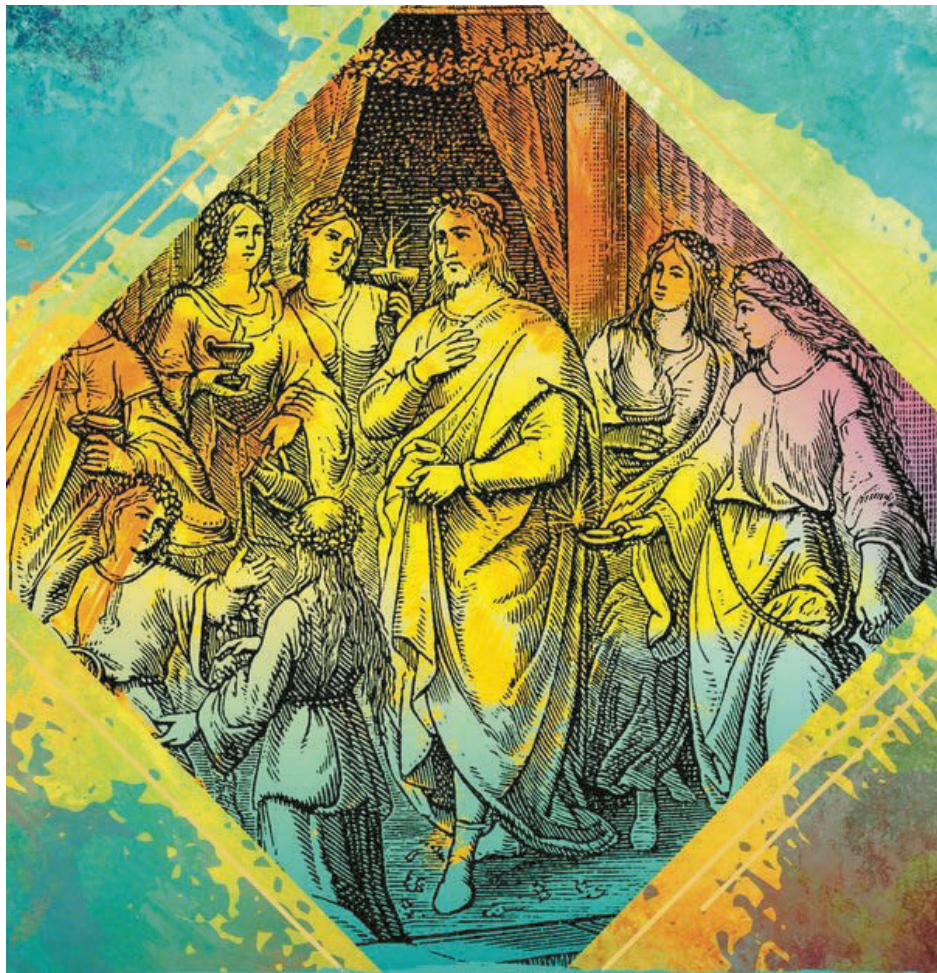




# Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

## 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.



## 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You know neither the day nor the hour.”  
- Mt 25: 13

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November 12, 2023



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## Saints JFX Mass Schedule

### Daily Mass

6:30 am (SFX) Monday through Friday

8:30 am (St. Joseph) Monday through Saturday

### Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 pm (St. Joseph)

5:00 pm (SFX)

### Sunday Mass

8:00 am (St. Joseph)

9:30 am (SFX)

10:30 am (St. Joseph)\*

11:30 am (SFX)

4:45 pm (St. Joseph)

7:30 pm (SFX) Teen ACTION Mass

\*Drive up communion is offered at St. Joseph Church after 10:30 am Mass. Please drive through the lower church parking lot to the Annex door on the south side of the church.

Confession is offered from 9:00 - 10:00 am on Saturday at St. Joseph Church.

## Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish Offices

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Dear Friends,

I enjoy spending time in the classroom each week with our 8th grade cohorts. We pray. We talk about what's new. We discuss what they're learning in religion class. We review the next Sunday's readings. And they have opportunities to ask me questions. Last week we discussed Confirmation and preparing for it. I reminded them the importance of getting ready, in the true sense of the term.

At the 5:00 Masses on Saturday and the 4:45 Mass and Sunday these young people, and their friends who attend public school and the Family of Faith program will participate in the Rite of Enrollment. They will stand before the respective congregations and promise to prepare earnestly for their confirmation, and the coming of the Holy Spirit in the spring of 2024.

Today's Gospel reminds us that we cannot afford to procrastinate in our pilgrimage of faith. As we hasten on our pilgrim way to the kingdom, we need not waste time. We must start preparing here and now for the journey to the everlasting life. We do not know just how tight our schedule really is. What does getting ready mean to you?

At this time every year, the universal Church points to the end of time, and our preparation for it. We are not to live in fear of death, but we are to be always readying ourselves for it. We ready ourselves by living lives in accordance with the will of God. In November, we recall the saints and souls, and that God wants us to be saints. Pope Benedict XVI, in speaking to young people in 2010, when he was 83 years old – and our confirmandi were toddlers, invited them to consider their preparation for the Kingdom, to examine their own readiness for the future.

*Since I have the chance now, there is something I very much want to say to you. I hope that among those of you listening to me today there are some of the future saints of the twenty-first century.*

*What God wants most of all for each one of you is that you should become holy. He loves you much more than you could ever begin to imagine, and he wants the very best for you. And by far the best thing for you is to grow in holiness.*

*Perhaps some of you have never thought about this before. Perhaps some of you think being a saint is not for you. Let me explain what I mean. When we are young, we can usually think of people that we look up to, people we admire, people we want to be like. It could be someone we meet in our daily lives that we hold in great esteem. Or it*

*could be someone famous. We live in a celebrity culture, and young people are often encouraged to model themselves on figures from the world of sport or entertainment.*

*My question for you is this: what are the qualities you see in others that you would most like to have yourselves? What kind of person would you really like to be? When I invite you to become saints, I am asking you not to be content with second best. I am asking you not to pursue one limited goal and ignore all the others. Having money makes it possible to be generous and to do good in the world, but on its own, it is not enough to make us happy. Being highly skilled in some activity or profession is good, but it will not satisfy us unless we aim for something greater still. It might make us famous, but it will not make us happy.*

*Happiness is something we all want, but one of the great tragedies in this world is that so many people never find it, because they look for it in the wrong places. The key to it is very simple – true happiness is to be found in God. We need to have the courage to place our deepest hopes in God alone, not in money, in a career, in worldly success, or in our relationships with others, but in God. Only he can satisfy the deepest needs of our hearts.*

Getting ready, then, involves asking ourselves hard questions and examining what the answers mean in our lives. We need to recognize, admit, and be ever aware that the Holy Father's words in 2010 were indeed right: true happiness is to be found in God. Getting ready means stop looking in the wrong places for happiness and to allow our restless hearts to rest in God.

Don't be like the foolish maidens. Be a saint! Prepare. Get ready. The Lord is coming.

Peace,



Rev. Wayne T. Waus



# Weekly Mass Schedule

<p><b>Monday November 13, 2023</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Dawne Berkman +Michael "Miles" Standish (L)David Lee &amp; Family</p>	<p><b>Wednesday November 15, 2023</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Guillermo Cannon +Stephanie Fernholz +Joseph Soukenik</p>	<p><b>Saturday November 18, 2023</b> 8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Ryan</i></p> <p>Intentions: +John &amp; Louise Schinler</p> <p>3:00 pm SFX Wedding McGann/Alleguez</p> <p>5:00 pm SJ <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p>	<p><b>Sunday November 19, 2023</b> 8:00 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Munz, SJ</i></p> <p>Intentions: +John Clarke +Z &amp; K Kaczorowski</p> <p>9:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Tom Sampson</p>
<p><b>Tuesday November 14, 2023</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Carol Perkins</p> <p>9:00 am-10:00 am SJ Eucharistic Adoration</p>	<p><b>Thursday November 16, 2023</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Ryan</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Justin Hill +Tony Hill +Jean Kane</p>	<p>Intentions: +Marjorie Cilley +Michael Tischler +Deceased members of the DiClementi/Stewart Families (L)Sr Josephine Rose Carmel</p> <p>5:00 pm SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Hugh Mulligan</p>	<p>10:30 am SFX Baptism Daly Family</p> <p>10:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Ryan</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Olivia Sergot +Liliana Suci</p> <p>11:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p>
<p>+ Deceased / (L) Living SFX - St. Francis Xavier SJ -St. Joseph</p>	<p><b>Friday November 17, 2023</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Ryan</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Carol Perkins +Colleen O'Connor Rooney</p>	<p>Masses are livestreamed on our YouTube channel.</p> <p>To find our channel, search <i>Saints JFX</i> on <a href="http://www.youtube.com">www.youtube.com</a></p>	<p>Intentions: +Dave Crome</p> <p>4:45 pm SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Mark Cavanaugh</p> <p>7:30 pm SFX Action Mass <i>Presider: Fr. Ryan</i></p>

**Please pray for the sick and those in need:**

Seda Aghajani  
Carmen Albino  
Rory Andrykowski  
Laura B.  
Ginnie Becker  
Heather Campbell  
Cecelia Cruz  
Peter DiClementi, Jr.  
Gino DiPaolo  
Paige Ehlman  
John Patrick Gabby

Ryan Glassberg  
Sally Griffin  
Sheila Groark  
Phillip Hall  
Tim Hanson  
Barbara Hardy  
Barbara Hawkinson  
Catherine Horan  
Bob Kerrigan  
Will Leming

Betsy Burns Landolt-  
Barbara Lori-Mayo  
Tiffany McGivern  
John McGuinness  
Eden McKenna  
Dolores Meier  
Colin Mowbray  
Daniel O'Herron  
Pam O'Reilly  
John Ondrejicka

Keith Osmanski  
Monica Pecuch  
Brian Slowinski  
Mary Stapleton  
Allen Stone  
Gary Strutz  
Trudy Tonelli  
Elliott Villarreal  
David W.  
Krista Wilkinson  
Audrey Williams

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and loving memory of:*

*John Clarke*



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**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** is dedicated to helping the poor and others who have fallen upon difficult times.

If you or someone you know is in need of help, please call the parish office at (847) 256-4250 and ask for extension 44. If you are calling outside of business hours, please press 3 to leave a message, and we will return your call as soon as possible. All inquiries are treated in the strictest of confidence.



**Saints JFX Ministry of Care**



Experienced Ministers of Care are available to bring communion to our parish sick and homebound, those in senior facilities, and Evanston Hospital.

If you or a family member would like to schedule a visit, please contact the MOC Care line at (847) 256-2273 (CARE) or email [mbirmingham@ssjfx.org](mailto:mbirmingham@ssjfx.org)

**Sacraments at Saints JFX**

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Request form can be found on our parish website: [ssjfx.org/baptism.html](http://ssjfx.org/baptism.html)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 9:00 am-10:00 am at St. Joseph Church or by appointment. Please call 847/256-4250

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Request form can be found on our parish website: [ssjfx.org/weddings.html](http://ssjfx.org/weddings.html)

Parish registration forms can be found on [ssjfx.org/join-our-parish.html](http://ssjfx.org/join-our-parish.html)

**Stewardship Report**

November 5, 2023

Collected at Church:

Envelopes: \$ 7,909.00

Loose Cash: \$ 1,728.00

Electronic Contributions: \$21,880.00

Total: \$31,517.00

If you are able, please consider contributing electronically via PushPay using the QR code.



Thank you for your generosity.

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*Kathleen McGann and William Alleguez  
Bann III*



**Pray the Rosary**

Please join us to pray the Rosary at 7:30 am daily

To join online:

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Meeting ID: 243 977 469 891

Passcode: MYhkSx

If you prefer to call in:

Dial (872)242-9930;

Conference ID: 267-145-550#

The Rosary is also prayed at 8:00 am, Monday through Saturday at St. Joseph Church, followed by 8:30 am Mass. All are welcome.



## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY, PRAY FOR PEACE

### US Air Force

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2nd Lt Luke Stenberg

### US Army

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Cpt Ryan Cannon  
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Spc Harrison Daniels  
Maj Jason Harlan  
Pvt Ryan Higgins  
SPC Zach Lueken  
Sgt Brenda Lore Mayo  
Sgt David Lore Mayo  
Maj Anita Scattone  
Lt Col Shawn Schwarz  
Lt Ryan Slattery  
Maj Benjamin Stumpf

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Pvt Stuart Corboy III  
Sgt Joseph Devroy  
Cpt Peter Dulaney  
Sgt Brandon Galgay  
Sgt Aidan Gobeyn  
Cpt Brad Gustafson  
Ssgt Walter Ramirez  
Cpt William Smith  
Cpl Trevor J. Talbot  
Pvt 1st Class Stevie Williams

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PO2 Kevin Morrison  
ENS Hugh Rider  
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Shane Zeman

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Sgt Steven Tetzlaff  
Sgt Jackson Knott  
Lt Col Grant Swinger

*If you would like to add or remove a name,  
please contact us at [officessjfx@ssjfx.org](mailto:officessjfx@ssjfx.org).*



## Readings for the week of November 12, 2023

Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/  
1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/  
Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23-3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/  
Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135,  
175/Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37,  
42-43/Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3,  
4-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15,  
19-21



### **Please help!**

The migrants arriving in Chicago are ill-prepared for winter weather and Catholic Charities is collecting the following new or gently used WINTER items: Coats, Sweaters, Warm Pants, Sweatshirts, Hats, Scarves, Mittens, and Gloves.

We respectfully ask that any used items be washed prior to donating.

Items can be brought to our parish offices, the sharing corner at SFX Church, or the table outside of the SJ Community Room through Sunday November 12. We will be delivering all donations to Catholic Charities on Monday November 13.

Thank you!



Saints JFX is in the process of transitioning to our new parish database. If your home address, home/cell phone number or email address has changed, email [mkgorman@ssjfx.org](mailto:mkgorman@ssjfx.org) and we will update the census. Thank you!





**St. Vincent de Paul Jail Ministry**

Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart shared his concerns about the unique challenges facing men and women released suddenly from jail following a court appearance. Sheriff Dart explained that they may get released during a February blizzard wearing only the T-shirt and shorts that they had on when arrested the previous July, unaccompanied and without shelter. Many have been held because they have been unable to pay bail and are homeless.

Listening in the audience, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Conference members felt a call to help. As founder St. Vincent de Paul said, "Charity is infinitely inventive."

The St. Vincent de Paul Jail Ministry began that day. Working with the Cook County Department of Corrections, we created a program that provides backpacks filled with personal hygiene items, underwear, socks, and seasonal wear such as warm coats. This past year, we gave 850 backpacks to the newly released after assembly by St. Vincent de Paul and other parish ministries such as the Women's Club and ACTION.

Recently, the program has expanded to give 100 backpacks to asylum seekers housed in the police stations. At one station, 20 pairs of steel toe work boots and heavy socks were also provided for men housed there, replacing their sandals, and allowing them to work as day laborers.

**Please help.** These folks are among the many people in need that we've assisted this past year. Father Wayne has graciously designated this year's parish Thanksgiving collection for the benefit of our Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Conference. You can support our work needed more than ever by contributing via the QR code.

Assisting individuals and families in financial or personal crisis is the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's number one mission. Our goal is to assist clients so that they may get "back on their own feet". **Your support, through the Thanksgiving collection, enables us to provide a lifeline to families and individuals. Your generous contribution means so much to us and the people we serve.**



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**WHO WILL FILL THESE SHOES?**  
**Vocation event Nov. 24 for high school males**

Fr. Vic Ivers passed away in 2014 at age 95. At St. Joseph Parish in Libertyville, as his final Mass was coming to a conclusion, he stopped, took off his shoes, laid them in front of the altar and said, "so now who will fill these shoes?" Then he processed out, leaving the shoes behind with a question that remains for today. The Who Will Fill These Shoes? event has been celebrated in the Archdiocese of Chicago ever since. For more information, visit [vocations.archchicago.org](http://vocations.archchicago.org).



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# TRI-PARISH Event

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Death and Dying Embraced  
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Lead by:  
**Fr. Wayne F. Watts**  
Pastor, Saints JFX

**Nancy Lou Kelly**  
Founding Ministry of Care Director, Saints JFX

Please join us for our next Tri-Parish event! We will have an enlightening discussion on a topic all of us must face as a natural part of life – Death & Dying

**13<sup>TH</sup> November**      **7<sup>PM</sup> START**

Saint Joseph Church 1747 Lake Ave  
followed by light refreshments in the St. Joseph Community Room

Questions:  
**Michael Cesario**  
[mjcesario@ssjfx.org](mailto:mjcesario@ssjfx.org)


Please scan the QR code to register for the event



## A CONVERSATION WITH MEG KISSINGER, AUTHOR OF WHILE YOU WERE OUT:

*An Intimate Family Portrait of Mental Illness in an Era of Silence*

**MEG KISSINGER**



Meg is an alumna of St. Francis Xavier and, along with other mental health professionals, will speak to her experience on mental illness. Resources for those who may need them will be available.

SFX GYM: 808 Linden Ave.  
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The annual Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) collection will take place on the weekend of November 18 and 19.

For over 50 years, CCHD has been working in partnership with community organizations to address the root causes of poverty in the United States. We promote organizations that help people help themselves, and our mission to break the cycle of poverty continues to be at the heart of our faith. CCHD grantees organize members of their communities to create jobs, improve neighborhoods, keep schools safe and enriching for children, and raise leaders of the future right here in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

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Saints Joseph and  
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We invite you to join the Eucharistic Ministry at Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish. Eucharistic Ministers play an important role in distributing the Body and Blood of Christ during mass. As demand for the Blood of Christ has increased, we are calling for volunteers to join this ministry to help meet this growing need.

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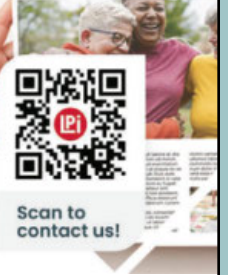
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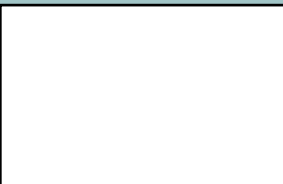
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