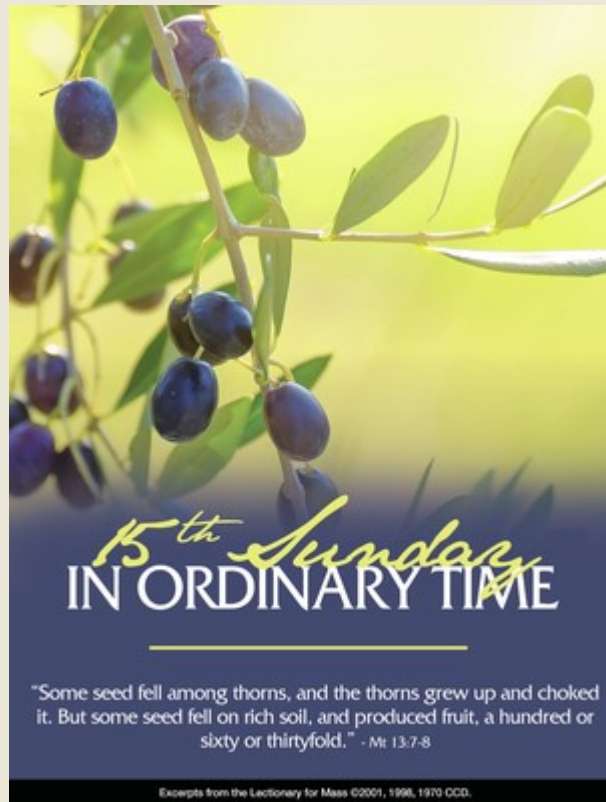




Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish

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.



July 12, 2020

The Archdiocese has reached an agreement with the Office of the Governor on a multi-phase Plan for reopening our churches for the celebration of the sacraments, private prayer, adoration, and Mass. Stay tuned to Fr. Wayne's daily emails for updates on the reopenings. Questions can be addressed to: officessjfx@ssjfx.org.

The Parish Offices are open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For those entering the Parish Offices, use of masks and hand sanitizer is required. Initially, meetings at the Parish Offices will not be scheduled until appropriate procedures have been established. Questions or concerns can be addressed to either of the following emails: rleech@ssjfx.org or 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

Reopening of Parish Offices

The Parish Offices at the St. Joseph and St. Francis Xavier campuses are open 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. All persons entering the Parish Offices must wear a mask and use hand sanitizer and 6 ft. social distancing will be observed. Initially, meetings at the Parish Office will not be scheduled until appropriate procedures have been established.

Parish Office personnel will continue to be accessible by phone and email.

To reach the SJ Campus, please dial:

847-251-0771 or email rleech@ssjfx.org.

To reach the SFX Campus, please dial:

847-256-4250 or email officessjfx@ssjfx.org.

Elijah Cup

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:

July 12

July 19

July 26

August 2

August 9

August 16

August 23

August 30

For more information or to sign up, please contact:

Kirsten Solmos: k.solmos@comcast.net

[847-853-9021](tel:847-853-9021)/[847-337-1708](tel:847-337-1708)

Dear Friends,

The efficacy of God's Word works wonders. Through the voice of Isaiah, the Prophet, God reminds His people of His plans. He says, "Just as the rain and snow come down, so will my Word. Just as the rain and snow have an effect on the earth, so will my Word."

What is God's Word? In the Old Testament times, the Word came through the prophets as an important message from God to the human race. This passage from Isaiah would encourage the listeners to allow God's message to have an effect, and to make a difference in their lives.

Remember, in the first chapter of Saint John's Gospel, we learn that the "Word" is another name for the second person in the Trinity, Jesus Christ. In God's providential plan to send the Son, God plans that the Son will have a profound effect on the world as the rain and the snow have an effect on the fields.

We need to ask ourselves if God's Word – the divine message or the person himself – has an effect on our lives. Do we listen to the Word and allow it to touch our hearts and change our lives?

Saint Paul in his letter to the Romans, which we hear today, speaks of the reality of life at the time of the writings. He acknowledges suffering of that present day, sufferings that continue to this present day. The people of Rome and the faithful of today could easily get stuck in the suffering that was and is so real.

The suffering we experience today has as its origins both human and non-human beginnings. Racism, hatred, a lack of respect for human life -- as evidenced in the number of abortions, victims of gun violence, and brutality -- come from imperfect human beings and cause great suffering.

The coronavirus, cancer, and other illnesses that cause great suffering have an imperfect world as their start. They are not caused by the person experiencing the illness and are not a punishment for an individual's past actions. Nonetheless, the suffering is real. Saint Paul acknowledges it and so do I.

In the midst of the evil we experience, physical, metaphysical or moral evil, Saint Paul reminds us to hope in the glory to be revealed for us. He says all these are nothing compared to the glory God has in mind for us. He expresses hope that we will be "set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God."

To do that, we must be open to receiving the Word of God that comes to us. In the Gospel, Jesus commands, "Whoever has ear ought to hear." God's forever plan was to send his Son into the world to sow the Word of life and love and mercy into the hearts of God's people.

Jesus talks about how some receive that Word into the soil of their hearts. Some hearts are unable to allow the Word to even take root. Others are too shallow for permanence. Others get distracted and forget to nurture the word. Thankfully there are some hearts that accept the Word, allow it to take root, pay attention to it amidst distractions, and see it produce great fruit.

I pray that the soil of our hearts, yours and mine, will be fertile, good soil that will allow the teaching of Jesus to take root and to produce great fruit. I see that fruit being a commitment to discipleship, to serving one another on the Saints JFX community and to serving the most in need in our community, Church and world. I am hopeful, as Saint Paul was, that this can happen here.

I end my missive today with words of gratitude to Father Matthew Spotts, SJ. What a gift he has been to this community! When I first arrived here, even before our unification, Father Brian Paulsen, the Provincial of the Midwest Jesuits, asked me if Father Matt could join our community for a year of pastoral experience after ordination. I gladly agreed.

I remember when he stopped by a week or so after his ordination. As is the tradition in the Church, I asked him for his "First Blessing." As I bowed and he prayed over me, I felt a connection, and a sense of joy. I had no idea what this year would bring, but Father Matthew Spotts, who blessed me on that day as a newly ordained priest, has blessed this community beyond measure. I cannot even list here his accomplishments. You know them. We are better for knowing him. May God bless Father Matt!

Peace,



Rev. Wayne T. Wauer



Schedule for Masses, Sacraments and Benediction

<p>Monday, July 13, 2020 6:30 a.m. SJ (livestream) <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>8:15 a.m. SFX <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Eleanor Pesavento</p>	<p>Wednesday, July 15, 2020 6:30 a.m. SJ (livestream) <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>8:15 a.m. SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Arthur and Virginia Roth</p>	<p>Friday, July 17, 2020 6:30 a.m. SJ (livestream) <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>8:15 a.m. SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Sheridan</i></p> <p>Intentions: (L) Parish Intentions for Active Military</p>	<p>Sunday, July 19, 2020 8:00 a.m. SJ (livestream)* <i>Presider: Fr. Chun</i></p> <p>9:30 a.m. SFX* <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>10:30 a.m. SJ Parking Lot <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>1:00 p.m.—SFX Baptism: Cowie <i>Presider: Deacon Kerls</i></p> <p>Intentions: (L) Liliana Suci +Jasper Sanfilippo +Sean Callum</p>	
<p>Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:30 a.m. SJ (livestream) <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>8:15 a.m. SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: (L) Liliana Suci</p>	<p>Thursday, July 16, 2020 6:30 a.m. SJ (livestream) <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>8:15 a.m. SFX <i>Presider: Fr. Harnett</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Vito Vitale (L) Rehbock Family Intentions</p>	<p>Saturday, July 18, 2020 8:30 a.m. SJ (livestream) <i>Presider: Msgr. Mayall</i></p> <p>9-10 a.m. Private Prayer and Reconciliation <i>Presider: Fr. Rodrigue</i></p> <p>5:00 p.m. SFX * <i>Presider: Fr. Watts</i></p> <p>Intentions: +Nick Swartzendruber +Daniel Fish (L) Chris Lee and Family</p>	<p>Note: Livestream Masses will also be archived for viewing later.</p> <p>*Mass attendance is offered by sign-up only. No walk-ins.</p> <p>Sign up links are sent via parish emails. If you are not receiving these emails please contact us at mkgorman@ssjfx.org</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">+ Deceased / (L) Living SFX - St. Francis Xavier Church / SJ - St. Joseph Church</p>				

The parish is implementing a reopening plan for SFX and SJ Churches. Fr. Wayne's daily emails contain the latest information on the reopening schedule and the link to daily video Masses. If you are not receiving these emails and wish to receive them, please send your email address to: mkgorman@ssjfx.org

Prayers for the sick and those in need:

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

Please email the parish office (officessjfx@ssjfx.org) if you'd like to add or remove a name.

*In prayer
and loving memory of:*

*Clare Heraty
Jan Lachner
Joyce Busscher McGovern
Anna Filice Nevin*





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
2nd 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
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

1st Lt Jeff Barak, Friend of Frantzen family
Pvt 1st 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
2nd 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

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 clothing and household goods are not able to be accepted at this time.** However, personal care and hygiene products are needed and welcomed, including hand sanitizer and masks (single use or reusable)

Items can be dropped off at the following locations:

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

Questions? Contact 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)
Paper grocery bags
Personal Care products

Readings for the week of July 13, 2020

Monday:	Is 1:10-17, Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23, Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday:	Is 7:1-9, Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8, Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday:	Is 10:5-7, 13b-16, Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15, Mt 11:25-27
Thursday:	Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19, Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21, Mt 11:28-30
Friday:	Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8, Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16, Mt 12:1-8
Saturday:	Mi 2:1-5, Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14, Mt 12:14-21
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

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.