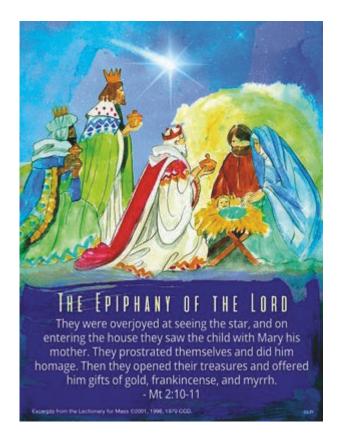
Our Mission:

Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

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.



January 3, 2021 The Epiphany of the Lord

Our parish has reopened for the celebration of the sacraments, private prayer, adoration and Mass, with some modifications. Stay tuned to Fr. Wayne's daily emails for updates on the reopenings. If you'd like to receive our parish emails, or have questions, please contact <u>officessifx@ssifx.org</u>.

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Please note that masks are required to enter our offices.

For emergencies outside of office hours, please call 708-237-6665

Stewardship Report

If you do not do so already, please consider contributing to the Parish electronically, through Give Central:

www.givecentral.org/location/51/event/238

Thank you.

Elijah Cup

The Elijah Cup is traveling between parishioners' homes and we invite you to sign up to receive the it. Now more than ever we need to pray for an increase in vocations and also for our priests at Saints JFX.

For more information or to sign up, please contact: Kirsten Solmos: <u>k.solmos@comcast.net</u> 847-853-9021/847-337-1708

Thank you to all who so generously contributed to the Christmas Flower Fund!





Wayne's World

Dear Friends,

Every nation on earth will adore you.

The Psalm we sing this weekend calls me to reflect happening at home these days. God on the goodness of God and my response to that goodness. calls each of us to experience the The Adoration of the Magi, depicted in many beautiful joy the Christ Child gives, to know works of art, often shows warmth and light shining on the it, to live it and to share it. faces of the adorers, radiating from the one being adored. When we adore our God, God allows warmth and light to shine upon us.

of the Magi reminds us that it really is the Christ Child may be. who deserves our praise and dedication. Herod thought he should receive the adoration and praise from all of his subjects, a little like today's political leaders. Countless love of the God we cannot see. Let's start by adoring distracters (including this enduring pandemic) demand our Christ then let's offer Him the gift of our time, talent, and attention, and lure us away from our paying fitting praise treasure. Let's tell others about his love for us, inviting to God. What's getting in your way of giving Jesus your them to join us in getting caught in the love of the God praise? Let's learn from the Magi to do all in our power to who made Himself known to us in the presence of a little find Christ and praise Him with our lives, and to bring His child. peace to our troubled world.

The Magi traveled in faith to see the Christ Child and offered Him what they had. Each year, we celebrate the birth of Jesus. We celebrate God's becoming man, his dwelling among us. Do we approach Him with the same enthusiasm and excitement as the wise men in Saint Matthew's Gospel? Do we offer the Christ Child any gifts of our selves? Do we invite others to know of the good news of peace and joy that he brings? Do we bow down before Christ and pay Christ the homage we owe Him?

The Magi offered gifts of themselves. prostrated themselves before the Lord. They adored the their teams of logistics volunteers (more than 100 strong), infant Lord. To what do you pay homage? To whom do Jenny and Mary Kay (our communications experts), our you offer your gifts? Does the coming of the Christ Child lectors, commentators, Ron and Chris and the behind-thecause you to be overjoyed? We can decide to make scenes staff members, and all the priests and deacons worship of Him the most important thing we do this year. deserve a round of applause. By the time you read this, we We can offer Him our treasure, without holding back. will have celebrated nearly forty Christmas season Masses Jesus came to show us the love of God.

The Magi saw the star, and followed it. Filled with joy on their arrival at the place where the Child Jesus lay, they entered (encountered Him), did Him homage (worshipped Him), and offered Him gifts of their treasures. Isn't that what we aim to do as a community of faith at Saints JFX? We encounter Jesus in Word and Sacrament. We worship the Lord through full active participation in the liturgy. And we offer the Lord gifts of ourselves.

Many say that Epiphany is the climax of the Christmas season. Maybe it is so that we can continue the joy as we return to our regular routines - back to work and

back to school – even if both are

This week let's do what we can to make others' hearts throb by



our presence in their lives. Let's help them find a reason to The coming of the Magi brings to fulfillment the be joyful. Let's commit to encountering Christ, to prophecy of Isaiah and Jeremiah. Their following the star worshipping Christ, and to wholly and enthusiastically brings to reality the words of the Psalmist. The adoration sharing with Christ our treasure, whatever that treasure

So, in 2021, I invite you to get caught up in the

Peace,



PS, please join me in thanking all who made our Christmas season's worship not only possible, but beautiful. John and They Jonathan and their teams of musicians, Joe and Anne and since the 24th of December! God is good!

Mass Intentions

Schedule for Masses, Sacraments and Benediction			
Monday, January 4 , 2021	Wednesday, January 6, 2021	Saturday, January 9, 2021	Sunday, January 10, 2021
6:30 am SFX	6:30 am SFX	8:30 am SJ	8:00 am SJ*
Presider: Fr. Watts	Presider: Fr. Watts	Presider: Fr. Watts	Presider: Fr. Chun
8:30 am SJ	8:30 am SJ	Intentions:	Intentions:
Presider: Fr. Sheridan	Presider: Msgr. Mayall	(L)Rehbock Family Intentions	+Peter Tomaselli & Family
Intentions: +Bob Jones (L)Jackie Petrozzi (L)Jaime Vehosky	Intentions: +Carol McDonough (L)Sarah McShane	9:00 am - 10:00 am SJ Reconciliation <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i>	9:30 am SFX* Presider: Fr. Harnett Deacon Kerls
Tuesday, January 5, 2021	Thursday, January 7, 2021	5:00 pm SFX*	Intentions:
	6:30 am SFX	Presider: Fr. Watts	+Tom Sampson
6:30 am SFX	Presider: Msgr. Mayall	Intentions:	10:30 am SJ Parking Lot
Presider: Msgr. Mayall	8:30 am SJ	(L)The Volini Family	Presider: Fr. McGrath
8:30 am SJ	Presider: Fr. Harnett	5:00 pm SJ*	Intentions:
Presider: Fr. Watts	Deacon Kerls	Presider: Fr. Sheridan	(L)People of the Parish
Intentions:	Intentions:	Intentions: Active Military	12:15 pm SJ Parking Lot
+Josephina Cannon	(L)People of the Parish		Presider: Msgr. Mayall
9:00 am - 10:00 am SJ Adoration	Friday, January 8, 2021 6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Watts		Intentions: +May Tappendorf
10:00 am SJ: Benediction	8:30 am SJ		7:30 pm SFX
Presider: Msgr. Mayall	Presider: Fr. Sheridan		ACTION Teen Mass
	Intentions: (L) Patrick Van		Presider: Msgr. Mayall
+ Deceased / (L) Living SFX - St. Francis Xavier Church SJ - St. Joseph Church		*Mass attendance is offered by sign-up only. To receive links, contact mkgorman@ssjfx.org	

Masses are livestreamed on our parish YouTube channel. To find our channel, search Saints JFX on www.youtube.com

Prayers for the sick and those in need:

Please email officessjfx@ssjfx.org to add or remove a name.

- Seda Aghajani Carmen Albino Lisa Braband Albrighton Rory Andrykowski Ginnie Becker Tom Beitzel Heather Campbell Guillermo Cannon William Carlin Cecelia Cruz Peter DiClementi, Jr.
- John Patrick Gabby Ryan Glassberg Margaret Grothe Phillip Hall Tim Hanson Barbara Hardy Barbara Hawkinson Laura Hendricks Tom Hopkins Loretta Jacobs

Gina DiPaolo

Brier Johnston Roberta Kamp Bob Kerrigan Will Leming Betsi Burns Landolt Dolores Meier Paul Molaro Colin Mowbray Elizabeth Mowbray Daniel O'Herron Pam O'Reilly Monica Pecuch Olivia Sergot Brian Slowinski Liliana Suciu Carol Solger Elliott Villarreal David W. Dolores Welch Krista Wilkinson Audrey Williams Carol Woodard Shirley Zeeb In prayer and loving memory of:

Quinn Joseph Vanderbosch



Parish Life



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 2nd 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 Cpt 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 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

US Marine Corps

1st Lt Jeff Barak, Friend of Frantzen family Pvt 1st 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 & Michele Hinchcliff 1st Lt Brad Gustafson, Son of Garth & Myrna Gustafson, and Brother of Jack Gustafson Ssgt Walter Ramirez, Son of Enrique & Mary Lou Ramirez 2nd Lt William Smith, Nephew of John & Mary Smith Pfc Trevor J. Talbot, Son of Bill & Mary Talbot, and Brother of Hope Talbot

<u>US Navy</u>

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

If you would like to add or remove a name, please contact the parish office at officessjfx@ssjfx.org

We are collecting **NEW** winter jackets, hats, gloves, and scarves (for men, women and children) for our sharing parishes.

Donations can be brought to the parish offices or left in sharing corner of both churches.

Thank you!



St. Thomas of Canterbury/St. Ignatius Urgent Request!

Food insecurity is a serious issue for our friends at our sharing parishes.

We are collecting non-perishable food items as well as paper products and personal care products.

Items can be dropped off at the following locations:

-SFX or St. Joseph Church at Mass times. -SFX Parish Office, Monday-Thursday 9am-4:30pm St. Joseph Parish Office Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm -415 9th Street (please leave on front porch)

Questions? Contact sean@lannanfamily.com Thank you for your generosity!

Parish Life

Readings for the week of January 4, 2021

- Monday: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
- Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
- Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
- Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11

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is dedicated to helping the poor and others who have come upon difficult times. We serve those in need through one-on-one counseling, as well as financial and other help to those who have fallen on hard times.

If you or someone you know would like to meet with us, please call 847-256-4250 and when prompted by the recording for the St. Vincent de Paul line, press 3. We will respond as soon as possible.

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