



ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Easter - April 30 2023

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.



4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Parish Information

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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.

From the Pastor

Greetings of Easter Peace. This is written earlier than usual since I am out of town this week and will return for masses on Sunday April 30.

The weather has been unusual where I have been (over 1,000 miles away) – and we have had some 80 degree days and some days with snow! That's what we get in mid-April! I heard the weather in Greater Cleveland has been likewise.

It is amazing that we are now in the last days of April (when you are reading this note) and May draws near. With the month of May we have "May Flowers," First Communion (next weekend in our parish), Mother's Day, Graduations, and more. Later in May we have Memorial Day – and the Blossom Festival in Chagrin! Then June, July, and August are the 3 "unofficial months of summertime!"

Moreover, the months of May (and June) are often "anniversary dates" for those who are ordained. Here at St Joan we offer Congratulations and a heartfelt "Thank You" to Deacon Jeffrey F. Dunlop and Deacon Dennis A. Guritza. Deacon Denny was ordained to the diaconate on May 7, 2005. Happy 18th anniversary, Denny. And we are happy to celebrate with Deacon Jeff who was ordained to the diaconate on May 13, 2000. Blessings, Jeff, for 23 years of service as a deacon.

On a personal note I am so blessed to work with Jeff and Denny. And as a parish we are so happy that you share your ministry with us here at St. Joan of Arc. Blessings and Peace on your anniversary, Deacon Denny and Deacon Jeff. You are loved and appreciated.

A "native son" of St. Joan of Arc, Fr. Joseph R. Brankatelli, was ordained a priest on May 10, 2008 for service to the Diocese of Cleveland. Joey recently served as a chaplain in the U.S. Army and returned to the Diocese of Cleveland last year to minister at St. Clare in Lyndhurst. Thank you for your service and ministry. Happy anniversary, "Fr. Joe." Another "son of the parish" is Fr. Andrew C. Rudmann. Andrew was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of New Orleans in June 2019. Happy 4th anniversary, Fr. Andrew.

It happens I was ordained a priest in June 1986. It is amazing how quickly these nearly 37 years as a priest have gone by. I am blessed to serve here at St. Joan of Arc and I appreciate your support and your prayers for me. Thank you.

Since we are in the month of May, Pope Francis is encouraging people of faith to pray the rosary this month – especially in light of our dealings with CoVid these past 3 years. The Pope prays, "Our Lady, Health of the Sick. Pray for us." The Holy Father also offers the following prayer we can all use to turn to Mary:

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey
as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering,
and persevered in your faith.

...you know our needs, and we know that you will provide,
so that, as at Cana in Galilee,
joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves
to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us.
...(so we can share in) the joy of the Resurrection.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God;
Do not despise our petitions in our necessities,
but deliver us always from every danger,
O Glorious and Blessed Virgin. Amen.

Blessings and Easter Peace. You are in my heart and in my prayers.

He is Risen. He is Risen, Indeed. Alleluia!

Fr. Gary



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Shawl Ministry



The Shawl Ministry has been busy crocheting and knitting shawls to lend support, love and prayers to the ill, home-bound, the lonely, or anyone who is missing a loved one. Many prayers and blessings are knitted or crocheted into every shawl. If you or someone you know (of any faith) needs a shawl, **please contact Nicole DeMille at 516-428-4206.**

The St Joan of Arc Avilas are back and looking for new members!

We are an organization of men and women, joined together under the Patronage of St. Theresa of Avila, praying for religious vocations. On the Second Friday of each month, members attend the 8:00 AM Mass, followed By the Recitation of the Rosary and praying the Avila prayers for vocations to The Priesthood and Religious life.

PLEASE JOIN US ON FRIDAY'S Thank you Mother Mary!
For Information, Contact Matthew "Mickey" O'Hearn, 440-338-5914, or
mohearniii@gmail.com



Chagrin Falls Food Pantry's Response to SJA Generosity

The weekend and Thursday food collections go to the Chagrin Falls Park Food Pantry. This Food Pantry serves several local communities. They are the only local pantry that is open 5 days a week. They monitor the frequency of distribution to families so that there is enough for all those in need. Because of the generosity of St. Joan of Arc, they are able to keep the pantry shelves stocked to answer the community's needs. Thank you for supporting this outreach initiative. They are very grateful.

Thanks so much.
Jane



Coming September... Parish Picnic. Stay tuned for more information coming soon. Be part of the picnic planning committee, sponsorships available.





Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 30

9:00am Carol Nagle (Seif)

11:00am SJA

Monday, May 1

8:00am Janos Szigeti (Szigeti)

Tuesday, May 2

9:00am Ginger Sirino (Sirino)

Wednesday, May 3

No Mass

Thursday, May 4

8:00 Margaret Schmidt (Gleason)

Friday, May 5

8:00 Pat Hagan (Novak-Varley)

Saturday, May 6

4:30 Mary Clare Porter (Nimeth)

Sunday, May 7

9:00 SJA

11:00 Rob & Kris Rodgers
(Catholic Community
Center)

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): Thursdays at 6:30pm, September - May. Contact **Deacon Jeff at 440-376-9177**

Home Visitation Ministry

Do you know someone in the parish who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist? The Home Visitation Ministry teams brings the Eucharist to the sick and the homebound on a regular basis. These visits afford the opportunity for prayer and social visitation.

Please contact Jan Nally at 440-840-5087 or the parish office to arrange for our teams to visit.



We'll be rockin' around the clock at the Annual SJA Princess Dance



Little Ladies...

Rock your poodle skirts & Pink Lady jackets

Gentlemen...

Sport your leather jackets & blue suede shoes

&

Join us for a fun filled evening...

Saturday, May 20th 6pm-9pm

Olsavsky Center at SJA

Catered by Augies

Purchase your tickets today...

\$25 a couple, \$5 for each additional daughter,
cost not to exceed \$35 includes 10 raffle basket tickets per daughter.

Make check payable to SJA PTO

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First & last names of those attending:

#____Dad/StepDad/Grandpa/Uncle/Friend & #____Daughter(s)

RSVP by returning this flyer & a check to the school office on or before Friday, May 12th

Food Pantry Collection in the Narthex

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 your support!

Food Pantry Thursday

There will be a car in the SJA parking lot this Thursday, May 4th from 10-11am for you to drop off items.

- Bread-Eggs-
- Snacks-
- Laundry Detergent-
- Dishwashing Liquid-



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

Eucharistic Ministers- Help Needed

Are you a Eucharistic Minister? Volunteers are needed to bring Holy Communion to Hillcrest Hospital. Our volunteers are back and safely ministering to our patients. We welcome you to join them . Training is provided. **Proof of Covid vaccination is required.**

Contact Christine Young at 440-312-3739 for more information.

Weekly Collection

4/22-4/23

Collection: \$7,688.78
Online: \$3,276.69

Thank You for your continued support!



Are you Spring Cleaning? Want to donate furniture/household items?

Please consider giving HUMBLE DESIGNS a call (844-486-2533). They are located at 29001 Solon Rd., Suite Q1, Solon, OH 44139.

They have a not-for-profit warehouse in Solon which collects and furnishes household items for homes in the Cleveland area that have been assigned to a previously homeless family. Drop off donations Tuesday and Thursday from 10-2. They will send a truck to pick up big items. **Questions call Jane Zilly, 216-402-8912.**



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**, email **dinah627@windstream.net**

To schedule a Baptism, please contact the Rectory Office at 440-247-7183

Coffee & Donuts

Donuts are back. After 9:00 and 11:00am Mass. Please stop by the Parish Hall after Mass and enjoy connecting with your fellow parishioners!



Electronic Giving

Please contact our Parish office at 440-247-7183.
Ask for Kelly Kearney.

Thank You for your generosity!



Moms, Pops & Tots

Weekly play groups will meet on Mondays throughout the school year at 9am-10am in the Olsavsky Center - School Gym.

Any Questions please contact Kelly Rohr at 614-477-4032.



Now that we are in the season of Spring and Mother's Day if you wish to contribute to our Mother's Day Flower/Liturgy fund we appreciate your generosity in remembering those special people in your life.





St. Joan of Arc School is thrilled to announce that we have received the preliminary totals from the Angel Scholarship Fund donations. **There were 107 donations totaling \$118,450!** 100% of these donations will be used for student tuition scholarships in the 2023-2024 school year.

Thank you! We are overwhelmingly grateful to each individual and family who took advantage of this tax credit, while also supporting our school. More specifically, this would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of the ROMEO Club. These gentlemen offered to take on this brand new program. They were determined to obtain as many donations as possible in order to support the students and families of St. Joan of Arc. Our school is blessed to have parishioners who recognize the value (and expense) of a Catholic education. Thanks to the generosity of so many, more families will be able to afford a St. Joan of Arc education for their children.

The Angel Scholarship Fund has already begun collecting donations for tax year 2023. There is an option for a monthly recurring gift or a one-time gift. For more information, please go to: <https://www.catholiccommunity.org/angel-scholarship-fund/overview>

"Here's to Our Health"

Now that we are in the month of April, we are nearing the end of cold & flu season. And Covid is not done with us, yet. If you are sick or feeling ill, please take appropriate precautions so you don't spread "the bugs" around. It is more prudent to stay at home rather than coming to church when one is sick. Missing church, if you are sick, is not a sin. As a matter of fact, not spreading the germs is an act of kindness! For your convenience SJA will continue to make masks available on a table as you enter the Church.

Thank you. Stay well, warm, and faithful.

Office of Faith Formation

MAY THE PEACE OF THE RISEN LORD BE WITH YOU THROUGHOUT
THIS EASTER SEASON!!

FIRST EUCHARIST

Practice for all First Communicants will be this Wednesday, May 3, from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Church. This practice is for all children regardless of which Mass you will be attending for First Communion.



First Communion is the weekend of May 6-7. Please keep our 2nd graders in your prayers as they continue to prepare for this blessed sacrament!

PSR

APRIL CLASSES:

Grade 7: Sunday, 4/30

MAY CLASSES:

Grades K-6: Mondays: 5/1, 5/8

Grade 7: Sunday: 5/7



Registrations are now available for PSR Classes for school year 2023/2024. Of note: Two years of sacramental prep are mandatory for First Communion (grades 1 and 2) and Confirmation (grades 7 and 8).

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Vacation Bible Camp is in the works and the planning has begun! Join us for a STELLAR week where our children will learn to "Shine Jesus' Light".

VBC will be June 19-23 from 9am-noon for ages 4 through 6th grade. Ages 4 and those entering kindergarten in the Fall will be enrolled in our preschool program and those entering grades 1-4 in the Fall will be enrolled in our elementary program. Students entering grades 5 and 6 in the Fall will be enrolled in our Adventure Crew! Students entering grades 7 and above can sign up as volunteer crew leaders and aides. **Adults are needed too! Keep watching for registrations to open soon!**





Save the Date!



Our annual Rummage Sale will be taking place July 26-30. Donation drop-off will be July 22-23 **ONLY**. Contact Allie Gall at agall@stjoanofarc.org or 440-247-4316 with any questions.

From the Desk of Millie Prebel:

Eucharistic Adoration is coming back! Mark your calendars for each Thursday preceding First Friday from 6:30-8:30pm. If you have already signed up with Paulina at the Ministry fair you will be getting an email with details soon. If you would like to be included in the Adoration team please contact **Paulina Rudmann** pmlikozar@windstream.net



An Evening of Hope "With great love comes great loss"

Everyone who has lost a loved one understands the depths of this loss. Join us for an evening of uplifting songs, stories and inspiration from the treasury of our faith. **Watch the bulletin for details coming soon.**

THE YEAR OF PARISH REVIVAL launches June 11, 2023 – July 17, 2024 in the three year plan of the National Eucharistic Revival. The second phase will foster Eucharistic devotion at the parish level, strengthening our liturgical life through faithful celebration of the Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, missions, resources, preaching, and organic movements of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic faith. If you would like to be a part of this movement we are putting together a Eucharistic Revival Parish Team. **Please prayerfully consider joining us.** Contact Millie Prebel mprebel@stjoanofarc.org or 440-247-7183 ext. 127

Adoration returns to St. Joan of Arc May 4th 7-9pm. We are in the process of forming an adoration team. If you would like to be a part of it please contact **Millie Prebel** at mprebel@stjoanofarcparish.org or 440-247-7183



