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July 16, 2023 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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 (September-April)

*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 Saturdays at St. Joseph Church.

Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish Offices

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Hello Fellow Parishioners,

This week you have the pleasure of hearing from a We currently expect that this work guest writer. Hopefully you all know me in some will be completed before the end of capacity, but for those who don't, my name is Joe calendar year. I am looking forward D'Arco, and I am the Saints JFX Operations to both the town hall feedback and Director, I have had the pleasure of working in the completion of the One Plan. It will parish since January, 2019. As I look back at these be used as the road map to make last four years, I'm struck by what an incredible our parish even stronger. time of change we have experienced. This past year was easily the most "normal" and yet so many great things (and of course challenges) happened. Several things really stick out in my mind. First was the return to nearly normal education post COVID in our school. It was great to see many of the things that make our school so of the 4:45pm Sunday "last chance" Mass. It has quickly grown to be one of the most popular Masses we have! Finally, there was the painful challenge of having the boiler go out at St. Francis Xavier Church in the days leading up to Christmas. What a time for the boiler to go out...but thanks to both the generosity of our parishioners and availability of the ONE exact replacement we were able to get back up and running in just a few weeks.

While we were already exploring the idea of a campus master plan, the boiler replacement really put an exclamation point on not only doing a needs assessment, but a deferred maintenance plan as well. We are currently at the halfway point of our master planning process. In the coming weeks we will host two town hall meetings where you all will have the opportunity to hear from The Lakota Group and provide feedback for what they have been creating. Following those meetings, Lakota will be working up a final draft Peace, of the master campus planned called the "One Plan."



While our transition to PushPay didn't make it to the top of things from last year that stuck out, my hope is that it will next year. As part of our transition to PushPay, we are also migrating to a new backend database called ParishStaq connects to PushPay. The database will have a return. The second was the introduction parish facing component that will allow better collaboration across the parish. One of the things I am most excited for is the Group feature. Right now our Men's Club is helping us work out some of the bugs, but the idea is that our groups will have a local, unified platform for communication, collaboration, event sign-up, and more. It's my hope that this will become a significant tool which continues to foster community. Please keep an eye out for more details in the coming months!

> Speaking of PushPay, our new fiscal year began on As you might imagine our expenses July 1st. continue to rise. For the next fiscal year, we are projecting that our expenses will increase by just over 5%. In order to remain a healthy and vibrant parish, I would ask that you consider making a meaningful increase in your annual contribution. With your continued support, we can and will continue to do great things. I look forward to another year of not only challenges but great success!

Joseph MOa

Please note the following Mass schedule change! On Saturday July 22, 2023 Fr. Watts will celebrate Mass at 4:00pm at St. Joseph Church prior to leaving for the Lourdes pilgrimage. The regular 5:00pm St. Joseph Mass that day will be merged into this departure Mass, and all are welcome to attend.

5:00pm Mass at St. Francis Xavier Church will be unchanged. Thank you!

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday July 17, 2023

6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Sheridan

8:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Watts

Intentions:

+Juventina Montano Pena +Stephen Joseph Testa

(L)Anna Choo (L)Carol Naglich

Tuesday July 18, 2023

6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

+Marian Haney

+Juventina Montano Pena

9:00 am-10:00 am SJ Eucharistic Adoration

> + Deceased / (L) Living SFX - St. Francis Xavier SJ -St. Joseph

Wednesday July 19, 2023

6:30 am SFX
Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions:

+Stephanie Fernholz

+Juventina Montano Pena

+Ginny Uhlenhop (L)Chris Lee & Family

Thursday July 20, 2023

6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Ryan

8:30 am SJ

Presider: Fr. Harnett

Intentions:

+Robert Fitzgerald

+Walter McDonough

+Juventina Montano Pena

4:00 pm SFX Wedding Killam/Dolan

Friday July 21, 2023

6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions:

+Juventina Montano Pena

Saturday July 22, 2023

8:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions:

+Juventina Montano Pena

+Olivia Sergot

11:00 am SFX Baptism

Hickey Family

2:00 pm SFX Wedding Schmidt/Garrott

4:00 pm SJ*

Presider: Fr. Watts

Intentions:

+Juventina Montano Pena

+Deceased members of the DiClementi/Stewart Families

5:00 pm SFX Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions:

+Venita Donnellan

+Bud Gaynor

+Danny McCarthy

+Tony Vallace

*note time change

Masses are livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

To find our channel, search
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www.youtube.com

Sunday July 23, 2023

8:00 am SJ

Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions:

+Juventina Montano Pena

9:30 am SFX

Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions:

+Ann Higgins

+Donna Wieland

10:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions:

+Mary Joan Gambacorta

+Frank & Veronica Merges

+Juventina Montano Pena

+Liliana Suciu

+Christopher Walsh

+Zygmunt & Kazimiera

Kaczorowski

11:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Harnett

Intentions:

+Dave Crome

12:30 pm SFX Baptism

Kunde Family

4:45 pm SJ Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions:

(L)People of the Parish

Please pray for the sick and those in need:

Seda Aghajani Carmen Albino Rory Andrykowski Laurie B. Ginnie Becker Heather Campbell Cecelia Cruz Peter DiClementi, Jr. Gino DiPaolo John Patrick Gabby Ryan Glassberg Sally Griffin
Phillip Hall
Tim Hanson
Barbara Hardy
Barbara Hawkinson
Laura Hendricks
Catherine Horan
Bob Kerrigan
Will Leming
Betsi Burns Landolt

Barbara Lori-Mayo Tiffany McGivern John McGuinness Dolores Meier Colin Mowbray Daniel O'Herron Pam O'Reilly John Ondrejicka Keith Osmanski Monica Pecuch Davida Rochman Brian Slowinski Mary Stapleton Gary Strutz Trudy Tonelli Elliott Villarreal David W. Krista Wilkinson Audrey Williams In prayer and loving memory of:

Rita Culhane Patricia Fitzgerald Peter Kintis Joan Mudd



Please email officessifx@ssifx.org to add or remove a name.

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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.



Sacraments at Saints JFX

Sacrament of Baptism

Request form can be found on our parish website: 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

Parish registration forms can be found on ssjfx.org/join-our-parish.html

Marriage Banns

Caroline Killam and Brendan Dolan Bann III

Emily Schmidt and Joseph Garrott Bann III



Saints JFX Ministry of Care



Trained 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 moc4202@ameritech.net.

Stewardship Report

July 9, 2023

Collected at Church:

Envelopes: \$ 5,577.00 Loose Cash: \$ 1,528.00

Electronic

Contributions: \$21,880.00

Total: \$28,985.00

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

Thank you for your generosity.



Pray the Rosary

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

To join online:

https://www.microsoft.com/microsoft-teams/

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Meeting ID: 243 977 469 891

Passcode: MYhkSx

If you prefer to call in: Dial (872)242-9930;

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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

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US Army

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LTC Kelly Quinn Bell
Cpt Christopher Cannon
Cpt Ryan Cannon
PFC Richard Carlson
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

US Marine Corps

Maj Benjamin Stumpf

Pvt 1st Class Colin Brennan
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
Pfc Trevor J. Talbot
Pvt 1st Class Stevie Williams

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Cmdr Kevin Carlson PO2 Kevin Morrison ENS Hugh Rider Lt Cmdr Tom Smith Shane Zeman

US National Guard

Liam Gobeyn Sgt Steven Tetzlaff Sgt Jackson Knott

If you would like to add or remove a name, please contact us at officessifx@ssifx.org.



Readings for the week of July 16, 2023

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/

Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/

Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/

Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25,

26-27/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc,

17-18/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6,

8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/

Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30



Parish Life



Parish Life



Please join us! Call the parish office at 847-256-4250 to RSVP.



Saints JFX is moving away from the traditional "Sunday YFF/RE/PREP classes" to a new program called Family of Faith. This week we continue to present frequently asked questions and answers to share information about the program. Please do not hesitate to contact Dana McKenna at dmckenna@ssjfx.org if you'd like to receive the registration link or more information about the program.

Q. What if we don't understand the material?

A. Call, e-mail, or visit us in the parish office and we will help you. As a parish, it is our ministry and priority to support you in your vocation and role as a parent.

Q. Do we have to turn anything in?

A. There is a year-long project every family completes. Throughout the year parents will share at the Tuesday parent meetings the progress of their family project. Families will support and share with one another ideas related to the project. At the end of the year there will be an opportunity for families to share their end project with the Family of Faith community.

Q. Can I bring my children with me to Parent Meetings on the first Tuesday of the month?

A. You can certainly bring your children to the Parent Meeting on the first Tuesday of the month. We will have activities for them while we take the time to teach you, our parents, the theme for that month.

Q: Is there a lot of time and work involved for families?

A: No. There are two lessons to teach each month, along with a variety of family and child activities. Each lesson takes about 30-45 minutes and requires minimal preparation from the parent. The once-a-month parent educational session will include icebreakers, presentation notes, discussion questions and answers, and step-by-step instructions for activities. Our group leaders will help you know, understand and explain your faith, so that you can pass it on to your children in a personal way.



Multi-parish program

Learn about Living and praying in the Kingdom of the Divine Will As taught by Jesus to the Servant of God, Luisa Piccarreta.

*12-week immersion of the Divine Will teachings with *Book of Heaven*And *The 24-Hours of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

Location: OLPH Parish Thursdays 6-8pm Starting Sept. 7th

<u>Questions/Register:</u> Contact Beth Aldrich <u>IllinoisDivineWill@gmail.com</u> www.DivineWillIllinois.com

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Also, please consider being part of the Saints JFX Sharing our Gifts Campaign. Our goal is to fund every student in line for a scholarship at St. Thomas of Canterbury and St. Mary of the Lake Schools for the 2023-24 school year. Together, we can help all 160 students receive a tax credit scholarship by raising our goal of \$1 million.

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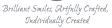


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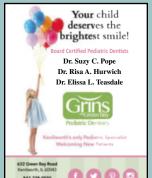
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