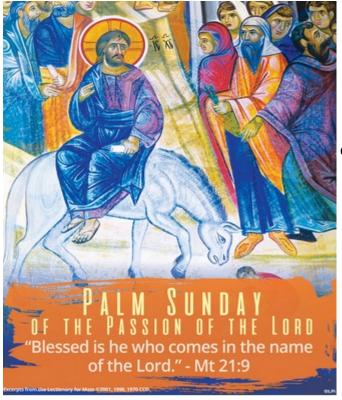
St. Joan Of Arc Church

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.

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RCIA	7

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

Weekend mass:

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

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Holy Day mass and Civic Holidays, see bulletin

Rev. John R. Olsavsky, Retired Pastor

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 Peace as we enter into Holy Week.

Since this is **Palm Sunday weekend** (and as we look to Holy Week and Easter with no public celebration of mass and the sacraments) the following may be helpful as we enter into this **most sacred time of the year**.

Daily mass and the Liturgies of Holy Week are being live streamed (and perhaps on demand) from Word on Fire, our Diocese, and many other sources. Particularly, in this Holy Week, all are encouraged to participate in the Mass of the Lords Supper on Holy Thursday, The Solemn Passion on Good Friday, the Easter Vigil Mass, and mass on Easter Sunday. Weblinks for the above are wordonfire.org/daily-mass/ and dioceseofcleveland.org.

Here at St. Joan of Arc, I will continue to celebrate a "personal mass" (in private) to satisfy mass intentions and to lift up prayer for the people of St. Joan of Arc. (Having others present for mass would defeat the purpose of why we are not celebrating "mass in public.")

Some have inquired about Palms. Although some parishes may be distributing Palms, here at St. Joan of Arc, I have **chosen not to distribute Palms at this time**. Instead we will make Palms available after the "Stay at Home" orders are lifted. (Since we are not celebrating mass and there is no public eucharist – and the eucharist is central to our faith – it seems to me that palms are "not 'essential'." I believe it is more important for people to Stay at Home rather than to distribute palms in a way that may not be very safe or antiseptic.

From my own perspective, I am very serious about keeping distance and staying away from "numbers of people" (even very small groups), shared "touch," and more - for a variety of reasons - including my health and that of others.

In the news, things seem to be changing rapidly and it appears illnesses from COVID-19 are spreading rapidly.

To this end, here at St. Joan of Arc, we will continue to keep the church (and all our buildings) closed – except for our parish office, which is open for limited hours. It seems to me the discontinuing access to the church, chapel, hall, and other spaces where people gather is the most prudent course of action. This is in effect until further notice. This also includes closure for private adoration, prayer, and also hearing confessions.

Yes, prayer is especially valuable and important and we all should continue to pray during this time.

Still, this is most prudent in these days when isolation, staying at home, and social distancing from one another are the best ways to keep this virus at bay.

I know of at least one diocese where the mass is suspended at least through the month of

of April and many others have said "Until further notice."

Isn't it amazing how one virus can have this much impact on our community, region, country, and our world – let alone how we can (or cannot) assemble and practice our faith.

Reflecting on what we are going through, I am reminded of a recent conversation I had with a brother priest who spoke of **the honor and privilege we priests have to pray the mass and receive Holy Communion** "on behalf of the people" – especially now that the faithful do not join us in the celebration of mass. At the same time, he said, it is "painful." He likened it to a mother not being able to feed or care for her child. What a beautiful image of the connection of the parish and its priest. We can nourish and care for each other. Let's hope and pray for the day when we can begin to do this again – at mass – and hopefully, soon. Amen!!

Recently it was announced **the celebrations of Ordination of Deacons and the Priesthood Ordinations in the Diocese of Cleveland** (scheduled in April and May 2020) **are "on hold" due to the current health crisis**. It was recently stated by the Diocese of Cleveland, "Once we have a green light to resume public celebrations of mass and the sacraments, we will either confirm the dates for these respective ordinations or provide a rescheduled time." Please pray for those men who are to be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate and serve in our diocese, for those called to the Transitional Diaconate (who will be ordained as priests next year), and for those called to Holy Orders as Priests – hoping to be ordained in a few months to serve in parishes here in our Diocese. We need them and their ministry.

We also heard that the **Jubilee masses for priests, deacons, and religious** celebrating 25, 40, 50 60 (and more) years of ordination or religious profession **have also been postponed**. Dates will be determined once we return to some sense of normalcy. (I am approaching 34 years of ordination. Deacon Jeff was ordained to the diaconate in May of 2000 and Deacon Denny was ordained in May of 2005.)

Again, isn't it amazing the power of one virus.

Let us remember each other in these days and pray that this health threat will soon be abated.

Might I say **a word about donations and offerings to the church**? As your households continue to "operate" and your day-to-day living expenses continue, so do ours at St. Joan of Arc.

Although public mass is not being celebrated, parishioners can still give "Offertory donations" as well as Monetary gifts through the following options:
US Mail: St Joan of Arc 496 E Washington St Chagrin Falls, OH 44022
Call the Parish Office 440-247-7183 to arrange for "automatic giving" or to make a gift Online or automatic giving through the parish website

THANK YOU SO MUCH for your faith and for your continued support!

God be with you all during this difficult time. As always, **you are in my heart and in my prayers**.

Blessings and Peace,

Fr. Gary



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. While the Stay at Home Order is in effect, 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
- Eve protection
- Face shields
- Nitrile gloves
- Disinfecting wipes
- Hand sanitizer



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.



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.)

Palm Sunday April 5

9:00AM The SJA Parishioners 11:00AM Mary Fenning (Gleason)

Monday, April 6

8:00AM Joan Kmieck (Nally)

Tuesday, April 7

9:00AM Tom Metzger (Metzger)

Wednesday, April 8

No Mass

Holy Thursday, April 9

7:00 PM Mass of Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 10

3:00 PM The Passion Mass

Holy Saturday, April 11

8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass

PALM SUNDAY

Charitable Giving Made Easy!

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

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



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.

A List of Resources

For online masses:

- www.dioceseofcleveland.org
- www.wordonfire.org.
- www.ewtn.com

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



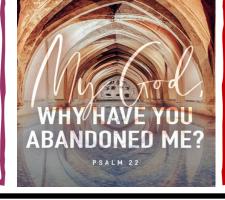
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Collection

March 22/23

Cash/Checks \$7,737.39 E-Giving \$5,484.00 Total \$13,221.39 *Thank you!*



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.