

# Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

## Our Mission:

We honor the traditions of our parish and welcome all to unite in prayer and the Sacraments.

Loved by God and guided by the Holy Spirit, we share the good news of Jesus Christ through joyful worship, faithful formation, and dedicated service.



**December 29, 2019**

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

### New Years Eve and New Years Day Mass Schedule

#### December 31, 2019

St. Joseph Church:

6:30am

8:30am

5:00pm

St. Francis Xavier Church:

8:15am

#### January 1, 2020

St. Joseph Church:

10:30am

St. Francis Xavier Church:

9:30am



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**Parish Office Hours:**  
 Monday-Wednesday: 9am—8:00pm  
 Thursday and Friday: 9am—4:30pm  
 Saturday: 9am—1pm  
 Sunday: 8:30am—11:30am

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## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Wayne F. Watts, Pastor  
 Msgr. Dan Mayall, Senior Priest  
 Rev. Rodlin Rodrigue, Associate Pastor  
 Rev. Matthew Spotts, S.J., Associate Pastor  
 Rev. William J. Sheridan, Pastor Emeritus, SFX  
 Rev. Edward F. Harnett, Pastor Emeritus, SFX  
 Rev. Robert Tonelli, Pastor Emeritus, St. Joseph  
 Robert and Karen Kerls, Deacon Couple  
 D.J. and Kathy Shinkle, Deacon Couple  
 Patty Jane Pelton, Retired Pastoral Associate  
 Joseph D'Arco, Director of Business Operations  
 Colleen Barrett, School Principal  
 Jonathan Metzinger, Music Director  
 Kieran Lyons, Director, Faith Formation and  
 Ministry of Care  
 John Hopkins, Music Director  
 Ron Berger, Liturgical Planner  
 Dana McKenna, Director of Religious Education  
 Dani Froelich, Director of Religious Education  
 Mary Therese Brown, Director of Youth Ministry,  
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**Please note: The Parish offices will be CLOSED  
 on Tuesday, December 31, 2019 and  
 Wednesday, January 1, 2020**

## Schedule of Events:

### Week of December 29, 2019 - January 5, 2020

#### Sunday, December 29

10:30a Children's Liturgy of the Word - SJ Annex - 1C

#### Monday, December 30

6p SPRED Religious Ed: Joseph Room - SJ Campus  
 7p RCIA - SFX Parish Office

#### Tuesday, December 31

9a Holy Hour - SJ Church  
 9:30a Al-Anon - SJ Annex - 1C  
 10a Benediction - SJ Church

#### Wednesday, January 1

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

#### Thursday, January 2

9a Legion of Mary - SJ Annex - Rm 1C

#### Friday, January 3

#### Saturday, January 4

8a AA - SJ Annex - 1C  
 9a Confessions - SJ Church  
 4:15p Confessions - SFX Church

#### Sunday, January 5

9a Religious Education - SJ School  
 9a PREP - SFX School  
 10:30a Children's Liturgy of the Word - SJ Annex - 1C

Dear Friends,

At Each Mass this weekend, your priests who love and care for you will pray this prayer on your behalf, *“O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity.”* I pray every day for the families in this great parish and, on this feast day of families, in a special way I hope that all families will find in Jesus, Mary, and Joseph a model to imitate, especially in their closeness with and obedience to the Father.

Those convened at the Second Vatican Council further recognized the dignity of families by declaring that families were genuinely “Church.” The Council restored the ancient concept of “domestic church” as it declared: “In what might be regarded as the domestic church, the parents are to be the first preachers of the faith for their children by word and example” (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, Lumen Gentium, #11).

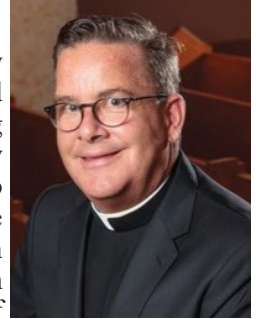
Today we celebrate, just days after we commemorate the birth of our Savior, the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. As we do so, we consider our own family, the domestic Church. Do we allow the love exemplified in the Holy Family to inspire us? Do we see Mary and Joseph as our models for loving parenthood? Is Jesus’ obedience to and love for his parents played out in the way we treat our own parents? Do we extend our family’s love for each other into the world as Jesus, Mary and Joseph did?

In today’s second reading, Saint Paul’s somewhat controversial letter to the Colossians, we hear some great and challenging words. Read the words again and ask yourself if you’re living them in your family life and in the world in which you operate. The following words from the Letter to the Colossians challenge me in my daily life: “compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience.” What do you think when you read them again?

Paul challenges, “If one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do.” Forgiveness is an interesting thing. When we seek it, we expect to find it, freely given to us, from God and from other human beings. When someone seeks it from us, we tend to be more reluctant or cautious in dispensing it. Paul’s instruction states that in the same way we receive mercy we should dispense mercy. As a family of faith, let’s try that.

The final two words that move and inspire me are Paul’s instruction on gratitude and love. As long as you’re sincere, you can never say thank you enough. The attitude of gratitude inspires, motivates, and urges us to love. That brings me to the last challengingly inspirational word: love. “Over all these,” Paul orders, “put on love, that is the bond of perfection.” Throughout Sacred Scripture, our Lord invites, calls, and commands us to love. He tells us that love of God and neighbor provides the basis for all law. In Saint Paul’s many letters he speaks of love, and the kind of love Christians are called to live.

Imitating the Holy Family involves listening to God’s voice and responding to God’s will with loving obedience, even when we don’t fully understand what God is calling us to do, and even when doing what we are called to do is inconvenient or even difficult. Today’s Gospel portrays an obedient and caring Joseph, one of this parish’s great patrons, immediately carrying out the will of the Father as revealed to him by the message of an angel. As families, and as a family of faith, we can imitate the Holy Family by keeping God’s commandments, especially the command to keep the Sabbath Day holy. As we complete 2019 and look forward to 2020, perhaps we can resolve to make Sunday Mass, and full and active participation in it, a priority in our family lives. The Holy Family received great rewards; so will we.



Merry Christmas!

*Rev. Wayne T. Davis*

PS Last weekend we presented our first combined parish annual report. We intend to send it electronically this week. Please review it carefully. I thank the members of the Parish Finance Council: Paul DeCrane, Ann Hughes, George Trapp, Colleen Driscoll, Karen Holmberg, Sam Merriott, Kevin Shields, Kieran Stack, Patti Tsuru, Ania Connolly, Thomas O’Toole, Tim Johnson, Susan Locke and David Flick as well as our operations director, Joe D’Arco, for their hard work. We’re making progress, Thank God.

#### Regular Mass Schedule

<u>Daily Masses:</u>	<u>Sunday Masses:</u>
Monday—Friday	8:00am SJ
6:30am SJ	9:30am SFX
8:15am SFX	10:15am SFX (School)
8:30am SJ	10:30am SJ
	11:30am SFX
Saturday Masses:	6:00pm SJ
8:30am SJ	7:30pm SFX
5:00pm SJ and	(ACTION Youth Mass,
SFX	September through April)

## Schedule for Masses, Sacraments and Benediction

<p><b><u>Monday, December 30, 2019</u></b></p> <p><b>6:30am SJ</b> +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p><b>8:15am SFX</b> +Robert and Mary Hoyle <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p><b>8:30am SJ</b> +Dragan "Charlie" Vukovich <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	<p><b><u>Friday, January 3, 2020</u></b></p> <p><b>6:30am SJ</b> +Antonietta De Dominicis <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p><b>8:15am SFX</b> (L)Parish Intentions for Active Military <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p><b>8:30am SJ</b> +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>	<p><b><u>Sunday, January 5, 2020</u></b></p> <p><b>8:00am SJ</b> +John Cossarek <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p><b>9:30am SFX</b> +Kenneth Cooper +J. P. Van Horn +Kathryn Ebert <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p><b>10:15am SFX School</b> (L)Parishioners of SSJFX <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p><b>10:30am SJ</b> +Maria DiDomizio +Anne Sweeney +Enrique Lucchini +Bill and Lena Creaney <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i> <i>Deacon Shinkle</i></p> <p><b>11:30am SFX</b> (L)Sick of the Parish <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p><b>6:00pm SJ - Family Mass</b> +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p><b>7:30pm SFX - ACTION</b> <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>
<p><b><u>Tuesday, December 31, 2019</u></b></p> <p><b>6:30am SJ</b> +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p><b>8:15am SFX</b> +Don Tamisiea <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p><b>8:30am SJ</b> (L)Intention of Rehbock Family +Stanley and Marianna Feret <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p><b>10:00am Benediction SJ</b> <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p><b>5:00pm SJ</b> +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday, January 1, 2020</u></b></p> <p><b>9:30am SFX</b> +Nancy Kelly +Mimi Ryan +Noreen Tobin <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p><b>10:30am SJ</b> (L)Intention of Rehbock Family <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i> <i>Deacon Shinkle</i></p>	<p><b><u>Saturday, January 4, 2020</u></b></p> <p><b>8:30am SJ</b> +Antonietta De Dominicis <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p><b>Confessions</b> <b>9:00am SJ:</b> <i>Fr. Sheridan</i> <b>4:15pm SFX:</b> <i>Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p><b>5:00pm SFX - Family Mass</b> +Mary Ann Barry +Bob and Michael McHugh +John Helgensin <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p><b>5:00pm SJ</b> +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>	<p><b>6:00pm SJ - Family Mass</b> +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p><b>7:30pm SFX - ACTION</b> <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>
	<p><b><u>Thursday, January 2, 2020</u></b></p> <p><b>6:30am SJ</b> +Antonietta De Dominicis <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p><b>8:15am SFX</b> +Joseph Cosgrove <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p><b>8:30am SJ</b> +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p>		<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p><i>SFX Church</i></p> <p><i>Sabina Danek and</i> <i>Richard Waller</i> <i>Bann 1</i></p> </div>
<p>+ Deceased / (L) Living / SJ - St. Joseph Church / SFX - St. Francis Xavier Church SFX School - St. Francis Xavier School</p>			



## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY, PRAY FOR PEACE

**Do you have a family member or friend in the Military (stateside or overseas)?  
Call the parish office and we will put their name on our prayer list.**

### US Air Force

SSgt John Wesley Hobbs, Nephew of Frank & Jody Weschler  
A1C Shane O'Dell, Great Grandson of Mike Eberle  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Luke Stensberg, Friend of Matt Revord family

### US Army

Rev Chaplain Maj John Barkemeyer, Son of Hank Barkemeyer  
Maj Brian L. Bell, Son-in-law of Bob & Jeanie Quinn  
LTC Kelly Quinn Bell, Daughter of Bob & Jeanie Quinn  
Pilot Christopher Cannon, Son of Mark & Sue Cannon  
Spc Michael Carlson, Grandson of Arlene Carlson  
PFC Richard Carlson, Grandson of Arlene Carlson  
Spc Harrison Daniels, Grandson of Mary Lou DiClementi  
Maj Jason Harlan, Nephew of Val Deady  
Lt Kyle Healy, Great Nephew of Agnes and Barb Schneider  
Pvt Ryan Higgins, Nephew of Jim & Janet Black  
Pvt Zach Lueken, Nephew of Todd & Rebecca Stewart  
Sgt Brenda Lore Mayo, Friend of Carpenter family  
Sgt David Lore Mayo, Friend of Carpenter family  
LTC Michael J. Roth, Nephew of Sharon Roth  
Maj Anita Scattone, Sister of Anthony Scattone  
Lt Col Shawn Schwarz, relative of Tim & Young Hee Johnson  
Lt Ryan Slattery, Grandson of Faye Rebarchak  
Maj Benjamin Stumpf, Son of Ron & Judy Stumpf  
Cpt John Weidinger, Grandson of Gerda Weidinger

*If you would like to add or remove a name, please contact  
the parish office at 847/256-4250*

### US Marine Corps

1<sup>st</sup> Lt Jeff Barak, Friend of Frantzen family  
Pvt 1<sup>st</sup> Class Colin Brennan, Nephew of Mary Lou DiClementi  
Pvt Stuart Corboy III, Son of Marcia Corboy  
Sgt Joseph Devroy, Grandson of Marlene Devroy  
Cpt Peter Dulaney, Grandson of Diana Madden  
Sgt Brandon Galgay, Friend of Matt Revord family  
Sgt Aidan Gobeyn, Grandson of George & Mchele Hinchcliff  
1st Lt Brad Gustafson, Son of Garth & Myrna Gustafson,  
and Brother of Jack Gustafson  
Ssgt Walter Ramirez, Son of Enrique & Mary Lou Ramirez  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt William Smith, Nephew of John & Mary Smith  
Pfc Trevor J. Talbot, Son of Bill & Mary Talbot,  
and Brother of Hope Talbot

### US Navy

Cmdr Kevin Carlson, Son of Arlene Carlson  
Lt. Ted Luker, Grandson of Jack & Skip Revord,  
and Nephew of Matt & Lisa Revord  
PO2 Kevin Morrison, Grandson of Doug & Joyce Spinner  
Lt Alison Smith, Niece of John & Mary Smith  
Lt Tom Smith, Nephew of John & Mary Smith

### US National Guard

Sgt Steven Tetzlaff, Son of Peter & Katie Tetzlaff  
and Grandson of Roger & Dolores Meier  
1st Lt Zach Hubbard, Illinois National Guard,  
Nephew of the Later family

### Prayers for the sick and those in need

Seda Aghajani	Peter DiClementi, Jr	Brier Johnston	Monica Pecuch
Carmen Albino	Ryan Glassberg	CharlesJonaitis	Olivia Sergot
Ginnie Becker	Margaret Grothe	Richard Keefe	Brian Slowinski
Tom Beitzel	Phillip Hall	Bob Kerrigan	Dino Tonelli
Heather Campbell	Tim Hanson	John Krupka	David W.
Vivian Cangelosi	Barbara Hardy	Dolores Meier	Dolores Welch
Guillermo Cannon	Barbara Hawkinson	Paul Molaro	Krista Wilkinson
William Carlin	Laura Hendrickson	Daniel O'Herron	Audrey Williams
Cecelia Cruz	Tom Hopkins	Pam O'Reilly	Carol Woodard

*Please call the parish office at 847/256-4250 if you'd like to remove a name from this list.*

### In prayer and loving memory of:

*Robert Bevenour*



### MEN'S SILENT RETREAT

Gentlemen of the parish, My name is Phil Couri, and I am the retreat captain for Bellarmine Jesuit Retreat House in Barrington. I invite and encourage all of you to attend the SILENT retreat which is held on the weekend of January 17-19, 2020. I cannot say enough about how this retreat has had a positive influence on my life each year.

The idea of silence for a whole weekend may seem unattractive, but I assure you the silence is relaxing, comforting and spiritual.

There is no protocol while on the retreat. A series of eight lectures are given by the retreat leader which you can attend or not attend. The talks center on real life experiences, scripture and are tailored to facilitate self-examination. They are spread throughout the day and they last about 30-40 minutes. There is plenty of scheduled down time in between the talks to reflect on the talks, pray, read, exercise, or just sleep.

In addition, the retreat house campus is unbelievable. The house is huge with libraries, a living room with a fireplace and other separate rooms for reflection. Each retreatant has his **OWN** bedroom (you do not share a room with anyone else). The retreat campus and silence provide an ideal atmosphere to communicate with God.

The retreat starts on Friday night with a wine/beer reception and dinner at 7:00 pm followed by one talk and a mass and continues through Sunday, concluding with a mass and lunch at noon.

I understand that schedules are busy, but I strongly encourage you to take the leap and attend. For those of you who do attend, I guarantee you will want to make it a yearly event. All are welcome, so please pass on the information to others who you think may benefit from the retreat. Below is a small bio on the retreat leader this year, Fr. Richard Malloy.

Just email [pac@courilaw.com](mailto:pac@courilaw.com) or call me (847.323.8605) if you have questions or would like to reserve a spot.

**There are several parishes designated for that weekend so spots, believe it or not, do fill up quickly and I cannot guarantee a spot if you wait too long to RSVP.**

#### Meet Fr. Richard Malloy, SJ

Fr. Richard Malloy, SJ was born in Philadelphia. He graduated from St. Joe's Prep, the Jesuit high school in Philadelphia. He attended Lafayette College in Easton, PA, where he played football, lacrosse, and rugby. He earned a doctorate at Temple. While in Jesuit formation, he taught high school in Chile and spent one year in pastoral work in Santiago. At the University of Scranton, he is the University Chaplain and teaches courses in Anthropology, Sociology, and Theology. His books, *A Faith That Frees: Catholic Matters for the 21st Century* (Orbis Books 2008) and *Being On Fire: The Top Ten Essentials of Catholic Faith* (Orbis Books 2014), were recognized with awards by the Catholic Press Association. His newest book, *Spiritual Direction: A Beginner's Guide* was published in 2017. Fr. Malloy has a blog ([jesuitjottings.blogspot.com](http://jesuitjottings.blogspot.com)). You can follow him on Twitter @FrMalloy.

#### First Christmas at Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

Christmas is all about acts of kindness and gifts of generosity; however sometimes it can be confused with stressful buying and consuming.

The birth of Christ is upon us as we prepare for His arrival during Advent with family and friends. Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish prays that all parishioners experience that joys of God's gift of Jesus to save us.

Please practice Christmas generosity whenever possible. Here are a few ideas:

- Take time to call someone who might be on their own, or a friend with whom you have lost touch
- Shovel snow for someone on your street
- Organize a neighborhood caroling group to sing to the elderly in homes and facilities
- Consider making donations to charities that help those less fortunate
- Practice patience and words of kindness



2019 is quickly coming to a close. We ask that you take a moment before the year end and bring in that one last gift; your Christmas gift, to any of our Masses. Your contribution will help tremendously with our operating costs and the maintenance of this vibrant parish. Invest in the future of Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier, as we celebrate our first Christmas as a new parish, so that we can continue to grow as a community of faith. For the intercessions of St. Joseph and St. Francis Xavier, Pray for Us! Merry Christmas and a Happy and Blessed New Year!

## Epiphany

January 4 and 5 we will celebrate the Epiphany, also known as “Three Kings Day.” Please be sure to take a bag with the Epiphany blessing when you leave the Church. It is a tradition in the Catholic Church to bless chalk at the Masses for the Epiphany and then use the blessed chalk as a part of the blessing in one’s home in the New Year. Each bag contains a small piece of chalk and instructions as to how to bless the doorways in your home. Bags will be located at all of the entrances at both churches.



## Epiphany Sunday

In keeping with the spirit of gift giving, on Sunday, January 5, 2020 the students in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Religious Education class at St. Joseph will be collecting boxes of cereal during the 10:30 Mass. Parishioners are encouraged to bring a box of cereal to Mass that will be donated during the offertory collection. The cereal will be donated to the St. Ignatius Food Pantry in Rogers Park. Cereal will also be collected during RE classes and can be dropped off at the St. Joseph Parish Office.



### Urgent Need for SFX Ushers!

#### **Top 4 Fallacies About Being an Usher:**

You need to be old. (Nonsense)  
 You need to be male. (Categorically untrue)  
 You have to be available every weekend. (Nope)  
 There’s an “Ushers’ Cut” from the weekly collection (Hogwash)

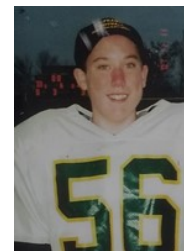
Due to the retirement of several of our fabulous, long-tenured ushers, SFX is in need of new usher volunteers, both men and women, for each weekend mass. You need not commit to every week; one or two masses a month is enough. All you need is a warm smile and a desire to serve your fellow parishioners, 45 minutes at a time (unless the homily goes on and on and on.)

Contact Pat Dolan with your interest  
 (312) 953-6883.

Because without ushers, chaos!

### **Save the Date!** **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Blood Drive**

**In honor of**  
**Kevin Joseph Smith Burke**



**Saturday, February 22**  
**St. Francis Xavier Gym**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Friday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY  
WINTER COAT DRIVE**

We are collecting winter coats for men, women and children, as well as hats, scarves, gloves and mittens. Also needed are boots for men, women and children. All sizes are welcome. Donations can be brought to the parish offices.

Questions?  
Call Sara Crome  
847/256-4250

**Pray For Vocations**

**Elijah Cup Chalice Ministry**  
**5pm Masses at St. Francis Xavier**  
**Church**  
**January and February 2020**

Praying for vocations is a responsibility and privilege of the laity. The Elijah Cup is a chalice used at Mass that is presented to an individual, couple or family at the conclusion of Mass. The Elijah Cup is taken home for the week and is used as a focal point while praying daily for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate and religious life. The Elijah Cup is returned to Mass the following Saturday and presented to another individual, couple or family to continue our prayer for vocations. All are invited to sign up to receive the Elijah Cup at a January or February Saturday 5pm Mass at St. Francis Xavier Church. The sign-up board is located in the vestibule of St. Francis Xavier Church or please call or email to sign up: Kirsten Solmos: [k.solmos@comcast.net](mailto:k.solmos@comcast.net) or 847-337-1708 Watch the bulletin to learn more about the Elijah Cup

*Eucharistic Adoration*  
*Ss Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish*

*Please join us in St. Joseph Church*  
*for Eucharistic Adoration*  
*From 9am—7pm*

*Upcoming dates:*  
*January 7th and 21st*  
*February 4th and 18th*

*For more information or to sign up*  
*for an hour of adoration please*  
*email Kirsten at:*  
*k.solmos@comcast.net*  
*or call 847/337-1708*

*“If we are to know the Lord, we must*  
*go to Him. Listen to Him in silence*  
*in Eucharistic Adoration.”*  
*Pope Francis*





**January 1  
The Feast of the Solemnity of Mary**

The feast is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus. On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation. Through the Holy Spirit, God the Father prepared Mary to be the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men. Christ's birth was made possible by Mary's fiat, or sanctioning of God's plan with her words, "Be it done to me according to thy word." Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honor we can give to her. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace," the solemnity of Mary, Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace."



SFX Early Childhood Christmas Program



Moms & Tots provides FREE, flexible, drop-in playtime for young toddlers accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Our casual, play-based format provides an excellent opportunity to connect with other young families while also learning more about our school community before committing to formal preschool instruction.

Program dates are offered on both the SJ and SFX campuses. Enjoy free play and access to plenty of toys, with music and storytime sequences introduced several sessions each month.

Questions regarding Moms & Tots on the St. Joseph campus may be directed to amybutterworth@stjosephwilmette.com. Inquiries regarding meetings at SFX should go to carriemoysy@gmail.com.

**2020 Moms & Tots Schedule**

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| January 10th, 8:30-10am @ SFX  | March 27th, 8:30-10am @ SFX    |
| January 17th, 10-11:30am @ SJ  | April 3rd, 8:30-10am @ SFX     |
| January 24th, 8:30-10am @ SFX  | April 24th, 8:30-10am @ SFX    |
| February 14th, 8:30-10am @ SFX | May 1st @ SJS, 10-11:30am @ SJ |
| February 21st, 8:30-10am @ SFX | May 8th, 8:30-10am @ SFX       |
| February 28th, 10-11:30am @ SJ | May 15th, 10-11:30am @ SJ      |
| March 6th, 8:30-10am @ SFX     | May 22nd, 8:30-10am @ SFX      |
| March 27th, 10-11:30am @ SJ    |                                |

**STS. JOSEPH & FRANCIS XAVIER WOMEN'S CLUB**

**GUILD THREE**

**MOMS OF SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN & YOUNG WOMEN INVITED TO JOIN**

**MEET ONCE PER MONTH**

**CONTACT LAURA FITZPATRICK 312.217.6483 OR ANNIE DOLAN 847.644.5208 OR EMAIL GUILD3OFSSJFX.COM TO JOIN**

**NOW ENROLLING NEW MEMBERS**

## MINISTRY OF CARE

**Your spiritual needs are very important to the staff at Ss. Joseph and Francis Xavier.** To insure that you receive the desired spiritual care if you are hospitalized or homebound with illness, please assist us by providing us with the following.

### Hospital:

If you would like anointing prior to a scheduled surgery, please call the parish office to schedule an anointing with a priest. You may also receive anointing at the hospital when there is an emergency.

When you are admitted to the hospital it is critical that you or a loved one identifies your religious affiliation, your parish name and your desire for pastoral care and communion visits.

The patient may also call the Ministry of Care line to request communion at the hospital. A Minister of Care will make sure the hospital is informed of this request.

### Homebound:

Trained Ministers of Care are available to bring communion to our parish sick and homebound. Ministers also visit local assisted living and nursing care homes. To schedule a visit, please call the Ministry of Care line at: 847 256-2273 press 0 and a Minister of Care will return your call.

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** is dedicated to helping the poor and others who have come upon difficult times. As Vincentians, we serve those in need through one-on-one counseling, as well as providing financial and other help to those who have fallen on hard times. If you or someone you know wishes to meet with us, please call 847-256-4250 and ask for extension 44 and leave a short message. We will respond as soon as possible. All inquiries will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

## *Ministry of Care Visits Sunday, January 5*

### **After 8:00 Mass Hospital**

#### **J. Lober\*\***

A. Brennan  
J. Hanley  
N.L. Kelly  
E. Melley  
P. Schumann

#### **Mather Home**

10:00am  
S. Donoghue

### **After 9:30 Mass Home**

#### **M. Stone\*\***

S. Crome  
D. Fusco  
L. Glunz  
M. McManus  
J. Zuercher

#### **Symphony**

10:30am

## SACRAMENTS AT SSJFX

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM :

Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :

Saturdays, 9 - 9:30am (SJ) and 4:15 - 4:45pm (SFX)

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE :

Should be arranged at least six months in advance. Contact the Parish Office for details.

### PARISH REGISTRATION :

Registration Forms available in vestibule of Church, at the Parish Offices or from our Website.

## ***Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors Schedule - January 5***

- 5:00pm (SJ):** D. Erie, P. Tischler, S. Smith, S. Wiczorek, A. Erie, D. Barshis, L. Wolff  
D. Barshis (Lector 1), D. Erie (Lector 2)
- 5:00pm (SFX):** A. Frantzen, D. Fugazzotto, J. Grant, M. Watts  
Student (Lector), Student (Commentator)
- 8:00am (SJ):** E. D'souza, N. Ryan, S. Feeley, S. Donoghue, C. Hutchinson, M. Kahle, C. LaFontaine  
S. DeMonte (Lector 1), C. Keefe (Lector 2)
- 9:30am (SFX):** K. Sasso, M. Quinn, M. Horton, L. Glunz, B. Eichenlaub, D. Miller, J. Stahl  
D. Patchin (Lector), K. Sasso (Commentator)
- 10:15am (SFX School):** P. Schumann, J. Lawlor, M. Rodgers
- 10:30am (SJ):** T. Lu, K. Desharnais, A. Hughes, M. Cavalier, H. O'Toole, G. Leech, M. Buckley  
Student (Lector 1), Student (Lector 2)
- 11:30am (SFX):** C. Burgeson, M. Gorman, K. Suse, A. Foerstner, A. Frantzen  
A. Frantzen (Lector), C. Burgeson (Commentator)
- 6:00pm (SJ):** K. Nugent, G. Pearce  
Student (Lector 1), Student (Lector 2)

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