

PARISH LIFE

FR. MIKE'S REFLECTION



It always amazes me how people of faith see the hand of God working in their lives while people with little or no faith tend to see "lady luck" or "good fortune" or even bad luck in the same events. I have one sibling who has meet parishioners from several of the parishes where I have worked over time. She sees it as "fortune" when she runs into them. She and her husband have met parishioners 6 times over the years, but still cannot see the hand of God at work in their lives. None of my other siblings have ever met any parishioner anywhere in the world. We were all raised in the same family. We were all exposed to the same church activities. Yet widely differences of explaining some incredible events. I see the hand of God at work in families with children, with folks who "adopt" families from different parts of the country and world, with folks who get involved because of the close friendships they make with others from the parish. Maybe I am just an optimist but I see the hand of God even at work within the virus. We have all become aware of the need for face to face connections. Social media allows quick connections but now we know that is not enough for our children and for ourselves. Fr. Mike

New Member Welcoming Event

Sunday, January 23 beginning at 9:30 AM in the back corner (closest the windows) in St. Joe Hall.



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.

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



Recently a married couple who had been very active in the parish died and included the parish in their will. Tony and Pat Gandolfo had married later in life. The parish was very important to them and they wanted the community to continue to thrive, even when they could no longer attend because of age. They were big supporters of our Commitment to Parish Life because for them church was where they found great friends, great help in their times of need, but most importantly they found their faith in Jesus Christ strengthened. I encourage you to look into the possibility of including the parish in your will. If you find your faith encourages you to support the parish in giving of your time, talent and therefore your financial support, then I also encourage you to look into including the parish in your will. It is a sign to all that you have found Christ in the people of the parish. Fr. Mike

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022 CONTRIBUTIONS

		# of Donors
Sunday CPL	\$11,272.00	111
Electronic	\$12,236.59	175
Child Envelopes	\$4	1
Plate	\$452.00	
Total	\$23,964.59	286



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Happy New Year from Fr Claude

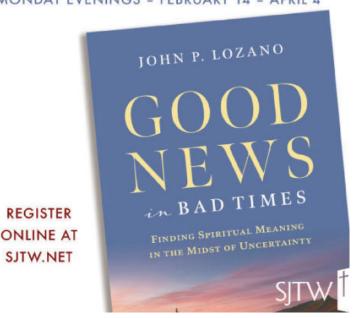
Bon Ane' (Happy New Year) from Fr. Claude! He said the parish gathered for 3 evenings to pray for peace, security and health in the new year. They are an inspiration to our faith as we see in spite of the difficult year they have had, their joyful and hope filled celebrations. Fr. said it is a very good gift that we share the same faith.

After over a year of not being able to get any medications to the clinic in Bouzy, we were able to arrange with the help of our interpreter to purchase much needed prescription medications and get them delivered to Bouzy. These included antibiotics, blood pressure, and diabetes meds. We also were able to initiate contact with the full-time nurse "Tatiana" at the clinic. Now our medical group can communicate directly with their medical staff to know what their most critical needs are. We are praying that they get a new doctor for the community soon.

CARING FOR CREATION

ADULT FORMATION







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

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@embaramail.

Register online at www.sitw.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.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY @ SJTW Galatians Set Free to Live Begins Tuesday, Jan 25 JEFF CAVINS and SARAH CHRISTMYER

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.sitw.net



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FAITH FORMATION UPDATE - January 2022

In light of the Osseo Maple Grove District moving to at-home online learning model, we have made the decision to pause formal Faith Formation programing for a couple weeks. Like our schools, we have also seen a significant increase in students and catechist absences due to illness. For now, all Faith Formation programs will take a pause. It is our plan to resume Elementary and Junior High Faith Formation programing on January 25/26. Our Sunday Nursery, Sunday School and OneWith programs will resume on Sunday, January 30. Additional information will be sent out in the coming days, especially as it relates to rescheduling the Confirmation Candidate and Sponsor evening that was scheduled for Sunday, January 16.

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Faith Formation Contacts:

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



Project Fleece Blanket ABUNDANCE of Love

- Thank you!

The Lady Knights are thrilled to share that we have not only met but have exceeded our goal of 300 fleece blankets! Wow! What an amazing parish family. Most of the blankets have already been distributed through-

out the community through numerous organizations.
The Lady Knights are very grateful for all your blanket donations.

We could not have done it without your generosity and support!

God bless you all.!

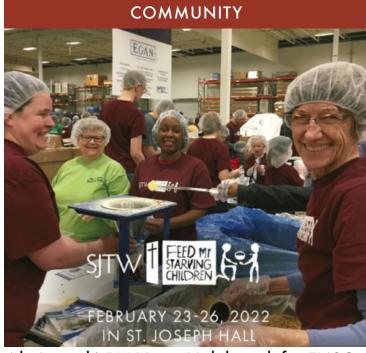
Living our call as SSND:

Transformative education on the margins

Online presentation Wednesday, January 19 at 7 p.m The School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND) invite single women ages 18-45 to an online presentation Wednesday, January 19 at 7 p.m. CST* to learn more about SSND and their ministry with and among those who are poor and marginalized. More information and registration for the Zoom link is available at ssnd.org/events/1-19-22.

Gratefully,

The SSND North American Vocation Team



6th Annual NW Metro Mobilepack for FMSC

Great News! The Feed My Starving Children NW Metro Mobile-pack 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: sitw.net, click on donate and use the drop down to get to FMSC.

Volunteer signup to pack with be opening soon at: give.fmsc.org/northwest. Giving HOPE. Health, Opportunity, Prosperity, Education

Thank you for your support.



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@sitw.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:

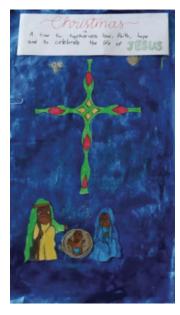
Day One MN DV Crisis Line-866-223-1111

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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS







Keep Chirst in Christmas Poster Contest Winners!



The Knights are excited to announce the winners of the Keep Chirst in Christmas poster contest:

From SJTW, Aiden Cherayll for age 5-7; Camila Wilson for

age 8-10; and Allie Freed for age 11-14
From Ave Maria, Anna Stegmaier for age 5-7; Audrey Hill for age 8-10; and Whitney Lorenz for age 11-14
Congrats to these winners, and thank you to all who shared your beautiful artwork with the parish!

KC Steak Dinner and Raffle

The Knights are planning an in person Steak Dinner and Raffle for Saturday April 30th, 2022. Tickets are \$100 which includes dinner for two and a chance of \$4,000 in prizes. Please contact any Knight if you would like to buy a ticket.

Knights Free Throw Contest

The Knights in partnership with Ave Maria Academy are hosting a Free Throw contest on Saturday January 29th from 8:30-11am for youth ages 9-14 at Ave Maria. Registration will be from 8:30 to 9 am with competition to immediately follow. Please contact Andy Fischer if you have any questions in advance (fiscap@hotmail.com).

If you're interested in joining the Knights, register online www.kofC.org/joinus and use McGivney 2020 as the promo code for the first year free.

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Readings for the week of January 16, 2022 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

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2·18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19 Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-2



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