

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.



March 15, 2020

Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Mass Schedule

Daily Masses:

Monday—Friday
6:30am SJ
8:15am SFX
8:30am SJ

Saturday Masses:

8:30am SJ
5:00pm SJ and SFX

Sunday Masses:

8:00am SJ
9:30am SFX
10:15am SFX (School)
10:30am SJ
11:30am SFX
6:00pm SJ
7:30pm SFX
(ACTION Youth Mass,
September through April)



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Religious Education Office: 847-251-3734
Parish Office Hours:
Monday-Wednesday: 9am—8:00pm
Thursday and Friday: 9am—4:30pm
Saturday: 9am—1pm
Sunday: 8:30am—11:30am

St. Francis Xavier Campus (SFX)

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

Schedule of Events: Week of March 15 - 22, 2020

Sunday, March 15

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

Monday, March 16

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

Tuesday, March 17

9a - 7p Adoration - SJ Church
9:30a Al-Anon - SJ Annex - 1C
7p Benediction - SJ Church

Wednesday, March 18

2p Lectio Divina - SFX Parish Office
6p Music Ministry Choir Rehearsal - SFX Church

Thursday, March 19

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

Friday, March 20

6p Soup and Stations - SJ Church

Saturday, March 21

8a AA - Community Room - SJ
9a Confessions - SJ Church
4:15p Confessions - SFX Church

Sunday, March 22

9:30a Children's Liturgy of the Word - SFX Church
10:30a Children's Liturgy of the Word - SJ Annex - 1C
6p Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide - LOSS: Joseph Room, SJ Campus

Dear Friends,

The psalmist writes, “If today you hear God’s voice, harden not your hearts.” Grumbling and gossiping, bitterness and anger, cynicism and negativity harden our hearts and prevent anything from penetrating. Our second reading this weekend reminds us that God has poured God’s love **into** our hearts through the Holy Spirit, which has been given to us. God wants to continue to allow a free flow of that love to enter our hearts. This Lent let us continue to strive to soften our hearts and to rid ourselves of the hardness that prevents God’s goodness from working in us.

“Is the Lord in our midst or not?” What a question! The place was Massah and Meribah, but it could have been Wilmette. Isn’t that a question we want to ask often? I tell you, I hear it a lot. When difficulties arise, when life does not go as well as the faithful would have it, when roadblocks seem to get in the way, when the going gets tough, we are tempted to doubt. Especially now, with the Coronavirus threatening peoples and economies - and even preventing people from attending Holy Mass in some parts of the world -- the question becomes our own, **“Is the Lord in our midst or not?”**

In the Hebrew Scripture reading today, the *chosen people* doubted. Tired and thirsty from their journey to freedom, they grumbled against God and against the one God had chosen to lead them. Their hearts were beginning to harden. Negativity had begun to set in. So, faithfully and a bit fearfully, Moses pleaded with God. And God gave them water ... from a rock. God gave Moses water from the rock to remind His chosen ones (and that includes us!) of His presence in the midst of difficulty. His response to Moses’ plea invites each of us to present our needs in faith.

Jesus offers living water and shares his inviting words not only to the woman at the well, but to each one of us today. He challenges her -- and us -- to worship in spirit and in truth. He bids us to see the great things we can accomplish if we allow ourselves to live with Him, in Him, and through Him. Jesus invites us to see and hear for ourselves, as the people of Samaria did, and come to know that he truly *is* the savior of the world.

Perhaps we can respond to that bidding, that invitation, this Lent. When we do reply with fleshy hearts to that invitation, we will indeed see for ourselves that the answer to the question, **“Is the Lord in our midst or not?”** is a wholehearted YES!

Our Gospel gives us another point of view. We see Jesus, tired and thirsty from **His** journey, encountering the woman of Samaria. Her heart, hardened by difficult relationships and a challenging, lonely life, almost prevents God’s love from being poured into it. Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well at about noon. The heat of the day oppressed at that hour. Most women, scholars say, would go to the well in the morning to do their washing and fetching of water for the home. Mornings

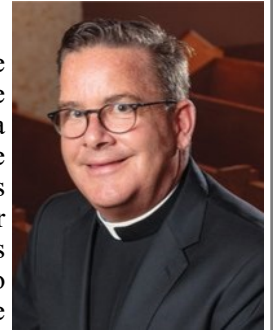
allowed for more moderate temperatures. The gathering at the well became, for those present, a social function, a time to converse and share with one another the joys and burdens of life. After doing their chores and enjoying one another’s company, the women would return to their homes before the heat of the day would become too burdensome.

Our woman comes at **noon**, presumably alone. Her situation in life, the way others may look at her, or the way she may feel about herself prevents her from being part of the morning group. She doubts, questions, and rejects his request. “How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?” This opens the door for Jesus to tell her and us about the life-giving water He can provide. Her comment allows Jesus to minister to her, to love her, to provide for her. Because of His mercy and love, because of the offer of thirst-quenching water, the poor woman’s life was changed; this encounter changed her life and she became a disciple.

We encounter Jesus in the Sacraments. In no Sacrament does Jesus break down barriers more than in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Our guilt and sin weigh us down, but God’s mercy, made manifest in the person of Jesus and in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, lifts us up. Come home to the Sacrament and you will be welcomed as you encounter Jesus.

On Tuesday, March 24th we celebrate together the mercy of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will gather at 7:00 pm, listen to Sacred Scripture, sing some songs, examine our consciences, and have an opportunity for individual Sacramental Reconciliation. Please join us in our encountering the mercy and love of the Lord. He will break our barriers.

Happy Lent,

Schedule for Masses, Sacraments and Benediction

<u>Monday, March 16, 2020</u>	<u>Wednesday, March 18, 2020</u>	<u>Friday, March 20, 2020</u>	<u>Sunday, March 22, 2020</u>
<p>6:30am SJ +Ann and Michael Benich <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>8:15am SFX +John McGeady <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p>8:30am SJ +Dr. Hoon Paul Kye <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p>	<p>6:30am SJ +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>8:15am SFX +Howard Lovely <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>8:30am SJ (L)Intention of Tom Hopkins <i>Presider: Fr. Spotts, S. J.</i></p>	<p>6:30am SJ +Micaela McGreal +Edward S. Szmyd <i>Presider: Fr. Spotts, S. J.</i></p> <p>8:15am SFX (L)James Ward <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>8:30am SJ +Joseph Biela +Edward Szmyd +Cecilia Lee <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>	<p>8:00am SJ +Mary Lee Condon O'Connor +Franciszek Szczech <i>Presider: Fr. Chun</i> <i>Deacon Kerls</i></p> <p>9:30am SFX +Bill Geary <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i> <i>Deacon Kerls</i></p> <p>10:15am SFX School +Bob and Kitty Jones <i>Presider: Fr. Spotts, S. J.</i></p> <p>10:30am SJ +Ermando Gambacorta +Roselinda Florido Almase <i>Presider: Fr. Chun</i></p> <p>11:30am SFX +Alison Ebert <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>1:00pm SFX Baptism: Sullivan <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>6:00pm SJ +Randy Lazzaro +Domenic and Carmen Savignani <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p>
<u>Tuesday, March 17, 2020</u>	<u>Thursday, March 19, 2020</u>	<u>Saturday, March 21, 2020</u>	
<p>6:30am SJ (L)Intention of Dennis Ray Benich <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>8:15am SFX +Peter Meenaghan +Robert Bevenour <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p>8:30am SJ (L)Intention of Shirley Zeeb <i>Presider: Fr. Spotts, S. J.</i></p> <p>7:00pm Benediction SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p>	<p>6:30am SJ +Joseph Park <i>Presider: Fr. Spotts, S. J.</i></p> <p>8:15am SFX +Bob and Kitty Jones <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p>8:30am SJ (L)Intention of Joce Oliyapurathu +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>10:00am SFX School Mass <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>	<p>8:30am SJ (L)Intention of Grace Lee and Family (L)Intention of the Rehbock Family <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>Confessions 9:00am SJ: <i>Fr. Rodrigue</i> 4:15pm SFX: <i>Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p>2:30pm SFX - Wedding <i>Presiders: Fr. Watts and Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>5:00pm SFX +Bob and Michael McHugh +Diane Keegan +Kate Henn <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p>5:00pm SJ +Silvia and Adolfo Ridolfi <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p>	
<p>+ Deceased / (L) Living / SJ - St. Joseph Church / SFX - St. Francis Xavier Church SFX School - St. Francis Xavier School</p>			

Prayers for the sick and those in need

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

Please call the parish office at 847/256-4250 if you'd like to add or remove a name.

In prayer
and loving memory of:

Tom Hanley
Jett Peter Langlois





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
Pvt Jasmine Ramsey, Granddaughter of Carol Solger
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

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the parish office at 847/256-4250*

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 & 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
2nd 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



Marriage Banns

SFX Church

*Colleen Barrett and
Edward Halaburt
Bann III*

WORD Holy Listening Lectio Divina Try it for Lent

Reading. Silence. Listening for God's message. Sharing. Praying.

Through the use of Lectio Divina, a time-proven tradition in the Catholic Church, we gather, quiet our souls, read the gospel for the upcoming Sunday liturgy four times, meditating briefly in silence between readings. We share, if so moved, then pray our needs and intercessions. We leave refreshed and prepared for Sunday. It is a rich experience and lasts an hour or less.

An Encounter With The Sunday Gospel....on Wednesday afternoons!



When: 2:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoons

Where: Parish Office at SFX 524 9th St.

Questions? klyons@ssjfx.org 847-256-4250

*Come once or every week, whenever the spirit moves you.
Join Us! All are welcome!*

Lenten Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, March 24th 7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Church, Lake and Ridge Avenues

Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier along with Saints Faith Hope and Charity and Divine Mercy Parishes will join for a celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will sing and pray communally; several priests will be available for individual confession.

All are welcome!

We have
peace with
 God
 through
 our
Lord
 Jesus Christ.
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RCIA Rite of Election
 Holy Name Cathedral
 March 1, 2020

Our Candidates for full communion
 in the Catholic Church



Pictured left to right:
 Francie Alexander, Vaughn Leath, Susan Mura
 and Noah Mayster
 Missing: Susan Nelson

Soup & Stations

Friday's during Lent

February 28th - April 3rd

6:00pm in the SJ Community Room for a soup dinner

7:00pm in Church for Stations of the Cross

Please enter the link below to help by making a pot of soup one evening or by volunteering to set up and serve.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4eabab28a46-soup1>

Questions, contact Dana McKenna:

847-251-3734 or dmckenna@ssjfx.org

Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Councils seeking new members

The Finance Council (FC) oversees the fiscal responsibilities of the parish and produces the annual financial report. The FC also works with the Pastor and the Director of Operations in preparing and approving the annual budget, overseeing and approving major capital expenditures as well as reviewing the operating results and providing important guidance in the financial management of the parish. Meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month, September through June. In addition to the monthly meeting, council volunteers are asked to work on sub-committees to actively work on Parish finance projects. Terms are 3 years and the preferred number of volunteers for the FC is 12. The FC is open to all parishioners and strives to have a mix of professional backgrounds including, but not limited to, finance, accounting, legal, marketing, consulting, and fundraising from both parish and school individuals across a range of age groups.

Current members of the Finance Council are: Paul DeCrane (Chair), Colleen Driscoll, Kieran Stack, Ann Hughes, Karen Holmberg, Kevin Shields, George Trapp, Dave Flick, Tom O'Toole, Ania Connelly, Patti Tsuru and Sam Merriott.

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) -- The Parish Pastoral Council is the main consultative body of the Parish and exercises shared responsibility for the Pastoral life of the parish with the Pastor. This includes periodic reevaluation of the parish mission statement, defining parish goals, setting broad strategies for implementing those goals, and evaluating the parish's success in carrying out the Church's mission. The council represents a cross section of the parish. Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of the month, September through June. In addition to monthly meetings, members are asked to serve on sub-committees such as evangelization, stewardship, or hospitality. Terms are 3 years and the preferred number for the PPC is 15.

Current members of the PPC are: Macaire Trapp (Chair), Ross Richards , Anna Rosenberg, Mark Concannon, Pat Hanna, Catherine Sullivan, Dody Hickey, Laura Phillips, Melissa Petri, Matt Cavalier, Nellie Ross, Maggie Burton, Rachel Kuhn and Jenny Schade.

If you wish to apply for the Finance or Parish Pastoral Council, please contact either parish office for an application. You will be put in contact with a council member or provided with an application. SJ office 847 251 0771, rleech@ssjfx.org or SFX office 847-256-4250 officessjfx@ssjfx.org

The School Board -- The School Board is an advisory body serving the Pastor and Principal through input rooted in expertise and experience across a range of disciplines including finance, facilities, marketing, technology, academic planning and development. The board is currently accepting applications for 3-year appointments beginning with the 2020-2021 academic year and meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month during the academic year. Board members should be SSJFX parishioners or school parents.

Current board members are: Tim Horton, Erik Brown, Trish Capitanini, Katie Hayes, Mike Henn, Rich Kirkendall, Jennifer McGinn, Katie Schreiber, Chris Thomas, Tasha Wallace. Jani Walberer, and Kevin Woolf. Contact jackiepetrozzi@sfx-school.org for a link to this year's application.

**We hope you prayerfully consider if you are being called.
Please submit applications by March 21st.**



SAVE THE DATE MAY 30TH-31ST 2020
WOMEN'S RETREAT Siena Center, Racine WI

Finding God in All Things & Letting God Find Us

What if every person and every circumstance have the capacity to reveal something of the divine? To draw us closer to the divine. To help us make a return of love more readily.

This is the way of Ignatian spirituality—that God is indwelling. In the young and old, the housed and the unhoused, the lonely and the loved. Join us as we explore the movement of the sacred in our lives, in everyday moments of joy and sorrow, fear and trust, anxiety and peace.

How we open our hearts to the divine and let the divine find us will be the focus of our time together. We'll also explore the theology of letting go and the freedom it offers each of us. Time for quiet and self-reflection will be provided as well as opportunity for group discussion, art, and imaginative prayer.

Karen Skalitzky, facilitator, is a speaker, writer, and spiritual director. She believes we can find the sacred in everything and everyone, in any moment and any place. Her first book, *A Recipe for Hope: Stories of Transformation by People Experiencing Homelessness*, was featured on WGN-TV. Her essays have appeared in *U.S. Catholic*, *Brain, Child: The Magazine for Thinking Mothers*, and *Northwestern Magazine*. A graduate of Northwestern University, her monthly column, *God is Big*, is read across the country.

2020 WOMEN'S RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM:

Mail or drop off /Kieran Lyons SFX Parish Office, 524 9th St. Wilmette, IL 60091

NAME: _____ ADDRESS _____

PHONE: _____ email: _____

Emergency name and contact info: _____

_____ Payment enclosed for Saturday night with 3 meals (lunch, dinner and breakfast). \$150.00

_____ Payment for Fri. and Sat. night w/ 4 meals (2 breakfasts, lunch, dinner) \$210.00

_____ Payment enclosed for Saturday commuter (\$75 includes lunch and dinner)

SPACE IS LIMITED; FEES ARE PER/PERSON. ALL ROOMS PRIVATE W/ INDIVIDUAL BATHROOMS, BUT CAN BE SHARED! FEES NON-REFUNDABLE klyons@ssjfx.org

SSJFX Book Club

Book: "Before We Were Yours"

by Lisa Wingate

When: March 17, 2020 at 9:30 A.M.

Where: Mallinckrodt Community Center

Reviewer: Anna Marie Buchmann

Hostesses: Marianne Bielinski and
Dolores Maatman

Memphis, 1939. Twelve-year-old Rill Foss and her four younger siblings live a magical life aboard their family's Mississippi River shantyboat. But when their father must rush their mother to the hospital one stormy night, Rill is left in charge—until strangers arrive in force. Wrenched from all that is familiar and thrown into a Tennessee Children's Home Society orphanage, the Foss children are assured that they will soon be returned to their parents—but they quickly realize the dark truth. At the mercy of the facility's cruel director, Rill fights to keep her sisters and brother together in a world of danger and uncertainty.

Please call Donna Fugazzotto at 847-256-2126 with any questions.

Congratulations to our newest altar servers (Phoebe, Matthew, Knox, Tess, Quinn, Michael, Elizabeth, Winston, Benjamin, Ann, Charlotte, Lucy, Kate, Harper). They recently completed three hours of training and are now ready to join the "server club." We welcome you as active members in our liturgies.



SsJFX Women's Club Guild 5 warmly invites you to discover the

Power of LIGHT: a Morning Retreat



What are your gifts of Christ's LIGHT? Explore WHO has been your light and HOW God is calling YOU to share your gifts of Faith, Service, and Love!

Cost \$15
Pay at door or Parish Office

Light from Light

When: Saturday April 4 – 9:00 am to noon

Where: SFX School Atrium

Retreat led by Lisa Fortini-Campbell

RSVP to Barb and Chris at crrademacher1@icloud.com by Mar 3

Suggested Donation: Hygiene Items for Catholic Charities

Light Refreshments will be served

*Eucharistic Adoration
Ss Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish*

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

Upcoming dates:

*March 17th and 31st
April 14th and 28th
May 12th and 26th*

*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*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b, Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4, Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43, Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9, Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9, Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20, Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16, Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29, Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22, Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday: Hos 14:2-10, Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17, Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6, Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab, Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a, Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6, Eph 5:8-14, Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Stewardship Report

March 8, 2020

Collected at Mass:

Envelopes \$ 9,166.50
Loose cash \$ 1,346.00

Electronic Contributions \$16,600.00

Total: \$ 27,112.50

Thank you for supporting our Parish.

St. Thomas of Canterbury Urgent Request!

Food Pantry:

The influx of refugees in the Uptown area has created demands on the supply of food we are sending down to the Food Pantry. They are serving over 150 singles and seniors and 50 families every week. These clients are only allowed to receive food once a month, so that means that every week they are serving 200 different clients. The food needed is listed below.

Clothing Room:

Again due to the influx of refugees, children's clothing of all sizes is needed. For more information you can call Sara Crome (Parish Office) at 847-256-4250 or drop off in the Sharing Corner in the back of SFX Church.

Food Pantry Needs:

Dry Goods

Rice
Pasta
Beans
Macaroni and Cheese
Ramen Noodles
Powdered Milk
Creamer
Coffee
Cookies
Cereal
Infant Formula
Diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5)

Canned Goods

Tuna
Fruit
Vegetables
Soup
Meats
Peanut Butter
Jelly



A summer day camp located at the St. Joseph Campus with an emphasis on FUN!

Campers will enjoy arts and crafts, outdoor small and large motor activities, songs, circle time with prayer, and water fun.
REGISTER NOW!!!
(Get forms from the Church Rectory or School Office)
Enrollment is limited

One Six - Week Session
June 15th - July 24th
9:00am - 12:30pm

For children between the ages of 2 1/2 and 5 years old (all children must be potty trained)

Questions??? Please call Dana @ 847-251-3734
Or register online at <https://stjosephwilmette.org>
(Happy Campers is a peanut free zone)

165 8th graders were confirmed at our Parish last weekend by Bishop Mark A. Bartosic
 Congratulations to all!



BINGZZA 2020!

The parish's annual Family Bingo and Pizza Night on February 22 raised more than \$775 for the SPRED program. As always, the prize table was the popular destination, overflowing with a wide selection of winnings for young and old. In addition to swingin' hot pizza from Wilmette's own JP McCarthy's, chips, Goldfish, fresh-baked cookies, and lemonade were served and devoured.

Many THANKS to all who volunteered. Served. Called. Played. Or Prayed.

Your support means so much to our dear SPRED participants. See you next year!



INSTITUTE FOR DIACONAL STUDIES

Congratulations to Chris Keefe! On March 29, 2020, Most Rev. John R. Manz, will preside at the Rite of Institution into the Ministry of Reader and welcome him into that ministry at the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, University of Saint Mary of the Lake in Mundelein. He is one of sixteen (16) deacon formation candidates who will become instituted Readers.

At the institution, Bishop Manz will charge that Chris be faithful in handing on the Word of God so that it may grow strong in the hearts of His people. Additionally, being an instituted Reader also means "taking on a special office within the Christian community." Besides proclaiming the word in the liturgical assembly, an instituted Reader is responsible for:

- instructing children and adults in the faith;
- preparing them to receive the sacraments worthily;
- bringing the message of salvation to those who have not yet received it.

This is an awesome responsibility. But it is part of the continuing discernment process as Chris moves forward on his journey in formation and listens to God's plan for him in future ministry.

During formation this year, Chris is attending academic courses in Church History, Old Testament, New Testament, Ecclesiology, Spiritual Theology, Introductory Homiletics and Theological Reflection Group. He also participated in a weekend retreat and will attend a candidates-only retreat prior to his institution as Reader. This year he is engaged in Service to the Word field education. He attends monthly spiritual direction and is present for numerous formation sessions as he continues his journey on the Candidate Path toward the Order of Deacon.

Presently, there are about 550 active deacons in the Archdiocese of Chicago, with 58 men currently in the Institute for Diaconal Studies.

Please keep in your prayers Chris, all candidates who will be instituted as Readers, their wives and families, and all candidates in formation, that they might continue to answer God's call to serve His Church.

Also, all are invited to attend the liturgy, which begins at 1:30 p.m.!

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. We will respond as soon as possible. All inquiries are treated in the strictest of confidence.

Ministry of Care Visits Sunday, March 22

After 8:00 Mass Hospital

M. Watts**

C. Burgeson
K. Kerls
B. Shields
B. Weir

Mather Home

10:00am
P. Schumann

After 9:30 Mass Home

M. Demetrio**

C. Cerone
J. Gillard
M. Horton
M. McCormick

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 at the Parish Offices or from our Website (www.ssjfx.org)

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors Schedule - March 22

- 5:00pm (SJ):** M. L. DiClementi, J. Shaw, P. Tischler, L. Wolff, D. Barshis, J. Walberer, A. Walberer
B. Robey (Lector 1), D. Barshis (Lector 2)
- 5:00pm (SFX):** W. Malloy, M. Malloy, S. Robey, C. Robey, N. Ryan, E. Vogel, M. A. Warwick
C. Bradley (Lector), N. Ryan (Commentator)
- 8:00am (SJ):** H. Marros, D. O'Brien, S. Donoghue, S. Feeley, C. Cislak De Smul, M. Kahle, O. De Berard
C. Keefe (Lector 1), S. DeMonte (Lector 2)
- 9:30am (SFX):** L. Glunz, M. Horton, K. Kerls, R. Kerls, G. Krohm, L. Sanborn, M. Thomas
N. Eshaki (Lector), G. Krohm (Commentator)
- 10:15am (SFX School):** R. Fry, P. Schumann, J. Lawlor
- 10:30am (SJ):** M. P. Buckley, H. O'toole, P. Galas, C. Mendoza, A. M. Carlos, T. Johnson, M. A. Warwick
L. Couri (Lector 1), S. Bradley (Lector 2)
- 11:30am (SFX):** C. Cowan, A. Foerstner, J. Langas, J. Lenz, M. McManus, P. J. Pelton, M. Quinn
T. Murtaugh (Lector), J. Ambrose (Commentator)
- 6:00pm (SJ):** R. Berger, G Cooke, L. Arencibia
O. Connolly (Lector 1), G. Cooke (Lector 2)

40 Days For Life

Spring 2020 | Feb 26 - Apr 5

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through **prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach**, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 24 coordinated campaigns:

- **16,004 babies** saved from abortion
- **190 abortion** workers converted
- **100 abortion** centers closed

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/>

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

- **Vigil location:** Outside Family Planning Associate Medical Group Women's Health Clinic (4341 N Milwaukee Ave, Chicago, IL 60641).
- **Vigil hours:** 7:00am to 7:00pm Daily
- **SJFX contact:** Kevin Connolly 773-981-2972, kconnolly@usa.com.
- **Learn more ...** get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!