



# SAINT JOHN FISHER CHURCH

*January 23, 2022*



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...  
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free.  
- Lk 4:18*

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### *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 - 2:30 PM  
Closed weekdays for lunch between Noon and 1:00 PM  
Sunday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

### *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 Admin. Assistant:** Mrs. Regina Robinson (ext. 6)  
**Communications Secretary:** (ext. 2)  
**Maintenance:** Mr. Bill Casey (ext. 7)

### *Pastor Emeritus*

Rev. John Sibel

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**TODAY IS JANUARY 23,  
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
THE GOSPEL IS LUKE 1:1-4;4:14-21**

**Think about it::** "Jesus unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor." Luke 4:17-18

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us. Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

**ADULTS: What do you believe that the anointing you received at baptism requires you to do?**

**YOUTH: What could you do this week for someone who has less than you?**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF  
JANUARY 23, 2022**

**Sunday:** Neh 8:2-6, 8-10 // 1 Cor 12:12-30 // Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**Monday:** 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 // Mk 3:22-30

**Tuesday:** Acts 22:3-16 // Mk 16:15-18

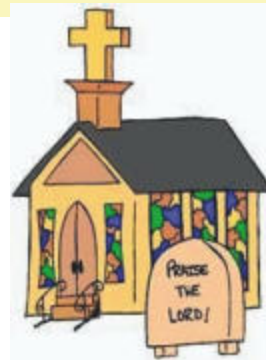
**Wednesday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 // Mk 4:1-20 // Lk 10:1-9

**Thursday:** 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29 // Mk 4:21-25

**Friday:** 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 // Mk 4:26-34

**TRIP TO THE CATSKILLS**

It is not too early to think vacation. Are you looking to get away for a few relaxing days? Why not join us on a trip to Villa Roma Resort and Conference Center in the Catskills. Dates are June 21 to 24, 2022. Trip Includes 3 full breakfast and dinners and 2 lite fare lunches, a complete schedule of daytime activities and nightly shows and entertainment. Cost is \$625 for a double, \$585 for a triple and \$751 for a single. If interested please contact Barbara Tarone at 610-485-6067. Flyers will be available in the Church Hall and the Parish Office. Deposit check made payable to St. John Fisher Church. Hope you can join us!



**Masses by Time in Local Area Parishes**

**(Weekdays)**

6:30am St. Joseph Aston (M-F)

7:30am St. John Fisher Boothwyn (M-F)  
St. Katherine Drexel Chester (M-F)

8:00am St. Thomas the Apostle Glen Mills (M, T, W, F)  
Our Lady of Charity Brookhaven (M, T, TH, F)  
Our Lady of Rosary Claymont (T-F)

8:30am St. Francis de Sales Lenni (M, T, TH, F)

9:00am St. Thomas the Apostle Glen Mills (TH)  
Holy Child, Wilmington (M-TH)

**Saturdays**

8:00am Our Lady of Rosary Claymont

8:30am St. Joseph Aston  
St. Francis De Sales Lenni



**SPRING BLOOD DRIVE**

Mark your calendars now for the spring blood drive at St. John Fisher Parish - Monday, March 14, from 2:00pm until 7:00pm.



**PLEASE SAVE THE DATE AND PLAN TO DONATE!**

The highest standards of safety and infection control, including social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff, have been implemented to safeguard donors, volunteers, and employees. To sign up, you can go online to 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 March 14th. 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 any questions.

**WEATHER AND SAFETY**

'Tis the season...for freezing rain, sleet, snow & ice! Safety is the primary concern for our parishioners when attending Mass & other functions at parish properties. Please stay informed of the weather conditions and use common sense for travel. We strive to keep the parish property safe with snow removal & salting the walkways. Expenses do not take a break with inclement weather, they typically increase. The parish annual budget relies on regular contributions through the Sunday offertory. Please be mindful of any missed collections. You can hold onto your envelope until the next Sunday, mail it or drop it by the Parish Office, or sign up for electronic giving. Thank you & be careful out there!



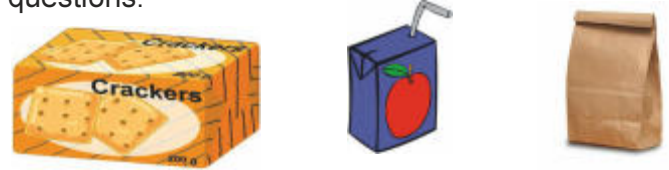
**FINANCIAL OFFERING: STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**JANUARY 9:**  
Total: \$ 13,603.00  
Number # 383

*Your generous & consistent support of the parish helps us "keep the lights on" to continue our mission of spreading the Gospel. Thanks for your faith, your prayers and your financial support!*

**BREAKFAST BAGS FOR NEEDY CHILDREN**

PREP is kicking off 2022 with its "Breakfast Bag" service project. Just fill a brown lunch bag with the following: a 100% juice bag/box, granola bar, cheese or peanut butter crackers, applesauce, raisins or fruit cup, or any other non-perishable breakfast food. You can also include a thoughtful note for the recipient or decorate the brown bag if you want. These bags are shared with children in families who are struggling to put food on the table. This is a great family project! It will run through January 31. Please contact Kathy Aaronson at 610-485-0441, ext. 5, if you have any questions.



**Recognition Wall in Church**

You will notice next week in the Church Hall a new recognition plaque. This plaque will feature a statue of the Sacred Heart and three sections of names. One section denotes the Naming Opportunities and Major Donors from the recent Capital Campaign to remodel our church. The second and third sections are to replace the donor plaques that were previously displayed in St. John Fisher Church and Holy Saviour Church. We are grateful to all who have been a part of the remodeling of our church while still recognizing the legacy that has preceded our newer efforts. To maintain safety & the care of the plaque, please do not seat below or against the recognition wall. Remember in your prayers the intentions & selfless efforts of fellow parishioners to celebrate our faith and devotion.



### UPCOMING MUSIC MINISTRY SCHEDULE

|                      |         |              |
|----------------------|---------|--------------|
| <b>Saturday 1/29</b> | 4:00pm  | Cantor       |
| <b>Sunday 1/30</b>   | 8:00am  | Instrumental |
|                      | 9:30am  | Adult Choir  |
|                      | 11:30am | Cantor       |

**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 **WeShare** 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 & 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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The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for

**Scott Sutton**

**From Barb Tarone**



### ACTIVITIES

**ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE:** Wednesdays at 7:00pm in Church

**YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE:** Sundays at 10:30 – 11:15am in Church

**CONTEMPORARY CHOIR:** Every other Tuesday at 7:00pm in Church

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

**MEN'S GATHERING: Mondays** at 7:00pm; meetings are held in the "Living Room" in the Church.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Mondays after the 7:30am Mass until noon in the Church. Concludes with Benediction 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.

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

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

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOLY SAVIOUR COUNCIL 13710:** Officers' Meeting, first Monday of the month at 7:00pm; General membership meeting, third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. Meetings held at Immaculate Conception in the Hall. Contact Harry Stefchak, Grand Knight, at 610-485-2020 for membership information. New members welcome!



## *May They Rest in Peace*

### Rose Bowders

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

### *Please Pray for Our Sick*

Emanuel Broomall, Norman Carriero, Emily Meakim, Mary Anne Vail, Lisa Casey, Barbara Manaka, Patti Ruditys, Dot Elliott, Patricia Hunt, Mary Ann Palmer, Kristine Nolen, Dennis Bieryla, John Maguire, Eileen Kirby, Carol Gaska, Ann Thomas, Kevin English, Beverly Shinnen, Michael Baglione, Michael Tart, John McGurk, Christine Schweidler, Nikki Zaborowski, Eric Evangelista, Connie McElwee, Joe Stafford, John Chambers, John Montella, Bernice Watson, Susan Peppelman, Ursula Sparks, Jerry Kester, Anthony Costa, Karen Mariniello, Elizabeth DiTomaso, Regan Spurduto, Sharon Hildick, Kathleen Fischer, Linda & Ed McDaniel, Joe & Joan Mascherino, Verna Ebright, John Murphy, Brian Allison, Harry Sperrone, Lorraine Karpinski, Nicholas Pilch, EllieMae McCreight, Michael McGovern, Gloria Williamson, Kim Cassano, James Mack, Margaret Chaga, Cass Powers, Shawn Bedwell, Scott Moyer, Gail McCafferty, JoAnn Bezold, Linda Johnston, Hazel Neary, Norman Falkowski, Jr., Ruth Jobe, Ruth Ann Moffett, Connie Carney, Billie Hobdell, John Grady, Bryan Snyder, Betty Ann Deshullo, Gladys Kinsler, Frank Breitmayer, Mary Giambri, Pasquale Mignogna, Paula Davis, Hank Granville, Colleen Hughes, May Graves, Amy Calcagno, Susan Curl, Marie Barker, Helen Brogley, Kevin Neary, Mark Lane, Tom Oleary, Nancy Weins, Robert Scheivert Jr, Robert Johnston

## MASS INTENTIONS

|                  |               |                         |
|------------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Jan 22</b> |                         |
|                  | 4:00 PM       | Peg Reid                |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Jan 23</b> |                         |
|                  | 8:00 AM       | Marie Comey             |
|                  | 9:30 AM       | Frank Monks             |
|                  | 11:30 AM      | People of the Parish    |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>Jan 24</b> |                         |
|                  | 7:30 AM       | Jeanine Gillespi        |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>Jan 25</b> |                         |
|                  | 7:30 AM       | Marian & Margaret Neary |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Jan 26</b> |                         |
|                  | 7:30 AM       | Thurman Wagner          |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>Jan 27</b> |                         |
|                  | 7:30 AM       | Colleen Skrovanek       |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>Jan 28</b> |                         |
|                  | 7:30 AM       | Karen Ershaw            |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Jan 29</b> |                         |
|                  | 4:00 PM       | People of the Parish    |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Jan 30</b> |                         |
|                  | 8:00 AM       | Harry Polinsky          |
|                  | 9:30 AM       | Francis X O'Leary       |
|                  | 11:30 AM      | Janet Kadyszewski       |



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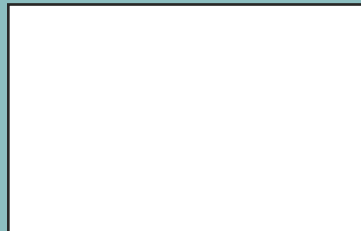
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