

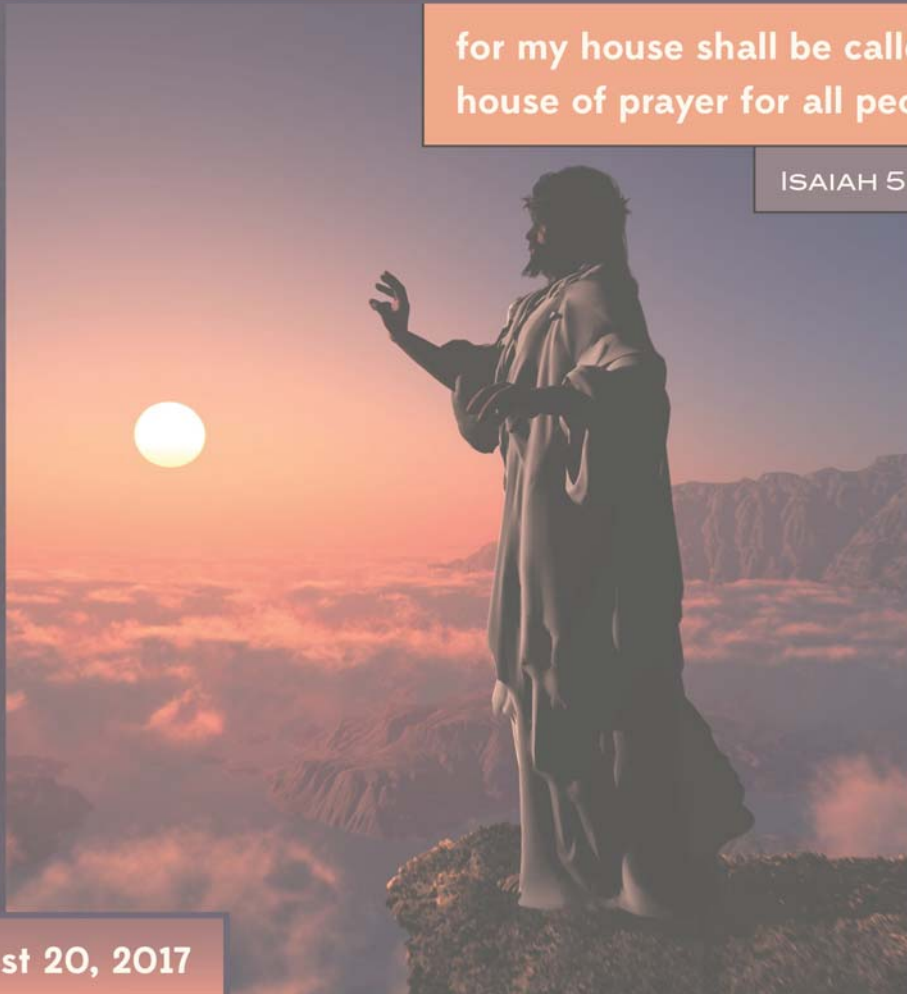
St. John Fisher Church

The foreigners who join themselves to the Lord . . .

*I will bring to my
holy mountain . . .*

for my house shall be called a
house of prayer for all peoples.

ISAIAH 56:6, 7



August 20, 2017

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Love God. Love All People. Make Disciples.

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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.

Welcome To Saint John Fisher

St. John's Seminary Annual Gala Honors Msgr. Sork!

On September 23, our Pastor, Msgr. David Sork, will receive the Distinguished Alumni Award from St. John's Seminary at their Annual Gala. Also being honored with this award are Msgr. Clement Connolly, Msgr. Terrance Fleming, and Msgr. Jack Stoeger. All are invited to attend this event at the Cathedral which benefits our seminary. For tickets or more information, go to www.stjohnsem.edu/gala or call **805-482-2755** ext.1104.

Columbarium Expansion has Started

In response to our parishioners' strong demand for niches in our parish columbarium, we have started construction of an extension to the columbarium. The extension will be located opposite the existing north and south columbarium walls, with the center fountain area remaining open. During construction, we will need to limit access to the area for safety reasons. Visiting times and scheduled interments will be on weekends only until construction is completed in early September. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. For more information on our parish columbarium or to purchase a niche, please contact Andrea Fowler in the parish office at **310-377-5571** or agfowler@sjf.org.

Faith Direct - Electronic Giving

Thank you for being a part of our St. John Fisher family. As you prepare for the end of summer and the start of a busy fall, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **CA436**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Together in Mission Needs Your Help to Meet Our Parish Goal!

There is no other program like Together in Mission in this country - we are the only diocese that gives all of its annual appeal monies to our neediest brothers and sisters. Since 1993, your generous contributions have provided approximately \$345 million that went directly to parishes and schools that could not survive without our assistance. Through Together in Mission, we are changing lives and bringing hope. This year, your generosity is serving more than 525,000 families in 80 parish communities, as well as 12,000 students in 63 schools. Please respond as generously as you can by using the special envelopes in the pews or giving online at www.OurMissionLA.org.

Our Parish Goal: \$195,100.00

Pledge to Date: \$172,366.29

Paid to Date: \$157,227.29



Need child care during Mass?

Child care is available during the 9 am and 10:45 am Masses in the Auditorium below the Parish Activities Center, for children age 5 and under. Let your children come and have a fun time with Mrs. Blessie and Mrs. Rosie while you get a few minutes of peace and serenity at Mass!

AUGUST 19, SATURDAY

8:00 am Romeo Catipon†
 5:00 pm Len Speltz† Fr. Caro

AUGUST 20, SUNDAY

7:30 am Parishioners Msgr. Sork
 9:00 am Carmen Haro† Fr. Kalu
 10:45 am Joren Lagmay† Msgr. Sork
 12:30 pm Robert J. Melone† Msgr. Sork
 5:00 pm Alex Egger† Fr. Kalu

AUGUST 21, MONDAY

8:00 am Bill Moyer†
 5:15 pm Claudia Baker

AUGUST 22, TUESDAY

8:00 am Aurora S. Cervana†
 5:15 pm Jack† & Elisa Bagdasar

AUGUST 23, WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Edmundo Rubio†
 5:15 pm Kathleen Dunn

AUGUST 24, THURSDAY

8:00 am Mary Canfield†
 5:15 pm John Hammer Bacher†

AUGUST 25 FRIDAY

8:00 am Richard Zigrang †
 5:15 pm Deacon Marlin Filipek†

AUGUST 26, SATURDAY

8:00 am Federico Langit†
 5:00 pm Eddie Achacoso† Fr. Kalu

AUGUST 27, SUNDAY

7:30 am Jerome Poole† Fr. Kalu
 9:00 am Marcella† & Joey Achacoso† Msgr. Sork
 10:45 am Rubio Family Fr. Aguilar
 12:30 pm Arnold Hartigan† Fr. Aguilar
 5:00 pm Parishioners Msgr. Sork

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass
 5:00 pm
 Sunday
 7:30 am
 9:00 am, Contemporary Choir
 10:45 am, Parish Choir
 12:30 pm
 5:00 pm, Youth Choir

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Morning Prayer

Monday-Saturday 7:45 am
 Chapel of the Blessed Mother

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 pm; Saturday 4-4:45 pm
 or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Contact Parish Office 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.

NEED A CARING LISTENER?

Call the Stephen Ministry Hotline at 310-541-1403.

PRAYER TREE

Bev Fink 310-377-5571 or penhimom@hotmail.com

CHILDREN

Home is Holy: Great is your faith!

The Canaanite woman in today's gospel spoke out to ask Jesus to help her child. This must have been very difficult for her, as an outsider and a woman, to speak up in public during a time when women were expected to stay quiet. But because she had faith, she asked for what her child needed. We can all learn from her! Reach out to God through prayer, and be sure to listen for God's response. Your faith will grow as you get to know God better.



Consider being a catechist!

Your children love to see you involved in their soccer, scouts, and other activities. Why not get involved in sharing faith with your children? Catechists (Religious Education teachers) are particularly needed for Tuesday afternoons for grade 1, and for Sunday morning Preschool, Kindergarten, and grade 1. Training, resources, and lots of support are provided, and you can work in a team with your friends. Contact Margaret Johnson for more information!

Religious Education Classes Begin Sept. 24: Are you registered?

Religious Education classes, Preschool-Grade 8, begin September 24. Have you registered your children? Registration forms for 2017-2018 are available on SchoolSpeak. If you need your SchoolSpeak login and password, just ask and we will resend it. Visit www.schoolspeak.com/schools/SJF-RE to register.

St. John Fisher welcomes children!

Today children at the 9 am Mass will receive pencils, so they can take their faith back to school with them!

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

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS

SJF Teens Attend City of Saints at UCLA



A group of SJF adults and students enjoyed the third annual City of Saints Teen Conference. We stayed in the UCLA dorms and enjoyed amazing food. The highlights were listening to all the dynamic Catholic speakers geared for the teens, and listening and dancing to the sounds of the Catholic band WAL from the South Bay.

Katie Dante | Coordinator of Confirmation and Youth Ministry | (310) 377-4573 ext 145 | kdante@sjf.org



A New Look for the School Courtyard

For decades, students and adults have walked across the lush grass of the school courtyard until in recent years the grass has thinned and worn away exposing large areas of earth. During periods of rain, the courtyard becomes a muddy field and even if students are able to sit at the lunch tables, mud is tracked onto the walkways and the white tiled floors of the classrooms. A courtyard facelift was desperately needed!

Over the summer vacation, the school received an extremely generous donation to lay bricks over the 5,600 square foot area, while at the same time preserving the beautiful trees in the center of the courtyard. The work is almost complete, and the courtyard will be ready for the opening of the 2017-18 school year on August 28.

In order to raise more funds for school improvements, we will be launching a fundraiser over the coming months. In exchange for a donation, you will have the opportunity to order a brick inscribed with your family name (or any other inscription) that will then be laid in the courtyard as a lasting imprint. Please walk by the courtyard when you have a chance, and see what a difference the bricks have made!



Start the Journey at St. John Fisher School for a well-rounded education that will last a lifetime!

Anne-Marie Hudani
 St. John Fisher School Principal
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PRAY FOR THE SICK

Robert Mucha, Father of Lynn Cummings
 Mary Hasham, Mother of Lisa Hasham

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Tony Armenio | Vangie Maynard |
| Josephine Appel | Frank McCormick |
| Brooke Bagdasar | Mary McDonough |
| Colleen Bal | Maura McGuinness |
| Robert Barry | Ethel McMahan |
| Frances DeLuca | Thadd McNamara |
| Robert Denni | Christian Miller |
| Margaret Nguyen Do | Patrick Mnatzakanian, |
| Rosemary Ferrell | Sally Moore |
| Lenny & Gloria Fink | Orla Murphy |
| Katsuko Fujimoto | Clare Nolan |
| Msgr. Eugene Gilb | Nancy O'Conor |
| Dr. Vince Gilliland | Maureen O'Crowley Lee |
| Maria Gilbert-Kempf | Gary Paschka |
| Sadru Hudani | Joan Sing |
| Cathy James | Hy Sing |
| Jean Keller | Marie Lucas Soto |
| Connie Luzan | Charles Sutherland |
| Anthony MacGilfrey | Scott Walker |
| Sabrina Margate | Marguerite Wilkie |
| Carol Marsh | Bryan Witkowski |
| Barbara Marshall | |
| Tom & Kathleen Mattis | |

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Angelina Samson, Mother of Maria Manansala
 James Alfred Carmack III, Husband of Carla Carmack

PRAY FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL AND FAMILIES

- Danny Bender, USN Seal
- Scott Bender, USN Seal
- James D. Cheatham, USN
- Capt. Hannah Thomas, USA
- Cmdr. Nicholas Tramontin, USNR
- Daniel Vasquez, US Army
- Capt. JAG Rachel Walkup, 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 Joan, 310-377-7559. Pictures should be approximately 4" x 5", and may be dropped off at the office, ATTN: Joan Barry. IMPORTANT: Please include a contact name and phone number. The Military Board is in the church narthex.

COMMUNITY

SJF Social Singles Picnic

SJF Social Singles (60+) will meet Wednesday, August 23rd at 6 pm at the Malaga Cove Library for an outdoor picnic concert featuring a Tribute to John Denver. For info call Susan Reymond at **310-377-5571**

Holy Land Olive Wood At SJF

Next week, our brothers and sisters representing the **Christian Catholic Families of Bethlehem** will be selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries- all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly diminished, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. **Sales of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have something authentic from the holy land.** Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion.

Did you know?

Teach Kids when to say Something

It is important to help children understand the difference between telling on others and sharing information that could help keep themselves or someone else safe. Teach children about secrets that are okay (a surprise birthday party), and secrets that are never okay (don't tell mom or dad that...), and, perhaps most importantly, what to do if someone asks them to keep a bad secret. Speaking up can save a kid from harm or abuse. To request a copy of the VIRTUS® article "To Tattle or Protect" email jvienna@la-archdiocese.org or call **213-637-7227**. *Parish Safeguard the Children Contact: Margaret Johnson, 310-377-4573 x136, mjohnson@sjf.org.*

Celebration in Honor of Our Lady of the Angels

The Queen of Angels Foundation invites you to celebrate the City of Los Angeles' 236th Birthday and to honor Our Lady of the Angels, the city's namesake and patroness, with a Votive Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, presided by Archbishop José H. Gomez on Saturday, August 26, 2017 at 3 pm. The Mass will be followed by a Grand Marian Procession featuring banners, flags, color guards and bagpipers to the Our Lady Queen of Angels Church "La Placita" (535 N Main St, Los Angeles, CA 90012) for a blessing. The event will end with a Fiesta in La Plaza de Cultura y Artes. For more information, visit www.thequeenofangels.com or www.archla.org/qa.

Celebration of Cultures Mass

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles' Office of Ethnic Ministry cordially invites you to the 13th annual Celebration of Cultures Mass presided by Archbishop José H. Gomez on Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 9:30 am - 11:30 am at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. With the theme, "Communion of Communities," organizers seek to unite and celebrate the different cultures that enrich the Church and the local community, through prayer, songs and cultural expression. All are invited!

If you'd like your meeting or event listed

on the calendar or "Save the Date" column, please provide to Lissa DeLuca, Bulletin Editor:

- Event or group name (optional: a few words of description)
- Meeting date and time
- Meeting place
- Point of contact

Your announcement may run for up to 4 bulletins. Space limitations prevent permanent or standing announcements.

This Week At St. John Fisher

Sunday, 8/20
After 9, 10:45 am & 12:30 pm Masses - Knights of Columbus BBQ - Church Patio
Monday, 8/21
7:25 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 8:30 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother
Tuesday, 8/22
7:25 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 8:30 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 9:30-10:30 am Senior Fitness – Parish Activity Center 5:45 pm Queen of Peace Prayer Group – Chapel of the Blessed Mother
Wednesday, 8/23
7:25 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 8:30 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 9:30 am Catholic Update Group – Cityside Room 7:00 pm Moral Decisions - Fireside Room 7:00 pm A-Men & Women Faith Sharing Group - Church Multi-Purpose Room
Thursday, 8/24
7:25 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 8:30 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 9:30-10:30 am Senior Fitness – Parish Activity Center 10 am Seekers Men’s Group – Cityside Room 5:50-6:30 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy - Church
Friday, 8/25
7:25 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 8:30 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 6:30-8:30 pm Charismatic Prayer Group – Rectory Meeting Room 7:45-9:30 pm Chinese Bible Study—Fireside Room
Saturday, 8/26
7:25 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother 8:30 am Rosary – Chapel of the Blessed Mother
Sunday, 8/27
12:30 pm Baptisms at Mass

Save the Date!

Knights of Columbus BBQ - August 20
Family Promise of the South Bay - September 3-10, 2017
Growing in the Word: Leviticus - Sept. 11-October 2
Awakening Faith - Begins September 12
Bible Timeline: Acts Session #1 - Sept 12 - Nov. 14
Divorce & Beyond - Begins September 13
Food Pantry Bag Collection - September 16-17
Penance Service - September 18, 7:30 pm
Word on Fire: Catholicism Series - 3rd Wednesdays beginning September 20
Sr. John's Seminary Annual Gala - September 23
Respect Life Showers of Love Collection - September 30-October 1
Red Cross Mobile Blood Drive - October 1
Women’s Council Movie Night - October 6
Altar Server Training - October 7
Blessing of the Animals - October 7
Ministry Fair - October 8
Scholastic Luncheon Series #1 - October 9
Growing in the Word; Numbers - October 7 - November 20
Lector Training - October 17
EMHC Training - October 21
Sanctus Retreat - October 28
Readers Theater Repertory Performance – October 30
PV Resale Christmas Boutique - November 3-4
Military Ministry Veterans Day Collection - November 4-5
Mass of Remembrance - November 6
Veterans Day Breakfast & Celebration - November 11
Food Pantry Bag Collection - November 18-19
Anointing of the Sick - December 2
Italian Catholic Federation - Christmas Dinner - December 2, 6 pm
Advent Concert - December 10, 3:00 pm
Simbang Gabi - December 16
Scholastic Luncheon Series #2 - January 8, 2018
Bible Timeline: Acts Session #2 - Jan. 9 - Mar. 27, 2018
Homeless Count - January 24, 2018
Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast - January 28, 2018
Shrove Tuesday - February 13, 2018
Lenten Soup Suppers - Fridays, Feb. 16 - Mar. 23, 2018
Lenten Series with Fr. Francis - Feb. 21 - Mar. 14, 2018
Fair Trade Market - March 4, 2018
Dive-in USS - March 5 - 21, 2018



STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TREASURE

August 13, 2017 \$23,840.28

August 14, 2016 \$18,516.15

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY

Rite of Christian Initiation 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 April with classes taking place on Sunday mornings. Adult Confirmation classes are offered in the fall. The next inquiry session is Sept. 10 and the topic is *Questions about the Church*. Inquiry sessions take place in the Parish conference room at 10:30 am. All are welcome, reservations are not needed. Questions: please email Misty at mjesse@sjf.org.

Fall Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

1. Growing in the Word: Leviticus

Dates: Sept. 11-Oct. 2, 2017

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

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin

Registration: Office of Evangelization, **310-377-4573**

Audience: Adult, Life long learners

2. Acts– 20 Weeks–Jeff Cavins DVD Series

Series 1: Sept. 12-Nov. 14, 2017

Time and Location: 7 pm-9 pm, Cityside/Seaside Rooms

Presenter: St. John Fisher Facilitators

Registration: Office of Evangelization, **310-377-4573**

Audience: Adult, Life long learners

3. Awakening Faith

6 Week Series: Tuesday

Dates: Sept. 12-Oct. 17

Time and Location: 7 pm-8:30 pm, Church MPR

Presenter: St. John Fisher Facilitators

Audience: Distanced Catholics, Welcome back!

No registration required

4. Word on Fire: Catholicism Series

10 Session Series: 3rd Wed. of the Month

Dates: Sept. 20-June 20

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

Presenter: Patrick Hart, Facilitator, Knight of Malta

No registration required

Audience: Teens and Adults, Life long learners

Stewardship Moment

“For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable.” Romans 11:29

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone.

Leviticus

A four week series on the Book of Leviticus, the third book of the Hebrew Bible, offered on Monday evenings 7 pm to 8:30 pm in the SJF Auditorium. This four week series will study the beginnings of the Levite priesthood, including the development and practice of liturgy. The class will offer opportunities to explore the impact Jewish practices had on Jesus, the disciples and the primitive early church.

Registration is through the Office of Evangelization or the first evening of the series.

Thomas the Apostle

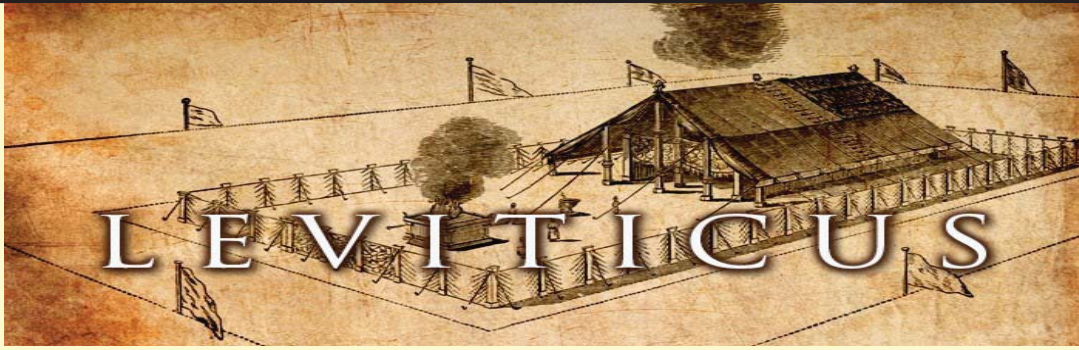
Named among the Twelve Apostles in all four Gospels, Thomas figured prominently in several stories in the Gospel of John. He said he was ready to die with Jesus, that he didn't know where Jesus was going and so couldn't follow, and famously doubted a post-Resurrection appearance until he himself saw the risen Lord. For this, history has called him “doubting Thomas,” but his name remains among the most popular Christian names. Four apocryphal writings were attributed to Thomas, and in church tradition, he evangelized in Syria, Persia (Iran), and India. Indian Catholics believe he was martyred and buried there. Thomas is the patron saint of India, builders, and the blind.



Misty Jesse

Director of Evangelization

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St. John Fisher Catholic Community
FAITH ENRICHMENT SCRIPTURE STUDY SERIES 2017
GROWING IN THE WORD:
LEVITICUS

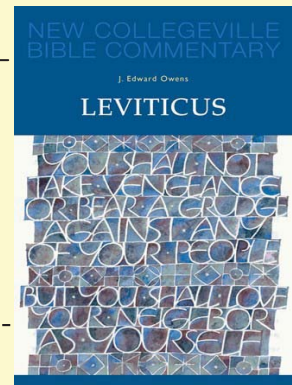
Come join us as we explore the Book of Leviticus, the third book of the Hebrew Bible. Leviticus explores the Levites, the tribe from whom the priests were drawn and their instruction; along with addressing the role of the laity.

Together we will study the Book of Leviticus, using the Collegeville commentary edition along with the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Our journey through Leviticus will provide us with opportunities for spiritual growth as we learn about the beginnings of liturgy and ritual in the worship of the One God.

**** Newcomers always welcome****

Presenter: Misty Jesse, PhD, DMin
Meeting place: SJF Auditorium (below the PAC)
5448 Crest Rd., Rancho Palos Verdes
Every Monday: September 11 - October 2, 2017
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM



PRE-REGISTRATION FORM
SJF FAITH ENRICHMENT SERIES
GROWING IN THE WORD: LEVITICUS

Text books for this course available when you pre-register

Optional material fees: **\$10-Leviticus text**
 \$10-Catechism

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Attach check (payable to St. John Fisher) or cash & submit to the SJF Parish Office

Attn: Chris Acherman

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