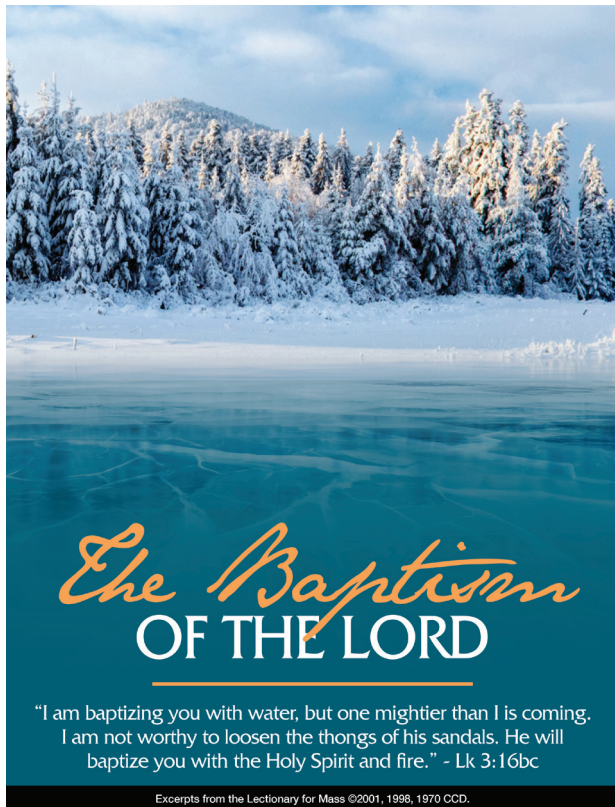




ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Baptism of the Lord | Sunday, January 9, 2022



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 Information

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Parish Staff

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440-247-3606 | officeoffaithformation@stjoanofarc.org

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Rev. John R. Olsavsky, Retired Pastor

Mass Schedule

Weekend Mass:

Saturdays 4:30pm, Sundays 9:00am and 11:00am

Weekday Mass:

Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays 8:00am

Tuesdays 9:00am September-May, 8:00am June, July and August

Holy Day Masses and Civic Holidays subject to change - see bulletin and/or website.

Sacramental Information

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

Reconciliation (Confession): Saturdays 3:30pm until all are heard. Advent and Lent Saturdays 3:15pm-4:00pm.

For other Sacramental Information, please see PAGE 3.

New parishioners welcome! Please contact the Parish Office to register.

Greetings of Peace as we are one week into the New Year 2022.

This weekend we conclude the Christmas Season with the Baptism of the Lord in the Jordan River. Jesus, who is born among us, is revealed as God's Son in his baptism. We become his daughters and sons in our own baptism. Yes, Christmas tells us the Jesus became like us. We should strive to become like him. In baptism, we are made his own!

As we take leave of the Christmas Season, we are given the opportunity to practice the message of this Feast – together we are all God's children! Let's strive to live that way.

I will be out of town this week, leaving after masses on Sunday January 9, 2022 and returning for confessions and mass on Saturday, January 15. Since I am away, there will not be a daily mass in the parish this week. Our wonderful parish staff/ministry team will do their best to respond to any emergencies that may come up while I am away and our neighboring priests indicated they will try respond to any funerals or sacramental needs that may present themselves. Thank you, Fathers – and Ministerial Staff Members here at St. Joan!

Finally, Bishop Malesic just cancelled an "area mass" that was scheduled to be at Resurrection in Solon the afternoon of Sunday January 16.

He reminds us that the latest information from federal, state and local public health agencies informs us that the Delta and Omicron variants of the COVID-19 virus continue to surge in our area, causing increased illness and hospitalizations. Our health care systems and many of our health care workers are being stretched to the limits.

For them and for the safety of all who worship at Catholic parishes throughout the Diocese of Cleveland, I strongly encourage everyone, whether vaccinated or not, to wear a face mask while attending Mass indoors. All who want to attend Mass, and who are otherwise vulnerable, should feel safe and welcome inside our sacred spaces. We should also do our best to help reduce, as much as possible, the number of COVID-19 cases that require the attention of those working in our hospitals.

Those who are ill, have significant health risk factors or care for someone who is immune-compromised or ill, as well as those who have significant fear or anxiety about contracting the coronavirus in a large group of persons are not obliged to attend Mass.

Bishop Malesic also said that those who distribute Holy Communion at mass must wear a mask when serving in this ministry.

Finally, the Bishop says to remember that the situation seems to be ever changing. Stay connected to information coming from national, state and local health authorities, and stay home and get tested for COVID when you are not feeling well. Following these recommendations will go a long way in helping to keep you and others around you safe. Be kind to those who will disagree with this encouragement.

Noel, Blessings and Peace as we conclude the Christmas Season, and for this New Year, 2022.

Blessings and Peace,

Fr. Gary

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 9

9:00am SJA Parishioners

11:00am Colleen Melena (Zilly)

Monday, January 10

No Mass

Tuesday, January 11

No Mass

Wednesday, January 12

No Mass

Thursday, January 13

No Mass

Friday, January 14

No Mass

Saturday, January 15

4:30pm Joe Toth (Zilly)

Other Sacramental Information

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).

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 7:00pm, September - May. Contact **Deacon Jeff** at **440-376-9177**

Music Ministry

The adult choir is looking for new members! All are welcome, regardless of previous music experience. The choir rehearses on Thursdays at 7pm.

The Children's Choir is also always looking for new members, especially looking toward Easter! Contact Ralph Holtzhauser at rholtzhauser@stjoanofarc.org for information.

Youth Ministry

Our January events are now on Zoom due to the rise in COVID cases. Spark (grades 6-8) will meet this Sunday, January 9 at 7pm on Zoom. Ignite (grades 9-12) will meet on Sunday, January 23 at 7pm, also on Zoom. Please **email Allie** at agall@stjoanofarc.org for the Zoom links.

We'll be moving back to in-person activities in February, kicking off with our annual Souper Bowl of Caring event! Thank you for your patience and flexibility during this uncertain time.

Office of Faith Formation

Happy New Year! May God bring you hope, peace, joy, and love throughout the new year. We have so much to look forward to in 2022. Let us pray for God's blessing on SJA Parish and the whole world.

First Reconciliation

Please keep our day school and PSR second grade students in your prayers as their First Reconciliation date approaches. First Reconciliation will be held on January 26th and February 2nd at 7:00pm. This a very exciting time for each one of them and we appreciate all your prayers!

Confirmation Preparation

Our next session is on January 13th at 6:30 through ZOOM. We will not gather in the parish hall due to the recent surge in COVID-19. This formation session will include an online presentation from the Culture Project on the pros and cons of social media usage. Thank you to all the parents who are prayerfully supporting their children through this formation process. Your children are a gift to our parish.

PSR Holiday Schedule

Religious education classes for grades K-8 will resume on Sunday, January 23rd and Monday, January 24th. Please note that we have postponed the return to PSR due to the pandemic. Thank you for your continued support and understanding as we navigate through the year trying our best to protect our volunteer catechists and students.

The Food Pantry in the Narthex is Back!

Please bring your non-perishable food donations (canned vegetables, fruits, spaghetti sauce, soups, pasta, rice, ramen noodles, peanut butter, etc.) when you come to Mass.

Thank you for supporting this very necessary outreach ministry.

Food Pantry Thursdays are Back for the New Year!

There will be a car in the SJA parking lot this Thursday, January 13, from 10-11 for you to drop off food donations. The list of needs for this week is:

- Pancake mix (add water only)
- Pancake syrup
- Lettuce
- Cucumbers
- Chicken

Thank you so much for helping us stock the pantry shelves. Please call **Jane Zilly** with any questions at **216-402-8912**.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word (for children in Kindergarten through Grade 3) will not be held in January due to the increased spread of COVID-19. We plan to resume in February. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Are you or someone in your life facing a difficult time, illness, surgery, or struggle? Put them on the SJA Prayer Line! Email prayer requests to **mvincenti@stjoanofarc.org**

VBC Coordinator Opportunity

SJA is looking for a Vacation Bible Camp Coordinator. This part-time position begins in January! We start ordering supplies in the winter and organizing volunteers by the spring. We are looking for one dedicated individual to oversee VBC and delegate volunteer positions as necessary. A generous stipend will be offered. For more information, contact **Amanda Haberman** at ahaberman@stjoanofarc.org or **440-247-3606 x 125**.

This year's theme will be **MONUMENTAL: Celebrating God's Greatness!**



Mass Celebrant

1/15/22 4:30pm Fr. Gary J. Malin

1/16/22 9:00am Fr. Gary J. Malin
11:00am Fr. Gary J. Malin

Bulletin Submissions

If your parish group or organization has something to contribute to the bulletin, please email it to **Allie Gall** at agall@stjoanofarc.org with the following subject line: **Bulletin MM/DD**.

Cafeteria Manager Needed

St. Joan of Arc is in need of a Cafeteria Manager for the 2021-2022 school year. Mrs. Mahoney has graciously agreed to start the year so that the students will continue to have the option of a hot lunch each day. This is a part-time position, and more information can be found on the Diocesan employment website:

https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/human-resources/_employment-opportunities/category/all

Job Opportunity

St. Joan of Arc Parish in Chagrin Falls is seeking an Administrative Assistant/Secretary to handle a wide variety of duties and responsibilities that support the basic operations and functions of the parish office. Strong organization, communication, and relationship skills are essential, as are the ability to work independently, multi-task, and adjust priorities as they occur.

Those interested can drop off a resume (with cover letter) to the Parish Office, noting SJA Office Job on the envelope. No calls, please.



Baptism Classes

The Sacrament of Baptism is a very special time where we receive into the Church the newly Baptized, along with welcoming their family and sponsors to share in the beginning of the child's journey of faith. Classes are offered both in-person and online with Zoom. To sign up or to get further information on the class or with questions on Baptism at St. Joan of Arc, call **Diana** at **440-552-1046** or email **dinah627@windstream.net**

Electronic Giving

Choose the option that works best for you

1. Visit the SJA online giving website: <http://www.stjoanofarcchurch.org/eGiving.aspx> and set up an account, or simply scan the QR code below. You can set up a personal account to use for regular offertory, holy days of obligation, and special collections.

2. Visit the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, where you will find the free "Give + Church" smart phone app.

After downloading, you can set up a personal account and use the site for regular offertory, holy days of obligation, and special collections. You will be prompted to enter our zip code of 44022 or the St. Joan of Arc Church name. Click on our church name and address in the list and then begin the process of setting up you account.

3. Complete the paper form found on the website listed in Option 1 and mail it to the Parish Office:

St. Joan of Arc Parish Office
Attn: Kelly Kearney
496 East Washington Street
Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Collections

Christmas Eve Giving

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| Cash | \$ 22,081.00 |
| Total | \$ 22,081.00 |

Weekend of 12/25/21-12/26/21

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| Cash | \$ 4,632.00 |
| E-Giving | \$ 3,289.00 |
| Total | \$ 7,921.00 |

Weekend of 1/2/22-1/3/22

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| Cash | \$ 27,073.00 |
| E-Giving | \$ 7,283.69 |
| Total | \$ 34,356.69 |

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

