



## REVITALIZE IN CHRIST - RAISING THE ROOF

# SAINT JOHN FISHER CHURCH

MAY 5, 2019



Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. - Jn 21:12-13

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### Mass Schedule

**SATURDAY VIGIL:** 4:00 PM  
**SUNDAY:** 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM  
**WEEKDAYS (Chapel):** Monday - Friday, 7:30 AM  
**HOLY DAYS:** Vigil - 7:00 PM; 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM  
**HOLIDAYS:** 9:00 AM  
**CONFESSION:** Sat., 3:00 - 3:45 PM or by appointment

### Business Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM  
 Friday: 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM  
 Saturday: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
 Sunday: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
 (Office closed weekdays from 12:00-1:00pm for lunch)

### Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Robert B. McDermott (ext. 3)  
**Permanent Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Daniel Bingnear  
**Weekend Assistant:** Rev. Francis X. Devlin, O.S.A.  
**Business Manager:** Mr. Daniel Kinnik (ext. 4)  
**Director of Religious Education & Music Ministry:**  
 Mrs. Kathleen Aaronson (ext. 5)  
**PREP Secretary:** Mrs. Patricia Donnelly (ext. 8)  
**Parish Administrative Assistant:** Mrs. Regina Robinson  
 (ext. 6)  
**Communications Secretary:** Mrs. Renee Devine (ext. 2)

### Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Joseph Amalfitano  
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**TODAY IS THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 5. The Gospel Reading is John 21: 1-19.**

"Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.'" Peter is a favorite apostle for many people. Is it because of his flawed, relatable humanity? Today's Gospel takes place after Jesus appears to the disciples and breathes the Holy Spirit upon them. And yet, Peter finds himself returning to his old way of life, to comfortable habits he formed long before following Jesus. Is something still lingering in him? Is something still lingering in us? Lent is over, and we should be rejoicing! But do you feel like you're still holding onto something? Or perhaps you had an excellent Lent. You encountered Jesus in a new way and grew in faith. But as the weeks since Easter have slipped by, some of your newfound devotion has begun to waver. The closeness you felt in your Lenten commitments has given way to humdrum status quo or turn-of-the-season busyness.

"Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter has endured so much in his walk of discipleship! But something is still weighing on him. In today's Gospel, Jesus confirms Peter's devotion three times, a redemption of his earlier threefold denial. The call of the Lord must come again, as if heard anew for the first time. So often, this is the pattern of the Christian life. We discover God and experience a new desire for our faith, but in time, our enthusiasm begins to wane. Perhaps something happens that startles us, or we startle ourselves by a poor decision. Then we discover God anew! Our joy returns...for a while. Even the Apostles were no strangers to the cyclical nature of spiritual growth. *Our disappointments or frustrations should not be cause for giving up.* Like Peter, we too can recommit and start anew. This Sunday and every day of our lives, Jesus is waiting to say again, "Follow me."

### ALTAR SERVING

The youth of our parish are encouraged to volunteer as Altar Servers at the end of Fourth Grade. Altar Servers assist the priests and congregation in our worship of the Lord each Sunday. The parish children enrolled in Holy Family Regional Catholic School and in PREP have been contacted. If your child wants to become a server, a parent needs to complete the registration form and return it to the parish office by **May 12**. For further information or to receive a registration form, please contact the parish office.

### SEMINARIANS

Our parish was blessed to be supportive of the seminary formation process. Mr. Henry Graebe had a summer internship at St. John Fisher Parish in 2018, and continued here during the 2018-19 academic year with his pastoral formation on Thursdays.. Henry was joined last Fall by a seminarian from Raleigh Diocese, Matthew Nwafor. Henry and Matthew taught at Holy Family Regional Catholic Grade School, facilitated a Bible Study program and visited the homebound for communion calls. Rev. Mr. Matthew Nwafor was recently ordained a Transitional Deacon for the Diocese of Raleigh. We wish both seminarians much success and pray for their vocational preparations for the Priesthood.



### REVITALIZE IN CHRIST - RAISING THE ROOF

This weekend are the last Masses in the Church building prior to the start of renovations. Next week, we will hold Saturday vigil and Sunday Masses in the Parish Center Hall, through October. A great deal of planning has gone into preparing the Hall for our Eucharistic celebrations, but please be patient as we adjust to the change, and perhaps make slight adjustments as time goes by.

Attendance at the Saturday Vigil Mass has grown since the parish made the time change to 4:00pm, making it the most heavily attended weekend Mass. We anticipate that the Parish Hall and Chapel will be crowded for the Vigil Mass. Total capacity for the Hall and Chapel is 286. Please plan to arrive early to take a seat, and move to the center of the row to allow for full capacity as more people arrive. The Chapel will be equipped with video and sound, and will be served by a Eucharistic Minister, so don't hesitate to sit there. You may also consider changing your routine this summer and attend a Sunday morning Mass periodically.

Here are other details to keep in mind:

- In the Parish Center Hall, there will be one center aisle, with chairs on either side, facing the altar at the rear of the Hall.
- Each person will have an individual seat.
- A handicap section for attendance and communion will be designated.
- For fire safety, there will be no seating in the foyer.
- Please move toward the center of the row when taking a seat to allow for full capacity.
- Parishioners will sit during Consecration.
- Four Eucharistic Ministers will distribute Communion.
- Use the center aisle to receive Communion, and return to your seat by the side aisles.
- A Eucharistic Minister will come to the Chapel.
- Hymnals will be on library carts; please return them.
- A new sound system will be used in the Hall for Masses.
- Emergency exits are found at the front, back and side.
- AED device is located in the parish center foyer.
- Poor boxes and holy water fonts will be in the foyer.
- Containers for food donations will be in the foyer.
- Use on-line giving if away for the summer or attending another church during construction.
- Please be patient and understanding!

### IT'S MOVING DAY!

If you have a few hours to spare, volunteers are needed to help move various items and furniture from the church to other parish buildings **today from 4 to 6pm**. Many helping hands and strong backs will ensure quick work. Please check in at the Parish Center when you arrive. Thanks in advance!

### AID FOR FRIENDS NEEDS MEALS

Lutheran Knolls resident Nick Marroney recently called to say how thankful he is for the Aid for Friends meals that he receives from our parish. "I appreciate the food, but even more, the effort of the people who make it. You have my profound thanks!" he says. The **Aid For Friends** freezer is running low on meals. Could you help restock it? Containers are located in the cabinet to the right of the freezer in the Church Hall. Please take enough supplies to last a few weeks. The supplies and the freezer will be moved to the Parish Hall kitchen. Place finished meals in the freezer in the kitchen of the Parish Center. Thank you!

### CALLING ALL FIFTH GRADERS!

Current Fifth Grade students who are members of the parish, whether enrolled in PREP or attending a Catholic school, will begin their two-year preparation for Confirmation at St. John Fisher Parish with a meeting on **Tuesday, May 7. All candidates and their parents should attend this important meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.** The children receive the sacrament during their 7th year of formation. This class is expected to be confirmed in the Spring of 2021 Please plan to attend for more information.



### REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2019 PREP

For the 2019-20 school year, families will have the choice for PREP classes, between Tuesday afternoon (4:30-6:00pm) or Tuesday evening (6:15-7:45pm) for Grades 1 to 5. Confirmation preparation classes for Grades 6 and 7 will be on Wednesday evenings (6:15-7:45pm).

All current PREP families have been given re-registration forms for the **Fall 2019-Spring 2020 PREP** school year. Please fill out the forms and return them as soon as possible. *If you re-register by June 30, you will receive a tuition discount.*

Parents of incoming 3- through 6-year-olds in the parish have received registration forms by mail. If you are new to the parish and your child has never attended PREP at St. John Fisher, please contact the parish office for registration information.

### BASEBALL MANIA IS BACK!

St. John Fisher parish invites you to play Baseball Mania! Tickets are on sale now after each Mass. Tickets are \$20, and the game begins on July 22 and runs through the end of the regular professional baseball season (ten weeks). There is a guaranteed winner each week! Fill out and return the bottom stub of your ticket, with payment, by dropping it in the collection basket or by the Parish Business Office. Thanks for your support!



### THANK YOU!

The Easter Bunny would like to thank all those who generously donated plastic eggs, candy and gifts for the annual Easter egg hunt. Despite the damp weather, we had a great crowd! The children love this event and we love seeing them smile!

### UPCOMING MUSIC MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<b>Sat. May 11</b>	4:00pm	Cantor
<b>Sun. May 12</b>	8:00am	Cantor
	9:30am	Contemporary Choir
	11:30am	Cantor

### FINANCIAL OFFERING: STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

**Due to an early printing deadline, the collection totals for the weekend of Sunday, April 28, will appear in the bulletin next weekend.**

*We thank our parishioners who, recognizing God's gifts to them, make their response in the weekly collection. Your continued support is vital, necessary and deeply appreciated.*



We rejoice with the children of St. John Fisher who received the Eucharist for the first time this spring! Bless them, Lord Jesus. Let them know your love and mercy!

*Ryan Thomas Anderson  
Cynthia Christinia Beyers  
Kelly Grace Carberry  
Sydney Grace Crawford  
Carly Frances DelCampo  
Jaxon Anthony Duke  
Isabella Nicole Fagan  
Tobi Joanna Fajinmi  
Kendall Marie Hopewell  
Quinn Thomas Kator  
Charlotte Rowan King  
Finnian James Kistler  
Jenavee Arianna Lopez  
Natalie Maria Mancini  
Jackson Roessner Martin  
Caelyn Janelle Mercado-Bingnear  
Collin Nicholas McInnis  
Dominic Anthony McInnis  
Hannah Anne McInnis  
Danielle Marie Mielnik  
Fiona Daley Patton  
Michael Ryan Perkins, Jr.  
Sophia Pizzuto  
Talia Margaret Port  
Joseph Edward Rebarchak  
Kelsey Sue Robinson  
Gabriel Santino Russo  
Max Joseph Stinger  
Joseph Edward Stires  
Phoebe Dianne Sulek  
Matthew John Tamayo  
Shawn Alexander Verdecchio  
Bryce Nicholas Wilson  
Zachary Arthur Wyzen*

### BE A HERO TO A HERO!

Media's Rose Tree Park is the site for the 12th Annual **WALK FOR THE WOUNDED** and **the WARRIORS 5K RUN** on **May 18 from 9:00am until 3:00pm**. This annual Family Fun Day benefits Operation First Response (OFR), which gives financial assistance to wounded veterans and their families who are in need, to help cover their medical, transportation, and general living expenses. The day boasts a festival-like atmosphere, with live music, rock climbing, zip-lining, bungee jumping, food concessions, and a visit by the Phillie Phanatic.

To register for the WARRIORS 5K RUN (a professionally timed event), go to [www.RunSignUp.com](http://www.RunSignUp.com). Search for 'Warriors 5K' and then click 'Sign Up.' For questions call 215-237-8101. Warrior's 5K Run registration begin at 9am at the park; the run starts at 10am. WALK FOR THE WOUNDED registration starts at 10am at the park; there is no fee to participate in the walk, which will begin around 11am, following ceremonies. OFR encourages those participating in the run or walk to ask family members, friends, and co-workers to make a financial pledge. More information and pledge forms can be found online at [www.OperationFirstResponse.org](http://www.OperationFirstResponse.org)

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

**ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE:** Wednesdays at 7:15pm in Church

**YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE:** Sundays at 10:35 – 11:10am in Church

**CONTEMPORARY CHOIR:** Every other Tuesday evening at 7:00pm

**RESURRECTION CHOIR:** Sings for funeral Masses. No rehearsals.

**MEN'S GATHERING:** Mondays at 7:00pm Meeting space during construction TBD.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Mondays after the 7:30am Mass until noon in the Chapel. Benediction follows at noon.

**THE ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY:** Daily after the 7:30am Mass

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (R.C.I.A.):** Wednesday at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Email items to [ReneeDevine@sjf71.org](mailto:ReneeDevine@sjf71.org) by noon on Tuesday.

### MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

**PARISH COUNCIL:** Meets on the first Thursday of the month

**FINANCE COUNCIL:** Meets on the second Tuesday of the month

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Meets every other Monday at 7:00pm in the Parish Center; begins February 11, 2019.

**ST. JOHN'S ON THE HILL SENIORS:** Second and fourth Thursdays at 12:30pm in the Parish Center Hall

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOLY SAVIOUR COUNCIL 13710:** Officers' Meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00pm; General membership meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. Meetings held at Immaculate Conception in the Hall. Contact Joe DiMarco, Grand Knight, at 302-218-5261 for information.

### A TEMPORARY CHANGE IN FOOD DONATIONS

Beginning next weekend, donations of non-perishable food, cleaning supplies and personal care products (travel size shampoo, soap, toothpaste, etc.) to support those in need in our community, will be accepted only at the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses.

**Collection bins will be located in the lobby of the Parish Center.** During construction, we do not have the capacity to collect and store donations during the week. Thanks for helping the needy in our area!



**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Celebrated on the First, Second and Fourth Sundays of each month at 12:45pm. Pre-Jordan baptismal instruction is held on the Third Sunday at 12:45pm. Please call or visit the Parish Office to arrange baptisms.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays, 3:00 - 3:45pm; other times by appointment.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:** One party must be a registered member of Saint John Fisher Parish. Couples must make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date. Weddings can be held at Saint John Fisher or at Immaculate Conception Church. Couples are required to attend the Archdiocesan Sacramental Preparation Program for Marriage (four sessions) or a Pre-Cana program.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** We welcome new members to Saint John Fisher! If you are new to our parish, please call or visit the Parish Office to register.

**LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY:** If you need a Letter of Eligibility from Saint John Fisher Parish to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, you must be

- a registered member of the parish,
- at least 16 years of age,
- a practicing Catholic (have received the Sacraments and attend Mass regularly).
- If married, you must be in a 'valid' marriage.

The pastor is unable to sign a letter unless you meet these requirements. To request a letter, please speak with Father McDermott after any Mass or call the Parish Office at 610-485-0441, ext. 2.

**PARISH ON-LINE GIVING:** Visit the parish website, [www.stjohnfisherchurch.com](http://www.stjohnfisherchurch.com) and click on the **We Share** icon to sign up for the electronic giving program.

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP):** The PREP program provides religious education for public school children from September through May. Please call the PREP office at 610-485-0441, ext. 5, for more information and to register.

**HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Grades Pre-K through Eight:** St. John Fisher parishioners support Holy Family Regional Catholic School. Children from the parish who enroll there receive the supporting parish tuition rate. Charles Hughes, Principal Kristy Cobb, Business Manager  
3265 Concord Road, Aston, PA  
(610) 494-0147 [www.holyfamilyaston.org](http://www.holyfamilyaston.org)

*May They Rest in Peace*

**JOSEPH VALENTINE III**

*"Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name."*

*Please Pray for Our Sick*

Mike Steinmacher, Gloria Patterson, John Grady, Patrick McCormick, Denese Stang, Baby Elizabeth Althouse, Ralph Nather, Ryan Mahoney, Ruth Jobe, Kathleen Cunningham, John W. Breslin, Bryan Snyder, Carol Cippoloni, Rose Liott, Betty Ann Deshullo, Ann Walley, Geri Waldron, Donald Arner, Gladys Kinsler, Gerald Murphy, Kathleen Kozubal, Frank Breitmayer, Mary Giambri, Marie Creedon, Velia Brill, Peg Camero, Brian Allison, Pasquale Mignogna, Rob Busch, Judy & Jerry Frezetti, Paula Davis, Pat Oakes, Hank Granville, Colleen Hughes, John Rossi, May Graves, Amy Calcagno, Susan Curl, Marie Barker, Veronica & Joe Egan, Helen Brogley, Judy Giovan, Kevin Neary, Tom O'Leary, Nancy Finn, Barbara Rogers

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of  
 Ralph Landolfi  
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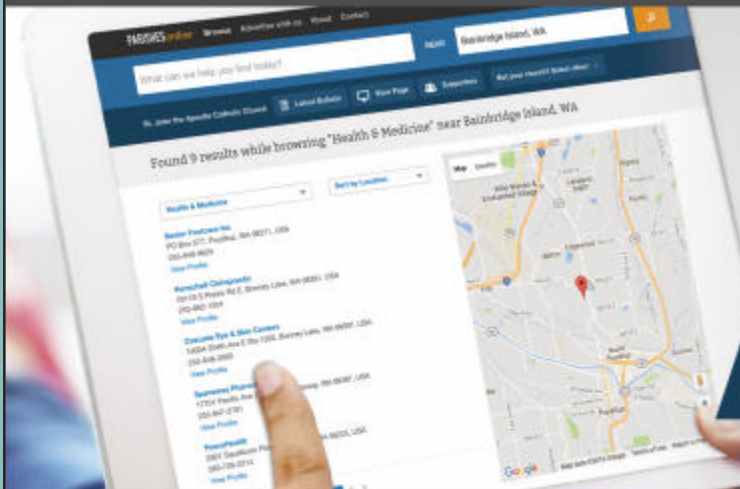
**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 4</b>	George J. Ershaw
	4:00 PM	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 5</b>	Leroy Hockenbury
	8:00 AM	Mike Murphy
	9:30 AM	People of the Parish & Visitors
	11:30 AM	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 6</b>	Catherine Noel
	7:30 AM	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 7</b>	Samuel Gullo
	7:30 AM	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 8</b>	Samuel Gullo
	7:30 AM	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 9</b>	Catherine Noel
	7:30 AM	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 10</b>	Rita Dever, 38th Anniv.
	7:30 AM	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 11</b>	People of the Parish & Visitors
	4:00 PM	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 12</b>	Tom & Agnes Kane
	8:00 AM	Francesca Fida
	9:30 AM	Clare Evans
	11:30 AM	

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