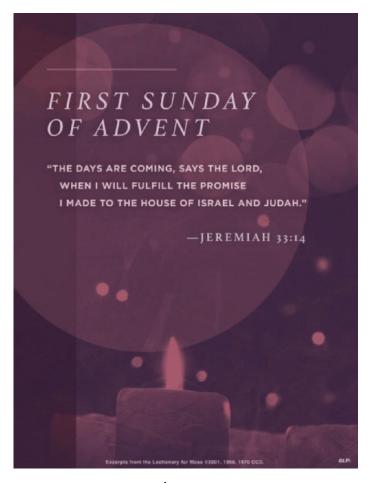


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November 28, 2021

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Stewardship Report

November 14, 2021

Collected at Church:

Envelopes: \$6,146.00 Loose Cash: \$1,267.00

Electronic

Contributions: \$20,029.00

Total: \$27,442.00

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Readings for the week of November 29, 2021

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9;

Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;

Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6;

Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11;

Lk 3:1-6

Parish Staff Guest Columnist: Ron Berger, Liturgical Planner

The past 18+ months have indeed been challenging on many levels. I am sure that quite a few of you - like me -- have been unable to spend time with close family and friends. Vacations were put on hold. Holidays could not be celebrated together. Zoom became a much-used term, but it wasn't the same.

Up until the pandemic, I was fortunate to visit relatives in Southern California over the Christmas holidays. For me that started in 1983. It was always an exciting time. After I retired in 2009, I was able to add the Fourth of July to that list. How great that was to be together not once but twice a year!

Then Covid hit, and everything changed. Telephone calls and Zoom exchanges had to suffice. Now, however, things have improved, so much so that I decided this was the time to pay a visit to my family. I recently returned from a two-week trip to California. It wasn't for Christmas or Thanksgiving but rather a quiet time to simply enjoy each other's company and hope that these visits will come more often. My niece, with whom I stayed, planned a gathering with almost 30 family members to celebrate the return of their uncle, great uncle, and great-great uncle. How cool was that!

As I think about this exciting event, something else comes to mind. Over two years ago, two parishes became one. We celebrated with over 1,000 people at Vattmann Park. It was challenging but renewing. Then Covid hit. Churches closed, and the only way to attend Mass was to watch it on YouTube. Something indeed was missing. Receiving a spiritual Communion was different from receiving the Body of Christ. Then things got better!! Churches reopened, and even though we had to register for Mass, at least we could be in "God's house" and receive His Son in the Real Presence.

Sitting in every third row, registering for Mass, getting our hands sanitized are hopefully in the rear-view mirror. However, receiving Holy Communion is very much here to stay. I hope you are taking advantage of the fact that Mass is now more readily available. Jesus is calling you! Your answer should be "Here I am, Lord". Join me and your fellow parishioners in church. As we celebrate Thanksgiving, be grateful for all that God has given you, and show that gratitude by taking an active role in a worshiping community.

See you in church! Ron Berger

From the Loft

This Sunday the choir returns to singing Sunday Mass at 10:30 in St. Joseph Church. At offertory, they will sing the Acclamation from Robert Ray's famous "Gospel Mass" as they joyfully proclaim, "Praise Him with stringed instruments, praise Him with dance; praise Him on the psaltery and harp, everything that has breath ought to praise Him." Our communion meditation, "My Soul in Stillness Waits", is Mary's prayer as she anticipates the coming of the Christ child only 4 weeks away.

Choir Update - From here on, SJ Masses will be at 10:30am on Sunday with a 9:30am rehearsal.

DECEMBER

December 5: Parish choir at SFX @ 9:30am December 12: Parish choir at SJ @ 10:30am December 19: Individual choirs: SFX @ 9:30am,

SJ Gospel choir @ 10:30am

December 24: Individual choirs for Vigil Mass

at both churches: 10:30pm

IANUARY

January 9: Parish choir at SJ @ 10:30am January 16: Parish choir at SFX @ 9:30am January 23: Parish choir at SJ @ 10:30am January 30: Parish choir at SFX @ 9:30am

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday November 29, 2021

6:30 am SFX

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Watts

Intentions:

- +Eugene Ponzi
- +John Sugrue
- +Vivian Vesco

Tuesday November 30, 2021

6:30 am SFX
Presider: Fr. Ryan

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

- +Thomas DiCanio
- +Silvio & Maria Marinaro
- +Carol Smith

9:00 am - 10:00 am SJ Adoration

10:00 am SJ: Benediction Presider: Deacon Kerls

+ Deceased / (L) Living SFX - St. Francis Xavier Church SJ - St. Joseph Church

Wednesday December 1, 2021

6:30 am SFX

Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

- +Calista Gorman
- +Tony & Justin Hill

Thursday December 2, 2021

6:30 am SFX
Presider: Fr. Ryan

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Harnett
Deacon Kerls

Intentions:

- +Stanley Laniewski
- +Harold A. Mann, Jr.
- +Deceased Members of the Sammon & Quinn Families

Friday December 3, 2021

6:30 am SFX

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

8:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions:

+Sherman Ward Turner

Saturday December 4, 2021

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions:

(L)Regina Lee & Family

9:00 - 10:00 am SJ Reconciliation

5:00 pm SFX

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions:

- +Christopher Ainsley
- +Kathleen & Mike Merfeld
- +Thomas O'Brien

5:00 pm SJ

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

- +Evans Kostas
- +Loan Suciu
- +Michael Tischler

Sunday December 5, 2021

8:00 am SJ

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

- +Josephina Cannon
- +Arlene Carlson
- +Dolores & Robert Welch
- (L)Liliana Suciu

9:30 am SFX

Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions:

(L)People of the Parish

10:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Watts

Intentions:

- +Josephina Cannon
- +Arlene Carlson
- +Mark Solomon D'Silva
- +Dolores & Robert Welch

11:30 am SFX

Presider: Fr. Harnett

Intentions:

+Robert O'Connell

7:30 pm SFX ACTION Mass

Presider: Fr. Ryan

Masses are livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

To find our channel, search Saints JFX on www.youtube.com

Please pray for the sick and those in need:

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Will Leming
Betsi Burns Landolt
Barbara Lori-Mayo
Dolores Meier
Colin Mowbray
Daniel O'Herron
Pam O'Reilly
John Ondrejicka
Monica Pecuch

Oliva Sergot
Brian Slowinski
Charlotte Soracoe
Mary Stapleton
Liliana Suciu
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In prayer and loving memory of:

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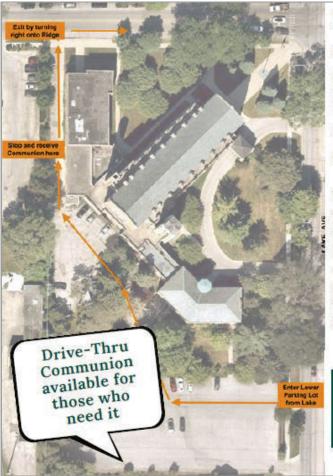


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Our 10:30am Car Mass moves back into St. Joseph Church on Sunday, November 28, 2021.

Please join us to worship with the choirs and in the beauty of the sanctuary.

If you are not comfortable being in church, please take advantage of Drive-Thru Communion after Mass ends.



If you are concerned about entering church (the elderly, medically compromised)...

Watch Mass on YouTube and then come in your car -- enter the lower lot off Lake Avenue. Drive up through the upper lot, down the little service road south of the annex, receive Communion, and then exit onto Ridge Road.



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Saints JFX Women's Club Annual Toy Drive Benefitting Catholic Charities November 14 - December 8, 2021

Please place NEW & UNWRAPPED toys in collection boxes located in both St. Joseph and SFX churches. Collection boxes are also located in the St. Joseph Rectory Office and the SFX Parish Office.

Questions?
Julie Sneyd Duffy
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Saints JFX Women's Club invites you to our

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Wednesday, December 15th at 6:30pm

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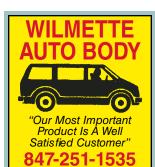
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RSVP by Mail \$30 check made out to SSJFX Women's Club to: Sally Robey

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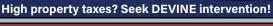
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