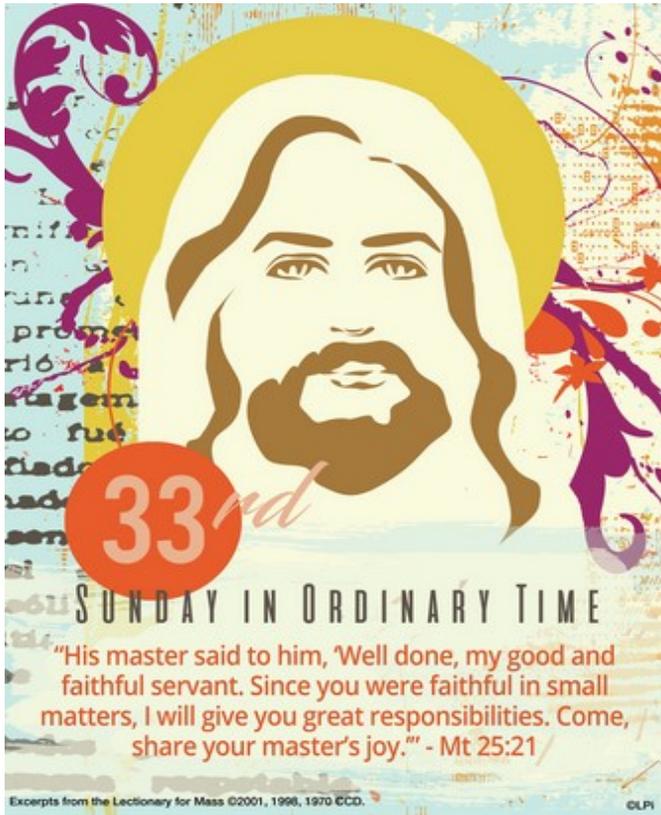


# St. Joan Of Arc Church

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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Youth Ministry ..... agall@stjoanofarc.org..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  
Mrs. Amanda T. Haberman Pastoral Minister  
Mr. Ralph Holtzhauser, Director of Music  
Rev. Gary J. Malin, Pastor  
Mrs. Stacie M. Webster, Principal  
Rev. John R. Olsavsky, Retired Pastor

**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*).  
Contact Deacon Jeff at .....440-376-9177

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to St. Joan of Arc!



*From the Pastor's Desk*

Greetings of Peace.

**We are now in the middle of November.** This month we have had cold, wind, snow and also summer-like weather in the upper 70's. I suppose the "fun and games are over" and we will now have late-fall and winter-like weather going forward. **We will try to keep the church as comfortable as possible**, with the cool days approaching. You see, we have been instructed to keep the main church door propped open. This works for seasonable weather. However, this could pose problems for our "cold weather days." This is on account of CoVid and the precautions we have been asked to follow.

Speaking of CoVid, I recently shared, some Dioceses in USA have once again indefinitely suspended all public masses (as we did in the spring), citing rising CoVid cases, the approaching flu season, and more. Throughout the USA, the bishops have asked the faithful to proceed "with due care" in life and also in church. In many parts of our country hospitals and health centers are reaching capacity for treating patients.

**3 EASY STEPS**  
TO KEEPING YOURSELF  
& OTHERS HEALTHY!



In Ohio, and locally in Cuyahoga, Geauga, and surrounding counties, we are experiencing the similar higher outbreaks. In our diocese there are a few parishes that have cancelled masses on a few weekends because of CoVid outbreaks in the community. And I know of 2 places in our diocese where masses were cancelled because the priest got sick or needed to quarantine!



All this is a good reminder that **we need to remain vigilant by wearing masks** (note: masks should cover both our nose AND mouth), **remaining socially distant**, washing our hands, and so on.

Many of us are experiencing "CoVid Fatigue" and we don't like this way of doing things. Still, most medical professionals have indicated we can take steps to eliminate, or at least slow down the spread of this serious virus. I do not see this going away any time soon.

Who knows what might happen with all this as we approach winter and Christmas?

In **November** we remember the "**Faithful Departed.**" For this year, because of CoVid, rather than having our parish "Book of Remembrance," **we ask that parishioners write the names of our beloved dead on an index card** (or some such, which you provide) **and place that card in the "Remembrance Basket" in our Gathering Area** – which is near the baptistry. *We will also place the names from our "All Souls envelopes" in the basket as well.* By "naming" our beloved dead and praying for them we are reminded of the hope of new life, for which we all long! "May the Souls of the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen!"

Looking ahead, **I will be on vacation from midday Sunday November 15 and will return for masses on Sunday November 29.** *Visiting priests are scheduled for the weekend masses when I am not here. While I am away there will not be daily mass the week of November 16 and the week of November 23.* Moreover, our neighboring priests will do their best to be of assistance if an emergency presents itself in my absence. Thank you, Fathers.

Please pray for me and know you are in my heart and prayers. I am very grateful for you, your faith, dedication, commitment, care, and concern.

Blessings and Peace,

*Fr. Gary*



**Sunday,  
November 15**

9:00 AM Edward &  
Frances  
D'Ambrosia  
(Zeleznik)

11:00 AM St. Joan  
of  
Arc  
Parishioners

**Monday,  
November 16**

No Daily Mass

**Tuesday,  
November 17**

No Daily Mass

**Wednesday,  
November 18**

No Daily Mass

**Thursday,  
November 19**

No Daily Mass

**Friday,  
November 13**

No Daily Mass

**Saturday  
November 14**

4:30PM Vincent  
McLaughlin  
(Moriarty)



## Parish School of Religion

### Pro Orantibus Day



Each year there is a special day named: "Pro Orantibus Day" for Cloistered Communities of women and men who are a tremendous gift to the Catholic Church! Pope Pius XII first instituted

this worldwide event in 1953. St. Pope John Paul II later expanded this event in 1997 to be celebrated each year on the Memorial of Mary's Presentation in the Temple. This year **Pro Orantibus Day** is celebrated on **Saturday, November 21, 2020**.

The Diocese of Cleveland has (3) cloistered women religious communities: **Carmel of the Holy Family OCD; Poor Clare Colettines, PCC; and the Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration, PCPA.** We can remember these religious women at Mass, by praying for them, or by sending them cards/letters. For more information visit: [www.cloisteredlife.com](http://www.cloisteredlife.com).

\*Our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students in SJA Day School wrote a note to each of the Sisters last week. These notes will be mailed the week of November 16 to all our cloistered Sisters!

**Thank you 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders and their teachers, Mrs. Nancy Ball and Mr. Joe Nieves!**

### Sacrament of Reconciliation Parent Meeting

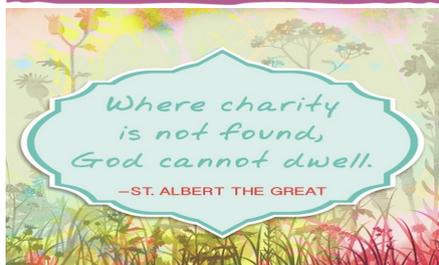
The Sacrament of Reconciliation Parent Meeting (parents only) is **Thursday, December 3, from 7:00-8:00pm via Zoom.** We will speak about the meaning of reconciliation in our lives and in the lives of our children, and the important role you have as parents in the preparation of your child's reception of the sacrament. We look forward to meeting with you on December 3.



### Sacrament of Confirmation

The **3<sup>rd</sup> Virtual Instructional Session** for our **Confirmation Candidates** is **Thursday, November 19, from 6:30-8:00pm.** All candidates are reminded to have their folder with their magazine session sheets and pencils for this session.

**THANK YOU** to all parents who have handed in their registration forms, fees, and Baptismal Certificates. The **due date** for all forms, fees, and certificates to be handed in to the Office of Faith Formation is **November 19.** Thank you for your support.



## Helping Hands Fund Update



This past year your support for the Parish's "Helping Hands Fund" has been more important than ever. The COVID 19 health crisis has impacted the family finances of many of our parishioners and neighbors and put a huge burden on social service agencies that assist with basic day-to-day needs.

Helping Hands funds provided tuition grants to a record number of our school's children, paid the rent for several families, kept the power on for one family dealing with major health issues and two other families trying hard to manage their monthly living expenses, helped keep the water on for another family, and provided gasoline and food gift cards to many others. In addition to financial support, we provide program information for local social service agencies that families can contact. The agencies help craft a long term solution to managing income and expenses and reduce the anxiety associated with "which bills do I pay this month?"

Parishioners should be on the look out for a letter from Fr. Gary and the Finance Council with information on the Fiscal Year End June 30, 2020 financial report and current year's budget. Included with the letter and report is an envelope that can be used for donations to the Helping Hands Fund. If you are able, please mail in a gift and know that your generosity is greeted with incredible gratitude from the individuals and families we support.

Many thanks in advance.

## VIBRANT PARISH PRAYER

Gracious God,

We are your people, St. Joan of Arc Parish, embraced by your love throughout all time.

As a community of faith, joined together in the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland,

We ask you to fill us with new life.

Liberate us from all that keeps us from you.

Heal us from every form of sin and violence.

Reconcile us so that enemies become friends.

Transform us to live your Word more profoundly.

Open us to appreciate your presence in all ages, faiths and cultures.

Awaken us to the sacred; nurture our relationships.

Enliven our parish in the celebration and sharing of gifts.

Enable us to recreate our world and restore justice.

Fill us with joy to celebrate the fullness of life.

Empower us to be a community of love, growing in your likeness.

Please make St. Joan of Arc a vibrant parish,

Through your power and grace.

Amen.





## 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 SJA QRC below. You can set up a personal account to use for regular offertory, holy days of obligation, and special collections.

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

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 your account.

3). Complete the paper form on the website (<http://www.stjoanofarcchurch.org/eGiving.aspx>) and mail it to the Parish Office:

St. Joan of Arc Parish Office  
496 East Washington Street  
Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44022  
Attn: Paula Aveni

We will set up an account to process your regular Sunday offertory giving.

## Giving and Sharing Tree 2020

We will be accepting donations differently this year. We are asking parishioners to purchase gift cards instead of the usual gifts for Target, Walmart, Amazon, Giant Eagle or Heinen's. These gift cards will be divided up among the 6 charities to whom we have donated in the past.

Just drop off your gift cards in the mail slot by the Rectory door or put in the box by the tree in the narthex after November 21. Please be sure to put your card in an envelope and indicate the amount on the card. Please do not wrap your card.

We really appreciate your generosity, especially during these difficult times. These charities would not otherwise be able to bring Christmas to their families. Thank you so much for consistently stepping up to make other's lives better. Any questions please contact:

Mary Horvath, [mkh5968@yahoo.com](mailto:mkh5968@yahoo.com)  
Jane Zilly, [jmzilly@hotmail.com](mailto:jmzilly@hotmail.com),  
216-402-8912 or  
SJA office, 440-247-7183



## St. Vincent de Paul

If you haven't had a chance to contribute to this year's annual Blanket Sunday appeal, please consider doing so. The **need is greater than ever this fall/winter** as many more people experience financial hardship during the pandemic.

Donations can be made securely online at <https://www.svdpcle.org/donate-today/blanket-sunday/>.

Checks may also be mailed to: **St. Vincent de Paul Society Blanket Sunday**, 1404 East 9<sup>th</sup> Street-3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114. Thank you for helping us blanket others in warmth.

### *Mass Celebrant Nov. 21/22*

4:30PM Fr. Richard K. Burchell  
9:00AM Fr. Anthony J. Marshall  
11:00AM Fr. Anthony J. Marshall

### *Collection November 7/8*

Cash/Checks	\$5,771.39
E-Giving	\$7,774.00
Total	\$13,545.39

*Thank you for your generosity*

## *Baptism Classes*

With the ongoing difficulties in scheduling meetings, due to Covid 19, Baptism Classes are being scheduled on an "as needed" basis.

These classes can be conducted either on Zoom or in person.

Inquiries about the classes, Baptism, or to schedule a class can be directed to Diana Guritza at 440-552-1046.



## *What about Christmas mass?*

Bishop Malesic recently communicated with parishes about looking to public mass celebrations in our churches for Christmas. It appears we will continue to operate under the pandemic restrictions currently in place. The bishop further said:

1. The dispensation from the obligation to attend mass will remain in effect for the foreseeable future.
2. We are asked to communicate with parishioners relative to their intentions for attending mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, keeping in mind the need to distance, wear masks, limited number permitted in church, and more...
3. Each of us should be aware of "self-care," protecting our own health, and looking out for others.
4. All might be able to participate in Christmas Mass online...

More to come, as we approach Advent and Christmas.