



SAINT JOHN FISHER CHURCH

June 27, 2021



13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00 PM
SUNDAY: 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM
WEEKDAYS: 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 - 4:30 PM
Friday 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Closed weekdays for lunch between Noon and 1:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Parish Staff

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TODAY IS JUNE 27, THE 13TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME. THE GOSPEL IS MARK 5:21-43. "The child is not dead, but asleep...Little girl, I say to you arise!"



THINK ABOUT IT: "For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that thought he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

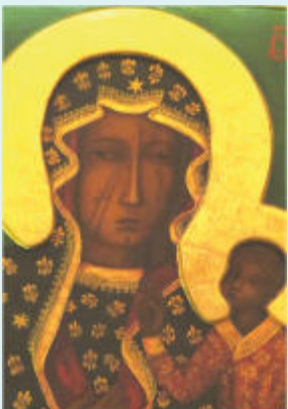
ADULTS: Some sacrifices we make can be a challenge, but some we willingly do for others. When have you felt enriched by a sacrifice you made for someone else? Do you ever offer a prayer when you make a sacrifice?

YOUTH: This week, slow down! Look around you and see if there is an opportunity to help someone else with an act of kindness. Follow Jesus' example. Consider it a sacrifice of what you want over the needs of someone else.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL 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, on **July 27**. 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 for adults and \$25 for 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 and in the Parish Office. Or, you can sign up and pay online by going to the Parish website and clicking the link on the home page.



The Icon of Our Lady of Czestochowa, sometimes called the "Black Madonna" is believed to have been painted sometime in the 1300's, on three linden boards. The Icon depicts the Blessed Virgin Mary standing with the child Jesus in her arms. It has been housed in the Marian Shrine of Jasna Gora, Poland, for over 600 years. The Icon became famous for its countless miracles. Over the centuries, these miracles have caused many pilgrims throughout Poland and from distant coasts of Europe to make a pilgrimage to pray before it.

ENDOWMENT FUND FEASIBILITY COMMITTEE

A committee is being formed to investigate the best practices to create and administer a parish endowment fund for investing a limited portion of parish funds, and the opportunity for other gifts, and legacy donations. The endowment would assist in the long range planning and support of our parish facilities and pastoral mission. Parishioners interested in serving on this committee are asked to call the parish office (610-485-0441, ext. 2) or email contact@sjf71.org with their contact information.

'WHO CARES' CHURCH CLEANING CREW

Who cares about the Church building? Of course, we all do! St. John Fisher Parish is organizing a "Who Cares" church cleaning crew to provide some TLC for the wood and marble surfaces and the cushioned pews.



Join with old and new friends to help keep the Church looking new by doing some light housekeeping. If you care, join Who Cares crew on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 1 to 2pm in the church. Please call the Parish Office (610-485-0441, ext. 2) and let us know if you wish to join the Crew. Bring your talent and desire to help, and God will provide the rest!



KNIGHTS ON THE MOVE

The Knights of Columbus Council 13710 gathered earlier this month for a construction project at the Assisi House in Aston. The group erected a gazebo for the Sisters of St Francis to provide them a comfortable space, both shaded and bug free, to sit outdoors during good weather. The gazebo is located in their tranquility garden, which overlooks the rolling hills of the Aston Mills area. The Knights meet the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 in the evening in the Hall at Immaculate Conception Church. New members are welcome to join them! Call Harry at 610-485-2020 for more information.

ST. JOHN FISHER MEN'S GATHERING INVITES YOU TO JOIN

Men of the parish, 18 and older, are invited to join a group of others who meet weekly for a bit of socialization and discussion about the Catholic faith and topics relevant to today.

The launching point of the discussion is generally a book that each person is encouraged to read. Currently, the Men's Gathering is reading Universal Christ, by Father Richard Rohr, OFM. Most know who Jesus was, but who is Christ? Father Rohr articulates a view of Jesus Christ as a portrait of God's constant, unfolding work in the world.

The group had been meeting via Zoom, but has returned to in-person discussions. They meet weekly on Monday evening at 7:00pm, in the Parish Center Hall. All are welcome; come to listen or share your thoughts!

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

JUNE 6:	
Total	\$ 17,093
Number	404
JUNE 13:	
Total:	\$ 9,073
Number	253

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

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 BLOOD DRIVE

Don't forget! The St. John Fisher Parish blood drive this week - **Tuesday, June 29, from 2:00pm until 7:00pm**. There is a critical need for blood donations right now. Please help us meet the goal of 50 units! You can make an appointment online by visiting redcrossblood.org. Click on "Donate Blood" and search for St. John Fisher by zip code. Click on the June 29 blood drive and sign up at any available time.



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.



Independence Day is on Sunday this year.
Mass on July 5 will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m.



Question:
What is the
"Miraculous
Medal" and why
is it called that?

Answer:

The medal of the Immaculate Conception that has come to be called simply the "Miraculous Medal" dates back to an apparition of Mary to Saint Catherine Laboure. Catherine was a novice sister with the Daughters of Charity. On November 27, 1830, Our Lady appeared to her standing on a globe, with shafts of light streaming from her hands. The words, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee," surrounded the image. In the same vision, Catherine saw a capital "M" with a cross above it and below, two hearts - the Sacred Heart of Jesus crowned with thorns, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, pierced with a sword.

Catherine heard a voice which said "Have a medal struck upon this model. Those who wear it will receive great graces, especially if they wear it around the neck. Those who repeat this prayer with devotion will be, in a special manner, under the protection of the Mother of God." With approval of the Catholic Church, the first 1,500 medals were distributed in 1832 in Paris. Almost immediately, the blessings that Mary promised showered down on those who wore her medal, and soon people were clamoring for what they called the "Miraculous Medal." At the time of St. Catherine's death in 1876, more than a billion medals had been made.

St. Catherine's "Miraculous Medal" is among the recognizable and popular symbols of modern Catholicism. Reflecting on its widespread use, the 2001 Vatican document, Directory on Popular Piety and Liturgy, observes that the medal "recalls the mystery of Redemption, the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and of the Sorrowful Heart of Mary. It signifies the mediatory role of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mystery of the Church, the relationship between Heaven and earth, this life and eternal life."



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of
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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 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 610-494-0147
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www.holyfamilyaston.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 27, 2021

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mark 5:21-43 *Response: I will praise you, Lord, for You have rescued me.*

Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11 [8a]/Matthew 8:18-22

Tuesday: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Matthew 16:13-19

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [7a]/Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Matthew 9:1-8

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 [1b]/Matthew 9:9-13

Next Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mark 6:1-6a

Response: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy.

May They Rest in Peace

**THOMAS LITCHKO
FRANK STANCZYK**

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

Please Pray for Our Sick

John Montella, 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

Saturday	June 26	Ralph Landolfi
Sunday	June 27	People of the Parish
	8:00 AM	Dolores Quinn
	9:30 AM	Janet Kadyszewski
	11:30 AM	
Monday	June 28	James O'Brien, 4th Anniv.
	7:30 AM	
Tuesday	June 29	Biondina Sill
	7:30 AM	
Wednesday	June 30	Helen Schell
	7:30 AM	
Thursday	July 1	Barbara Shahadi
	7:30 AM	
Friday	July 2	Colleen Skrovanek
	7:30 AM	
Saturday	July 3	Sr. Catherine Charles Kendren, SND
	4:00 PM	
Sunday	July 4	Dale Johnson
	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
	9:30 AM	Kistler & Lamb Families
	11:30 AM	

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