilitator: RCIA Ministry Team

## **Stewardship Reflection**

"Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?" Romans 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot give the Lord anything, God already owns it all. God made everything. All we can do is return a portion of God's many gifts back to Him. Sincere gratitude for our gifts opens our hearts to joyful generosity! Through your generous sharing, you just may be the answer to someone's prayer.

## Growing in the Word: Book of Ruth

The book of Ruth is one of only two books of the Bible to be named after women. Even though it is a short book of four chapters the lessons are profound and impact our lives today. A journey of two women takes us from loss to joy and redemption. Several things are learned along the way including



God's concern for all people; men and women are equally important to God; God uses little things to accomplish great plans; and God has a Redeemer in place who can rescue us from emptiness and desolation. To join us for this one night Zoom presentation on Monday, September 28 from 7-8:30 pm, please email Misty at mjesse@sjf.org or call the Office of Evangelization, 310-377-4573. Deadline to register: September 24th.

## **Great Adventure Series: The Prophets**



Join us this fall for the ten-week Great Adventure series on the "The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy." This on-line facilitated study will be offered Wednesday mornings September 23 - November 25 from 10 am to 11:30 am via Zoom. Registration is \$30 and includes a

workbook. Make your check payable to St. John Fisher; include "Adult Faith" in memo line. To register please contact the Office of Evangelization at 310-377-4573, or email Chris Acherman at cacherman@sjf.org. Deadline to register: September 14th.

#### Called & Gifted

The Called & Gifted Discernment process helps Catholics discern the presence of charisms in their lives. Charisms, or spiritual gifts, are special abilities given to all Christians by the Holy Spirit to give them both power to represent Christ and to be a channel of God's goodness for people. For more information, please call: **323-386-2333**.



# **Religious Education** and Confirmation **Registration for** 2020-2021



Grade 1-8 Religious Education Registration is now open. Home-school classes will begin in late September/early October.

All Religious Education classes (grades 1-8) will be offered in a home schooling format at this time. Materials and support will be provided.

- •When we are once again able to have classes in person, you will be contacted to choose the specific day and time you would like your child to attend class.
- For those who prefer the home-schooling format, it will remain available throughout the 2020-2021 school year.
- •Unfortunately, we will be unable to offer preschool and kindergarten Religious Education until we can resume in-person classes.

## To register, go to https://tinyurl.com/SchoolSpeak-SJF2020-21

**NEW FAMILIES:** To start your registration, follow the link and then click on "Request account." You will be sent login information and additional registration instructions.

## **High School Confirmation**

Confirmation classes will also be offered in a home-schooling format for the time being, with videos and materials provided. Procedures and expectations will be communicated before classes begin. To register use the link and instructions above.

## ST. JOHN FISHER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & CONFIRMATION

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