

Saint John of the Cross

140 Richmond Rd., Euclid, Ohio 44143
June 13, 2021

Roman Catholic Parish
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners,

I hope your June is going well and that you are feeling a sense of normalcy as we return to our daily lives. It is so nice to see each and everyone of your smiles. While I am not sure SRW or SJC ever really stopped being the active and vibrant places they were during the pandemic, we are working hard to get any group or ministry that was on hiatus back again. We also have some excellent opportunities this summer.

The first is *Chats with FJB, aka Fr. John*. These will occur both at SRW and SJC. The dates are listed elsewhere in the bulletin. I hope to use these as casual, relaxed (hopefully outside) times to reconnect with you all. I hope that we can just chat about what is on your mind, what are your concerns, and what questions might you have for me. Also, what we seek to reinvigorate the parish and get back to evangelization and outreach, what ideas you have, and anything else that is on your mind. There is no agenda per se. Just a time to chat and catch up with me and your fellow parishioners. So, check out the dates and mark your calendar. I hope you can make one of them.

I will also be doing a Book Study on Mondays starting June 21. It is a short but profound book about the reality of the times we are living in. We are no longer in a pro-Christian world. While many wonderful Christian truths still are held, they have been secularized and used to promote certain agendas and ideologies. The challenge for us as Christians/Catholics is to continue to put Jesus' WAY-TRUTH-LIFE front and center. There is only one way, and it is Jesus Christ. The book compares the times we are in today to the times of the early apostles and disciples. They were bringing Jesus and his teachings to an anti-Christian world. A world that it was illegal to profess Jesus Christ. The book helps us to strategize as a parish community and in our own personal lives of how to bring the message of Christ to world that may not want to hear it. It explores how we can stay true to Jesus Christ. The study and the book will help us to contextualize and inspire us in our daily lives and ministries. Check elsewhere in the bulletin for the dates and how to get a copy of the book. I look forward to studying it with you all.

Finally, mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 30 at 6:30 pm at Ss. Robert & William for a presentation on the Life, Ministry and Mission of Sr. Dorothy Kazel by newly ordained priest, Fr. Alex Spenik. Sr. Dorothy gave her life serving the people of El Salvador and grew up here in Euclid and taught at the former St. Robert. Fr. Alex has studied her life, interviewed people who knew her and walked in her footsteps in El Salvador. You will not want to miss this presentation.

I will be away this week on a family vacation. I think there will be 23 of us staying in one house. Pray for me. Make it a great week.

See you in Church.

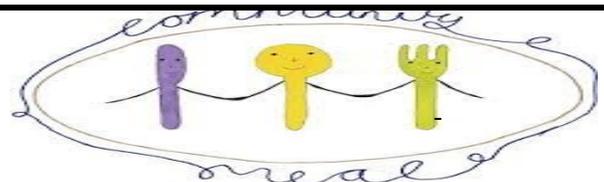
Peace,
Fr. John

FJB
BLOG



COVID 19 MASK UPDATE

As we emerge from the COVID 19 Pandemic, SJC no longer requires masks/facial coverings on its campus. However, we ask that you follow the guidance of your healthcare provider, local health department, and CDC to determine if it is advisable that you do still wear a mask or facial covering. SJC does not require employees and volunteers to receive the COVID 19 vaccination, nor do we track who has received it. We ask staff and volunteers to follow local health orders and the advice of their healthcare provider.



St. John of the Cross
Next Community Meal

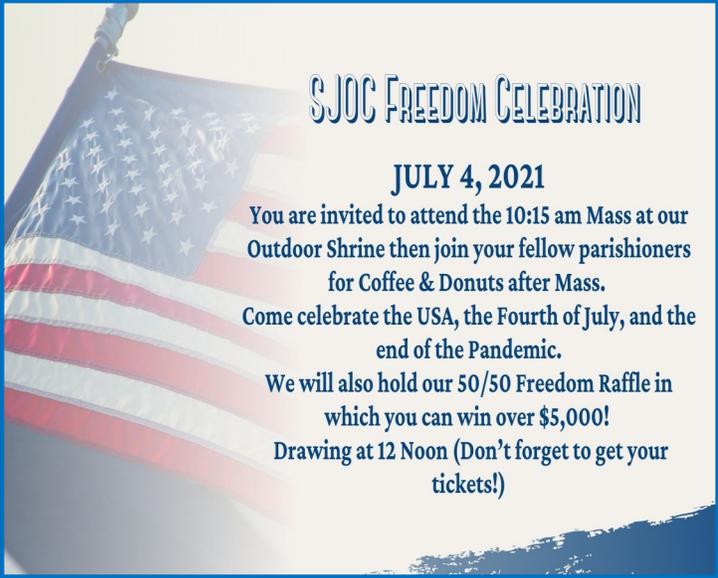
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021
5 pm — Drive Through Only



ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS 50/50 FREEDOM RAFFLE

Here's your chance to win 50% of Total
Ticket Sales, PLUS \$5,000!!
Drawing will be held on July 4, 2021,
at Noon at St. John of the Cross Parish
140 Richmond Road Euclid, OH 44143
\$10 per ticket, find tickets at Parish Office, After
weekend Masses, or call the parish office.

*Winner need not be present to win!



SJOC FREEDOM CELEBRATION

JULY 4, 2021

You are invited to attend the 10:15 am Mass at our
Outdoor Shrine then join your fellow parishioners
for Coffee & Donuts after Mass.

Come celebrate the USA, the Fourth of July, and the
end of the Pandemic.

We will also hold our 50/50 Freedom Raffle in
which you can win over \$5,000!

Drawing at 12 Noon (Don't forget to get your
tickets!)

Bereavement Luncheons Are Back!

Bereavement Luncheons have been a twice-monthly mainstay of Ss. Robert and William since 2010. After the loss of her husband Art, parishioner MaryEllen Fellenstein attended a parish-sponsored bereavement support group and decided to organize the luncheons as a way to keep people connected after their groups ended. So for about ten years, MaryEllen has been keeping the list of regular attendees, making out the schedule of restaurants, and taking the reservations. There are only two goals, enjoy one another and enjoy lunch! Like so many other things, the pandemic brought these great gatherings to a screeching halt. But now they are back! MaryEllen has passed the organization torch to Polly Thompson and a summer schedule has been created. So if you have attended an SRW/SJC bereavement support group and would like to join in these enjoyable afternoons, call the rectory at 216-731-1515 and we will send you a schedule and add you to our mailing list.

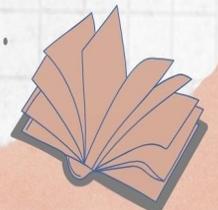
SUMMER BOOK STUDY

Summer Book Study with Fr. John: **From Christendom to Apostolic Mission** helps us understand that we are living in a new cultural situation: no longer in Christendom, where the momentum of culture will naturally help people move toward Christ and his Church, but in a post-Christendom culture that requires a mindset of Apostolic Mission to counteract the influence of culture to help people know, love and follow Jesus and his Gospel.

In short, this excellent book provides a substantial background from a history of culture perspective for why "Lifelong Catholic Missionary Discipleship through God's Love" is so important as the guiding vision for our lives. It pairs that historical understanding with helpful reflections of how we can respond today in our Diocese, parishes, schools and families and as individual missionary disciples.

Join Fr. John on Mondays (June 21, June 28, July 12, and July 19) at 7 pm at St. John of the Cross. It will be held outside near the shrine. If it is too hot or raining, we will meet in the Gathering Space of the Church.

Please call or email Anita at 216.731.1515 (alinsky@srweuclid.cc) or Karen at 216.289.0770 (kduke@sjceuclid.com) to reserve your space and arrange to get the book. We ask for a \$10 donation for the book.



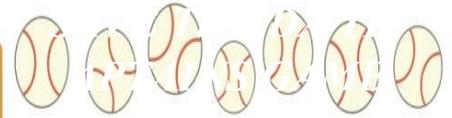
June 22,
& Aug. 24

Summer Chats

With Fr. *gabry*

In Shrine area from 7-8 pm...rain location Church
Gathering Space.

Come chat about the state of the world, the church, our
parish. Bring any questions or concerns about the
parish. Come to one, both, or all. Bring your own
beverage to sip on, adult beverages okay!



**SAVE THE DATE
JULY 25TH
Join Us For**

**Mass, Picnic &
Captain's Game**

**More Information to
Follow**



No Greater Love

Sr. Dorothy Kazel

Her Life,

Ministry,

and Mission

Presented by:

Fr. Alex Spenik

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 2021 6:30PM

Ss. Robert & William Catholic Church

Join us as we celebrate Sr. Dorothy's 82nd birthday with pictures and stories that create a portrait of a woman whose baptismal identity brought her to the greatest act of love.

Sponsored by the SRW/SJC LIFE Initiative

Promoting the sacredness of all life from conception to natural death



Fr. Spenik is the Parochial Vicar at St. Mary Painesville. He is a graduate of John Carroll University, Borromeo Seminary and St. Mary Seminary and Graduate School of Theology. During his time living and working in El Salvador, Fr. Alex spent a considerable amount of time researching the lives of the Churchwomen martyrs. He developed this work into a thesis entitled "Enfleshing Christ: Ministry and Mission as Liberation in the life of Sr. Dorothy Kazel, OSU," which he passed in symposium with honors. Fiercely dedicated to the missionary work of the Church, particularly in Latin America, Fr. Alex's passion project has been the theological pursuit of honoring the sacrifice of the Four Churchwomen of El Salvador.

For more details about the presentation and Fr. Spenik visit our websites

www.srweuclid.cc or www.sjceuclid.com

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass Schedule

Mondays & Wednesdays: 8:30 am

Tuesdays & Thursdays:.....6:30 pm

Fridays:- Morning Prayer 8:30 am with Eucharistic

Adoration 8:45 am to 2:00 pm

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturdays: 4:00 pm

Sundays:.....7:45 am & 10:15 am

Confessions

Saturdays:.....3:00 - 3:30 pm

MASS Intentions

Monday, June 14

8:30 AM (JL/TS) † Lawrence Sedar

Tuesday, June 15

6:30 PM (JL † Mary & Francis “Bud” Holaus

Wednesday, June 16

8:30 AM (JL) † Danny Polantz

Thursday, June 17

6:30 (JL/TS-P) † Steven & Rose Rico

Friday, June 18

No Mass (8:30am Morning Prayer; 8:45am-2pm Adoration)

Saturday, June 19

4 PM (JB) † For All Fathers & Mary and John Rogelj

Sunday, June 20

7:45 AM (JB/TS) † For All Fathers

10:15 AM (JL/TS) † For All Fathers

Our Financial Stewardship

Last Week's Giving.....\$2,685.64

Last Week's Maintenance Giving.....\$ 772.00

Faith Direct*-1st half May Giving.....\$

Faith Direct*-1st half May Maintenance.....\$

***Online Faith Direct Collections will be posted twice a month for both Giving and Maintenance.**

Thanks for your generous support toward our mission to serve God!

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Parish Office Phone Number: 216-289-0770

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 8 am to 4 pm
Closed Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday

SJC Prayer Hotline: 216-289-0770, Ext. 120
Call and leave a short message with your request. We can also offer prayers of thanksgiving. All information will be kept confidential.

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish and Their Caregivers

Evelyn Adamczak	Linda Palko
John Ballard	Bill Perko
Noella Burrows	Joan Raddell
Constance Durrah	Pat Rossoll
Frank Hiti	Mary Rot
John Hocevar	Jerry Scarniench
Andrew Jarm	Judy Schmidt
Anna Jalovec	Rose Simek
Nick Kaluza	Colette Suhy
Ronald Maxey	John Tarmann
Sheila Moore-Baka	Abbie Vernon
Katie Musarra	
Rudy Myeress	

***Please notify us
when a name can be
taken off this list.***

