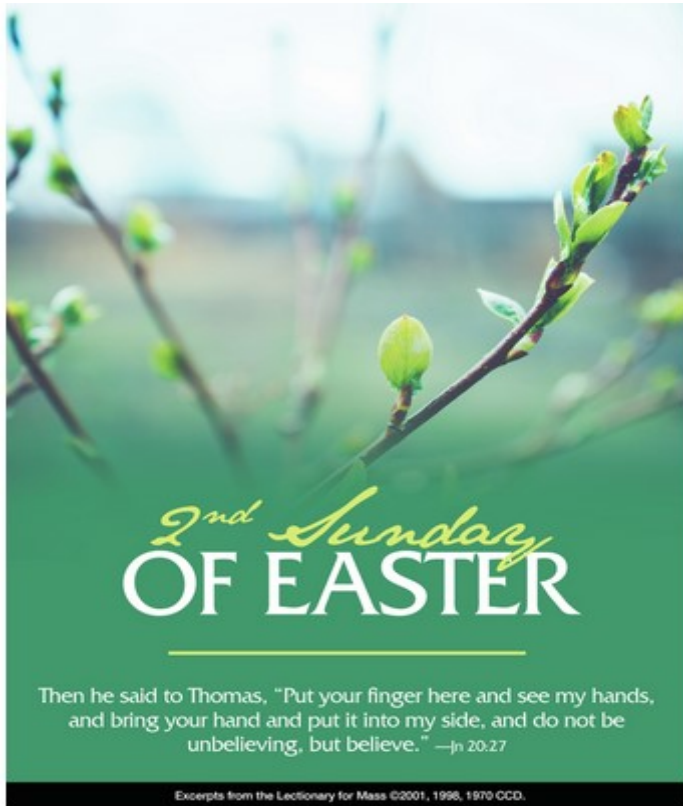


St. Joan Of Arc Church

496 East Washington Street • Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022



OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Joan of Arc Parish is a growing community of Roman Catholic Christians in the Chagrin Falls area.

We are a diverse, gifted and joyful people who share a common belief in the Word of Jesus Christ.

Our Mission, like that of Jesus Christ and His apostles,

is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through living

WE GATHER AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY TO:

CELEBRATE our faith and the presence of God in the Eucharist and in one another.

IMITATE our Savior in His service to others.

TEACH our beliefs at all levels.

WELCOME the participation of all in our Christian fellowship.

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Music Ministry...rholtzhauser@stjoanofarc.org..440-247-7183
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School 440-247-6530
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RCIA 440-376-9177

Sr. Judith Bucco, SND, Director of Religious Education
Rev. Mr. Jeffrey Dunlop, Deacon
Miss Allie Gall, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Rev. Mr. Dennis Guritza, Deacon
Mrs. Amanda T. Haberman Pastoral Minister
Mr. Ralph Holtzhauser, Director of Music
Rev. Gary J. Malin, Pastor
Mr. Daniel L. Mitchell, Principal
Rev. John R. Olsavsky, Retired Pastor

Weekend mass:

The Diocese of Cleveland and the Bishops of Ohio have cancelled all masses in our diocese and throughout our state.

Weekday mass:

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Holy Day mass and Civic Holidays, see bulletin

Baptism: Celebrated at most weekend masses or on most Sundays at 12:00 noon. Contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation (Confession):
Saturdays 3:30 PM until all are heard.
In Advent and Lent 3:15 to 4:00 PM

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please contact a priest or deacon at least one year before the anticipated date.

Care of the Sick and Elderly: Please inform us of those who are sick, aged, unable to come to church, homebound, hospitalized, or may need the Sacrament of Anointing.

Funerals: Please contact the parish office before scheduling or publishing (generally through a funeral director).
Bereavement committee available for hospitality.

Sponsor Certificates: May be obtained by registered, practicing members of our parish who have received the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist (and, if Married, were married in the church).

Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

Sessions in the Catholic Faith (RCIA):
Wednesdays at 7:00 PM (*September thru May*).
Contact Deacon Jeff at440-376-9177

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. Joan of Arc!
Contact the Parish Office to register.



Greetings of Easter Peace. For one week we have been celebrating this joyful feast of our salvation. It has been a different kind of celebration, though. Holy Week in the parish was different this year.

The last time we gathered in church together for a weekend mass was one month ago (the weekend of March 14-15). That seems so long ago, and we shall see how long it is until we gather together again.

A friend of mine (who does counseling for high school students) spoke about Easter this way. He began by saying, "**Coronavirus go away!**"

As we were conversing, we then spoke about making a parallel between the first Easter with our time today in 2020. **After the first Easter the disciples were locked away in the upper room nervous about the outside.** And on the way to Emmaus they again were walking away from everyone. But **despite "social distancing" Jesus kept showing up to them time after time.** He also greeted them with "Peace." Maybe **"Easter faith" is believing this still happening in 2020** - if only we are open to it! **Jesus comes to us and offers us hope, life, and peace.**

Yes, our lives have been radically changed recently.



Here is another quote that comes to mind:

"We are Easter people and 'Alleluia' is our song. Let us sing 'Alleluia' here and now in this life, even though we are oppressed by various worries, so that we may sing it one day in the world to come, when we are set free from all anxiety" (St Augustine).

In spite of our worries and anxieties, **Easter tells us we have hope!** Not hope for a perfect world. But hope that our world can become a little better, more healthy, more holy - because the New Life of Christ has given us such hope and we can live it, share it, and believe in it.

As I said earlier, **we are uncertain of the future timing of the "restrictions" in place because of this health crisis.** We do know we have a few weeks, if not more, of the current situation of no public mass, liturgy, and more. We shall see if the governor extends the current mandates and what will be the response of our Diocese and the Catholic Bishops of Ohio.

During this challenging time, it may be easy to fall into despair, or sin, or "the blues."

Easter, though, reminds us of the goodness of life from the perspective of resurrection. That's what we celebrate during this holy season.

I thank all of you for your faith and your commitment to St. Joan of Arc Parish.

We continue to be a people of hope. Not only hoping for an end to this pandemic but hopeful that God is and will remain faithful to his promises.

There is plenty of hope for us to draw upon these Easter days.

I know our Diocese is looking at some plans and helpful suggestions to welcome the faithful back to our parishes once "restrictions are lifted" and as we await the time when this pandemic is behind us.

It is my hope to continue to "connect" with you in the meantime. Technologically, I am being challenged a bit. Still, I am (slowly) learning of ways to minister and serve. Thank you for your patience and thank you for your faithfulness!

Here's a point of information for everyone! **Typically I go on vacation after Easter.** I am usually gone on or around the last two weeks of April. **Not this year though.** Someone recently said, "About your spring vacation, 'Where do you think you are going?'"! The reality is I am not going anywhere, now. **I will find a couple weeks to get away some other time this year.** For now, I will be here at St. Joan of Arc and continue to do the best I can in these days.

Each day, I will continue to celebrate a "personal mass" (in private) for you and your intentions, and to satisfy scheduled mass intentions.

I encourage you to go online and **participate in the celebration of mass** (and other liturgies) at **WordOnFire.org** and **DioceseOfCleveland.org**. They do this in a professional manner with great video, lighting, and audio. Again, please participate as you are able. Remember, "Prayer is Good!"

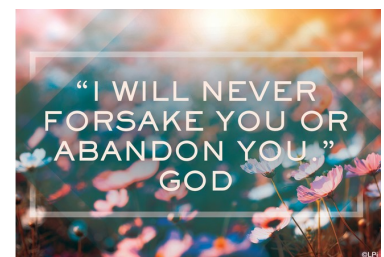
Indeed, this is a call to persevere in faith and in prayer – and to look out for each other.

I am very aware that this lockdown has impacted so many of us in various ways. **It has also already impacted our parish and our cash flow.** As I say this, **I know that some of you are in a position where you can't help our parish** right now. My heart goes out to you. **For those who can continue to help our parish, know of my sincere gratitude.**

Please know you remain in my prayers.

Happy Easter! He is risen. He is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

Blessings and **Easter Peace**, *Fr. Gary*



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Charitable Giving Made Easy!

There are lots of options for automated giving – choose what method works best for you

1). Scan our "QR" to be connected to the St. Joan of Arc e-giving site:



2). Visit the SJA eGiving page and click on the link to our **online giving site**:

<http://www.stjoanofarcchurch.org/eGiving.aspx>

Set up a password protected account to use for regular offertory, holy days of obligation, and special collections. You can make gifts with either a bank account or a credit card.

3). Use a **smart phone** and the "GivePlus" app available on the Apple App store or Google Play store.

Set up a password protected account to use for regular offertory, holy days of obligation, and special collections. You can make gifts with either a bank account or a credit card.

4). Complete a **paper authorization form**. Return the form to the Parish office and we'll process your regular Sunday offertory giving through the Parish Office.

Visit <http://www.stjoanofarcchurch.org/eGiving> for all the details.

Residential property and land for sale



Please be advised that St. Joan of Arc Parish will be offering the residential property and land located at 456 E. Washington St. for sale within the near future.

Ahead of listing the property with a realtor, we are notifying contiguous property owners and registered St. Joan of Arc parishioners of our intent to sell. The property has an estimated market value of \$240,000.00. The home sits on .57 acre of land, was built in 1943, has approximately 2,700 square feet of living space and will be sold in "as is" condition.

Should you be seriously interested in perhaps purchasing the property, please contact me at paulastjoan@gmail.com to set a time and date to tour the property and, if applicable, arrange a date for an independent inspection. For safety and privacy, there is no inspection of the property without making an appointment ahead of time. No phone calls, please.

Interested parties have until May 15, 2020 to present a Letter of Interest which should contain a purchase price offer and any specific terms and conditions for the purchase. St. Joan of Arc Parish will work with the Diocese of Cleveland Legal Office on the requisite formal legal sale/purchase documents. The Letter of Interest should be mailed to:

Paula J. Aveni
St. Joan of Arc Parish
496 E. Washington St.
Chagrin Falls, OH 44022



Protective Equipment Donation Center

Cuyahoga County announced the opening of a donation collection point in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. If you have any of the following items, please consider a direct trip to the Donation Center to drop them off.

The State is encouraging medical practices such as veterinary clinics, dentists, elective surgery centers and other providers to donate surplus Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to support first responders and critical operations occurring in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Please bring any of the following items to the Donation Collection Center at 2501 Harvard Ave. in Newburgh Heights between 9:30 a m and 2:30 p m. Monday through Friday.

At this time, we have asked for donations of the following items.

- N95 masks • Surgical masks • Isolation Gowns•Eye protection
- Face shield • Nitrile gloves • Disinfecting wipes•Handsanitizer

Again, please bring any of the items listed to the Donation Collection Center at 2501 Harvard Ave. in Newburgh Heights between 9:30 a m and 2:30 p m. Monday through Friday.

Parish Office Hours

Parish office hours are subject to change for the good of our employees as well as the social norms and governmental guidelines.

Collection

April 11/12

Cash/Checks	\$14,072.06
E-Giving	\$8,194.00
Total	\$22,266.06

*Thank you! For your
Generosity!*



Fr. Gary will celebrate mass "in private" and will satisfy the intentions for the masses that have been scheduled.

(The diocese has issued a directive that if a priest celebrates mass, no member of the faithful should be present.)

**Divine Mercy Sunday
April 19**

9:00AM Rose Paterek (Miller)
11:00AM The SJA Parishioners

**Monday,
April 20**

No Mass

**Tuesday,
April 21**

No Mass

**Wednesday,
April 22**

No Mass

**Thursday,
April 23**

No Mass

**Friday,
April 24**

No Mass

April 25

4:30PM Catherine Katera
(Klindera)

SJA Prayer Line

Our Pastoral Staff in coordination with the SJA Elizabeth Ministry has created a prayer line.

Anyone interested in having a prayer said should send their intentions to sjaprayerline@gmail.com. If you don't have access to email you may call in your intentions to this voicemail number: 440-247-1141.

Amanda Haberman, our Pastoral Minister, will be checking these every day at 6pm to add those names and intentions to our prayer list.



A List of Resources

For online masses:

- www.dioceseofcleveland.org
- www.wordonfire.org



For Spring Cleaning donation:

- <http://www.svdpcle.org> - Vincent De Paul Society
- <http://lake-geaugahabitat.org> - Habitat for Humanity Re-Store
- womensafe.org - Women's Safe Re-sale Shop
- salvationarmy.org - Salvation Arm

For Prayer:

- <https://us.magnificat.net/free>

For Online Exercise:

- www.crossfit.com/at-home
- www.blogilates.com
- chagrinyoga.com



Other ideas for staying active:

- Ebooks -
www.cuyahogalibrary.org
geaugalibrary.net
www.overdrive.com



Food Pantry

In order to keep the donations for the Food Pantry coming in to stock the shelves, Jack and Jane Zilly will be at the bottom of their driveway (5231 Maple Springs Drive) with the back door of their SUV opened to accept donations **Fridays from 10-11am**. They will deliver everything to Chagrin Falls Park Community Center.

If you would prefer, you could drop off your donations directly to the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center (7060 Woodland Ave.), Monday-Friday, 9-4, at their front door.

Someone will be there to receive donations. No one is allowed to go into the building.

Currently they need:

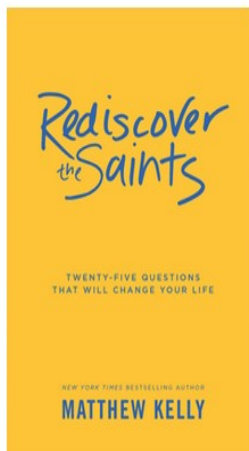
- flour
- fresh vegetables (first choices...potatoes, cabbage) or whatever fresh vegetables or fruit you would like to donate?
- baking soda
- yeast
- dishwashing liquid

Jane and Jack Zilly
jmzilly@hotmail.com
216-402-8912 (Jane)
216-402-5431 (Jack)



Online Book Club

Let's Rediscover the Saints
with Matthew Kelly



SJA Rediscover Book Club April 2020

Patti Valencic and Amanda Haberman will be hosting an online book club utilizing our parish Christmas Gift: *Rediscover The Saints* by Matthew Kelly. This Rediscover Book Club will be offered through Zoom at 8:30 am on Thursday morning beginning April 23.

Amanda Haberman will also offer this book club on Monday evenings at 7pm beginning April 27th. This will be for those who cannot attend the morning offering.

Each study will last approximately 6 weeks. For more information and if you are interested in joining either of these book clubs please RSVP our Pastoral Minister, Amanda Haberman at: ahaberman@stjoanofarc.org or feel free to call her at: 216-213-2720.

Please read the first four chapters in preparation for the book reflection. If you don't have time to read them all, please join us anyway for engaging conversation and uplifting reflections. A zoom link will be sent out the day before the book club for you to use to connect. We hope to see you soon!!!