

St. John Fisher Parish

Activity and Ministry Directory

2026 - 2027



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Altar Servers (12)	Evangelization	310-377-4573
Bereavement Ministers (11)	Sheila Bloodgood..sabloodgood@gmail.com	
Bible Studies (4)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
Book Club (7)	Deborah Kagei..	310-377-4573
Called and Gifted (4)	Bill Munday..	310-721-4093
Charismatic Prayer Group (4)	Peter Fernandes	310-378-0747
Connect Groups (4)	Martha Newton	310-377-4573
Cornerstone (4)		
Men's Cornerstone	Brad Fine	310-503-0123
Women's Cornerstone	Stephanie Bezner...fbezner@gmail.com	
Cookie Ministry (8)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
Divine Mercy (14)	Ted French	424-224-7701
Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre (5)	Patti Johnson	310-710-7079
Eucharistic Adoration (14)	Carlyn Quinto	310-480-2291
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (12)	Beverly Beatty	310-736-5497
EMHC to the Homebound (12)	Cecilia Park	323-309-7350
Faith Formation Small Groups (5)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
Families of Nazareth (5)	Joan Lee	310-373-1783
Family Promise of the South Bay (8)	Bob Pethick	248-705-0343
Food Pantry (8)	Keith Kamholz	310-508-1450
Food Pantry (8)	Anne Ruona	310-428-5019
Grief Support (11)	Evangelization	310-377-4573
Hospitality, 7:30 am and 11:00 am Masses (12)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
Hospitality, 9:00 am Mass (12)	Michelle Lerma	310-377-4573
Hot Food Ministry (10)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
Italian Catholic Federation (8)	Hany Francis...hanyfrancis@yahoo.com	
Junior High/Edge Ministry (6)	Michelle Lerma	310-377-4573
Knights of Columbus (7)	Bill Munday	310-721-4093
Lectors (12)	Chuck Huebner	310-377-0508
Life Teen (6)	Ricardo Mata	310-377-4573
Liturgical Environment Committee (12)	Molly Slaught	310-462-5109
Liturgical Movement (Dance) (12)	Lucie Traxler	310-377-4573
Liturgy of the Word for Children (12)	Michelle Lerma	310-377-4573

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Mass Sacristan (13)	Beverly Beatty	310-736-5497
Military Ministry (9)	Howard Schneider	310-378-2665
Mission Circle (9)	Carl Mossberg	310-977-4210
Music Ministry (13)	Grant Hungerford	310-377-5571
OCIA: Christian Initiation for Adults (5)	Terri Palmer	310-377-5571
OCIA: Adapted for Children (5)	Susie Gietzen	310-377-4573
One Heart LGBT Ministry (7)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
Our Lady of Perpetual Help (14)	Cora Fischer	310-213-7393
Peace and Justice Council (9)	John Torelli	310-378-1882
Prayer Tree (14)	Bev Fink	prayertree@sjf.org
Pre-Baptismal Preparation Team (5)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
PV Resale Thrift Shop (9)	Shop Manager	310-534-1722
Queen of Peace Prayer Group (14)	Jane Angel	310-292-2290
Religious Education Catechists (6)	Susie Gietzen	310-377-4573
Religious Education Classroom Aides (6)	Susie Gietzen	310-377-4573
Respect Life (9)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
Sandwich Ministry (9)	Ellen Ryan	424-417-9888
Scouting (7)	Michelle Lerma	310-377-4573
Senior Fitness (7)	Beverly Beatty	310-736-5497
Singing Samaritans (11)	Eric Brown	310-755-8420
SJF Parish School (8)	Colleen Guenther	310-377-2800
Stewardship Council (10)	Terri Palmer	310-377-4573
St. Francis Center Ministry (10)	Ricardo Mata	310-377-4573
Street Ministry (10)	Evangelization	310-377-4573
Teen Confirmation Class & Retreat Leaders (6)	Ricardo Mata	310-377-4573
Teen Confirmation Adult Volunteers (7)	Ricardo Mata	310-377-4573
Teen Greeters and Ushers (13)	Ricardo Mata	310-377-4573
Teen Mentor Program (7)	Ricardo Mata	310-377-4573
Transportation Assistance (11)	PV Dial-A-Ride	310-544-7108
Unborn Jesus Apostolate & Rosary (14)	Fritz Baumgartner	562-896-6284
Ushers (13)	Joe Lucas	310-377-3997
Video Ministry (13)	David Bloodgood	dabldgd@cox.net
Young Adult Ministry (YAM) (5)	Ricardo Mata	310-377-4573

Adult Faith Formation Committee

In collaboration with other ministries, committee members develop and assist with various adult formation events at St. John Fisher throughout the year.

Time commitment: Periodic meetings throughout the year.

Bible Studies

Great Adventure Bible Series: Facilitated DVD presentations offered in the fall and spring as part of Women's Faith and Men's Faith Formation Groups.

Called and Gifted

Discover your charisms and begin to discern God's call. Catherine Siena Institute now offers online resources to assist you with your personal Called & Gifted Discernment. Visit www.siena.org or call Bill Munday at 310-721-4093 to learn more.

Charismatic Prayer Group

A time of praise and worship and study of God's word. An opportunity to experience the joy and the power of the Holy Spirit and be uplifted.

Time commitment: Every Friday, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Connect Groups

Life is better connected. Whether studying the Bible, finding wisdom in the Bible for our daily lives or sharing common interests, Connect Groups support each other's growing faith. Groups have three or more members and meet regularly, usually twice a month. Contact us to find a group that fits you.

SJFConnectGroups@gmail.com

Cornerstone

Cornerstone is a faith enrichment opportunity which brings parishioners closer to God, to the Church community and to each other through sharing of faith, life, and fellowship in the presence of the Holy Spirit for the greater glory of God.

Men's Cornerstone - Contact Brad Fine for more information at finebrad@gmail.com

Women's Cornerstone - Contact Stephanie Bezner for more information at sfbezner@gmail.com

Time commitment: Annual on-site retreat. Core team meets monthly.

Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem

The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem is an international association of the Catholic faithful whose mission is 1) to strengthen in its members the practice of Christian Life, 2) to sustain and aid the charitable, cultural, and social works and institutions of the Catholic Church in the Holy Land, and 3) to support the reservation and propagation of the Faith in those lands. Its members are laypeople, clergy, and religious who are called to serve the mission. The SJF group meets monthly to pray the Rosary together and to build fellowship.

Time commitment: Contact Patti Johnson for meeting time and location: ppjpve@aol.com

Faith Formation Small Groups

Gather together with small groups of parishioners to share faith, prayer, and scripture. Call for further information.

Families of Nazareth

Meet Mondays at 9:30 am and Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, for prayer, faith sharing, and reflection. Call the office for meeting locations.

OCIA: Christian Initiation for Adults

Sponsors companion candidates preparing to become Catholic or adult Catholics in need of Confirmation or First Communion. Team members plan and coordinate activities, hospitality, or learning sessions for candidates. Sponsors journey with a candidate, usually one to two years.

Time commitment: Varies depending upon one's gifts and availability; anywhere from one to two hours per month.

OCIA: Adapted for Children

Sponsors companion candidates and families with children over the age of 7 who are unbaptized and on a journey towards full initiation in the Catholic church. The OCIA-adapted for children is a two-year process. Team members plan and present sessions, coordinate activities and accompany the families going through this spiritual journey.

Time commitment: Varies depending on one's gifts and availability; generally, 1-2 h hours per week during the catechetical and formation process (September-May).

Pre-Baptismal Preparation Team

Help families with children under the age of 6 prepare for baptism, 2nd Monday of the month.

Time commitment: Members conduct one-hour Zoom preparation classes.

Young Adult Ministry (YAM)

An opportunity for faith formation and fellowship with other young adults in the South Bay. Please contact Ricardo Mata at 310-377-4573 x 147 for more information.

Adult Volunteers – Junior High Ministry/Edge

Journey with our young people in grades 6-8 as they grow in their relationship with Christ. Adult volunteers needed to serve as mentors, chaperones, and assist with hospitality. Training provided.

Time commitment: once or twice a month.

Catechists (Teachers) - Elementary & Junior High Religious Education

Share the teachings of the Catholic Church with children who attend public or private schools. Training provided.

Time commitment: 1 1/4 hours per week for 25 weeks plus preparation time.

Catechists (Aide/Substitute) - Preschool Religious Education

Teach three-year-old through kindergarten-age children on Sunday mornings 8:45 am - 10:15 am. Training provided on-site.

Time commitment: School year as needed.

Religious Education Classroom Aides

Serve as aides in class.

Time commitment: School year.

Life Teen

LIFE TEEN is an international Catholic ministry that serves the church and leads teens closer to Christ by providing resources that provides opportunities for teens to grow in their faith.

Time commitment: Once a month on Fridays in the Gym from 6:30pm-8:30pm

We are also engaged in Justice and Service (feeding the unhoused) or Social Nights at Knotts Berry Farm and Magic Mountain. Young adults or adults interested in being part of the Core Team should contact Ricardo Mata at rmata@sjf.org.

Teen Confirmation Class and Retreat Leaders

Share your faith as a catechist for classes or be a guest speaker and tell your conversion story. Come with us on retreat weekends (Friday - Sunday) two to three times per year. Must be fingerprinted and receive Virtus training. Contact Ricardo Mata at rmata@sjf.org.

Time commitment: One to three times per month for two hour classes (attend either Sunday or Monday) September through April.

Teen Confirmation Adult Volunteers

Adults willing to help the teens in our community. Assisting in special events such as hospitality, chaperoning and carpooling to youth events or retreats. Contact Ricardo Mata at rmata@sjf.org.

Time commitment: Depends on the events for which you would like to volunteer.

Teen Mentor Program

Open to high school students who have completed the two-year Confirmation process. Teen Mentors assist with teaching the candidates and being role models of leadership and development. Mentors are reviewed by the Confirmation Team.

Contact Ricardo Mata at rmata@sjf.org.

Time commitment: Two-three times a month, or as often as your schedule allows.

Family Life and Social Groups**310-377-5571**

Book Club

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm to discuss a chosen book. The book is usually a recent novel, but a year of reading includes a classic novel, a biography, an inspirational story for Lent and a fable for Christmas. Book information is at goodreads.com/group/show/140472-sjf-book-club. For more information, email Deborah Kagei at sjfbookclub@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus Council 1990

Provide volunteer labor and financial support to local, state, and international programs. Support seminarians, community charities (e.g., House of Yahweh, STAR), parish and school fundraisers and events, pro-life activities, and family life through charity and service.

Time commitment: Support one event a year, one event a month, or more often.

One Heart LGBT Ministry

This ministry is open to members of the LGBT community, their families, friends or anyone who would like to be a part of this ministry. We are here to offer support, help and make everyone feel welcome regardless of their sexual orientation.

Please contact Deacon Don Burt at (310) 540-0329 X 381 or email at donbrt@verizon.net if you have any questions.

Time commitment: 2nd Tuesday of the month at St. Lawrence Martyr Church.

Scouting

Please call Religious Education at 310-377-4573 for information on Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

Senior Fitness Class

A fun and friendly class for seniors of all fitness levels; Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 am in the PAC Gym.

SJF Parish School

The Parish School offers other opportunities to volunteer. Please contact the School Office at 310-377-2800 for more information.

Health Room: Provide minor first-aid care to parish school students.

Traffic Control: Provide traffic control during drop-off at the school.

Time commitment: Mornings 7:15 am - 8:00 am.

Social Justice Ministries**310-377-5571**

Agape

Bring food, cleaning products, and clothing to the poor in Tijuana several times throughout the year. Helping hands, drivers with utility vehicles, and those willing to help with meetings are always welcome.

Cookie Ministry

Help the parish provide hospitality at parish functions and celebrations by baking cookies.

Family Promise of the South Bay

Their mission is to help homeless and low-income families achieve sustainable independence. If you would like to help with your time and talents, please contact Bob Pethick at 248-705-0343

Time commitment: Volunteer opportunities throughout the year.

Food Pantry

Food Drive: Assist after Mass in food drives or collection of donated money for needy individuals and families.

Time commitment: Two hours quarterly.

Italian Catholic Federation

Promotes and supports the Catholic Faith and encourages charitable works and celebrates the Italian-American heritage and all heritages of the community.

Time commitment: 3rd Friday of the month; 6:00 pm-9:00 pm.

Contact: Hany Francis - hanyfrancis@yahoo.com

Military Ministry

Working together to support the men and women who defend and serve our country through special collections throughout the year and an annual Veteran's Day breakfast. They also provide an ongoing prayer list for those who are actively in service.

Mission Circle

The SJF Mission Circle / St Bernadette Children's Mission to Peru, is supporting the Youth Center, the Home for Abused Children and the Remedial School in the poorest section of NE Lima, Peru, St Martin de Porres. The goal is to give these children hope and opportunity for their future. This mission was started by Fr. Tony Coney SSC. You can help and learn more on the web sites: <https://santabernardita.com.pe/> or <https://www.stbernadettemission.org/>

Time commitment: Meetings are on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM.

Please contact Carl Mossberg for more information: stbernadetteproj@aol.com.

Peace and Justice Council

Seeks to raise awareness of social justice issues and support the parish's outreach efforts.

Time commitment: Meetings are event based.

PV Resale Thrift Shop - 2312 Pacific Coast Highway, Lomita, CA

Help with merchandising and sales. Volunteers earn a vote as to the distribution of the proceeds to charitable organizations.

Time commitment: No specific shift is required; the shop is open 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Tuesday to Saturday.

Respect Life

Inform parishioners on pro-life issues, encourage participation in pro-life activities, and sponsor speakers.

Time commitment: Meetings are event based.

Sandwich Ministry

Make sandwiches for distribution to the homeless in the South Bay. Drivers needed weekly to deliver the sandwiches.

Tuesday morning: Meets every Tuesday of the month at 8:15 am in Barrett Hall.

Friday afternoon: Meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at 3:00 pm in Barrett Hall.

Family Sandwich Ministry: Meets the 1st Friday of the month (during the school year) at 3:30 pm in the Seaside Room.

Contact Religious Education at 310-377-4573

Hot Meal Ministry

Buy and prepare nutritious meals for the homeless in Long Beach and for those who simply can't make ends meet.

Time commitment: 2-3 hours once a month.

Stewardship Council

Support the parish's stewardship events and activities.

Street Ministry

Prepare and distribute sandwiches to those in need in downtown Los Angeles.

Time commitment: 7:30 am to 11:30 am on Saturdays.

Contact: Gail and Rick Rodono - 310-413-2586

St. Francis Center Ministry

Once a month teens and adults visit the St. Francis Center to feed breakfast to the unhoused. As in the spirit of St. Francis, they dignify the way the unhoused are provided breakfast, clothes and items from the Food Pantry. Spaces are limited.

Time commitment: 6:15 am to 12:00 pm on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Limited transportation provided. This is part of the Justice and Service Outreach Ministry.

Contact: Ricardo Mata - rmata@sjf.org or 310-377-4573 x 147



Bereavement

Bereavement ministers support and assist parishioners in planning the liturgy for the funeral Mass.

Grief Support

Trained facilitators are available at Providence TrinityCare Bereavement, 5315 Torrance Blvd, Suite B-1, Torrance CA (310) 543-3437 or (310) 543-7267

Singing Samaritans

A group of talented singing men called to help and brighten the days of loved ones who are homebound, aged, or disabled. Providing a diverse repertoire of songs, an absolutely free service in return for the smile of happiness and joy from those they are called to serve. This group was started by Don Wynne and continues in his memory.

Transportation Assistance

The PV Dial-A-Ride provides transportation on the PV Peninsula and surrounding areas for adults unable to drive themselves. Call to register and purchase rides - (310) 544-7108



Altar Servers

Boys and girls from grades 5 to 12 assist the celebrant at Eucharistic celebrations; training is required.

Time commitment: Servers assist, on average, at two-three Masses per month, weddings and funerals.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)

Assist the priest in distributing Communion at all Masses. Training required with an interview and an initial four-hour training class.

Time commitment: Varies.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) to Homebound

Bring the Body of Christ to parishioners unable to attend Mass because of illness or infirmity. Training required with an interview and an initial four-hour training class.

Time commitment: 1 1/2 hours for one Sunday a month.

Hospitality

Serve donuts and coffee after Masses or special church events.

Time commitment: Less than one hour every four to six weeks.

Lectors

Proclaim the Word of God at all Sunday and weekday Masses. Must be a confirmed Catholic; training is required.

Time commitment: Two Masses per month.

Liturgical Environment Committee

Decorate the church for liturgical celebrations.

Time commitment: A few hours a month for flower arranging and sewing. Extra help is needed before Advent, Christmas, Holy Week, and Easter.

Liturgical Movement (Dance)

Open to high school teens. Offering the glory and honor due to God through the medium of dance.

Time commitment: Six to ten Masses per year with practice sessions.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Assist in proclaiming the Liturgy of the Word at the 9:00 am Mass in a manner appropriate for grades 1 through 6.

Time commitment: Serve during Mass once every two months. Materials are provided.

Martha Ministry

Prepare the church for Sunday and special liturgies; includes care of altar cloths, vestments, candles, etc.

Time commitment: One hour a month.

Mass Sacristan

Work behind the scenes to insure all is ready and goes smoothly at Sunday Masses.

Time commitment: 60 minute training, arrive half hour before Mass begins, twice each month.

Music Ministry

Children's Choir: Children, grades 2 to 6, support and enhance the liturgical song of the assembly one Sunday a month, Christmas and Easter celebrations.

Time commitment: Rehearsals are Wednesdays 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm from September through May

Contemporary Choir/Instrumentalists: Help lead the community at 9:00 am Sunday Mass.

Time commitment: Rehearsals are Thursdays with the Parish Choir, 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm starting Thursday, September 4th through June and Sundays at 8:30 am from September through June. July and August only Sunday AM.

Parish Choir/Instrumentalists: Support and enhance the liturgical song of the assembly at 11:00 am Sunday Mass.

Time commitment: Rehearsals are Thursdays 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm and Sundays at 10:30 am. Starting Thursday, September 4th through June.

Teen Choir/Band: Support and enhance the song of the assembly at the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass through singing, playing instruments, or by running sound equipment.

Time commitment: Rehearsals are Sundays at 4:00 pm for the 5:00 pm Mass. [6th grade and up]

Teen Ushers and Greeters

Teens, grades 9-12, serve as ministers of welcome and ushers at the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass or at other Mass times. One hour of training required.

Ushers

Provide assistance to the assembly before, during, and after 5:00 pm Saturday, and 7:30 am, 9:00 am, and 11:00 am Sunday Masses.

Time commitment: Serve at two or three Sunday Masses a month.

Video Ministry

Assist in live streaming Daily 8:00 AM and Sunday 9:00 AM Masses and special events. Teams will be asked to work our video and sound equipment to capture one Mass each week.

Time commitment: One training session on our equipment (2 hours) and attendance at one Mass each week, operating the video equipment.

Charismatic Prayer Group

A time of praise and worship. An opportunity to experience the joy and the power of the Holy Spirit and be uplifted.

Time commitment: Every Friday, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Divine Mercy

The Divine Mercy is a form of God's compassion.

Time commitment: Thursdays after the 5:15 PM Mass in the Church.

Eucharistic Adoration

Spend time in prayer and meditation with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Time commitment: One hour a week.

Eucharistic Adoration on First Fridays

Spend time in prayer and meditation with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel during the 24-hour adoration on the 1st Friday of each month, from 8:00 am on Friday until 8:00 am on Saturday.

Time commitment: One hour a month.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

The devotion to this Marian advocacy revolves around the picture of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Time commitment: Every Wednesday after the 5:15 PM Mass

Queen of Peace Prayer Group

Pray for vocations, peace, and other intentions.

Time commitment: One hour every Tuesday after the 5:15 PM Mass in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Prayer Tree

Pray for the healing power of God's grace for anyone in need and their special intentions.

Time commitment: A few minutes of daily prayer.

Unborn Jesus Apostolate and Rosary

Once a month in the nine months from March - December a group rosary is prayed meditating on the unborn Jesus.

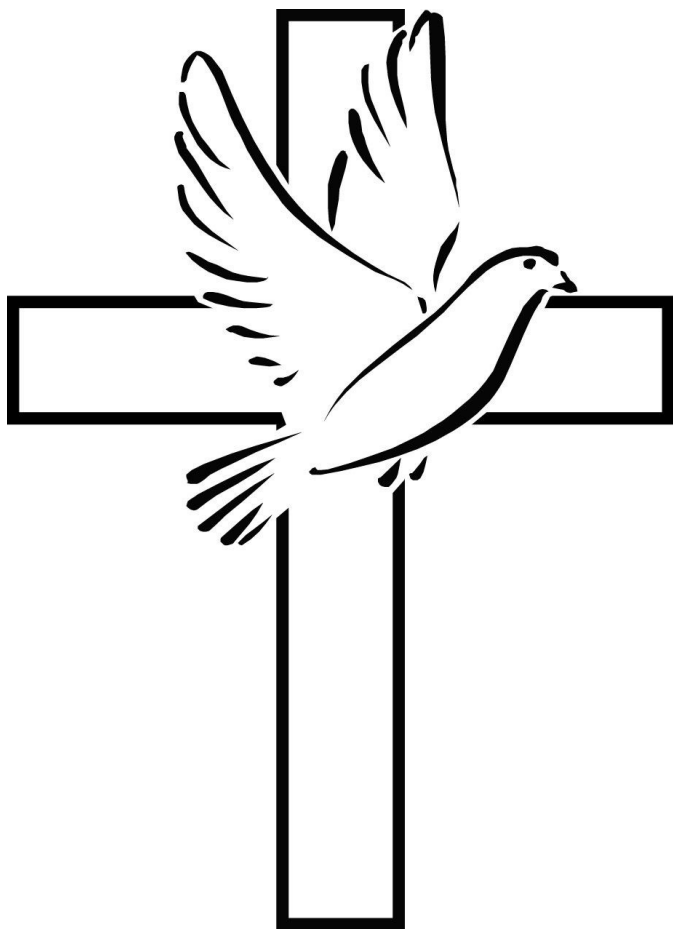
Time commitment: Meets for one hour on approximately the 25th of each month in the church after the 8:00 AM Mass.

Prayer of St. John Fisher Parish

God, our Father, in our deepest desire for union with you, we gather as a Eucharistic People to be nourished by your Word and the Body and Blood of your Son.

All we are and all we have are from you. As grateful stewards we commit our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to serve you and your people.

May our hearts be filled with your Holy Spirit as we go forth to make disciples by sharing the love of Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.



Our Mission:

Love God.

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with your whole heart, and with your whole being, and with your whole strength."

Deuteronomy 6:5



Love all people.

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:34-35



Make disciples.

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20



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