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F R . M I K E ' S R E F L E C T I O N



As a young boy I used to swim a lot in the school pool and in a lake. I loved to go underwater towards someone and scare them by coming up next to them. Sometimes it was fun to pull them under when they were not expecting it. In swimming long distances underwater, you occasionally need to come up to breath. This past Advent and Christmas sort of felt the same way. After being under COVID for so many months it was nice to come up for a breath of fresh air. But little did I know that with this new version of the virus we would be back underwater again so quickly. I would like to believe, like many of you, that this latest bout of the virus is short lived. Sadly, that is probably not going to be the case. So, we are going to have to adapt as a faith community and as individuals to be more flexible, more watchful, and more eager to support others who may be having a difficult day or week. But that is what the Body of Christ, and every human family tries to do. Adapt to the situation. My New Year's resolution: be more adaptable. Fr. Mike



SJTW is concerned about your safety and the safety of those around you. Because of that, we feel it necessary to implement a few new protocols.

Beginning immediately, masks will be required for all those attending the Saturday 5 PM Mass. The foyer space and St. Joe Hall will be available for those without masks at the Saturday evening Mass.

Masks are strongly encouraged for all those attending the Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 AM Masses.

Weekday Mass

Monday – Thursday at 11:00 am – In person. Friday Morning at 6:30 am

Weekend Mass

Saturday Evenings at 5:00 pm (In person, parking lot and live-streamed)

Recorded Mass will be available following Live Stream.

Sunday Mornings at 8:30 and 10:30 am

Hospitality following Masses.

Masks are not longer required. We encourage continuation of face coverings for those that are at-risk or feel uncomfortable.

Reconciliation:

4:00 pm Saturdays or by appointment.

We will broadcast weekend Masses via FM transmitter for those that don't feel comfortable coming indoors but would like to participate from the parking lot and receive Holy Communion. Communion ministers will be located outside Door 2 (faith Formation doors).

Tune in your FM radio to 106.7. A worship aid can be downloaded at <https://www.sjtw.net/mass-schedule>

COMMITMENT TO PARISH LIFE



FR. MIKE

The Minneapolis paper the other day spoke about how many non-profits are suffering from a lack of contributions. Because of that they have reduced staff, merged with other non-profits, and simply gone out of business. As part of the faith family of St. Joseph the Worker you have faithfully stepped up in your contributions to see that we maintain our programs, develop new programs or at least ways of sharing them with you, and maintain our staff over the past 20 months or so. When one of the family members is in need, we step forward to help one another. Thank you for being faithful to the faith community of St. Joseph.
Fr. Mike



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25-26, 2021 CONTRIBUTIONS

		# of Donors
Sunday CPL	\$42,445.56	103
Electronic	\$17,971.77	184
Child Envelopes	\$2	1
Christmas Day	\$31,903.71	224
Plate	\$319.00	
Total	\$92,642.04	512

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 CONTRIBUTIONS

		# of Donors
Sunday CPL	\$46,523.60	102
Electronic	\$34,328.82	247
Plate	\$509.00	
Solemnity of Mary	\$1,178.00	
Total	\$82,539.42	349

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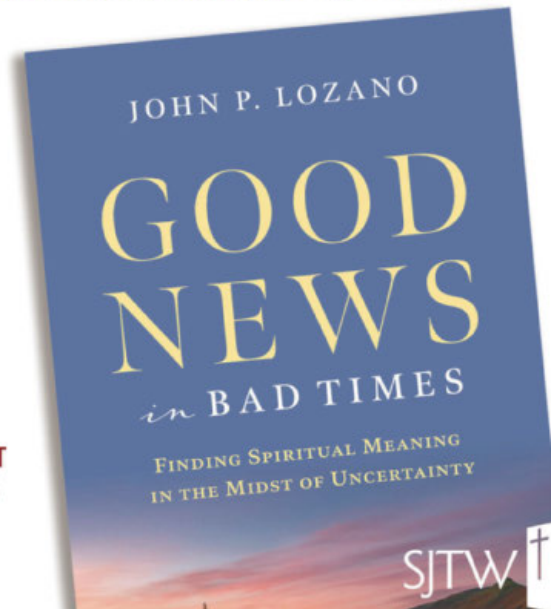
Climate Change Threats to Pregnant Women

The New Year brings more good news and another opportunity to care for our common home! When this kind of news presents itself I can't help but be reminded of the insight of Pope Francis in *On Care for Our Common Home* when he says "Leaving an inhabitable planet to future generations is, first and foremost, up to us."

All trash haulers of Hennepin County are required to offer organics recycling as of January 1st! You may be surprised to learn that 1/3 of our trash is organic material. Instead of ending up in a landfill where it helps to generate toxic methane gas, it can now be reused sustainably to create compost with curbside pick-up! If you live in Maple Grove, go to its website to review a list of materials accepted in organics recycling; you will be surprised at how long the list is! You can then, also, review the trash haulers licensed by Maple Grove to do curbside organics pick-up. Contact any to get more details to start your curbside pick-up.

You can also create your own compost using some of the same organic materials. Compost bins are for sale at the Hennepin County drop-off sites in Brooklyn Park and Bloomington and at big box garden centers. Check www.hennepin.us for "how to" and more information, especially the green disposal guide. You may choose to continue dropping off your organic materials at either the Brooklyn Park drop-off site or the Bloomington site. See details for organics drop-offs on the Hennepin website.

JOIN THE SJTW BOOK CLUB
MONDAY EVENINGS - FEBRUARY 14 - APRIL 4



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Join the SJTW Book Club

The SJTW Book Club will be meeting on Monday evenings, February 14th through April 4th. The time is 7PM to 8:30PM in the Youth Room downstairs. Registration will be online this week. The current climate of political opinion, witnessing an increase in anxiety and depression that is epidemic, and the world-wide pandemic - well that is a lot of 'bad news'. Is there any 'good news'?? The answer is YES. Please consider joining us in the discussion.

The book is "Good News in Bad Times", by John Lozano. Available through Amazon and Twenty-Third Publications.

Questions? Contact Diane Benner 612-644-2356/ email dmb55311@gmail.com - Monica St Germain 763-772-3634/ email mstgerm@embarqmail.com.

Register online at www.sjtw.net



Angel Quilters – Tuesdays

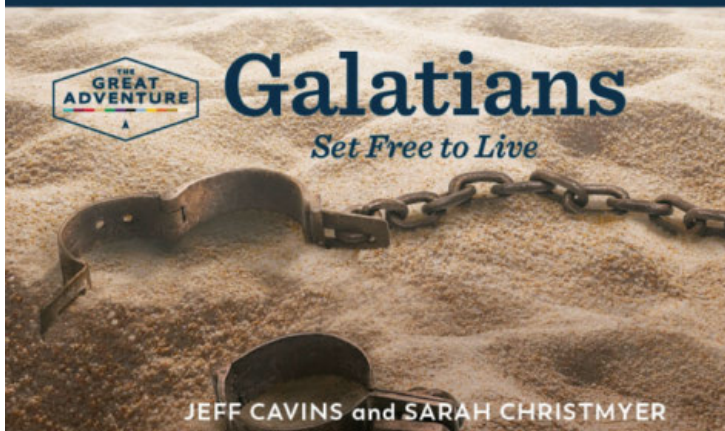
Even with the restrictions of Covid the diligent and caring Angel Quilters have been able to assemble and give away 528 quilts this past year. We are starting our 23rd year with a

total to 6,227 quilts given to people in need.

Please consider joining the Angel Quilters, even if it is see what we are doing. We meet on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 9:00 am-12 noon. No knowledge of quilting is necessary, just a willingness to thread a needle and tie a knot. Drop by any time to see what we are doing and join in the fellowship. Questions please call Jean 763-559-0847.

ADULT FORMATION

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY @ SJTW



An Answer to the Question "What Must We Do to Be Saved?" The most important question a Christian can ask is "What must we do to be saved?" St. Paul's letter to the Galatians provides the answer and reveals the merciful love God the Father has for his children. Galatians: Set Free to Live speaks of the extraordinary gift of salvation Jesus has won for us and explains how we can unite ourselves to Christ's redeeming sacrifice through faith and love.

Presenter Jeff Cavins explains how Christ fulfilled the Law and set us free to live in the Spirit. Learn what "justification" means and how faith and works are an integral part of it. Discover how we become heirs to the promises and blessings of Christ through faith.

Join us as we explore this epistle together. Sign up with SJTW and order your copy of the workbook from Ascension Press. Meetings will start Tuesday, Jan 25th, at 7:00 Either in person at SJTW or on Zoom. Register online at www.sjtw.net



[REGISTER ONLINE FOR MINI MAYHEM AT SJTW.NET](http://www.sjtw.net)

FORMATION

Faith Formation Update 2022

To inquire about which class times are still available, please contact the Faith Formation department to register for classes.

For our Sunday School program, please contact Jeanne Smith, jeanne@sjtw.net.

For our Elementary and Junior High program and the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, please contact Monica Liebl, monical@sjtw.net.

For our High School, OneWith program and Confirmation, please contact Brady Tynen, btynen@sjtw.net



The Need Is NOW!

After starting the fleece blanket drive about a month ago, the Lady Knights are at 20% of our goal of 300 blankets! Thank you! The number of beautiful blanket donations from the parish is amazing. SIXTY blankets have already been distributed. Allan Law, the Sandwich Guy was able to give the majority of these blankets directly to those in need.

The Lady Knights are collecting blankets through the end of January. The biggest need is for twin size blankets (65 x 90 inches). Other sizes: standard kit size (72 x 60 inches) and stroller blankets (30 x 35 inches) are also welcome. Fleece tie blankets are easy to make—no sewing experience required. This would be a great option for Confirmation hours or a family project.

If you don't have time to tie a blanket, buy two lengths of fleece or a kit and drop it off when coming to Mass. New, store-bought blankets are also appreciated. Join us in spreading some love and giving a little warmth to those in need. Think we can get over 300 blankets this year? With your help, absolutely!



6th Annual NW Metro Mobilepack for FMSC
 Great News! The Feed My Starving Children NW Metro Mobilepack is back for the 6th annual event this coming February. The location for the Mobilepack will be at our very own St. Joseph the Worker in St Joe's Hall on February 23rd-26th, 2022. We will be having our annual fundraiser for FMSC the weekend of January 22nd and 23rd after all the Masses. For your convenience, you can also donate by going to: sjtw.net, click on donate and use the drop down to get to FMSC. Volunteer signup to pack will be opening soon at: give.fmsc.org/northwest. Giving HOPE. Health, Opportunity, Prosperity, Education
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We need you at Mobile Hope!

Do you want to share your gifts with others? We have several volunteer opportunities that we would love to fill with our wonderful Parish Family members!

~Volunteers needed for Mobile Hope. Mobile Hope's mission is to build relationships, hope, and culture of achievement within mobile communities through education, healthy activities, resource connections and faith development. Mobile Hope is in need of those who could offer "homework help". We would like to build a team of volunteers for this commitment on Mondays from 3:30-5:30pm in the Dayton Mobile Hope community. Adults and teens are welcome to help and come together. This would be great experience for those with teaching interest! If you are interested in any of these wonderful opportunities or have questions before you want to commit, please call Theresa in the parish office at 763 425-6505 or email at theresa@sjtw.net. Thank you for blessing our community!



Signs of a nonviolent and equal relationship

Let's start the new year with some positive information about healthy relationships.

- Economic partnership-Making money decisions together, making sure both partners benefit from financial arrangements.
- Honesty and accountability-Accepting responsibility for self-admitting being wrong-communicating openly and truthfully.
- Trust and support-supporting the partner's goals in life-respecting the partners right to their own feelings, friends, activities and opinions.
- Listening to the partner non-judgmentally-being emotionally affirming and understanding-valuing their opinions.
- Negotiation and fairness-seeking mutually satisfying resolutions to conflict-accepting change-being willing to compromise.
- Wishing all women and men a year of healthy relationships in 2022.

If you are wondering if you are in an unhealthy relationship, you can call this number for help:

Day One MN DV Crisis Line-866-223-1111
 or
 Home Free Women and Children's Shelter-763-559-4945
 If you want to help stop domestic violence, please consider joining the Domestic Violence Awareness and Action Group. Contact Sue Rivard at susanrivard5873@gmail.com or Jane Warren at janewarren1@gmail.com.



Pancake Breakfast

Jan 9

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
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Register at www.AveMariaAcademy.org.

Questions? Contact Erin Murphy, Admissions Coordinator, at E.Murphy@AveMariaAcademy.org or 763-494-5388.

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Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

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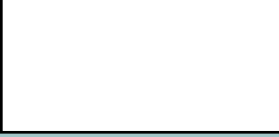
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