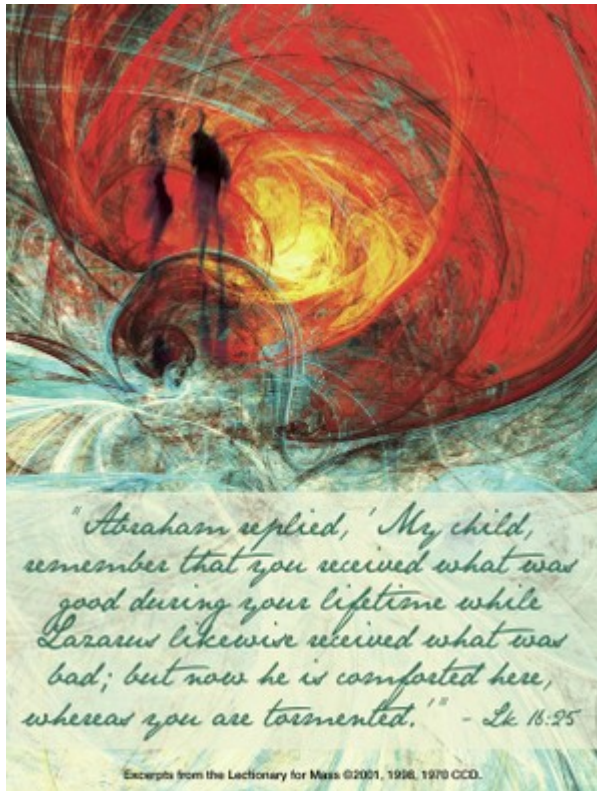


# St. Joan Of Arc Church

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](mailto:stjoanchagrin@gmail.com)  
Parish Website..... [stjoanofarcchurch.org](http://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](mailto:stjoanofarcym@gmail.com)...440-247-4316  
RCIA - Deacon Jeff ..... 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  
Sr. Ann Marie Kanusek, SND, Pastoral Associate  
Rev. Gary J. Malin, Pastor  
Mr. Daniel L. Mitchell - Principal  
Director of Music - Contact Parish Office for Information  
Rev. John Olsavsky, Former Pastor, Retired

### 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.



Greetings of Peace,

We are now in the **Season of Autumn!** Fall began at 4:58 AM on Monday September 23. Even though the weather has been warm, it will be "taking a turn" in the coming weeks and months. Let us thank God for the changing of the times and seasons!



Did you know the autumnal equinox is the time when day and night are roughly equal in length? During the equinox, the Sun "crosses" the so called "celestial equator," an imaginary extension of Earth's equator into space. The equinox happens when the Sun's center passes through this line.

*Now some bad news. Once we begin Fall, the sun rises later, and night comes sooner. This continues for about 3 months until the December or Winter Solstice (at 11:19 PM on December 21), after which the days grow longer and nights shorter! Yea!*

Many people look forward to the "fall colors" (fall foliage). It is interesting that the changing of colors is not due to "weather conditions." Leaves change color because of the lessening amount of daylight which affects photosynthesis.

Fall also brings wonderful holidays like Halloween and Thanksgiving.

And, in about a month, we will have the end of Daylight Savings Time (DST) when we "spin our clocks backwards," gain an hour's sleep, and "Fall back. (I'd prefer to never change our clocks - neither in the spring nor in the fall. Oh well!) *I believe DST ends at 2:00 AM on Sunday November 3.*

Last Saturday, September 21, we had our **Annual Parish Raffle** at our "**End of Summer Cook Out.**" It was a great event with over 200 people participating - and "a good time was had by all!"



**I am happy to announce the winners this of year's raffle.** Congratulations to PPS (Professional Placement Services - Maurice Berns), the Grand Prize winner. Second prize was won by Missy Tatham. Finally, Don Nelson and Tom Prior were the Third and Fourth prize winners, respectively.

As we were preparing for our parish raffle I said, "You cannot win without a ticket." **Thank you** to everyone who bought tickets, sold tickets, participated in our raffle, worked on the cook out, those who came to the cook out, offered items for bid (baskets and other gifts), and to everyone who offers service to our parish and for your generous support!

We are still working on our calculations about what we raised from the raffle. When the bills come in and the tallies are made, we will give you an update and keep you apprised of what the parish made on this year's raffle. **Thank you, again,** for your support of our parish.

Speaking of support, this coming weekend (October 5-6) we will share with the parish our **annual Finance Report** at our weekend masses.

Have a great week, and Blessings & Peace, *Fr. Gary*

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 29

9:00AM  
The SJA  
Parishioners

11:00AM  
Victor R.  
Bambeck  
(Brosius)

### Monday, September 30

8:00AM  
Edward & Evekyn  
Lentz  
(Family)

### Tuesday, October 1

9:00AM  
Marti Miller  
(Vanderbilt)

### Weds, October 2

No Mass

### Thurs, October 3

8:00AM  
Gladys Corry  
(Blouir)

### Friday, October 4

8:00AM  
Edward  
D'Ambrosia  
(Zleznik)

### Saturday, October 5

4:30PM  
John & Agnes  
Kanusek  
(daughter)

## Mass Moments and their Meanings

**Greeting** Priest: "The Lord be with you"  
People: "And with your spirit."



This is no ordinary greeting, like "Good Morning" to which we would respond "Good Morning" back. These words from the Bible echo back in time to what important people of God heard. Moses, Isaac, Jacob, Joshua, King David, and the Blessed Virgin Mary all heard the words "The Lord is with you" either from God directly or from an angel when they were asked to perform superhuman tasks. None of them felt worthy to be called and these words bolstered their confidence. Often we need to be reminded that God is with us. This is especially true when we are experiencing trials, sorrow, discouragement or struggles in our lives. It is important to hear these words especially if we are not feeling God's presence. We need to be reminded that He is always with us. When we say "and with your spirit" to the priest, we are acknowledging the Holy Spirit's unique role in the mass by virtue of his ordination. He needs to be finely tuned to perform his sacred duties well.

### **The Confiteor: " I Confess..."**

St. James reminded early Christians to confess their sins to one another because of the social effects of sin. Sin affects our relationship with God and with one another.

We humbly prepare and purify ourselves to be ready to receive Christ later in the mass and ask others to pray for us. This is not just a simple apology to God, but a heartfelt sorrow.

Four areas of sin:

"In my thoughts" ex. anger, lust, anxiety.

"In my words" ex. gossip, slander, insults, boastfulness.

"In what I have done" ex. sins against 10 Commandments.

"In what I have failed to do" ex. Not doing what we know to be right.

*(from: A Biblical Walk through the Mass, Edward Sri, Ascension Press, 2010)*



Volunteering in the Habitat for Humanity (HFH) ReStore is a great way to stay active, meet new people and help your community! The Lake-Geauga County HFH affiliate is looking for customer service-oriented people to donate their time in the ReStore. The Geauga County ReStore location is located at 12180 Kinsman Rd., Newbury, OH 44065.

### **Interested in volunteering?**

All volunteers must go through orientation and fill out an application before volunteering. The minimum age for volunteers is 16. Registration packets are in a folder on the kiosk on the gathering area of the church. Or if you prefer you can fill out a paper application at the store location. If you would like to talk to someone directly call Meredith Ashkettle at 440.226.3212, or email [volunteer@habitatgeauga.org](mailto:volunteer@habitatgeauga.org)

# Parish School of Religion

## **SJA Annual Parish Service Day!**



We invite all Parishioners to get involved in our SJA Annual Parish Service Day on **Saturday, November 23!** There was a flyer in last week's bulletin that tells you about volunteering both in the Community and at SJA. You can register for our SJA Parish Service Day at [www.stjoanofarcchurch.org](http://www.stjoanofarcchurch.org) with google forms by November 4. There are many opportunities to volunteer in the greater Cleveland and Chagrin Falls areas and at SJA. Join us in fellowship for a Taco Bar lunch in the Olsavsky Center either after your morning shift or before your afternoon shift! We hope many will be able to volunteer and be a special part of our annual Parish Service Day!

## **PSR Parent Newsletter**

The PSR Parent Newsletter begins with the month of October and is emailed to PSR families on the first Sunday or Monday of each month until May.

## **Sacrament Information – Grade 2**

All parents who have children in the second grade that are preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist during the 2019-2020 school year, will receive a parent letter, a Sacramental Registration Form and a Sacramental Date Sheet in the mail the week of September 30. Please check our SJA Parish website [www.stjoanofarcchurch.org](http://www.stjoanofarcchurch.org) for all sacramental information. Thank you!



## Sept/Oct

### **Sunday September 29**

9:00 AM Mass  
11:00AM Mass  
Blanket Sunday

### **Monday September 30**

8:00 AM Mass  
8:30 AM Home  
Visitation (RB)  
9:15 AM  
Moms, Pops & Tots  
(OC)

### **Tuesday October 1**

9:00 AM Mass  
9:30 AM Shawl  
Ministry (H)

### **Wednesday October 2**

No Mass  
7:00PM RCIA(R)

### **Thursday October 3**

8:00 AM Mass  
8:30 AM Bible Study  
(RB)  
11:30 AM Film Fest  
Luncheon (H)  
7:00 PM Book  
Discussion Group  
(RB)  
7:00 PM Sponsor/  
Parent Meeting  
(OC)

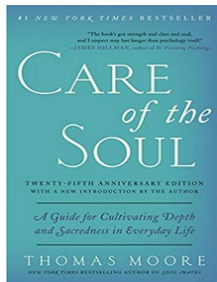
### **Friday October 4**

8:00 AM Mass

### **Saturday October 5**

3:30 PM Confession  
4:30 PM Vigil Mass

## Weekly Book Discussion Group



Some books are best read slowly and thoughtfully, making notes in the margins as thoughts or questions come to mind, then discussing those thoughts with others. That's how this group moves through books by current and contemporary authors on Christian Spirituality.

Our next book is "Care of the soul – A guide for cultivating depth and sacredness in everyday life" by Thomas Moore, PhD.

If you would like to participate, we meet Thursday evenings, 7:00-8:15 pm in the Rectory basement beginning October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Purchase the book and read the introduction and Chapter 1 for the first meeting. A weekly reading assignment will be available on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

RSVP your interest to:

Matt Valencic 440-338-7177 or [mmvalencic@roadrunner.com](mailto:mmvalencic@roadrunner.com)

## Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry has a lot to look forward to! We are happy to announce a brand-new program: Adopt-a-Grandparent! We are partnering with Hamlet Village, where teens will be paired with a resident of the Atrium at Hamlet. Because this is the pilot year for this program, registration will be capped at the first 15 teens to get their application in. Applications are available on the Youth Ministry web page and in Allie's office. Applications are due no later than Sunday, September 29.



We're planning a mission trip! We'll be going to Pittsburgh and serving a refugee population for one week beginning June 27, 2020. The trip will be open to teens age 13 and up as of June 1, 2020. Please join us for an interest/information session Sunday, October 6 at 7pm, location TBA.

Please join us on Saturday, October 19 for flag football at 3:30pm, mass at 4:30pm, and a pizza dinner after mass! All teens grades 7-12 are invited to join us! We'll meet at the doors to the Olsavsky Center. Note that this event will happen in mild rain/mud/cold, so please dress accordingly and bring a change of clothes for mass.



Don't forget to register for Youth Ministry! The registration form and waiver/permission slip are available on the Youth Ministry web page and in Allie's office. Please note that you must have a waiver on file to be able to participate in events!



Remember that Allie is always available for open office hours on Sundays from 11am - 2pm. Stop by to chat, get any forms taken

## BLANKET SUNDAY



Our annual Blanket Sunday Collection to aid the needy in our Chagrin Falls community will be the weekend of September 28 and 29. Please bring your good usable or new blankets, sheets, pillowcases, and towels to church that weekend.

If you have already cleaned out your closets, we will gratefully accept your cash or check donations made out to St. Joan of Arc Parish, with "blanket Sunday" written in the memo. Please help those in need during the upcoming cold winter.

## Parish Day of Service



Saint Joan of Arc

Join us for our 4th annual Parish Service Day on **November 23rd!** Sign up as individuals (18+ only) or as a family, all ages welcome! Choose a volunteer shift: morning or afternoon (exact times vary by location). You will be matched with other parishioners and given details about your service site assignment about 2 weeks before the service day.

Receive a t-shirt to wear while you serve (or wear yours from last year). Join us for a parish taco bar lunch after your morning shift or before your afternoon shift. **Register online by Nov 4<sup>th</sup>** at [www.stjoanofarchurch.org](http://www.stjoanofarchurch.org).

Unable to volunteer in the community? Consider volunteering for our parish lunch!

*thank you*

Bob and Mary Ellen Toth for donating their beautiful flowers from their garden to be used in altar-decorations.

## Fatima Rosary

On Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup>  
We will pray the Fatima  
Rosary at 12PM at The  
Parish Parking lot between  
the hall and the Rectory.

Come one and  
all, rain or  
shine. Bring a  
chair or feel  
free to remain  
in your car.



For questions please call  
Maria or Joe Collura at  
440.543.7861

## Unplanned



Holy Angels Pro Life Group is showing  
the movie "Unplanned" Saturday,  
October 5th following the 5:00 Mass.

Abby Johnson becomes the youngest  
clinic director in the history of  
Planned Parenthood then a life-  
changing experience turns her into an  
anti-abortion activist. This is her story.

### Collection

Sept.

14/15

Cash/Checks  
\$11,836.39

E-Giving  
\$3,464.00

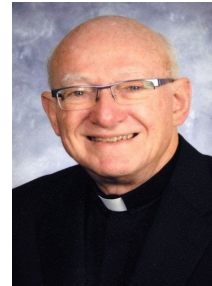
Total  
\$15,300.39

*Thank you for  
your generous  
support*

## Breadth of Life

Celebrating our 40-year anniversary, the retired  
but still vibrant Fr. James Caddy will present "As  
it Was, is Now and Shall Be" at the Wednesday,  
October 9 Breadth of Life Luncheon. His  
presentation will reflect on the past 50+ years  
since Vatican II and the founding  
of Breadth of Life.

The luncheon will be held at St.  
Noel's Parish Hall in Willoughby  
Hills from Noon to 2 p.m. Cost is  
\$18 per person which includes  
tossed salad, roast pork, lyonnaise  
potatoes, mixed vegetables and a  
special anniversary cake. All are  
welcome. Call Joan Bruening at 440-946-6932  
for reservations by October 4.



### Mass

Celebrant

September

28/29

4:30PM

Fr. Gary J.  
Malin

9:00AM

Fr. Gary J.  
Malin

11:00AM

Fr. Gary J.  
Malin

# SERVICE AND SACRIFICE



## Cookout and Raffle- What a great Day!



Many Thanks to all the families and individuals who supported this year's cookout and raffle. We had a wonderful turnout for the dinner, an incredible array of silent auction items donated by parishioners, ministry groups and local businesses, and four very happy raffle winners! Thanks to Maple Heights Catering who provided a very nice, affordable alternative to the clambake menu in prior years. The response to the dinner was so strong we underestimated the amount of drinks and desserts needed – so sorry about that!

Special thanks to Maurice and Sieglinde Berns for their leadership and countless hours of work, a wonderful corps of ticket sellers, Allie Gall for leading games for the youngest members of the crowd, numerous PSR and Youth Group student volunteers for their efforts in serving and cleaning up, folks who checked in and checked out, and Christine Mahoney for tending bar. And let's not forget Patti and Matt Valencic and a special thanks to everyone that helped breakdown and cleaning. P.S. A very, very special thanks to Kitty Coleman and Paula Aveni for their hard work, patience and composure managing the event at the Parish Office. The planning for 2020 has already begun.

