

# St. John Fisher Catholic Church

7007 SW 46th Avenue ❖ Portland, Oregon 97219

Rev. Richard B. Thompson, Pastor

*Third Sunday of Lent ❖ March 19, 2017*



## **Mass Schedule**

Saturday...4:30 PM

Sunday...9:00am, 11:00 AM, 5:30 PM

Daily Mass:

Monday-Saturday...7:15 AM

School Mass on Wednesday...8:30 AM

*Wednesday Mass at 8:30am only during school year*

Holy Days...7:15 AM, 6:00 PM

**Confession:** Saturday...3:30-4:15 PM

**Rosary:**

Sunday...8:30 AM

Monday, Wednesday-Saturday...7:45 AM

**Adoration :** Tuesday 7:45-9:30 am

## **Parish Staff**

**Pastor:**

Father Richard Thompson.....x12  
rthompson@johnfisher.org

**Deacon:**

Deacon Scott Kolbet971-226-3119  
skolbet@johnfisher.org

**Pastoral Associate/DRE:**

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**Youth Ministry/Family Life:**

Mary Jane Weber .....x14  
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**Bookkeeper:**

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**Administrative Assistant:**

Elizabeth Millager .....x10  
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## ***Welcome to St. John Fisher Parish!***

### **Parish Registration**

Please contact the Parish Office, or go to our website to register.

### **Sacraments**

**Baptism:** A class is held each month to prepare families for Baptism.

**Preparing for Marriage:** You must contact the parish at least six months in advance.

**Reconciliation and First Communion:** Preparation classes are offered annually for 2nd grade and older.

**Confirmation:** Preparation classes are offered annually for incoming 10th-12th grade. Classes begin in summer.

**RCIA:** Classes are held annually, starting in the fall, with the anticipation that candidates and catechumens will enter the Church during the Easter Vigil Mass.

**Sacrament of the Sick/Anointing of the Sick:** Call the Parish Office.

### **Prayer Requests**

sjfprayer@hotmail.com

### **School Office 503-246-3234**

Principal..... Merrit Holub

Administrative Assistant..... Michele Wasman

Development Director..... Kelly Corrigan 503-708-0070

### **Capital Campaign**

Kelly Corrigan 503-708-0070, kcorrigan@sjfschool.org

*A list of Parish Ministry contacts can be found on our website.*

**PARISH OFFICE**  
**503-244-4945**  
**church@johnfisher.org**  
**www.johnfisher.org**

**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am - 5 pm**

### **Our Mission**

*To enthusiastically gather as a parish family to celebrate the Love of Christ through the sacraments, liturgy, and prayer. We grow in knowledge and wisdom of the Catholic Faith which bears fruit in hospitality and service to others.*



## Third Sunday of Lent

### Mass Intentions

3/18 Sat	4:30 pm	Art Tokin +
3/19 Sun	9:00 am	
	11:00 am	<i>Int. of AJ Santiago</i>
	5:30pm	<b><i>The people of SJF</i></b>
3/20 Mon	7:15 am	Joe & Bernie Snyder +
3/21 Tue	7:15 am	Stephen Carter +
3/22 Wed	7:15 am	
	8:30 am	
3/23 Thu	7:15 am	<i>Int. of Peter Radoli (birthday!)</i>
3/24 Fri	7:15 am	Betsy & Pete
3/25 Sat	7:15 am	
	4:30 pm	Maurice Knoepfle +
3/26 Sun	9:00 am	Irene Growden +
	11:00 am	
	5:30pm	<b><i>The people of SJF</i></b>

### Servers/Greeters Schedule

#### **Saturday, March 25, 2017**

4:30pm Fiona Lenth & Ellie Hunt  
Greeters Parker Family

#### **Sunday, March 26, 2017**

9:00am Kevin Kolbet & Daniel Weston  
Greeters Gilchrist/Einwaller  
11:00am Jim Merz & Luke Formiller  
Greeters Timoney Family  
5:30pm Jack Maggadino & Luke Maggadino

### *For your calendar...*

**Mar. 19**..... Second Collection: Renewal Fund  
CLOW, 9am  
Faith Formation, 10am  
Youth Group, 3:45-5:15pm

Mar. 20..... Senior Lunch, SW Loaves & Fishes, at 11:30am

Mar. 21..... Jean's Place  
"Joy of the Gospel" *Evening Group*, 6:30-8pm, Parish Hall

Mar. 22..... Altar Guild volunteers at SW Loaves & Fishes  
**Lenten Soup Supper, 6-8pm, Parish Hall**  
—**Jason Kidd, Director of Family Life for the Archdiocese**

Mar. 23..... Fisherman (Ralph Dieker & crew)  
"Joy of the Gospel" *Morning Group*, 6:30-8am, Rectory

Mar. 24..... Scrip for sale in Parish Office, 8:15am-10:00am

**Mar. 25**..... Wine & Cheese after 4:30pm Mass

**Mar. 25/26. Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services**

**Mar. 26**..... NO CLOW, Faith Formation, Youth Group (*Spring Break*)

Mar. 28..... "Joy of the Gospel" *Evening Group*, 6:30-8pm, Parish Hall

Mar. 29..... **Lenten Soup Supper, 6-8pm, Parish Hall**  
—**Fr. Jeff Eirvin, Director of Vocations for Archdiocese**

Mar. 30..... Fisherman (John Keppel & Crew)  
"Joy of the Gospel" *Morning Group*, 6:30-8am, Rectory

Mar. 31..... Scrip for sale in Parish Office, 8:15am-10:00am

**Apr. 2** ..... NO CLOW, Faith Formation, Youth Group (*Spring Break*)

Apr. 4..... Rosary & Adoration led by Knights of Columbus, 7-8pm  
"Joy of the Gospel" *Evening Group*, 6:30-8pm, Parish Hall

Apr. 5..... SVDP Meeting, 10am, Parish Hall

## WORDS FROM THE PASTOR

On this third Sunday of Lent we reflect on the Samaritan woman at the well. The parable of the Good Samaritan reminds us of the animosity between the Jewish people and the Samaritans. The Samaritans had the same roots as the children of Israel, but had adapted the faith to their lives. They did not come to worship at the Temple in Jerusalem, which was considered a requirement for faithful Jews. They worshiped in their own holy places. They had intermarried with people of different tribes so were not considered pure. The two communities shared little in common. Jesus and his disciples were not always welcomed in Samaritan territory. We know of the parable of the Good Samaritan. The priest and the scholar of the law did not stop to minister to the man who had been robbed and beaten by robbers. He was in such bad shape that one could not determine what tribe he might be from. The Jewish officials did not stop to help him as the Sabbath day was coming and touching blood would render them unclean. These "model citizens" did not want to get involved. The Samaritan, by contrast, took pity on the man and ministered to him. He took him to an Inn and paid the proprietor to care for him. He promised to come back and pay any additional amount the innkeeper had incurred.

The encounter of Jesus and his disciples with the Samaritan woman is equally surprising. A Jewish man would not converse with any woman, lest of all a Samaritan woman. After the disciples left, Jesus asks the Samaritan woman for a drink of water. She responds, how could he, a Jew, ask a Samaritan, lest of all a woman for a drink of water. Jesus responds that he can give living water. She asks if he is greater than Jacob (Israel) who had given the people this well. Jesus replies that he would give living water that would bring eternal life. She may not have understood his word, but asks for this living water so she would not have to come to draw water in the heat of the day. The other women came in the morning when it was cool, but she knew that she would not be treated well by these women. Jesus asks her to go and call her husband. She replies that she does not have a husband. Jesus reveals that she has had five husbands, and the one who she was with was not her husband. She acknowledges that this is true and goes to summon the others to come and encounter the Messiah, the Christ. Jesus says that he was the Christ. She goes back to the village and evangelizes them, inviting them to encounter the source of living water. Many come to believe that Jesus is the Christ.

**Faith Formation, Sacraments & Youth Ministry**

**Faith Formation**

We have classes today— Sunday, March 19th.  
There are **NO** classes March 26<sup>th</sup> & April 2<sup>nd</sup> due to Spring Break.

**First Holy Communion Preparation**

There is a First Holy Communion Class (Parents only) **TODAY** -  
Sunday, March 19th, 12:30 – 2:30pm - Parish Hall

**Youth Ministry**

- Youth Group meets today—Sunday, March 19th—at 3:45pm in the Parish Hall. Middle school and high school welcome.
- No Youth Group Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Thank you to all youth, adults and Confirmation youth who volunteered at the Spaghetti Dinner:  
*Rick Weber, Timothy Fryer, Michael Schuster, Sarah Ruckwardt, Anna Rice, Lucy Meneghello, Keeley Chandler, Tammy LeMaire, and Patrick Mueller.*

**Confirmation 2017**

Thank you to all who have already registered for Confirmation. If you have not, please fill out a registration off the website or get one in the back of church. Registration is open for those currently in 9th—12th grade. Confirmation Mass will be Sunday, October 29th at 2:00 pm.

**Important dates coming up...**

First Communion Mass—Sunday, April 30th at 2:00 pm  
Confirmation Mass—Sunday, October 29th at 2:00 pm

**“Joy of the Gospel” Small Group**

We are pleased to have some new folks joining us who haven't participated in any of our small groups so far! Thank you for coming!

**Please read Chapter Three for next week's study and discussion.**

Tuesday Evening Session: 6:30-8:00pm, Parish Hall

Thursday Morning Session: 8:15 am-9:30am, Parish Office/Rector

**SVDP and the SW Hope Food Drive**

The goal for this year's drive is 175,000 pounds of food or the cash equivalent. Every \$1 donation is equal to about 4 pounds of food purchased from the Oregon Food Bank, so cash donations are the most effective way to reach our goal. In past years SJF has donated between 300 and 500 pounds towards the goal. Nonperishable foods or cash are both welcome. Visit SWHope.org for information on more events and ways to support the drive including concerts and "Dine out to donate" restaurant details. Thank you.

For more information contact Tricia Fryer 503-452-1535. Thank you.

**Blessing of the Rose Festival**

April 22, 2017



SJF will be a part of the historic Portland Rose Festival this year. On **April 22nd at 11am** the Blessing of the Rose Festival will be here at SJF, and we welcome Archbishop Sample to bring in the 2017 Rose Festival season. Come join us!

**Store to Door**

Are you a senior or person with disabilities who is unable to secure your groceries on a weekly basis? A Portland non-profit, **Store to Door**, can assist you for a nominal fee.

Call 503-200-3333 to learn more.



**Capital Campaign Update**

St. John Fisher

When making payments against your pledges to the Capital Campaign don't forget to inquire about employer company matching programs. Many corporations will match your donations; we have seen some special promotions up to 200%! We are currently receiving matches from donors working at Nike, Intel, Tektronix, Adidas, Microsoft, Wells Fargo, PGE and others totaling more than \$73,000. Please inquire to take advantage of your company's matching program! As you can see the proceeds to date are awesome.

Thanks,

Kelly Corrigan, Development Director  
503.708.0070  
kcorrigan@sjschool.org

**SVDP Food Room Requests**

- Jelly & Jam
- Cooking oil
- Toothpaste

There is a barrel at the back of the church for your donations. Thank you for your generous support!

**Scrip**



You can purchase scrip from 8:15-10:00am on Fridays in the Parish Office.

**Faith Cafe**

We'll be serving at the Faith Cafe soup kitchen on April 9th. If you can help set up or serve for 2 hours please contact Deacon Scott at skolbet@johnfisher.org or 971-226-3119.

**Altar Guild**

The next Altar Guild meeting is Wednesday, April 12th at 9:30am in the Parish Hall.

**Weekly Financial Report**

Last Week's regular offertory

**March 11/12 Offertory** .....\$ 7,615.61

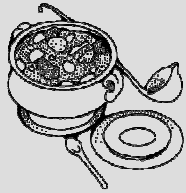
**Collection YTD** ..... **\$353,599.78**

Church Budget .....\$566,750.00

Average Monthly Needed.....\$ 47,230.00

**Thank you for your faithful support!**

*Our fiscal year runs July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017*



***Lenten Soup Suppers ~ Wednesdays in March***

All are welcome to join us in the Parish Hall and enjoy some delicious soup and listen to great presenters on a variety of topics.

The evening is from 6-8pm [Dinner 6:00-6:45pm, Speaker 7:00-8:00pm]

March 22 ..... Jason Kidd, Director of Family Life for the Archdiocese

March 29 ..... Fr. Jeff Eirvin, Director of Vocations for the Archdiocese

***Reconciliation Services in our area***

St. Juan Diego  
Wed., March 29, 7:00pm

St. Pius X  
Tuesday, April 4, 7:00pm

**St. John Fisher**  
Wed., April 5, 7:00pm

St. Thomas Moore  
Thursday, April 6, 6:30pm

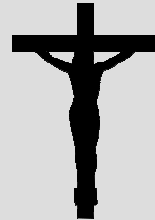
St. Cecilia  
Thursday, April 6, 7:00pm

***Stations of the Cross***

**Each Friday at 7pm on March 24, March 31, April 7\***

April 7\*: Shadow Stations of the Cross - presented by SJF Youth Ministry, on the last Friday, April 7th, at 7:00pm, followed by a simple meal in the Parish Hall.

April 14: SJF School 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be presenting a living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 14th at 2:15pm



***Thank You!***

Our First Lenten Soup Supper on Wednesday, March 8th, had 30 plus in attendance. We would like to profoundly thank James Howell, Director of Development for Catholic Charities, for sharing and enlightening us about the programs and agencies available through Catholic Charities. His talk was most interesting and informative.

We would like to thank Fr. Richard and M'Lou Growden for providing very delicious soups, Kim Cox for providing bread that was most tasty, Sally Coulter for providing cookies for dessert and to our servers, Kristin Spears, Lucy Balish and June Desimone, who provided excellent service with smiles and warm hospitality. A special thank you to Aisha and Kevin our guests who gave an awesome powerful testimony of what Catholic Charities have done in their lives.

A big THANK YOU to all parishioners who actively attended and participated fully. We look forward to even more parishioners in attendance at our future Soup Suppers. This past soup supper has set the bench mark for our future Soup Suppers.

Our next speaker on **Wednesday, March 22nd** is Jason Kidd Director of Marriage & Family Life Archdiocese of Portland..Come join us as he explores a **great presentation on Sabbath for Families.**

***Confident Catholics Workshop***

**Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:00am – 5:00pm**

**At Our Lady of Peace Retreat House, 3600 SW 170th Ave., Beaverton 97006**

Come together with other adults from across the Archdiocese and build the confidence to share your faith in everyday life! Sessions include "Speaking Strategies", "Listening Strategies", "Legal Protections of Religion in Oregon", "Prayer as the Foundation of Apostolic Life", and "Resources for Learning about Your Faith." Practical sessions and lunch provided for \$15. Register by **March 25** at EventBrite.com or contact Leandra Wolf at ljppwolf@gmail.com for info.

***Holy Week Liturgies, April 9-16***

April 9—**Palm Sunday**: normal Mass times  
St. Luke Lutheran will join us at 11:00am, for the Liturgy of the Word, as is tradition at SJF. [*Rice Bowls due Palm Sunday*]

April 13—**Holy Thursday Mass**: 7:00 PM

April 14—**Good Friday Liturgies**: 7:00 PM

April 15—**Saturday of Easter Vigil Mass**:  
9:00 PM

April 16—**Easter Sunday Masses**:  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM (no 5:30 Mass)

***Soup for March 29<sup>th</sup> Supper***

Could you provide one large pot/crockpot of either vegetarian or meat soup for our Lenten supper on **March 29th**?

We also need fruit (grapes, Halo oranges, etc.)

Please contact Sr. Dorothy  
503-244-4945 x13 [dradoli@johnfisher.org](mailto:dradoli@johnfisher.org)

***40 Days for Life***

The beginning of the end of abortion. Spring of 2017 campaign—March 1st to April 9th.

40 Days for Life is the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilization in history, helping people in local communities end the injustice of abortion through: Prayer & Fasting, Community Outreach, and Peaceful Vigil.

Be a part of the 40 Days for Life Campaign outside the Planned Parenthood, 3727 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Portland OR.

Sign up now! [222.40daysforlife.com/portland](http://222.40daysforlife.com/portland)

***First 1000 Days... A Catholic Culture of Life Initiative***

**Where All Are Welcomed and Loved With Mercy - Day 735**

"Nurturing and **cherishing creation** is a command God gives not only at the beginning of history, but to each of us. It is part of his plan; it means causing the world to grow responsibly, transforming it so that it may be a garden, a habitable place for everyone." *Pope Francis*



**There is more to simply giving up our bad habits this lent.**

*"Conversion can't be reduced to exterior forms or vague resolutions, but involves and transforms one's entire existence, starting with the center of the person, the conscience." - Pope Francis*



**Ministry List:**

**Altar Guild**

Nancy Fuhrman 503-706-2709

**Children's Liturgy**

Andrea Jones 503-957-4392

**Coffee & Donuts**

Alex Jones 503-449-0132

**CYO**

Rod Ilg www.sjfcyo.org

**Eucharist to Homebound**

Gordon Growden 503-245-5497

**Fishermen**

Ralph Dieker 503-449-8782

John Keppel 503-244-1461

**Knights of Columbus**

Grand Knight -  
Deacon Scott Kolbet 971.226.3119

**Men's Club**

Tom Patterson 503-314-1946

**Music Ministry**

*9am Mass:*  
Yvette Starkey 503-480-5353  
livilette@gmail.com

*4:30pm & 11am Mass:*

Dan Scott 971-570-5763  
ds.portland@gmail.com

**Parent/Teacher Club**

Greg and Kristen Eilers  
(503)244-7276

**Pastoral Council**

TBA

**Prayer Request**

Sr. Dorothy Radoli  
sjfprayer@hotmail.com

**St. Vincent de Paul**

Tricia Fryer 503-452-1535

**Eucharistic Ministers,  
Servers & Greeters**

Sr. Dorothy Radoli 503-244-4945

**Wine & Cheese**

*(Usually on 4th Saturday)*  
Carole Vranizan 503-244-5236

**Oregon Right to Life Conference 2017**

*Life...Because Everyone Deserves a Chance*

**April 22, 2017**

**Holiday Inn, Portland Airport—Portland, Oregon**

*Featured speakers include: Randy Alcorn, Catherine Adiar and Jewels Green.*

A group from St. John Fisher is attending this! Want to carpool?

Call Mary Jane Weber.

**2017 ORTLEF Contests**

Oregon Right to Life Essay/Drawing Contests  
Theme: *Life...Because Everyone Deserves a Chance*

**Drawing Contest—grades K through 12**

\*All artwork must be original, must be on paper no larger than 8 /12 x 11in.

**Essay Contest—grades 5 through 12**

\*Divisions: 5th-6th grades 200-300 words; 7th-9th grades 300-400 words;  
10th-12th grades 400-500 words

\*Essays will be judged on general organization, grammar, clarity of message, originality and incorporation of theme "Life...Because Everyone Deserves a Chance".

**Computer Drawing Contest (NEW!) - grades 9 through 12**

**Oratory Contest:** The Oratory Contest has no required topics (see Rules). The contest is open to any Oregon high school junior or senior, in that grade Feb 1st of the year they compete. The winner of each local contest will go on to compete at the state level, and the first place winner of the state competition will present their speech at the Oregon Right to Life Conference in Portland on April 22, 2017. (See specific rules)

**Short Film Contest:** There is no specific theme for the film contest. All films should be 3 minutes or less. Submissions must be in DVD format only and should include length of film, name of producer (individual, family, organization, etc) and contact information including address, phone number and email address. Categories: Youth ages 17 and younger **OR** Adult ages 18 and older

Film Contest Deadline is March 31, 2017. For more information, contact Liberty at 503-463-8563 or email liberty@ortl.org.

**For more information, go to [www.ortl.org](http://www.ortl.org), or call Karen at 503.407.0309**

***Natural Family Planning (NFP) Class Series***

When: April 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 7-9pm

Where: Northwest Family Services, 6200 SE King Rd., Portland, OR 97222

Contact: Lauren Fuller- lfuller@nwfs.org

Northwest Family Services is pleased to offer their Fall 2016 series for learning Natural Family Planning (NFP) through their SymptoPro Fertility Education program. The Sympto-Thermal method of NFP is scientifically based and can be up to 99% effective when learned and applied under the guidance of an instructor. NFP can be used to avoid pregnancy, achieve pregnancy, or to understand cycle health! One-time class fee of \$110 includes lifetime support. To register visit: [www.symptopro.org](http://www.symptopro.org) or contact Lauren Fuller at lfuller@nwfs.org.

***Prayer for Vocations***

Lord Jesus,

As You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let Your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come, follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to Your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in the apostolic labor.

Grant Perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to Your service.

Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord Who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.

*Pope John Paul II*