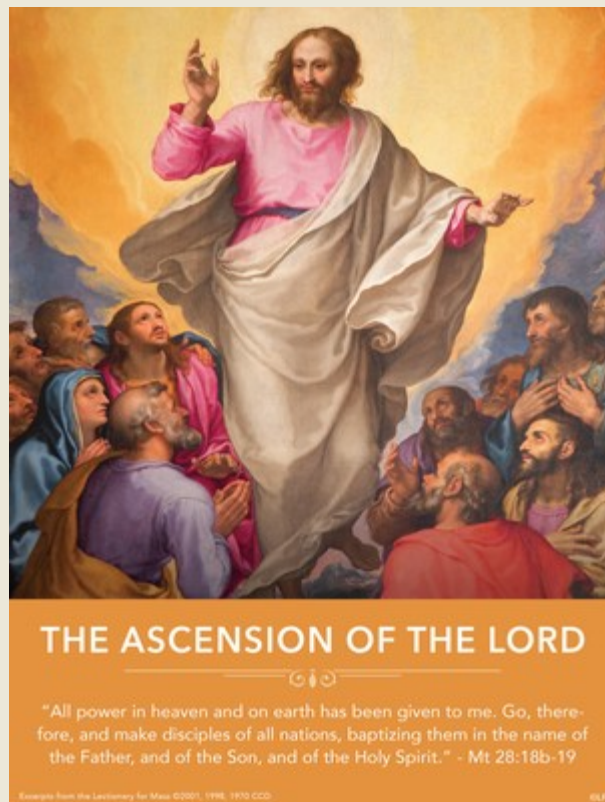




## Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

### 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.



**May 24, 2020**

In compliance with the “stay at home” order from the State of Illinois which has been extended through May 30, 2020, the SFX and SJ churches remain closed. Please see page 4 of this bulletin for information regarding our video Masses and daily emails from Fr. Wayne. The Archdiocese has reached an agreement with the Office of the Governor on a multi-phase Plan for a staged reopening of our churches. Check our website at: [ssjfx.org](http://ssjfx.org) and Fr. Wayne’s column on page 3 for staffing needs required for these reopenings.

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).

For emergencies, call 847-496-0031.



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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.

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**Church Reopening Plans**

The Archdiocese of Chicago has developed a careful, staged process for reopening the churches. The information on the Reopening Plans is available at the following link:

<https://www.archchicago.org/coronavirus/reopening>.

Please be on the lookout on our website, [ssjfx.org](http://ssjfx.org), and in Fr. Wayne's daily emails for lots of information regarding the reopenings to be announced in the coming days. Information regarding staffing needs for the reopenings is provided in Fr. Wayne's column on the following page.

Questions can be addressed to: [ssjfxoffice@ssjfx.org](mailto:ssjfxoffice@ssjfx.org).



**St. Joseph Church**

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Dear Friends,

Eleven. Matthew tells us, "The eleven disciples went to Galilee to the mountain to which Jesus ordered them." I'm glad Matthew mentions the number. As he does, he reminds us that although Jesus called twelve, at this point in His ministry only eleven were left – and those eleven were far from perfect. Matthew tells us that the eleven worshipped and doubted.

The enumerating of those present for Jesus' final discourse in Matthew's Gospel points out that even among His contemporaries Jesus was a stumbling block. Not everyone could accept the call and the challenge to be a disciple. The missing Judas, not seen and barely mentioned in the Synoptic Gospels after the encounter in the Garden of Gethsemane, stands for all who choose not to follow the Lord. When I was a younger priest, sometimes frustrated at the number of people who weren't practicing their faith, Sister Mary K would remind me, "Jesus only got eleven!" Since God created us with freedom, we freely choose whether or not we want to follow Jesus. If you are reading this, I assume you join the eleven in their desire to follow. They went as He commanded them; we can do likewise.

Put yourself in the shoes (or sandals!) of the eleven for a moment. They had seen a lot. They experienced the love and power, the mercy and grace, the pain and suffering, the death and resurrection of the man they called Master and Teacher. And then He ordered them to go to some mountain at the edge of town. Talk about an emotional roller coaster! He ordered. They followed the order. But they doubted. Then Jesus approached the eleven. He gave them – and us – a reminder and a threefold message in the midst of their confused obedience.

As a reminder, Jesus asserts His earthly and heavenly power. This assertion assuages the doubts and fears of the disciples. It is as if He says, "Don't worry. I am as powerful as you think I am. Do not doubt. Do not be afraid." He meets them where they are, aware of their trepidation and lets them know of His might. With a final reminder of the strength He possesses, Jesus calms their fears and allays their doubts. As we walk through life centuries later, we should also remember the power of Christ in our lives and in our world.

After the reminder of the power come the commands. Two connected commands really comprise the first. He says baptize *and* make disciples. Sometimes I think people believe that if they baptize, that's enough. Jesus says, "Make disciples... baptizing..." So really the role

of the Christian community is to foster discipleship. I cannot count the number of times I have reminded parents that they promise to raise their children in the practice of the faith. *In a sense, the parents – as well as the Christian community, are called to make their children disciples!*



Secondly, He says, "Teach."

We must, by our words and our deeds instruct the world on discipleship. Jesus shows us the way. By what He said, and, more importantly, what He did, Jesus taught. We too can be teachers by loving, forgiving, comforting, healing, reconciling, challenging, loving... We teach so much more by our actions than by our words. As we prepare to return to the Sacraments, maybe it is time to reconsider our commitment to them. When we can, let's commit to teaching our children the importance of regular, at least weekly, participation in the Mass.

Lastly Jesus tells us to remember. He says that we are to remember that He is with us always. At Mass we remember. But the *always* part is important. In the everyday moments of our lives, in happy times and in sad ones, Jesus is present. He is with us always, even during times of uncertainty and pandemic! Remember!

Allow me to thank the Saints JFX reopening team for the hard work put in to open the church for the Sacrament of Reconciliation this weekend. Because of the great caution our Church and civil authorities are encouraging, this reopening takes work, to ensure the safety of all. Some have chosen rather than to complain about this or that, about church or civil officials, to roll up their sleeves and make a difference. Sadly, some continue to just complain. I thank those who help.

As we reopen and prepare for a wider roll out, we will need more help. If you are over 18 and not in the vulnerable population, we would appreciate your assistance, with set up, greeting, or cleaning/disinfecting. The ask is a safe one and only requires two to five hours a week. We don't have details about the Mass reopening, but we sense that if we want to reopen both campuses, we will need more than 100 volunteers. You will be trained, and we will ensure your safety. Let's do this together so that we can baptize, make disciples, teach and remember.

Peace!

Rev. Wayne T. Davis

## Schedule for Masses, Sacraments and Benediction

### Monday, May 25, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Marianne Roto

### Tuesday, May 26, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Zofia and Franciszek  
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+Peggy Crumley

*Video: School Mass*

### Wednesday, May 27, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Ron Hoffman  
+Mary Audy

+ Deceased / (L) Living

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.

### Thursday, May 28, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Joan McKenna  
+Lucia Fleming

### Friday, May 29, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Vivian Cangelosi  
+Joan Bulkeley Leonardi  
+Colleen Pope Vitu

### Saturday, May 30, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+Mary Lazzaro  
+Robert McHugh

### Sunday, May 31, 2020

*Video: Daily Mass*

+John Cossarek  
+Kathryn Testa  
+Colleen Pope Vitu  
+Vivian Cangelosi  
(L) Fr. Gosbert Rwezahura



### Prayers for the sick and those in need:

Seda Aghajani  
Carmen Albino  
Lisa Braband Albrighton  
Rory Andrykowski  
Ginnie Becker  
Tom Beitzel  
Heather Campbell  
Guillermo Cannon  
William Carlin  
Peter DiClementi, Jr.  
John Patrick

Cecelia Cruz  
Ryan Glassberg  
Margaret Grothe  
Phillip Hall  
Tim Hanson  
Barbara Hardy  
Barbara Hawkinson  
Laura Hendricks  
Tom Hopkins  
Loretta Jacobs

Brier Johnston  
Charles Jonaitis  
Bob Kerrigan  
John Krupka  
Dolores Meier  
Paul Molaro  
Susan Nelson  
Daniel O'Herron  
Pam O'Reilly  
Monica Pecuch

Fr. Gosbert Rwezahura  
Olivia Sergot  
Brian Slowinski  
Liliana Suci  
Elliott Villarreal  
David W.  
Dolores Welch  
Krista Wilkinson  
Audrey Williams  
Carol Woodard  
Shirley Zeeb

*In prayer  
and loving memory of:*

*Rita Foye  
Joan Morrissey Reese  
Mary Suker*



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## 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

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

## 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

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# A CALL TO PRAYER

Bringing a light in the midst of darkness



Are you feeling overwhelmed by the effects of the pandemic and in need of prayer? We are here to pray with you and ask God for your needs.

**Who we are:** Volunteers from parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago who feel called to **accompany through prayer anyone who feels the need** for support during this time of uncertainty and isolation.

**What we offer:** A phone line staffed with people from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day, as well as 24-hour voice mail and e-mail connections. Our prayer partners are here to pray with you: opening our hearts to God, asking for His blessings and peace.

**312.741.3388** [praywithme@calleddtoprayer.org](mailto:praywithme@calleddtoprayer.org)

**Pray For Vocations  
Elijah Cup Chalice Ministry**



Thank you to everyone who has been praying with the Elijah Cup during our time at home. The Elijah Cup is travelling between parishioners' homes and we invite you to sign up to receive the Elijah Cup. Now more than ever we need to pray for an increase in vocations but to also be praying for our priests at Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier.

Below are available dates:

**June 14  
June 21  
June 28**

For more information or to sign up, please contact: Kirsten Solmos: [k.solmos@comcast.net](mailto:k.solmos@comcast.net)  
[847-853-9021](tel:847-853-9021)/[847-337-1708](tel:847-337-1708)

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**Below are the prayers and intentions for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Bells Call to Prayer for Saturday, March 21, 2020:**

**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

## Resources for Victims of Domestic Violence

**Domestic Violence:** It is no surprise that Covid-19 has increased the incidence and intensity of domestic violence. The Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline reports that calls for help increased 50% in March, from 60 to 90 a day. It is important that our parishioners know about available services, whether counseling or shelter. If you know or suspect someone is a victim, please check on them! If they are in immediate need, help them call 911, the National DV Hotline: 800-799-7233 or the Illinois DV Hotline: 877-863-6338 to connect to services. Additional training and awareness resources are available at the Archdiocese Domestic Violence Outreach [website](#) (See Spring 2020 ACDVO Newsletter)

[https://bit.ly/2V1YH63\\_ACDVO\\_Spring2020\\_Newsletter](https://bit.ly/2V1YH63_ACDVO_Spring2020_Newsletter)

website: [www.DomesticViolenceOutreach.org](http://www.DomesticViolenceOutreach.org)



*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

Food Pantry Hours In Des Plaines Are:

- Tuesday 10am-noon, 1-3pm
- Wednesday 10am-noon, 1-6pm
- Thursday 10am-noon, 1-3pm

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.





**Mass Intention Requests for online video Masses and Masses held in church (when open again).**

We are taking Mass Intention requests via email or U.S. mail (send a letter with check) to our parish office. (See information below.)

We like to have the information for the request at least two weeks ahead of time due to our bulletin deadlines. We are currently taking requests through the calendar year 2021.

If you have a request, you can send an e-mail to [officessjfx@ssjfx.org](mailto:officessjfx@ssjfx.org)

**Please provide the following information for each Mass Intention:**

- Name of the person for whom the Mass is intended
- Note if the intended is living (L) or deceased (D)
- Day, date, year (must be 2 weeks from today's date)
- Mass time (relevant if we are having Masses in church at that time).

We ask for a \$10 donation for each Mass Intention. Payment can be made by check to SSJFX. Please mail to:

**Saints JFX Parish Office**  
**Attn: Mass Intentions**  
**1747 Lake Avenue**  
**Wilmette IL 60091**

Intentions will be included in the Bulletin based on the date requested. (Please see the [ssjfx.org](http://ssjfx.org) website for the Bulletin link.)

It is with heavy hearts that we announce that the **2020 Jubilee Jog 5k Family Run** will NOT take place on Memorial Day as planned. In the light of COVID-19, our goal is to protect the safety and well-being of our community and respect the guidance of state and local authorities. Once more information is available, an announcement will be posted on whether the race will be canceled or postponed.

All of us at SSJFX Parish look forward to seeing your smiling faces again!

Stay safe and healthy. God Bless.

## Readings for the Week of May 24, 2020

- Monday: Acts 19:1-8, Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab, Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27, Ps 68:10-11, 20-21, Jn 17:1-11a
- Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38, Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab, Jn 17:11b-19
- Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11, Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11, Jn 17:20-26
- Friday: Acts 25:13b-21, Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab, Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31, Ps 11:4, 5 and 7, Jn 21:20-25
- Sunday: Acts 2:1-11, Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34, 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13, Jn 20:19-23

**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.