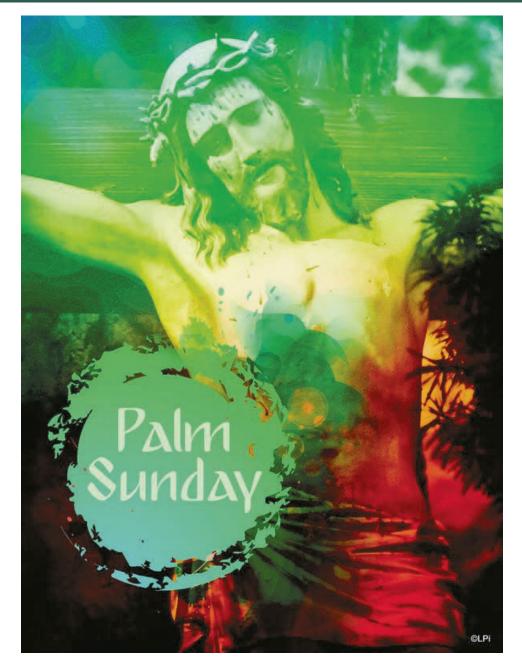
Our Mission:

Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

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 24, 2024

Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish



PARISH STAFF

Rev. Wayne F. Watts, Pastor wwatts@ssjfx.org

Rev. Robert Ryan, Associate Pastor rsryan@ssjfx.org

Msgr. Dan Mayall, Retired dmayall@ssjfx.org

Rev. William J. Sheridan, Retired

Rev. Edward F. Harnett, Retired

Christopher and Binh Keefe, Deacon Couple ckeefe@archchicago.org

Robert and Karen Kerls, *Deacon Couple* rkerls@ssjfx.org

Curt and Sally Robey, Deacon Couple crobey@archchicago.org

Joseph D'Arco, Director of Business Operations jdarco@ssjfx.org

Christine Elliott, School Principal christineelliott@saintsjfx.org

Jonathan Metzinger, Music Director jmetzinger@ssjfx.org

John Hopkins, Music Director jhopkins@ssjfx.org

Ron Berger, Liturgical Planner rberger@ssjfx.org

Michael Cesario, Director, Evangelization & Ministry mjcesario@ssjfx.org

Dana McKenna, Director, Family of Faith Program dmckenna@ssjfx.org

MaryClare Birmingham, Coordinator, Ministries of Care and Bereavement mbirmingham@ssjfx.org

Noreen Russo, Youth Ministry Coordinator (ACTION) nrusso@ssjfx.org

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-May)

Confession is offered from 9:00 - 10:00 am on Saturday at St. Joseph Church.

Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish Offices

St. Joseph Campus 1747 Lake Avenue (847) 251-0771 cadaniel@ssjfx.org Hours: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday - Friday

St. Francis Xavier Campus 524 Ninth Street (847) 256-4250 officessjfx@ssjfx.org Hours: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday - Thursday

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

For additional parish information, please visit www.ssjfx.org

For information about Saints JFX School, please visit www.saintsjfx.org

Saints JFX is on social media! Follow us on Instagram (saintsjfx_wilmette) and Facebook (Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier)

Wayne's World



Dear Friends,

We've arrived again, at the pinnacle Wednesday March 27, Tenebrae of our Church year. Starting today, 7:30 pm Service of Shadows - St. Francis Xavier Palm Sunday, we enter with Jesus into the most prayerful, most meaningful, most exciting time of the year. This week helps everything in our Christian lives make a little more sense. We commemorate the at 10:30 pm passion, death, and resurrection of

Jesus because we need to be reminded, amid everything else that is happening in our world, that humble obedience and submission to the will of God leads to victory. We need to be reminded that the suffering of Jesus gives us life. God's deliverance comes to us from God, not from our feeble attempts at piety.

When I was a child, my parents encouraged us in so many was to mark Holy Week. We would attend services and keep silence. I think my childhood experience of Palm Sunday and of Holy Week has forever impressed me with the importance of this week in our life of faith. On Palm March 31, Easter Sunday* Sunday, we would go as a family to a Maronite Church, 8:00 am St. Joseph Our Lady of Lebanon, the church of my godmother, Rosie, 9:30 am St. Francis Xavier and her brother, Joe, for a formal celebration with multiple 9:45 am St. Francis Xavier Gym processions. I am happy to say that at 92, Joe plans to be in 10:30 am St. Joseph the front pew of our church this weekend. That tradition 11:30 am St. Francis Xavier was always a great start to a wonderful week of faith and *There will be no 4:45 pm Mass on Easter family. If you are reading this after Mass today, I thank you for coming and making a great start to a great week in the The Passover of the Lord, the Paschal Mystery, is upon Church year.

every other week of the year. What we remember this happens this week. I cannot stress to you enough how week gives us reason to hope, and reason to live the Christian life. What can we do to make this week holy? On this week. March 24-31, 2024, has the potential of chang-Tuesday, the official diocesan celebration of Holy Week ing us forever. Let's not just live as if it's just another begins with the Chrism Mass. At that Mass Cardinal week. Make this week holy. Let's prepare for an celebrate Cupich will bless and consecrate the oils we will use in our Easter joy in the heart of the city. various liturgical celebrations, such as Baptism, Confirmation, and Anointing of the Sick, throughout the year. He Peace, will also ask the priests present to renew the promises they made at Ordination. I intend to be there, and invite you to come to Holy Name Cathedral too, if your schedule permits. The Chrism Mass begins at 2:30pm.

Christians; they give us a purpose, and they promise us that friends to join us as we celebrate? Help to spread the word we can live forever. I guarantee you that if you invest your that all are welcome at Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier. time in truly entering the mysteries unveil, you will not be Invite your friends and neighbors to join you to celebrate disappointed. Mark your calendars!

March 28, Holy Thursday

8:30 am Morning Prayer - St. Joseph

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Joseph*

*Church will remain open concluding with Night Prayer

March 29, Good Friday

8:30 am Morning Prayer - St. Joseph

3:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion - St. Francis Xavier

5:30 pm Living Stations of the Cross - St. Joseph

7:30 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion - St. Joseph

March 30, Holy Saturday 8:30 am Morning Prayer - St. Joseph 10:30 am Basket Blessing - St. Joseph 7:30 pm The Easter Vigil - St. Francis Xavier

us. Will you make this week holy? Please do. And bring your friends! Let's fill the Church this week! With a joyful What we commemorate this week explains why we gather hope I invite you to revel in the accounts of everything that important it is for Catholics to truly enter into the events of



These next seven days define who we are as Catholic PS For Easter, may I suggest that you invite one or two the Resurrection of the Lord on Easter Sunday morning. The best gift you can give someone is the joy the Easter victory offers. I hope, and expect, we have a full church at each of our very special services.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday March 25, 2024 6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Sheridan

8:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Watts

Intentions: + Kevin Toomey (L)Lucy Park

Tuesday March 26, 2024 6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions: +Joyce Bradley +Maria Friedrich +Ronald Lobo

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

+ Deceased / (L) Living

SFX - St. Francis Xavier

SJ -St. Joseph

Wednesday March 27, 2024 6:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Watts

8:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions: +Charles Carlson +Maurice DeVolder +Rose Ann Grimes +Kate Henn +Richard Kushner +Donna Robbins (L)Rehbock Family Intentions

7:30 pm SFX Tenebrae

<u>Thursday March 28, 2024</u> Holy Thursday

8:30 am SJ Morning Prayer

7:30 pm SJ Mass of the Lords Supper *Presider: Fr. Ryan*

10:00 SJ Vigil Prayer Presider: Fr. Ryan

<mark>Friday March 29, 2024</mark> Good Friday

8:30 am SJ Morning Prayer

3:00 pm SFX Passion of Lord Presider: Fr. Ryan

5:30 pm SJ Living Stations

7:30 SJ Passion of the Lord *Presider: Fr. Watts*

<u>Saturday March 30, 2024</u> Holy Saturday

8:30 am SJ Morning Prayer Presider: Fr. Ryan

10:00 am SJ Easter Basket Blessing

7:30 pm SFX The Easter Vigil Presider: Fr. Watts/Fr. Ryan



Masses are livestreamed on our YouTube channel.

Search Saints JFX on www.youtube.com

<u>Sunday March 31, 2024</u> Easter Sunday

8:00 am SJ Presider: Msgr. Mayall

Intentions: +Brian Carey +Maurice DeVolder +Olivia Sergot +Liliana Suciu

9:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions: +Lou Glunz +Andrew Leider +Betty Leider +Liliana Suciu +Hansueli Wick

9:45 am SFX School Gym Presider: Fr. Sheridan

Intentions: (L)People of the Parish

10:30 am SJ Presider: Fr. Watts

Intentions: +Brian Carey +Catherine Rago +Olivia Sergot (L)Rehbock Family Intentions

11:30 am SFX Presider: Fr. Ryan

Intentions: +Thomas & Calista Gorman +John & David Leath

Please pray for the sick and those in need:

Carmen Albino Laura B. Lorraine Bixler Jim Bohlman Art Devereaux Paul "PJ" DiClementi Jr Peter DiClementi Jr Sally Griffin Sheila Groark Rick Hawkinson Catherine Horan Bob Kerrigan Tiffany McGivern John McGuiness Eden McKenna Pam O'Reilly Allen Stone Carla Zaramella In prayer and loving memory of:

> Tony Merges Mary Piskor Anna Stipsic



Please email officessjfx@ssjfx.org to add or remove a name.

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

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: <u>ssjfx.org/baptism.html</u>

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: <u>ssjfx.org/weddings.html</u>

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

Marriage Banns

Natalie Reda and Robert Mundy Bann II





Saints JFX Ministry of Care

Ministry of Care

Experienced 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 <u>mbirmingham@ssjfx.org</u>

Stewardship Report March 17, 2024

Collected at Church: Envelopes: \$ 4,724.00 Loose Cash: \$ 1,893.00 Electronic Contributions: \$21,880.00

Total: \$28,497.00

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/ join-a-meeting Meeting ID: 243 977 469 891 Passcode: MYhkSx

If you prefer to call in: Dial (872)242-9930; Conference ID: 267-145-550#

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

<u>US Air Force</u> Ssgt John Wesley Hobbs 2nd Lt Luke Stenberg

US Army Rev Chaplain Maj John Barkemeyer LTC Kelly Quinn Cpt Christopher Cannon Cpt Ryan Cannon PFC Richard Carlson Sgt Harrison Daniels Maj Jason Harlan Pvt Ryan Higgins Erik Larson (Army Reserve) SPC Zach Lueken Sgt Brenda Lore Mayo Sgt David Lore Mayo Seth Miller Lt Col Anita Scattone Lt Ryan Slattery

- US Marine Corps 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 Cpl Trevor J. Talbot Pvt 1st Class Stevie Williams
 - US Navy 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 Lt Col Grant Swinger

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



Readings for the week of March 24, 2024

Sunday:	Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22: 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1–15:47 or 15:1-39
Monday:	Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	ls 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:	ls 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/ Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21- 22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	ls 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1- 19:42
Saturday:	<i>Easter Vigil:</i> Gn 1:1–2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15–15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17- 18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9- 15, 32–4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/ Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7
Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7



Please join us for Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, March 29. 5:30pm at St. Joseph Church.

All 4th through 8th grade parish children are invited to participate. Please contact Dana McKenna to sign up at (847) 251-3734.

He is Risen! Join us for our Holy Week and Easter Services.

March 27, Tenebrae	March 30, Holy Saturday
7:30 pm St. Francis Xavier	8:30 am Morning Prayer - St. Joseph
March 28, Holy Thursday 8:30 am Morning Prayer - St. Joseph	10:30 am Basket Blessing - St. Joseph 7:30 pm The Easter Vigil - St. Francis Xavier
7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Joseph*	March 31, Easter Sunday*
*Church will remain open concluding with Night Prayer at 10:30 pm	8:00 am St. Joseph
March 29, Good Friday	9:30 am St. Francis Xavier
8:30 am Morning Prayer - St. Joseph	9:45 am St. Francis Xavier Gym
3:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion - St. Francis Xavier	10:30 am St. Joseph
5:30 pm Living Stations of the Cross - St. Joseph	11:30 am St. Francis Xavier
7:30 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion - St. Joseph	*There will be no 4:45 pm Mass on Easter

At the Easter Vigil we will welcome our RCIA participants into the Catholic Church. We invite you to continue reading their stories, and ask that you keep them in your prayers during their final week of preparation.



Octavio Covarubias: Octavio will receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

My name is Octavio Covarubias. I grew up in a strong Catholic family in Mexico; where I was baptized and received my First Communion; however, because of my professional studies and career, even youth, I forgot how vital it is to keep my religious origins and values as a guide in my life. The catholic faith has been my moral support to live in the United States for more than 13 years although inconveniences. It has been nothing easy but having in my mind and heart the significance of the love of God and Virgin Mary with their teachings, I have fought for my dreams and academic and professional objectives with complete dignity and integrity. That is the point, to be here is to get my Confirmation

of my faith as the guide for continuing to fight for my purposes with strong catholic values.



Brad Meissen: Brad will receive the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.

Hi everyone, I was born and raised in Madison, WI by a Catholic father and Lutheran mother. I was baptized Catholic, and faith in the family has always been important to me. I am passionate about my decision to fully embrace in the Catholic Faith and raise my family with Catholic morals and values. A life rooted in faith is extremely important to me. My wife Lauren and I were married in the Catholic Church in 2013 and currently live in Evanston with our four children, Sarah (8), Anna (6), Jack (4), and James (2). Our children attend St. Athanasius School. I am grateful for the warm welcome to the Catholic Faith!



Carolyn Trompeter: Carolyn will receive the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.

I decided to receive my First Communion and Confirmation because... Three generations of my family have been baptized, confirmed, and married in this beautiful church. I was also baptized many many years ago and moved away and came back. I am so honored to be a part of such a beautiful, loving, faithful community.. and be one with our beautiful Lord and Jesus Christ... I'm truly looking forward to meeting you all and being on the path together in faith and pure gratitude from Our Lord.



On Saturday, April 13, and Sunday, April 14, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Francis Xavier/ St. Joseph Conference will hold a Clothing and Household Items Donation Drive in the St. Joseph Church parking lot, 1747 Lake Avenue, Wilmette. Donation Drive hours are:

Saturday, April 13 from 10 am – 2 pm Sunday, April 14 from 1 – 3 pm

Drivers can pull into the lot from Lake Avenue and our volunteers will take the donations and put them into trucks.

Please bring bags or boxes of clothing and household goods such as pots and pans, plates, glasses, silverware and small appliances like toasters and blenders. (Sorry, we will not be able to accept furniture at this event.)

Please help us to help others! Donate to our April 13-14 Donation Drive and consider joining our team to staff our call line, create sack meals for those without enough to eat, and assist people struggling to care for themselves and their families. Contact <u>sfxstvincentdepaul@comcast.net</u> to learn more, including volunteering at the Donation Drive.

Peace,

Jack O'Malley President St. Vincent de Paul, Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Conference



Please join us on Saturday, March 30th at 10:30am in Saint Joseph Church.

Fill your basket with foods you would enjoy at your first Easter meal. Items to include in your basket: Ham, sausage, lamb, breads, eggs, chocolate, bitter herbs, butter, wine, candy or any other delicious treats.

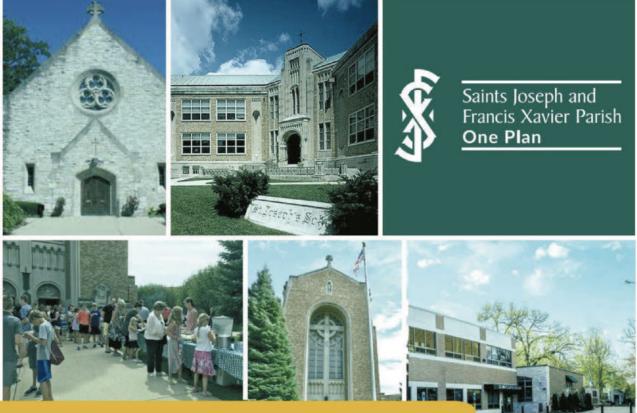




Summer 2024 Adult Confirmation for Vicariate I Parishioners

Are you an adult who missed receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? Preparation for Confirmation for Vicariate I parishioners will be offered weekly on Mondays beginning Monday, June 3, 7-9 pm, at St. Edna Parish (Door #2),
2525 N. Arlington Heights Rd. in Arlington Heights. Bishop Jeffrey Grob will preside at the Confirmation Mass at St. Edna Parish on Wednesday, July 24 at 7:00 p.m. Registration closes on May 23.

Contact Lorie Crepeau for information and registration; lcrepeau@stedna.org, 847-398-3362, ext. 325. 8



Take the online survey by March 25th!

Saints JFX One Plan Survey

Thanks to all those who joined us on March 11th to help shape the future of Saints JFX. Parishioners who missed this One Plan update are invited to watch the video of the presentation, review the presentation slides, and take a brief online survey to provide their input.

We need your feedback to guide truly impactful improvements that benefit all parishioners. If you missed this presentation, please take the time to engage with these materials and take the survey no later than **Monday, March 25th**.



Learn more and find links to all of these resources here.

www.SaintsJFXOnePlan.com



07 APRIL 2024

Divine Mercy Sunday

Everyone is welcome to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday

Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Blessings with Piece of the True Cross, & Confession

1:00 - 2:30 PM DIVINE MERCY PARISH AT SACRED HEART CHURCH 1077 TOWER RD, WINNETKA

AND/OR

2:45 - 4:00 PM FAITH, HOPE & CHARITY CHURCH 191 LINDEN ST, WINNETKA

Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena March 29th - April 6th May be Prayed Privately

QUESTIONS? CALL CHRISTINE KENGOTT +1 (847) 347 - 2772

NOVENA PREPARATION FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Prepare your heart and start to pray the Chaplet daily on regular Rosary beads at the 3:00 hour, the Hour of Mercy. The Novena will begin on Good Friday, March 29 with the Novena Daily Intentions for all souls, living and passed on, to implore The Father for His Mercy: Day 1- All mankind, especially sinners, Day 2 - The souls of priests and religious, Day 3 -All devout and faithful souls, Day 4- Those who do not believe in Jesus and those who do not yet know Him, Day 5- The souls of separated brethren, Day 6- The meek and humble souls and souls of children, Day 7- The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus' mercy, Day 8- The souls who are dying and detained in Purgatory, Day 9- The souls who have become lukewarm and indifferent, the souls who cause Jesus the most suffering.

> For more information, please go to TheDivineMercy.org.

Many extraordinary graces are available to all who partake in this devotion as it is a holy way to also prepare for Easter!



HELP SAVE LIVES IN CHICAGOLAND!

You can protect mothers and children by joining Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our 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 30 coordinated campaigns:

- Over 20,000 babies saved from abortion
- Over 200 abortion workers converted
- Over 100 abortion centers closed

community:

Vigil location: Carafem Abortion Center, 4711 Golf Rd. in Skokie. We meet in the middle of the block between Skokie Blvd. & Gross Point Rd. (on south side of the street)

Vigil days/hours: Every Saturday at 9:30 am - 10:30 am (following 8:30 am St. Joseph's Mass)

SJFX Contacts: Kevin Connolly at 773-981-2972 kconnolly@usa.com or Claudia Morse-Karzen at cmorsekarzen@gmail.com 847-924-9089

WE NEED YOU TO SHARE IN THIS CRITICAL MISSION!

In addition, please donate to the following pro-life groups: Aid for Women at https:// www.helpaidforwomen.org, Pro-Life Action League at https://prolifeaction.org and Students for Life at https://studentsforlife.org.



