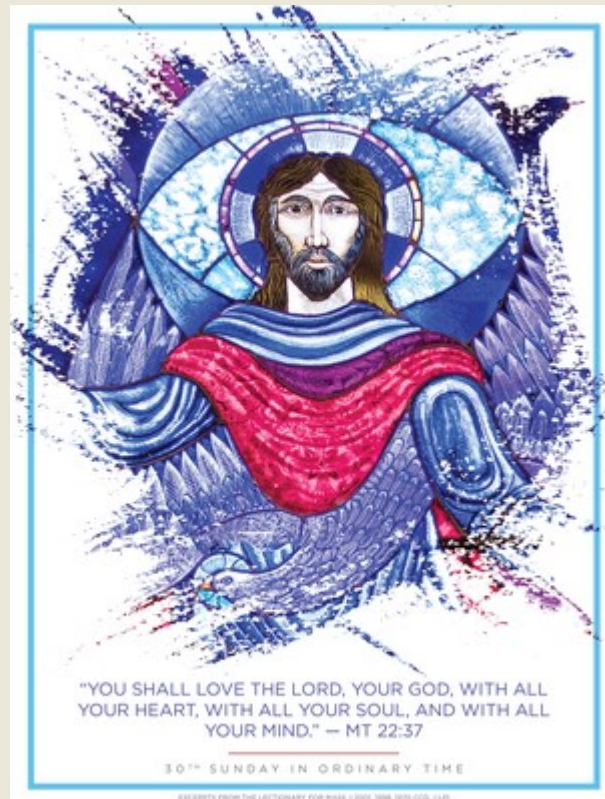




## Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

### 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.



October 25, 2020  
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our parish has reopened for the celebration of the sacraments, private prayer, adoration and Mass, with some modifications. Stay tuned to Fr. Wayne's daily emails for updates on the reopenings. If you'd like to receive our parish emails, or have questions, please contact [officessjfx@ssjfx.org](mailto:officessjfx@ssjfx.org).



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Please note that masks are required to enter our offices.

For emergencies outside of office hours,  
please call 708-237-6665

Stewardship Report

If you do not do so already, please consider  
contributing to the Parish electronically,  
through Give Central:

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

Thank you.

Elijah Cup

The Elijah Cup is traveling between parishioners' homes  
and we invite you to sign up to receive the it. Now more  
than ever we need to pray for an increase in vocations  
and also for our priests at Saints JFX.

For more information or to sign up, please contact:

Kirsten Solmos: [k.solmos@comcast.net](mailto:k.solmos@comcast.net)  
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All Souls Day

On Monday, November 2, 2020 we will remember our deceased  
loved ones at two special All Souls Masses. Mass times are 5:00pm  
and 7:00pm, and both will be held at St. Joseph Church.

We will be praying especially for those who have died in the past  
year by reading each of their names. If you would like to add a  
name to our list, or attend one of the Masses, please contact Ann  
Hrabe at [ahrabe@ssjfx.org](mailto:ahrabe@ssjfx.org).



Dear Friends,

He's doing it again! Jesus uses a question to really teach his audience. His clever responses sometimes seem like riddles. Two weeks in a row we see Jesus turning the tables on those who were trying, last week, to entrap him in speech, and this week, to test him. He uses the opportunity, not to fall in the trap, but to instruct his listeners and all of us who hear his words in the Gospel. Perhaps their hardness of heart made it difficult for them to learn. Their desire to harm Jesus perhaps blocked him from helping them. Today's test has to do with the commandments and the law.

Last Sunday after Mass, I received a message from one of my friends saying he really needed to talk to me about Jesus. He said, "When Jesus asks a question in the Gospels, he seems like he already knows the answer." Of course, he does! Today, Jesus doesn't ask any questions. He answers the scholar of the law's single question with a double response. The greatest law is twofold: love God fully, and love neighbor as self.

As we continue this respect life month, Jesus' answers urge us to examine our own lives. If the whole law and the prophets depend on the two commandments to love God and love neighbor, then we need to center our lives around them too. If we center our lives on the command to love, then the issue of respecting life should flow naturally.

Whenever I pray about the issue of respect life, I always ask the Lord to open the hearts of his people in love. I pray that, as they love and revere God, all people may love and respect each other. I pray that the respect for life may begin with conception and continue through natural death. Real love acts. As we love and respect life, we must act. The Corporal Works of Mercy show a deep and profound respect for life and a reverence and love for God.

I often use the Corporal Works of Mercy to examine my conscience, to review my life. Jesus, in the twenty-fifth chapter of Saint Matthew's Gospel, says that these works will be used in the final judgment. In case you do not remember what they are, I will list them here.

Feed the hungry.  
Give drink to the thirsty.  
Clothe the naked.  
Shelter the homeless.  
Visit the sick.  
Visit the imprisoned.  
Bury the dead.

As a parish, we do many of these things well. As we finish this respect life month, let's commit to living the twofold command to love.

I like the expression "*all in.*" Jesus encourages 100%. He doesn't say, "Love God *sort of.*" He doesn't say "Love your neighbor *if you feel like it.*" Jesus tells us that the two commandments of the law go hand in hand and require us to be "*all in.*" If the law and the prophets depend on the two commandments of 100% love, we cannot commit halfheartedly, otherwise we fail at discipleship.



Over the last several years, regular participation in the Sunday Eucharist has decreased significantly. The reasons, research tells us, are varied. Today's culture does not promote the importance of active participation in a faith community. The discussion of spiritual versus religious arises often. Some blame the scandals in the Church. Whatever the reason, if the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Church, and we believe that it is, then we seem to be failing.

One could become depressed and disheartened by the figures; I see them as a call to action. Research tells us that before young adults reach the age of twenty-four, they make decisions about their practice of the faith. So, what can we do? And when I say *we*, I mean you and me. We need to encourage participation by our young people, especially our parents with young children. We must invite and engage. We must welcome and encourage. We must feed our faithful with good liturgies and good preaching. We must remind the faithful, young and old, that God loves them, the Church loves them, the Church needs them, and they need the Church.

Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rev. Wayne T. Haus". The signature is fluid and cursive.

PS Weather permitting, two of the three parking lots will be resurfaced sometime this week and next. It took longer than expected to get the permits, but we now have them in hand and the work will commence. The third lot will be done when the tents come down -- whenever that will be!

## Schedule for Masses, Sacraments and Benediction

<p><b>Monday, October 26, 2020</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i> <i>Deacon Kerls</i></p> <p>Intentions: (L)Liliana Suci (L)Rehbock Family Intentions</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, October 28, 2020</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Maurice &amp; Pauline Colbert +Carol Drummond +Michael &amp; Anna Schinler (L)Rehbock Family Intentions</p>	<p><b>Saturday, October 31, 2020</b> 8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: +John &amp; Mary Gavin +Regina Kim (L)Rehbock Family Intentions</p> <p>9:00 am - 10:00 am SJ Private Prayer/Reconciliation <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>	<p><b>Sunday, November 1, 2020</b> <b>8:00 am SJ*</b> <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>Intentions: +John Cossarek +Clare Heraty +Maria Marinaro (L)Rehbock Family Intentions (L)Liliana Suci</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, October 27, 2020</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Peter Noan Lee (L)Guillermo Cannon (L)Liliana Suci (L)Rehbock Family Intentions</p> <p>9:00 am - 10:00 am SJ: Adoration</p> <p>10:00 am SJ: Benediction <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p>	<p><b>Thursday, October 29, 2020</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Joseph Dang +George McDonnell +Adam &amp; Carol Rogulski (L)Rehbock Family Intentions (L)Liliana Suci</p>	<p><b>5:00 pm SFX*</b> <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: (L)People of the Parish</p> <p><b>5:00 pm SJ*</b> <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i> <i>Deacon Kerls</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Calvin Ramirez</p>	<p><b>9:30 am SFX*</b> <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Clare Heraty +Charles Jonaitis +Clare Jean Kohn</p> <p>10:30 am SJ Parking Lot <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Pierino &amp; Lina DiDomizio +Sandra Raley +Domenic &amp; Carmen Savignani</p>
<p><b>+ Deceased / (L) Living</b> <b>SFX - St. Francis Xavier Church</b> <b>SJ - St. Joseph Church</b></p>	<p><b>Friday, October 30, 2020</b> 6:30 am SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>8:30 am SJ <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Margaret Cokely +Calvin Ramirez (L)Rehbock Family Intentions</p>	<p><b>*Mass attendance is offered by sign-up only. To receive links, contact <a href="mailto:mkgorman@ssjfx.org">mkgorman@ssjfx.org</a></b></p>	<p>12:15 pm SJ Parking Lot <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Milton Hrabe +Harry &amp; Helen Lynch</p> <p>7:30 pm SFX ACTION Mass <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p>

Masses are livestreamed on our parish YouTube channel. To find our channel, search *Saints JFX* on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

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

Seda Aghajani	Gina DiPaolo	Loretta Jacobs	Olivia Sergot
Carmen Albino	John Patrick Gabby	Brier Johnston	Brian Slowinski
Lisa Braband Albrighton	Ryan Glassberg	Bob Kerrigan	Liliana Suci
Rory Andrykowski	Margaret Grothe	John Krupka	Carol Solger
Ginnie Becker	Phillip Hall	Will Leming	Elliott Villarreal
Tom Beitzel	Tim Hanson	Dolores Meier	David W.
Heather Campbell	Barbara Hardy	Paul Molaro	Dolores Welch
Guillermo Cannon	Barbara Hawkinson	Colin Mowbray	Krista Wilkinson
William Carlin	Laura Hendricks	Elizabeth Mowbray	Audrey Williams
Cecelia Cruz	Tom Hopkins	Daniel O'Herron	Carol Woodard
Peter DiClementi, Jr.		Monica Pecuch	Shirley Zeeb

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*In prayer  
and loving memory of:*

*Brian O'Connor  
Robert Walker*





## 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  
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

*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 a serious issue for our friends at our sharing parishes. Items needed are listed here if you are able to help.

**Please note that we are no longer able to accept clothing or household products.** However, personal care and hygiene products are needed.

Items can be dropped off at the following locations:

- SFX or St. Joseph Church at Mass times.
- Parish Offices, Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm
- 415 9th Street (please leave on front porch)

Questions? Contact [sean@lannanfamily.com](mailto:sean@lannanfamily.com)  
Thank you for your generosity!

### **Food Items Needed:**

Spam  
Canned meats/stew  
Baked beans  
Pasta (canned and dry)  
Tuna  
Instant coffee  
Sugar  
Creamer  
Instant oatmeal packets  
Bottled water  
Single-serve chips  
Cereal  
Fruit cups  
Rice  
Peanut Butter  
Jelly

Ramen Noodles  
Cookies  
All purpose flour  
Vegetable soup

### **Other Items Needed:**

Toilet Paper  
Paper Towel  
Laundry Detergent  
Diapers ( sizes 3,4 & 5)  
Shampoo, Conditioner  
Hand Lotion  
Toothpaste & brushes  
Deodorant  
Shaving Cream  
Bar & Liquid soap

**Readings for the week of October 26, 2020**

Monday:	Eph 4:32—5:8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday:	Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16
Thursday:	Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35
Friday:	Phil 1:1-11; Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday:	Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a



September 23 - November 1

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

- **Vigil location/hours:** Outside Planning Associates abortion clinic in Chicago, 4341 N. Milwaukee, 7 am – 7 pm daily.
- **Donate:** Aid For Women, [www.aidforwomen.org](http://www.aidforwomen.org)
- **Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish contact:** Kevin Connolly, [kconnolly@usa.com](mailto:kconnolly@usa.com), 773-981-2972
- **Learn more ...** sign up for prayer times by visiting our web address below.

[40daysforlife.com/Chicago](http://40daysforlife.com/Chicago)

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