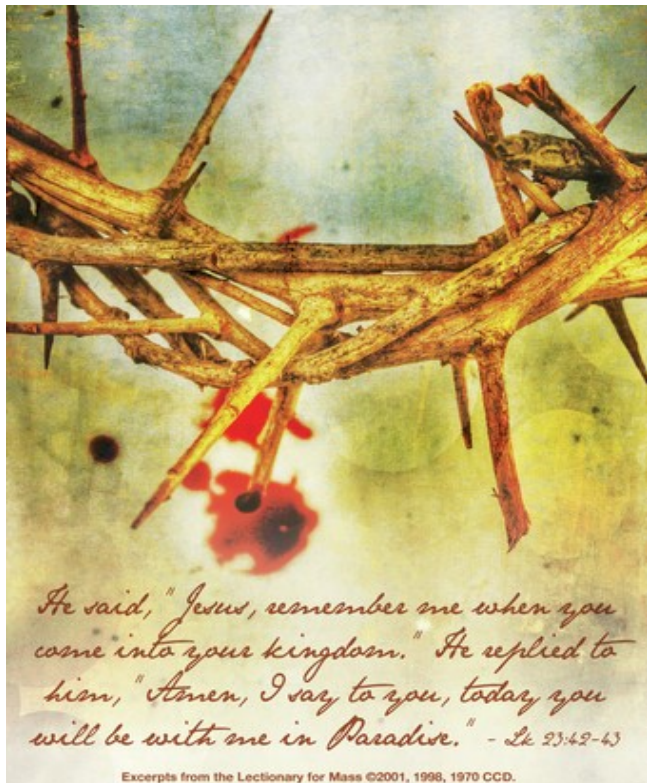


St. Joan Of Arc Church

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 the gospel.

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.

Parish Office 440-247-7183
Parish E-mail..... stjoanchagrin@gmail.com
Parish Website..... stjoanofarcchurch.org
Music Ministry 440-247-7183
Rel. Education Office - Sr. Judy Bucco..... 440-247-3606
Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, SND..... 440-247-1141
School 440-247-6530
Youth Ministry stjoanofarcym@gmail.com...440-247-4316
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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
Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, SND, Pastoral Associate
Rev. Gary J. Malin, Pastor
Mr. Daniel L. Mitchell, Principal
Mr. Ralph Holtzhauser, Director of Music

Weekend mass:

Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday mass:

Monday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM
Tuesday 9:00 AM September through May
8:00 AM June, July, and August

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.

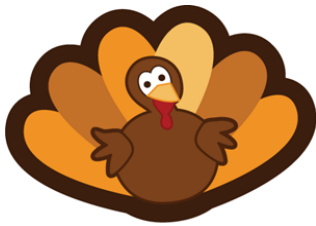
Sessions in the Catholic Faith (RCIA):
Wednesdays at 7:00 PM (*September thru May*).

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



FROM THE PASTOR

Greetings of Peace.



This week we celebrate Thanksgiving! Happy Thanksgiving!

I am out of town and will return for masses on Sunday December 1. *Hence, this is a short column!*

In my absence there will not be "daily mass" at St. Joan of Arc. However, on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday November 28, Deacon Jeff will lead a Prayer and Communion Service at 9:00 AM. What a great opportunity to come to church and give thanks to Almighty God for his many blessings.

If there is the need for an emergency or a funeral while I am away, the priests at our neighboring parishes have offered to assist, as they are able. Thank you, Fathers! Additionally, our parish staff will be as helpful as they can in ministering here at St. Joan of Arc. They are good.

Have a great week, Happy Thanksgiving, and Blessings & Peace,

Fr. Gary



Mass  for the Intentions  for the Week

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 24

9:00AM
The SJA
Parishioners

11:00AM
Ceicille Eget
(Daughter)

Monday, November 25
No Mass

Tuesday, November 26
No Mass

Wednesday, November 27
No mass

Thursday, November 28
Thanksgiving Day
9AM Communion
Service

Friday, November 29
No Mass

Saturday, November 30
4:30PM
Edward McLean
(Downy)

Pastoral Minister Needed



We are looking for an experienced Pastoral Minister who will perform a variety of duties related to serving and spiritually enhancing our parish community. It is the expectation that the Pastoral Minister share in our Catholic faith, be a Catholic in good standing, and reflect the teachings, belief, and vision of the universal Catholic Church in their life and in this ministry. Pastoral Ministry Certification in the Diocese of Cleveland is a plus.

This is a part-time position (approximately 20 hours per week) with consideration given to flexible working hours related to the various ministerial involvements. For more detailed information, and to apply for the position, please visit the Diocese of Cleveland Employment web page: <https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/human-resources/employment-opportunities>.

Coffee & Oatmeal Cans Needed



The Parish Day School's Art Teacher is hoping to obtain some Coffee Cans and/or Oatmeal Cans with lids to turn into drums for our little drummer children.

Please drop off your clean cans with lids in the box provided in the Gathering Area before Sunday, November 24th.

2019 Charitable Contribution Statements

As a reminder, we will not automatically mail out year end Contribution Statements to every parish household. Higher federal standard deduction amounts for individuals, heads of household and married couples filing jointly negate the need for the vast majority of parishioners to itemize deductions. IRS rules state "A donor claiming a deduction of \$250.00 or more is required to obtain and keep a contemporaneous written acknowledgment for a charitable contribution."



If requested, we will mail a 2019 Contribution Statement as written acknowledgment of your giving throughout the year. We expect the information to be available by 1/15/20. You can contact Paula Aveni at the Parish Office at 440-247-7183, ext.16 or paulastjoan@gmail.com . Thank-you!

Project Hope

Come hear the Advent Fundraising Concert for Project Hope for the Homeless on Sunday, December 15, at 1:00 PM at St. Helen Church, 12060 Kinsman Rd., Newbury.



Maude Cloutier, a 16-year-old violinist studies at the Cleveland Institute of Music and will be accompanied by Elizabeth DeMio, collaborative pianist from the CIM, who has performed at Carnegie Hall. Rounding out the Cloutier Trio, Maude's younger sisters, Mara will play cello and Marianne will play violin. Enjoy a variety of classical and traditional Advent and Christmas music. Free will donations will be accepted. All profits will go to Project Hope for the Homeless. Even without a donation, all are welcome to celebrate this Advent festival.

For more information, please contact Marie Cloutier at 812-650-2977 or by email cloutier.marie@icloud.com.

Advent Wreath Workshop



Families are invited to come to the Olsalvsky Center and design your own Advent Wreath on Saturday, November 30th from 9 to 11.

We are planning it so that you will have your wreath for the First Sunday of Advent. The cost of the project will be \$15.00 per wreath. The wreaths will be blessed at the end of the session. Everyone is encouraged to join in the Advent Preparation. In order to help the morning to run smoothly and so that we have enough supplies, you are asked to RSVP by November 23rd to Susan Shukaitis at 440.897.3895.

Join the Grateful Praise Choir for a Benefit Concert



Twelve-year-old Devin Moore was born with a rare heart disease called Tetralogy of Fallot and needs a heart valve replacement. If Devin does not have this surgery, he most likely will not live long into 2020.

Due to the high cost of this surgery, and the family's medical insurance not paying the full amount, the family is in need of funding in order for this young boy to have this surgery. The Benefit Concert will be November 24, at 3pm at Ledgewood Christian Church, 8261 Kinsman Road, Novelty, *Donations will be taken and all proceeds of this concert will go to Devin Moore and his family.*

November

Sunday

November 24

1st Communion
Recognition Masses
9:00AM Mass
11:00AM Mass

Monday

November 25

No Mass

Tuesday

November 26

No Mass

Wednesday

November 27

No Mass

Thursday

November 28

Thanksgiving Day

9:00AM Communion
Service

Friday

November 29

No Mass

Saturday

November 30

3:30PM Confession



Parish School of Religion

Pro Orantibus Day-A Special Thank You!



Our 7th and 8th Graders in St. Joan of Arc Day School wrote a special letter to each of the 3 Cloistered women religious communities in the Diocese of Cleveland: (Carmel of the Holy Family OCD; Poor Clare Colettines, PCC; and the Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration, PCPA.) They expressed their thanks to them for their dedicated life and offered their prayers as well. THANK YOU, 7th and 8th graders, and their teachers, Mrs. Nancy Ball and Mr. Joseph Nieves, for celebrating the religious life of these many sisters who pray and sacrifice for us and our world!

SJA Annual Parish Service Day!

THANK YOU to our 250 SJA Parishioners who participated in our 4th annual Parish Service Day! What a wonderful experience for each of them and a great way to serve others in the greater Cleveland, Aurora, Chardon and the Chagrin Falls areas. Those who served and participated in our lunch given after the morning shift and before the afternoon shift truly enjoyed a lunch of sharing and gratitude.



A special Thank You is given to all who baked desserts for our lunch! We had such a variety of delicious baked goods!! May our good God bless in abundance all of our generous and kind parishioners—you made our Parish Service Day such a special and memorable one for so many in need!

A HAPPY THANKSGIVING to all of our PSR Families! May this truly American holiday be especially blessed for you and your family! May our prayer be one of gratitude for God's goodness to us, for our freedom and for all those men and women who serve our country to keep us safe and free!

PSR Sunday Classes

There are **no PSR classes Sunday, December 1**, for Grades 7/8 and High School Theology because of the Thanksgiving Holiday. There ARE classes for our Kindergarten and elementary grades 1-6 on Monday, December 2.

Mass Moments

The Eucharistic Prayer



Holy Communion:

We are receiving the body and blood of Christ. Transubstantiation, the real presence of Christ, in the Eucharist, is a mystery of our faith. God, by his words, "Let there be light," and "Let the earth bring forth all living creatures" brought creation into existence. The word of God does not merely describe, it achieves! The Incarnate Christ, by his words, "This is my body...this is my blood..." effectively changes the bread and wine into his body and blood. Again, the word of God does not merely describe, it achieves!

We approach the Eucharist with a profound reverence. This is the summit of Mass and of our faith. Say "Amen" with conviction and gratitude.

(Eucharist, Robert Barron, 2018)

Why are we being asked to stand during Holy Communion?

Standing for the Communion Rite during the distribution and reception of Holy Communion and the singing of the Communion Hymn, has been part of the Church's instructions for Mass since 1969; however, in many places across the country, this has been ignored. In 2004, then-Bishop Pilla restated the Church's desire for the faithful to stand during the Communion Rite by issuing a particular policy reinforcing the Church's Communion Rite posture policy. Bishop Perez has chosen to retain and reaffirm this particular policy, in keeping with his desire to both follow the instructions of the Church and unify the postures of the faithful during Mass.

Consider that, throughout Mass, the Church asks us all to stand for certain moments - we stand for the Entrance Procession and the singing of the Entrance Chant/Song; we stand for the Gospel Procession, the singing of the Gospel Acclamation and the proclamation of the Gospel; we stand for the Intercessions (Prayers of the Faithful); we stand for the praying of the Lord's Prayer. In each case, we are standing because we are addressing prayer to God, and are doing so corporately, as the Body of Christ gathered together. Standing for the Communion Procession, for the distribution and reception of Holy Communion and the singing of the Communion Chant/Song (our corporate prayer) follows this pattern.

If you are infirmed or unable to remain standing, feel free to sit or kneel.

(Catholic Diocese of Cleveland website, 2019)

Christmas Giving Cookies Tea



The Women's Guild started a tradition for our church four years ago. We have the Christmas Giving Cookies Tea. We ask all parishioners to bring Christmas cookies, and we pack them in tins, and they are given to needy families.

This year our Christmas Giving Cookie Tea is on December 4th at 1:30 P.M. in our Parish Hall. Please drop off your cookies and tins at the Parish Hall on or before the event. Mary Lou Smullen will speak on the history of Christmas ornaments. Our St. Joan Music Team will help us sing Christmas carols. It will be a great way to start the holidays. We ask that you make reservations to Gerry Koprowski 440-591-5182 by November 25th. Merry Christmas.

Thanksgiving Eve Service at Lord of Life



On Wednesday, November 27, Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Bainbridge will host a Thanksgiving Eve Service at 7:00 pm. The service will include prayers of thanksgiving for the many blessings God has given us and an uplifting message. The Bible passages read remind us once again of the ways in which God cares for us every day of our lives. All are invited to take a break from the busyness of this season and attend this service.

Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Bainbridge is located at 17989 Chillicothe Road, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023. Rev. Rob Henderson Pastor

Collection
Nov. 16/17

Cash/Checks

\$13,364.39

E-Giving

\$2,609.00

Total

\$15,973.39

Thank you for your generous support

The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is now up in the Gathering Area.

Please free free to take tags.

The gifts need to be returned no later than noon on December 15.

Please do not wrap gift tags.



Mass Celebrant
Nov. 30 / Dec. 1

4:30PM

Fr. Max Cole

9:00AM

Fr. Gary J. Malin

11:00AM

Fr. Gary J. Malin

Free showing of "Where There is Darkness"



Father Renee Robert a beloved Franciscan priest in St. Augustine, Fl. ministered to those cast aside by society until he was murdered in 2016. The court wanted to seek the death penalty for his killer. However, Fr. Renee answered from the grave with Love and Mercy.

This marvelous film documents the life and death of Fr. Renee and the effects on the community and his killer when Fr. Renee asks (from the grave) that the death penalty not be used.

See this marvelous film in its first Northeast Ohio showing on Sunday, November 24 at 4pm at The Cedar Lee Theatre 2163 Lee Rd, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118. Admission is free; Sponsored by Holy Rosary Church.

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