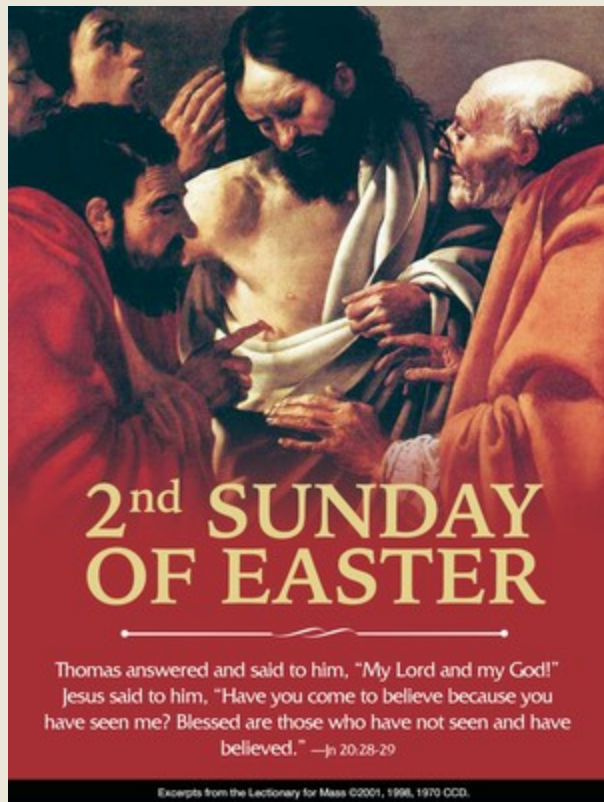




## Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

### 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.



**April 19, 2020**

In compliance with the "stay at home" order from the State of Illinois which has been extended through April 30, 2020, the SFX and SJ churches remain closed. Please see page 4 of this bulletin for information regarding our video Masses and watch your email for updates on other spiritual outreach activities. For emergencies, call 847-496-0031.

The Parish Offices are also closed. Questions or concerns can be addressed to either of the following emails: [rleech@ssjfx.org](mailto:rleech@ssjfx.org) or [officessjfx@ssjfx.org](mailto:officessjfx@ssjfx.org).



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**Stewardship Report**

If you are interested in contributing to the Parish electronically at this time, you can do so through Give Central at the following address:

[www.givecentral.org/location/51/event/1531](http://www.givecentral.org/location/51/event/1531)

Thank you.

**Saints JFX Parish has a new, cohesive look!**



Under the leadership of Fr. Wayne and Fr. Matt, a group of parishioners from both churches worked with graphic designer and parishioner Eileen Noren to create a new logo that represents a united parish rooted in strong traditions. The group collaborated closely to develop a contemporary monogram that respects the unique histories of the two previous parishes.

The new green and gold logo was inspired by elements from the existing logos of St. Joseph and St. Francis Xavier Schools. These elements are combined with an allusion to the Chi Rho symbol – an ancient Christogram depicting the first two letters of the Greek word for Christ.



**SACRAMENTS AT SAINTS JFX**

**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.

*SFX and SJ Churches and the parish offices are closed until further notice.*

**PARISH REGISTRATION:**

Registration Forms available from our Website ([www.ssjfx.org](http://www.ssjfx.org))

Dear Friends,

As a Roman Catholic Church, we have much to celebrate today. On this Second Sunday of Easter, we still rejoice over the Resurrection of the Lord – His victory over sin and death. This whole week was a grand victory party. There really is reason to rejoice, sing, and praise the Lord, because His victory is our victory; His cross and resurrection are our joy!

In 2000, when Pope John Paul II canonized Sister Faustina, he declared that the Second Sunday of Easter would be known as Divine Mercy Sunday. So, we celebrate Divine Mercy today, too. During his homily, Saint John Paul II also made it clear that the Image of The Divine Mercy that St. Faustina saw, which is to be venerated on Divine Mercy Sunday, represents the Risen Christ bringing mercy to the world. Pope John Paul II said: "Jesus shows His hands and His side [to the Apostles]. He points, that is, to the wounds of the Passion, especially the wound in His Heart, the source from which flows the great wave of mercy poured out on humanity."

Over eighty years ago, Sister Faustina experienced visions of the Risen Lord. As He appeared to her, He encouraged her to invite others to trust in His mercy. One night she heard an "inner-voice" that offered her a way of praying for Divine Mercy, using the beads of her Rosary. It has become known as the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Many people find it helpful in their spiritual journey. I share the formula here. It might help you during this uncertain time.

1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and The Apostles' Creed.

2. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following: ***Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.***

3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following: ***For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.***  
(Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades).

4. Conclude with (three times):  
***Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.***

Throughout his pontificate, Pope Francis has directed the faithful to reflect on the love and mercy of God. Today's, "Feast of Mercy" reminds all of us that God's mercy can overcome sin, death and even this extremely challenging time. Pope Francis has said that God never tires of forgiving us. The problem is that we tire of asking God for forgiveness. On this Divine Mercy Sunday, this Second Sunday of Easter, as we

listen to gentle Jesus in His encounter with Thomas and the other disciples, we can reflect on not only our own lack of faith, especially during this uncertain time – but really on the love and mercy of God in Jesus, which conquers all.

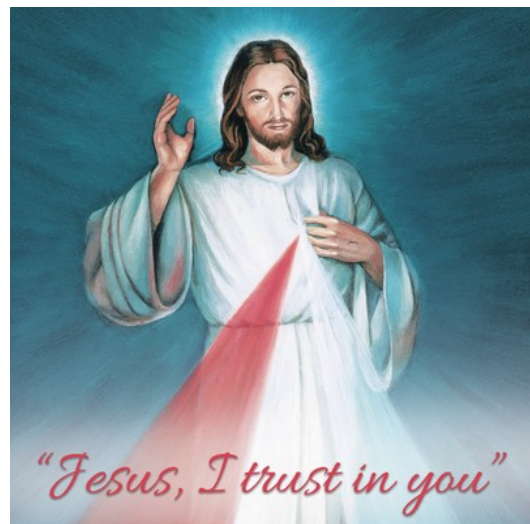


I continue to be awestruck at the outpouring of love I experience in this community. As Easter is a fifty-day time of rejoicing, I rejoice in Divine Mercy and I rejoice in the goodness I see around Wilmette. On Easter Sunday, led by the Police and Fire Departments of our great town, a parade of cars streamed down Ashland, the passengers honking and waving to one of our own, young "Brier the Brave." Brier entered the hospital the next day for a long stay and an important medical procedure. Over 100 cars passed by, filled with children and adults pledging love, prayers and support to Brier and her family. Love and mercy, mercy and love. Jesus shows us the love of the Father. We try to live it here in Wilmette.

As we revel in our God's mercy, let's live that mercy in whatever ways we can!

Happy Easter!

*Rev. Wayne T. Wauson*





## Schedule for Masses, Sacraments and Benediction

### Monday, April 20, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Mary Jane and Woody Herlocker  
+Robert Dolan  
+Ron Hoffman  
(L) Martin Lee

### Tuesday, April 21, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

(L) Martin Lee

*Video: School Mass*

### Wednesday, April 22, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

(L) Martin Lee and Family  
+Randy Lazarro  
+Kristin Willer

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

SFX and SJ churches have been closed as of March 21, 2020. Daily Masses from SSJFX Parish are available via video broadcast. Links to these Mass videos are being sent in a daily email from the parish.

If you are not receiving these emails and wish to receive them, please send your email address to:

[officessjfx@ssjfx.org](mailto:officessjfx@ssjfx.org)

and you will be added to the group emails.

Please watch your email for updates.

### Thursday, April 23, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

(L) Martin Lee

### Friday, April 24, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Carmen Frantzen Doughty  
+Karen Miller  
+Tony and Justin Hill  
(L) James Ward  
(L) Peter Lee and Family  
(L) Martin Lee

### Saturday, April 25, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Ed Willer  
+Kay Hanley  
(L) Martin Lee and Family  
(L) Rehbock Family

### Sunday, April 26, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+John Cossarek  
+Diane Dudek  
+Carl Ebert  
+Brian Pietrowicz  
(L) Martin Lee

### Prayers for the sick and those in need

Seda Aghajani  
Carmen Albino  
Rory Andrykowski  
Ginnie Becker  
Tom Beitzel  
Heather Campbell  
Vivian Cangelosi  
Guillermo Cannon  
William Carlin  
Peter DiClementi, Jr.  
John Patrick Gabby

Ryan Glassberg  
Margaret Grothe  
Phillip Hall  
Tim Hanson  
Barbara Hardy  
Barbara Hawkinson  
Laura Hendricks  
Tom Hopkins  
Brier Johnston  
Charles Jonaitis

Bob Kerrigan  
John Krupka  
Dolores Meier  
Paul Molaro  
Matthew Moran  
Daniel O'Herron  
Pam O'Reilly  
Monica Pecuch  
Fr. Gosbert Rwezahura  
Rich Santello

Olivia Sergot  
Brian Slowinski  
Dino Tonelli  
Elliott Villarreal  
David W.  
Dolores Welch  
Krista Wilkinson  
Audrey Williams  
Carol Woodard  
Shirley Zeeb

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*In prayer  
and loving memory of:*

James Bragiel  
Daniel Mulvihill, Sr.  
Sr. Mary Eileen O'Connor  
Kay Testa  
Donna Williams





## 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  
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  
Cpt John Weidinger, Grandson of Gerda Weidinger

### 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 & 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  
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  
Sgt. Jackson Knott, brother of Ryan Knott

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## St. Thomas of Canterbury and St. Ignatius: Urgent Request!

Food insecurity is an increasingly serious issue for our friends at our sharing parishes. Items needed are listed here if you are able to help.

### **Update:**

**If you have food to donate, please drop the items at the front door of the Saint Joseph Rectory at 1747 Lake Avenue on Mondays only from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Thank you for your generosity!

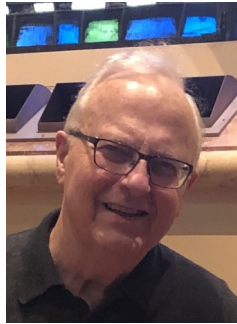
### Dry Goods

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

### Canned Goods

Tuna  
Fruit  
Vegetables  
Soup  
Meats  
Peanut Butter  
Jelly

## Reflections from two of our five RCIA Candidates:



Vaughn C. (Chuck) Leath

I was born in Oakland, California, in 1941. I grew up in Northern California and went to college at San Jose State University in the 1960's. Over the years I've worked for a number of companies including Merrill Lynch and Wm. Blair as a Financial Advisor/Stockbroker and HSBC as a residential mortgage underwriter, and also a few years of being in business with my brother making fiberglass products such as small boats and laundry baskets for commercial laundries.

I married my wife, Denise Gerbi, in 1976 in Chicago. She had moved here from Erie, PA, to complete her Masters at Loyola University. This year we will have been married 44 years. We had two wonderful boys, John and David, who, tragically, preceded us in death.

Denise has been a member of St Joseph's for the 41 years we have lived in Wilmette. Both our boys attended Religious Education classes and were confirmed into the Church. I grew up going to Sunday school and church as a Presbyterian, but over the years it became less important to me.

With the loss of our boys I felt a need to get more closely involved with the Church to both fill the void and to find peace. I now look forward to attending Church regularly with Denise and becoming a part of our Parish's active community.



The Journey

I was baptized and confirmed in the Episcopal church and then attended non-denominational churches as an adult. Looking back, while I learned a lot biblically, something was missing. I learned about the Eastern religions and still that did not fill the void. In the past two years, I started to explore the Catholic faith by talking to people; some who are devout and some who are not. The more I learned, Catholicism seemed to fill the part that was missing for me.

To become Catholic would mean attending RCIA classes. I wasn't thrilled with the thought as it felt like I had to "jump through hoops" that I wouldn't have to do if I went to a Protestant church. I made the decision to try RCIA classes and have to firmly say the Holy Spirit led me to the classes at St. Francis Xavier. There are way too many reasons to list why I am where I should be. Just know, I am so grateful.

Since September, I have loved Mondays. Why? That is when the RCIA class meets; it has become the best night of the week. I have loved learning about the Catholic faith from the history to the theology to the saints. Reading about the saints has shown me what true devotion in the faith means to be a follower.

It is the start of Holy Week as I write this and I will not be received into the church at Easter. When I attend mass, not being able to take the Eucharist makes it seem incomplete. As I will have to wait, it makes when the time comes all the more sacred.

Susan Mura

**Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Women's Club  
Slate of Officers for 2020-2021**



**CO-PRESIDENTS:**

Laura Cienkus (continuing) Susan Bradley (incoming)

**CO-VICE PRESIDENTS:**

Jill Pinkerton (incoming one year) Deana Tolzien (incoming)

**CO-CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES:**

Tammy Malyszek (continuing) Sandy Pigott (incoming)

**CO-RECORDING SECRETARIES:**

Zoe Hoepfner (continuing) Jean Pasko (incoming)

**TREASURER:**

Diane Clarke (continuing)

**TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATOR:**

Rachelle Leech (continuing)

A special thank you to those serving on the nominating committee:

Nora Joyce (Chair), Judy Hanley, Jenny Schade, Lynne Strutz & Josephine Harrison



**Women's Club Scholarship Winners Announced**

Congratulations to the winners of the Women's Club 2020 Scholarships: **Benjamin Trapp**, First Place; **Laine Semple and Emily Walberer**, Runners-up; and to all the students who submitted essays to the SSJFX Women's Club Scholarship Committee.

We were impressed by the extensive accomplishments, activities, and school/community involvement of all the participating 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Most notable were the thoughtful essays describing personal growth through an experience of inclusion and kindness.

Selecting the winners was difficult—our only disappointment was that we could not award scholarships to everyone! It is heartening to know what intelligent and talented students we have in our parish community. We hope they will always be proud of themselves and their achievements. We wish them success in their high school years and we are confident they will make SSJFX Schools and Parish proud!

The Scholarship Committee

**Thanks from the SFX Rectory**

Dear all,

We, the priests at the SFX Rectory: Fr. Rodlin, Fr. Harnett and Fr. Sheridan, would like to express our gratitude to everyone who has provided meals for us on a regular basis every week since the Coronavirus has started. We are grateful and no words are strong enough to express how much we are amazed by your kindness and generosity. May God almighty continue bestowing upon you and your family His spiritual graces and blessings. We pray for you everyday at Mass because we say Mass everyday at 10 A.M at the rectory and we humbly ask that you keep us in your prayers as well. Let's keep praying for each other as we go through this crisis together. Hopefully soon we will gather together around the Lord's table.

God's Blessing,

Fr. Rodlin  
Fr. Harnett  
Fr. Sheridan

If you wish to contribute a meal for the priests at 912 Linden, please use this link for Signup Genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4ea9a82ba7ff2-dinner>

*Catholic Charities stands ready to support basic human needs for food, provide emergency assistance and to lift the spirit of those hit hardest by the COVID-19 virus and resulting safety protocols.*



Food Pantry and evening hot meal programs are available at 1717 Rand Road, in Des Plaines. Food Packs and Hot Meals are distributed utilizing curbside distribution, while adhering to distancing protocols.

For more information dial 847-376-2100

o Food Pantry Hours In Des Plaines Are:

Tuesday 10am-noon, 1-3pm

Wednesday 10am-noon, 1-6pm

Thursday 10am-noon, 1-3pm

o Hot Meals are distributed on Tuesday & Thursday evening at 6pm.

For urgent needs, please call 877-426-6515. This call center responds to requests for emergency financial assistance and coordinated entry shelter and housing needs for suburban Cook County residents. Individuals in Chicago, dial 311.

Counseling, case management, and other services that can be provided remotely are being delivered accordingly. Please call our counseling intake number at 312-655-7725.



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Below are the prayers and intentions for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Bells Call to Prayer :

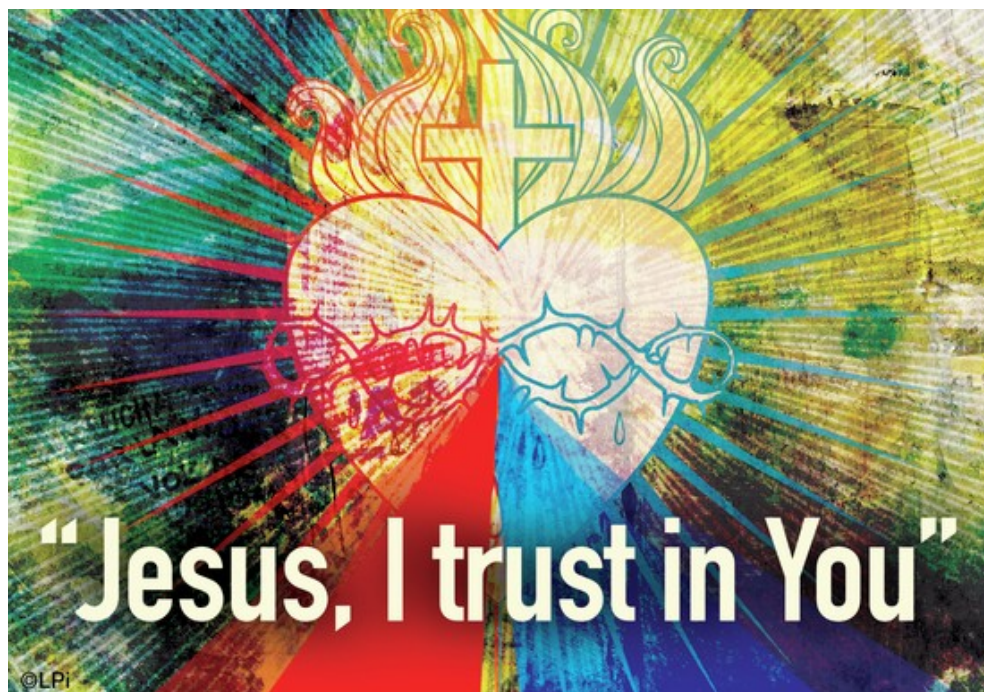
**9 a.m. - Prayer for those infected with the virus and all who are ill:** Lord, place your healing hand on those who suffer illness. Bring them to full health and ease their anxious hearts. May our prayer and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary encourage them that they are not alone. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN

**12 p.m. - Prayer for health care workers and those attending to the sick:** Lord, we are ennobled by those who put their lives at risk in caring for the sick. Keep them safe and embolden them when they are weary. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN

**3 p.m. - Prayer for first responders and essential workers:** Lord, we pray for those who run to danger to keep us safe and those who serve the common good. Embrace them with your mantle of protection and comfort the fears of their families. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN

**6 p.m. - Prayer for people of every nation and their leaders:** Lord, the pandemic opens our eyes to see each other as brothers and sisters in one human family. We pray for people of every nation and their leaders, asking that they be inspired to seek the good of all and quell the voices of division. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN

**9 p.m. - Prayer for those who have died today:** Lord, we grieve the passing of our sisters and brothers who have died this day. We commend them to your tender mercy, confident that nothing, not even death, will separate us from your love. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN



Divine Mercy Sunday

**Readings for the Week of April 19, 2020**

Monday: Acts 4:23-31, Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9, Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37, Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5, Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26, Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33, Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20, Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42, Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14, Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14, Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17, Mk 16:15-20

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33, Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11, 1 Pt 1:17-21, Lk 24:13-35

**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 when prompted by the recording for the St. Vincent de Paul line, press 3. We will respond as soon as possible. All inquiries are treated in the strictest of confidence.