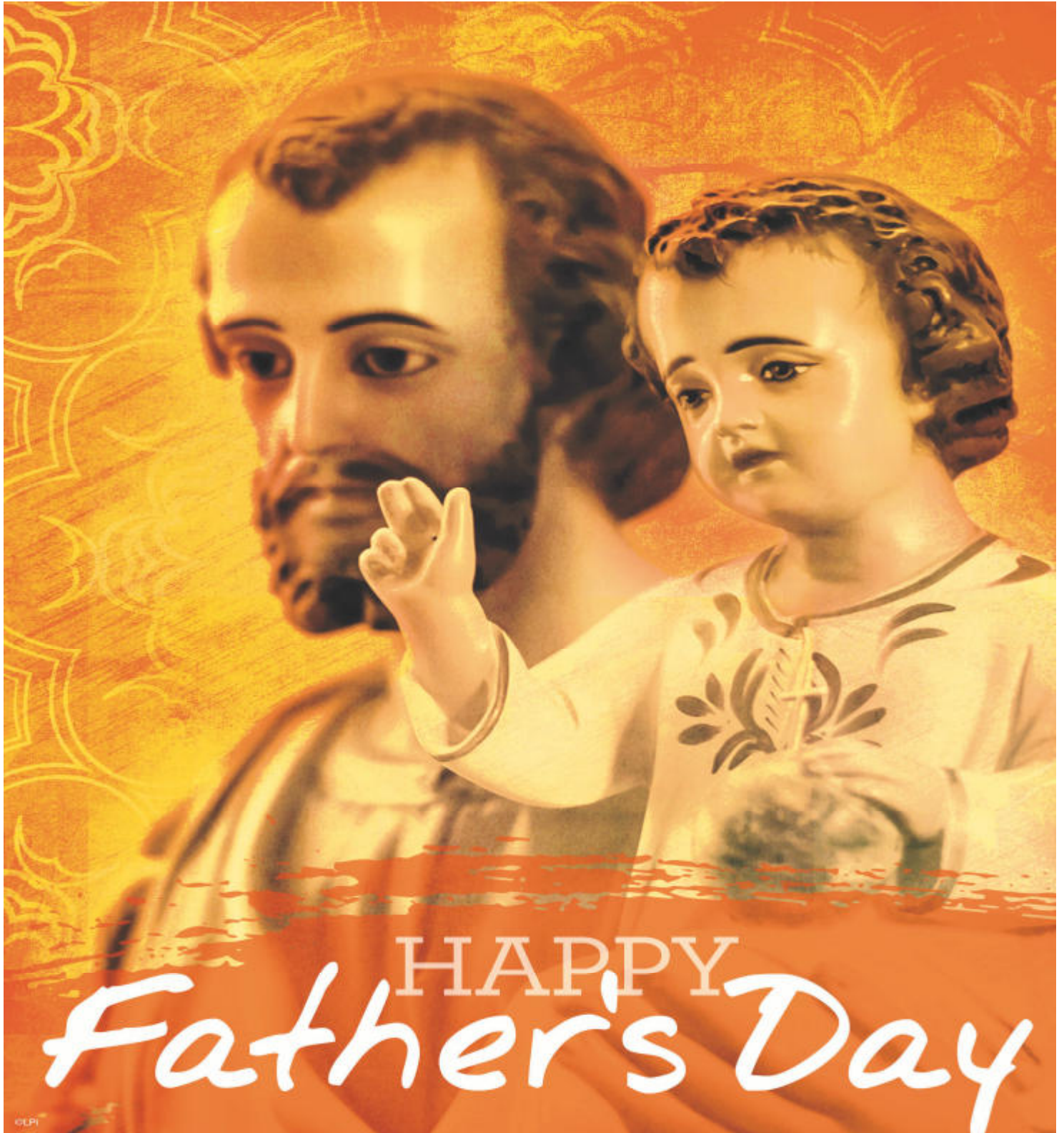




# SAINT JOHN FISHER CHURCH

*June 20, 2021*



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**TODAY IS JUNE 20, THE 12TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME. THE GOSPEL IS MARK 4-35-41.**

**THINK ABOUT IT:** *[Jesus] said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?"*



**ADULTS:** We all have ups and downs in life, but there are times when things seem to spiral out of control. During those 'stormy' times, have you asked the Lord to calm the whirlwind around you? Have you ever felt His calming presence?

**YOUTH:** Everyone is afraid of something, but learning how to deal with your fear helps you grow stronger. Jesus helped his apostles deal with their fear of the storm, and helped them grow stronger in their faith in Him. What fear would you like the Lord to help you overcome?

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION BEGINS JUNE 21**



We are pleased to announce that Eucharistic Adoration will resume at St. John Fisher Parish, beginning **Monday, June 21**, following the 7:30am Mass. Adoration will be held every Monday morning in the Church and ends with Benediction at noon.

There were enough people interested in resuming this tradition to have at least two adults present during the hours of adoration. Anyone is welcome to stop in for a visit with Jesus during Adoration on Mondays. As always, the Chapel is open during regular office hours for private prayer.

### **2022 MASS INTENTIONS**

The 2022 Mass Intentions Book will open on **Thursday, July 8, from 9:00am until noon**. We will be in the Parish Center Hall, accepting your Mass requests for specific dates on the 2022 calendar. Please keep in mind the following:

- ◆ You can request a maximum of four intentions per family at this time.
- ◆ Requests must be made in person.
- ◆ There is a \$10 stipend for each Mass intention.
- ◆ Preference for specific dates are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- ◆ To keep the process running smoothly, please plan ahead. Jot down the names and dates you are hoping to reserve, and alternatives if those dates are not available.
- ◆ After July 8, you may stop into the Parish Office to request Masses.



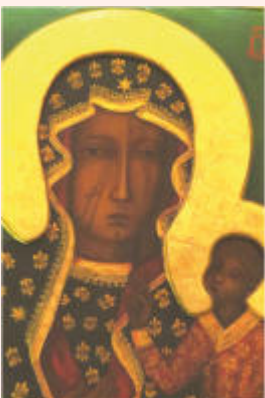
There are a few Sanctuary Candle memorials still available for 2021. Please inquire about those at the Parish Office.

### **SUMMER BIBLE STUDY WITH SEMINARIAN ALLEN BLEHL**

Join Seminarian Allen Blehl on Thursday mornings for a weekly small group study. The meeting will begin at 10:00 and run until 11:30am in the Parish Center. We'll be discussing how to pray with Scripture, and delve into St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians.



The group will meet throughout Allen's stay at St. John Fisher Parish, on June 24, (no class on July 1) July 8, 15, 22, 29. All are welcome! Please call the Parish Office, ext. 2, and let us know if you plan to come.



### **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA**

**TUESDAY JULY 27**

Join your fellow parishioners on a day excursion to the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. The itinerary includes Mass with Father McDermott, a guided tour of the Shrine, and time for a stop in the gift shop.

We then will travel to Peddler's Village for lunch (*on your own*).

The bus departs at 8:15am from the Parish parking lot and will return by 5:00pm.

The cost is \$40/adults, \$25/ children 14 and under.

There are a limited number of seats available, so register soon!

Forms can be found on the tables at the rear of Church.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER NEEDED

St. John Fisher is in need of a volunteer Sunday School teacher to work with the 3-, 4-, and 5-year-old children of the parish. Sunday School begins on September 26 and will end on May 1, 2022. It runs from 9:30 to 10:30am (the duration of Sunday Mass). Please call Kathy Aaronson at 610-485-0441, ext. 5, for more details.



### WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER!

The St. John Fisher Parish family rejoices with the parents of a recently baptized child:

#### RYAN JOSEPH HANLON

Son of John and Kathleen.

Please pray for Ryan and his parents as they raise their children in the Catholic faith.



### CHARITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, June 27 9:00am-Noon

All are invited to a Pancake Breakfast, sponsored by the Delaware Veterans Post #1, to benefit their scholarship fund. Enjoy a menu of pancakes, sausage, creamed chipped beef, bacon, fruit toppings, syrup, juice and coffee. The cost is \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors over 60 and children under 12. Tickets are available at the door. The breakfast is being held at the Delaware Veterans Post #1, 2535 Veterans Drive, Wilmington, Phone: (302) 475-9891.



### VACATION BIBLE CAMP

August 2-6

"The Rocky Railway: Mountains of Fun" will take off on August 2 with 40 campers! We have filled the roster, and are looking forward to a fun-filled week!

The VBC program is seeking donations of cases of bottled water, and boxes of individually wrapped snacks and cookies for the children. These can be dropped off in the kitchen of the Parish Center Hall. Monetary contributions are always appreciated!



### FINANCIAL OFFERING: STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

The Offertory totals for June 6 were not available by the publication deadline. They will appear next week.

*We are grateful for your continued support of St. John Fisher! Thank you for your generosity!*

### SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE

There are plenty of time slots available to donate blood at the St. John Fisher Parish - **Tuesday, June 29, from 2:00pm until 7:00pm.** There is a critical need for blood donations right now, and as summer gears up, so will the demand. Please help us meet the goal of 50 units!

Did you know Type O+ is the most frequently occurring blood type? The universal red cell donor has Type O- blood, and the universal plasma donor has Type AB blood.

You can make an appointment online by visiting [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Click on "Donate Blood" and a new window will open. "Find a Blood Drive" by zip code is located at the top right. Type in "19061" and click 'load more results' until you reach St. John Fisher on June 29. A window will open where you can choose a time to donate.

If you previously have donated, you may get a call to schedule an appointment time. Call Barbara Tarone, 610-485-6067 if you have questions.



### PLANNED GIVING

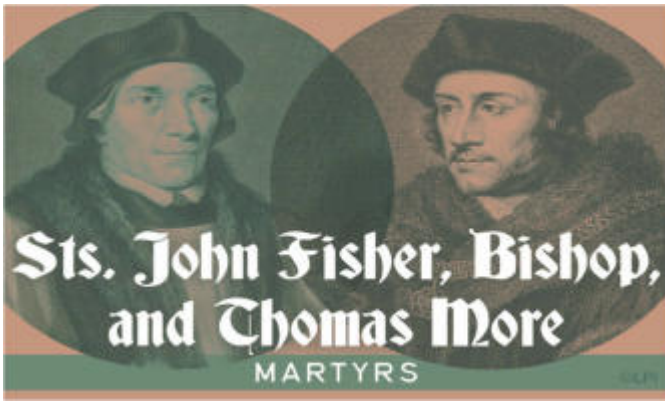
*Your Gift is a Legacy*

St. John Fisher Parish serves Catholics as a spiritual home, a place of worship, and a place to create, inspire, fund, and carry out good works. Throughout your life, you have given generously to God. As you look to the future, please consider making a planned gift to your parish. In addition to supporting the ministry and mission of St. John Fisher Parish, planned gifts are a unique way to express your personal values, continue the stewardship of your life, and leave a lasting impact on the lives of others. Leaving a planned gift to St. John Fisher Parish reminds the next generation of your enduring faith and beliefs. There is no better time than right now to begin. Please contact our Business Manager Dan Kinnik (610-485-0441, extension 4) at the Parish Office for further information.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The Knights of Columbus Council 13710 is active and meeting in person, with masks and social distancing. Officers' Meeting is the first Monday of the month at 7:00pm., the general membership meeting is the third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm, both at Immaculate Conception in the Hall. The Knights recently welcomed two new members and encourage other men of the parish to consider joining the group. Contact Harry Stefchak, Grand Knight, at 610-485-2020 for membership information.



**Religious Freedom Week begins on June 22, the feast day of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher.** These two saints were Renaissance men. Talented and energetic, they contributed to the humanist scholarship of early modern England. More wrote theological and philosophical treatises, while making a career as a lawyer and government official. Bishop John Fisher worked as an administrator at Cambridge, confronted the challenge Martin Luther presented to Christian Europe, and served as Bishop of Rochester.

Above all their accomplishments, these men bore witness to a deep faith in Christ and his Church. More was assiduous in his devotional practices. He married and committed himself wholly to his vocation as a father. St. John Fisher demonstrated remarkable humility. He remained in the small Diocese of Rochester his entire episcopal ministry, rather than seeking promotion to a larger, more powerful diocese.

More and Fisher are well-known for opposing King Henry's divorce. Ultimately, it was their refusal to sign an oath of supremacy that led them to be executed. King Henry VIII claimed to be the supreme head of the Church in England, asserting sovereign power over English Christians. Neither Fisher nor More could abide this claim, and their steadfastness to their consciences put them in conflict with the king. They were convicted of treason.

Saints Thomas More and John Fisher show us what faithful citizenship looks like. They loved and served their country, but when the law of the king came into conflict with the law of Christ, they submitted to Christ. In the moments just before his execution, More is said to have stated, "I die the King's good servant, but God's first." These men gave their lives for the freedom of the Church and for freedom of conscience. They bear witness to the truth that no government can make a claim on a person's soul.

May their example continue to illuminate the path for us, as we seek to faithfully serve our Church and country. We ask for the intercession of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, that we also will be good servants to our country, but to God first!

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of  
**ELIZABETH LISCKIEWICZ**  
through the generosity of  
Barbara Monaghan.



**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Celebrated on the First, Second and Fourth Sundays of each month at 12:30pm. Pre-Jordan baptismal instruction is held on the Third Sunday at 12:30pm. 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.

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Kristy Cobb, Business Manager 610-494-0147  
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## *May They Rest in Peace*

### THE VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE IN OUR AREA

*"Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."*

## *Please Pray for Our Sick*

Bernice Watson, Susan Peppelman Ursula Sparks, Danielle Megonigal, Pat Klishevich, Judy Benvenger, Jerry Kester, Anthony Costa, One-year-old Rosie and two-year-old Nyla (patients at CHOP), Karen Mariniello, Elizabeth DiTomaso, Regan Sperduto, Sharon Hildick, Kathleen Fischer, Linda & Ed McDaniel, Joe & Joan Mascherino, Verna Ebright, John Murphy, Brian Allison, Harry Sperrone, Father Gregg Hickey, Betty Wenger, Lorraine Karpinski, Nicholas Pilch, Michael Goodnight, EllieMae McCreight, Michael McGovern, Gloria Williamson, Kim Cassano, Enzo Cardaroli, Sister Connie Davis, OSF, James Mack, Margaret Chaga, Cass Powers, Shawn Bedwell, Scott Moyer, Gail McCafferty, JoAnn Bezold, Linda Johnston, Hazel Neary, Frank Taylor, Norman Falkowski, Jr., Ruth Jobe, Ruth Ann Moffett, Connie Carney, Billie Hobdell, Gloria Patterson, John Grady, Bryan Snyder, Rose Liott, Betty Ann Deshullo, Ann Walley, Gladys Kinsler, Frank Breitmayer, Mary Giambri, Velia Brill, Pasquale Mignogna, Judy 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

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 19</b>	Jerry Cooney
	4:00 PM	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 20</b>	Joann & Leroy Hockenbury
	8:00 AM	Gert & Ed McGoldrick
	9:30 AM	John McHale
	11:30 AM	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>June 21</b>	Albert DiMarco, Sr.
	7:30 AM	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>June 22</b>	John McGinley anniversary
	7:30 AM	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>June 23</b>	Margie Bennett (living)
	7:30 AM	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>June 24</b>	In Thanksgiving (B. Watson)
	7:30 AM	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>June 25</b>	Harry Chapman, 1st Anniv.
	7:30 AM	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 26</b>	Ralph Landoli
	4:00 PM	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 27</b>	People of the Parish
	8:00 AM	Dolores Quinn
	9:30 AM	Janet Kadyszewski
	11:30 AM	

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