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AUGUST 16, 2020
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**TEMPORARY
OFFICE HOURS**

MON - FRI
 10am - 4pm

**TEMPORARY
MASS TIMES**

SUNDAYS
 11am / 12:30 Spanish

TUES, THURS
 8:30am Mass

WEDNESDAYS
 Prayer Service with Eucharist 12pm
 noon

**TEMPORARY
CHURCH HOURS**

WEEKDAYS
 10am - 2pm

WEEKENDS
 8:30am - 2pm

OUR MISSION

Taking Jesus' message of loving service to heart, all are welcome in our vibrant, hopeful, diverse, Eucharistic Community where we break the bread and open the Word and discover God in our Midst.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

Tomando el mensaje de Jesús de servicio amoroso a corazón, todos son bienvenidos en nuestra Comunidad Eucarística vibrante, llena de esperanza, y diversa, donde partimos el Pan y abrimos la Palabra y descubrimos a Dios en medio de nosotros.

Jesus needed followers, too.

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THOSE IN OUR PRAYERS

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2020

11am - John Joseph Ambrose (D)
Aurora Trinidad (D) Anniversary
Tom Taaffe (D)

12:30am - Valeriana Pena (D)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020

8:30am - Al Williamson (D)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020

8:30am - Vincent McDonnell (L)



NEW! PRODUCTION TEAM FOR DIGITAL MINISTRY—JOIN US!

So many of you are tuning in weekly for our masses online that we will continue to livestream on Sundays even after we reopen. This gives us an opportunity to

add another team to our Digital Ministry: a production team! If you have experience with filming or audio or are interested to learn, please call the Parish Office at 212.289.0425 or e-mail Lydia at: lydia@sfdsnyc.org - there are so many ways to Live Jesus on 96th Street!

SICK & DEPARTED

SICK

Jovina Ascencios, John Kenny, Mila Ortiz, Jerome Pannell, Laurie Siegal, Rafael Mauleon, Elizabeth Finnegan, Thomas Francis Murphy, Nina Giblin, Jerry Brown, Karen Dietz

DECEASED ✕

Esther Marti, Kelly Ann Childs, Ashley Childs Santos, Richard Lynch, Juanita Alvarez, Marjorie Sweitzer, Julia Cairo, Thomas Taaffe, Gelbert Rios, Victoria Mauleon, Prek Jakaj, Ann Kiernan Flores, Robert Dale Horton, Jean-Claude Bouston, Ronald Robles, Fr. Joseph Trovato, CSB, Virgilio Bracamante

HAVE A SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST?

Send us who or what needs a special prayer by using the Prayer Request feature on our new SFDS app—available in the Google Play or Apple App Store. Our parish prayer group will pray upon all submissions.

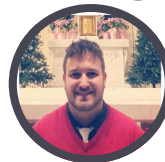
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SFDS + COMMUNITY

78 Days and Counting

78 Days to Go!

Roughly 70 days until Nov 3, and if we haven't already begun, it's time, as Catholics, to educate ourselves before we go into that voting booth!

Our Catholic faith teaches that we have a responsibility to participate in politics out of a concern for, and commitment to, the good of the community. This responsibility to participate means each person also has a fundamental right to participate, and must be equipped with the resources to do so with confidence. (NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice)

As a Church, we reflect on the signs of the times through the lens of "the consistent ethic of life." "This ethos, first made famous in the 1980s by Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, was crafted at a time when abortion, the death penalty and nuclear war were forefront on the minds of many Catholics. Today, some bishops, including Cardinal Joseph Tobin and Bishop Gerald Kicanas, say the consistent-ethic or "seamless-garment" approach to how Catholics operate in the public square could be especially helpful as the church grapples with issues like migration, health care and even taxes.

"What Cardinal Bernardin was trying to emphasize in his efforts was seeing that all life issues are intertwined and that we have to see this as a 'seamless garment,'" Bishop Kicanas said. The "seamless garment" is an image from the Gospels that the cardinal used to help explain the concept. That image led some to believe that the cardinal believed all moral issues carried equal weight, which he did not." (America Dec 11, 2017)

"The basis for all that the Church believes about the moral dimensions of economic life is its vision of the transcendent worth – the sacredness – of human beings. The dignity of the human person, realized in community with others, is the criterion against which all aspects of economic life must be measured." (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Economic Justice for All*(no. 28)

As we continue to prepare ourselves for our upcoming elections, there are many resources available to us. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Website, USCCB.org, is certainly a good place to begin to inform ourselves on issues we, as Catholics are concerned about. The United States Association of Catholic Priests (AUSCP) has terrific resources as well. Their page titled "Election Resources for Catholic Voting begins with the following statement: "As our nation prepares for the coming elections, the Association of U. S. Catholic Priests urges voters to focus on life, more abundant life, as Jesus announced." What follows this is a definite must read for each of us!

NETWORK, A Catholic Lobby for Social Justice, offers on Do It Yourself Side by Side Comparison of the candidates running for offices. The have a NETWORK, A Catholic Lobby for Social Justice, offers on Do It Yourself Side by Side Comparison of the candidates running for offices. The have a complete Election ToolKit on their website: NetworkAdvocates.org, which we highly recommend as a superb resource.

We recognize the passage from Hebrew Scripture 'choose life that you and your children may live' (Deut. 30:19) may be both a simple and a complex statement of belief at the same time. Some of the concerns we might consider as life issues as we prepare for November could include: Budget, healthcare, housing, immigration, income disparity, taxes, women and families to name just a few. We certainly have a lot to talk about!

Let's educate ourselves and have the conversations, for the good of our world community!

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Aug 4th-Aug 10th

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LATEST NEWS

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ARE YOU QUESTIONING?

Are you exhausted from worrying about all that is going on in our world? Protests to call an end to the 400 year old sin of racism, national concerns about the pandemic virus we're living through, loneliness, the death of loved ones, the harm we human beings perpetrate on our planet....the list is infinite. Often times when the world is spinning around us, we struggle to find our center. If you find yourself, (or see one of your friends struggling...) wondering where God is in the midst of this all, how we are supposed to figure life out these days...**if you have questions about where you fit in to the big picture...**...come join us for INQUIRY...a night of Q & A...for all those who are asking the big questions...Monday, August 24th at 7pm. Please RSVP to jayneporcelli@sfdsnyc.org to receive the link details for this Zoom gathering. We look forward to talking with you.

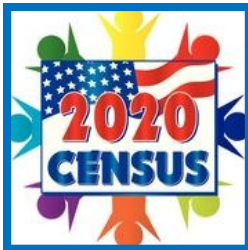


MID DAY PRAYER FOR BUSY PEOPLE!!

We're back in church for Mid day Prayer on Wednesdays at noon. If you're in the neighborhood and want to join us for a few minutes of quiet prayer and reflection on the readings of the day, the doors are open and we'd love to see you. If you're staying safe at home, we'd love for you to join us via our live streaming videos at noon in English, and 12:30 in Spanish. This is a great opportunity for us to come together in prayer once again as a parish family. You are always welcome!

PRIVATE PRAYER

Please be advised that for the month of August our church will be open on a more limited basis for private prayer. You are welcome to stop in for some quiet reflection between 10 and 2 pm. Thank you for your patience as we continue to strive to maintain a safe and clean environment for all to worship.



GET COUNTED SFDS—THE 2020 CENSUS

The Census is for everyone of all ages and immigration status—and we want to make sure that our SFDS community is counted! Census info is used to determine whether our community will be fairly represented in Congress, and receive the appropriate funding for education, housing, infrastructure and more vital resources! Fill out your Census today at: www.my2020census.gov



SEEKING A COMMUNITY-MINDED FINANCE LIAISON

Our Social Justice Ministry and Cabrini Coalition are planning a great project to assist our immigrant and undocumented neighbors who are suffering need due to COVID. We have funds allocated to provide groceries from local businesses, but need help negotiating the best rates and conceptualizing the logistical details of this project. If you are an organized, finance-minded "dealmaker" who would be interested in forging connections on behalf of SFDS with local business owners, please call Lydia in the Parish Office or e-mail: cabrinicoalition@gmail.com

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT... EN CASO DE QUE LO PERDISTE...

This week's social media post with the most engagement was the parishioner pics from Sunday's "SFDS Al Fresco," our new socially distant gatherings outside the church! We reconnected with many masked faces that we haven't seen in months! It's heartening to know that so many of you continue to engage with the parish online while you shelter-in-place.

By popular demand, we'll continue to host "SFDS Al Fresco" , so join us again on August 23rd from 2-3pm inside Central Park at the entrance @ 97th Street & 5th Avenue.

Lo más popular en nuestras redes sociales esta semana fueron las fotos de feligreses que asistieron a "SFDS Al Fresco," nuestras nuevas reuniones socialmente distantes fuera de la iglesia! ¡Nos volvimos a conectar con muchas caras enmascaradas que no habíamos visto en meses! Es una bendición saber que muchos de ustedes continúan interactuando con la parroquia en línea mientras se refugian en sus lugares.

Por demanda popular, continuaremos organizando "SFDS Al Fresco" , así que únete a nosotros nuevamente el 23 de agosto de 2-3 pm dentro del Parque Central en la entrada de la calle 97 y la 5° Avenida.



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A few crowd shots from Sunday afternoon's "SFDS Al Fresco" meetup. We brought Frank's Cafe to our backyard (aka Central Park) for an afternoon of social distance, sunshine, and fun for parishioners of all ages! What do you think—should we plan more events like this?



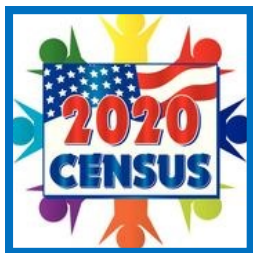
ÚLTIMAS NOTICIAS & PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

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¡ATENCIÓN A TODOS LOS PADRES!

Si aún no ha visitado nuestra página de Facebook de Padres de SFDS, AHORA es el MOMENTO de hacerlo. Hemos estado reuniendo recursos profesionales para ayudarnos a todos a continuar las conversaciones que necesitamos tener para aumentar nuestra conciencia del pecado del racismo. Estamos publicando recursos que serán particularmente útiles para las conversaciones que desea tener con su niños ... (así como nuestros hermanos, nuestros padres, nuestros amigos ... uno al otro). Pronto habrá más material disponible en nuestra página de web. Hagamos todo lo posible para aprender realmente a vivir como hermanos y hermanas en el amor de Dios.



¡SFDS SI CUENTA!: EL CENSO DE 2020

El Censo es para todos, incluyendo todas las edades y estatus migratorio, y queremos asegurarnos de que nuestra comunidad de SFDS se cuente. La información del Censo se usa para determinar si nuestra comunidad estará representada de manera justa en el Congreso, y para asegurar que nuestro vecindario reciba los fondos adecuados para educación, vivienda, infraestructura, y más recursos vitales. Complete su censo hoy en español: www.my2020census.gov



NUEVO EQUIPO DE PRODUCCIÓN PARA EL MINISTERIO DIGITAL—¡ÚNASE A NOSOTROS!

Tantos de ustedes están viendo semanalmente nuestras misas en línea que continuaremos transmitiendo en vivo los domingos incluso después de reabrir. Esto nos da la oportunidad de agregar otro equipo a nuestro Ministerio Digital: ¡un equipo de producción! Si tiene experiencia con la filmación o el audio o está interesado en aprender, llame al 212.289.0425 extensión 317 o envíe un correo electrónico a Lydia a: lydia@sfdsnyc.org - hay muchas maneras de vivir a Jesús en la calle 96. Para el Programa de la misa en español, usa este código QR o visite: www.sfdsnyc.org/misa



SANTO ROSARIO POR ZOOM—NUEVO HORARIO

cada viernes @ 7pm por Zoom. Para obtener detalles, envíe un mensaje de texto a Lydia al 646.526.9504

Nos inspira nuestro Grupo Hispano, que se reunía todas las noches durante el cierre para rezar el Rosario juntos por Zoom. Ahora que muchos han sido llamados de regreso al trabajo, estamos cambiando de cinco noches a una. ¡Únete a nosotros todos los viernes @ 7pm por Zoom!



BUSCANDO UN ENLACE FINANCIERO CON MENTE COMUNITARIA

Nuestro Ministerio de Justicia Social y La Coalición Cabrini están planeando un gran proyecto para ayudar a nuestros vecinos inmigrantes e indocumentados que están sufriendo necesidades debido a COVID. Tenemos fondos asignados para proporcionar alimentos de bodegas y supermercados locales, pero necesitamos ayuda para negociar los mejores precios y conceptualizar los detalles logísticos de este proyecto. Si usted es un "negociador," organizado y con mentalidad financiera, que está interesado en establecer conexiones en nombre de SFDS con propietarios de negocios locales, llame a Lydia en la oficina parroquial o envíe un correo electrónico a: cabrinicoalition@gmail.com

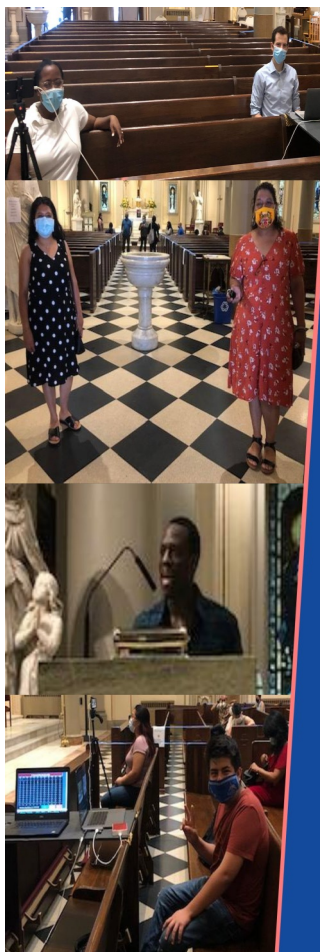
Reflections of a Zoomer (OK Boomer....)

We have all been living our lives on Zoom for the last five months now, and I know zoom burn out is a thing. So when I found myself having to attend two evening Zoom meetings last week, I was, at best, tepid in my enthusiasm. I entered my first meeting: Mental Health in a Pandemic, at 7pm and was immediately put at ease with some deep breathing exercises. We moved into a presentation on the wisdom on St Ignatius and St Francis de Sales which was amazingly timely given our Covid lives these days. The hour ended with all of us practicing the 'examen' (a type of prayer where you quietly look for where God has been present in your day) together. The group was very open to sharing how they were coping with personal worries in these trying days and sharing prayer methods that they found helpful. People who had not yet met in person were able to make connections thanks to this technology. For this, I was grateful.

I quietly left this meeting to jump into a second zoom prayer meeting hosted by Zach Presutti and the Thrive for Life Prison Project Community. I wasn't sure what I would find here. Imagine my surprise when we began prayer with the daily examen, the same type of prayer I had just prayed with our SFDS folks. OK, I quieted down to examine my day again and find the moments of gratitude and challenge. The rest of evening prayer including some psalms and group reflection on the upcoming gospel for Sunday. There were about 9 folks present in the group, and all had something of value to share about how they heard the story of Jesus walking on the water and Peter's faith struggles as it related to their lives. After praying for the needs of the community, evening prayer was over.

I thought I'd be exhausted by two hours of zoom prayer, but much to my surprised at 9pm I was amazingly refreshed, relaxed and ready to trust that the God who was with me during the day, would accompany me in all I had to do tomorrow.

I would heartily invite anyone who would like to participate in evening prayer with the Thrive for Life community, to get in touch with us in the office so we can share the Zoom link info with you. (We do this to assure as much internet safety as possible) The opportunity to so easily share prayer with one another is a blessing that I, for one, will not take for granted these days. Perhaps I'll 'see you' on Wednesday night at 8pm!



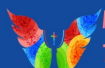
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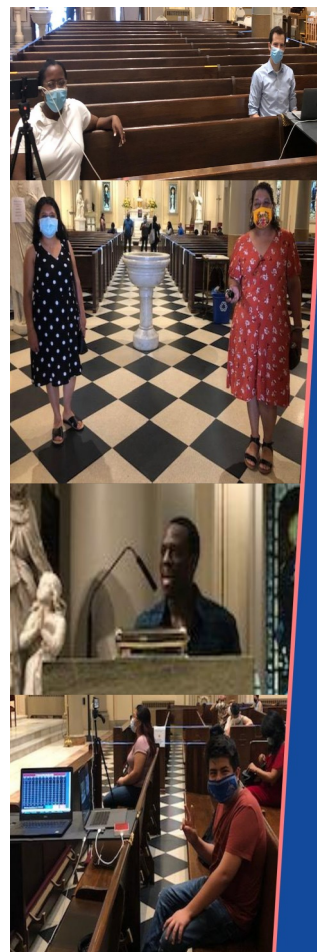
We invite those who are attending SFDS in-person to try a new ministry!

Many are not back yet, so we need new faces to assist on Sundays.

Together, we can be socially distant yet spiritually unified!

 No experience necessary.
Training provided.

Contact: lydia@sfdsnyc.org




NECESITAMOS:

Equipo de producción de vídeo
Lectores
Ujieres

¡Invitamos a aquellos que asisten a SFDS en persona a probar un nuevo ministerio!

Muchos aún no han regresado, por lo que necesitamos caras nuevas para ayudar los domingos.

¡Juntos, podemos estar socialmente distantes pero espiritualmente unidos!

 No se requiere experiencia.
Entrenamiento incluido.

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