



# St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

February 25, 2024—Second Sunday of Lent



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.  
- Mk 9:7-8

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## 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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### 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-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 Peace as we celebrate the Second Sunday of Lent. The gospel this weekend is the Transfiguration of Jesus on the Mountain. A "transfiguration gospel" is proclaimed each year on Lent's Second Sunday. One author said maybe we need a glimpse of light, hope, and goodness early on our Lenten journey! Let's allow God's light to shine through us the way it did with Jesus on the mountain!

Here is a note for most of the masses I celebrate this year in Lent and Easter. I will generally use "Form B" of the Penitential Act at the beginning of each mass.

"Form A" is the Confiteor, or "I confess to almighty God..." Most of us know that pretty well.

We are probably most familiar with "Form C" where we use three invocations, each of which is followed with "Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, and Lord, have mercy." This is the one generally used when a Deacon assists at mass.

"Form B" is not often used as often as the others, although it is quite beautiful. We acknowledge our need for God's mercy in that we have sinned. We call on God who is full of mercy and grants us the gift of salvation!

**The "Form B" Penitential Act is a brief dialogue between the priest and the people, based on Baruch 3/2 and Psalm 85/8(7).**

**The "Form B" Penitential Act is**

**Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord.**

**People: For we have sinned against you.**

**Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.**

**People: And grant us your salvation.**

The Order of Mass calls for one version of the Penitential Act to be used at mass, at the discretion of the celebrant – although the "Sprinkling Rite" may be used at certain times. The Penitential Act might conclude with the prayer, "May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life."

Throughout our Diocese, parishes will offer an "Evening of Confessions" this week on Wednesday, February 28th. The sacrament reminds us of God's mercy and healing. Here at St. Joan of Arc, I will be available for confessions from 6:00 PM until about 7:15 PM in church. I will also have some information about the sacrament in the Gathering Area on that evening. Moreover, confessions are offered here at St. Joan on most Saturdays throughout the year. Generally, confessions are on Saturdays at 3:30 PM until all are heard. And in the seasons of Advent and Lent confessions are heard on Saturdays from 3:15 PM until 4:00 PM – except Holy Saturday, which is March 30th this year. Most parishes offer the sacrament regularly as well. In addition, another opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation is at seasonal "Communal Penance Services." Locally, Resurrection in Solon has a Communal Penance on Wednesday March 6th at 7:00 PM and St Rita in Solon will offer a Communal Penance Service on Tuesday March 19th at 6:30 PM. Lent is a good season to take advantage of this sacrament of God's love, mercy, and healing!

We also know that time is moving quickly! We will soon begin the month of March! And very soon Daylight saving time will begin for 2024 – on Sunday, March 10th at 2 AM local time, when our clocks will go ahead one hour, part of the twice-annual time change that affects most of us in the USA. We will "Spin our Clocks Ahead one hour" – spring forward. This is a sure sign of the coming of the Season of Spring, although we often get a some good snowfalls in March into April. And we got a good dose of snow last weekend!

May God bless you and those you love. Have a great week and Holy Lent.

**Blessings and Peace.**

**Fr. Gary**



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:00am SJA

11:00am Robert Ockuly (Ockuly)

### Monday, February 26

8:00am Diane M. Kiffner ( Kiffner)

### Tuesday, February 27

9:00am Marian Horschler Family  
( SJA)

### Wednesday, February 28

No Mass

### Thursday, February 29

8:00am Lou & Nina Repasky  
(Mingione)

### Friday, March 1

8:00am Mary Hunt ( Clark)

### Saturday, March 2

4:30pm Ginger Cirino ( Cirino)

### Sunday, March 3

9:00am Joan & Jack Kimieck  
( Gleason

11:00am SJA

## 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.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction at St. Joan of Arc: Will be the Thursday before the First Friday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Any questions please contact Paulina Rudmann, (440) 724-1468



### Baptism Class

The Sacrament of Baptism is a very special time where we receive into the Church 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 Zoom. **To sign up or get further information on the classes or with questions on Baptism at St. Joan of Arc, call Diana at 440-552-1046 or email [dinah627@windstream.net](mailto:dinah627@windstream.net)**



### From the Desk of Jon Thibo

This Lent we will be singing the responses from the Mass of Mercy by composer Lori True. It is not available in either of our hymnals, but if you would like a copy with the notation and lyrics, please see me before or after any Mass. Thanks, Jon Thibo



### SJA Keys for Kids Annual Auction



St. Joan of Arc School invites all parishioners to our upcoming annual auction. This year's theme is "Keys for the Kids" on March 23rd, 6:00pm, at the Tanglewood Club where funds will be raised for the recess revival project.

It will surely be a fun and engaging evening of dueling pianos, station style dinner at your pleasure, bidding on amazing auction items and connecting with the SJA community.

**Tickets and sponsorships are available now: <https://givebutter.com/c/YHHvxl>**

## FREEDOM *through* FORGIVENESS

Retreat Day

Led by: John Smith

**Saturday, March 23**  
**9AM - 1PM**

RSVP required at  
[www.trilogy.center/retreats](http://www.trilogy.center/retreats)

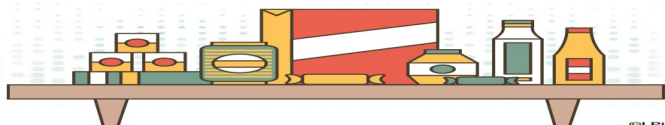
**\$40**  
lunch included





## FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION IN THE NARTHEX

Please bring your non-perishable food donations (canned vegetables, fruits, spaghetti sauce, soup, 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, February 29th from 10:00am-11:00am for you to drop off items.

**-Butter-Milk-Eggs-**

**-Rice-Oatmeal-**

**-Onions-**



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

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

**2/17-2/18**

Collection: **\$ 6,478.67**

Online:

**2/17-2/18 \$ 4,117.00**

**Thank You for your continued support!**

**SECOND SUNDAY VESPERS WILL  
RETURN SUNDAY MARCH 10TH.**



If you are 70 1/2 years of age or older, you are able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help St. Joan of Arc Parish and reduce your taxable income. Talk to your financial advisor and IRA Administrator for more information and to be sure that your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift made is directly from an IRA to St Joan of Arc.

**Year End Parish Donation Statements have been mailed and you should have already received yours in the mail.**

**If you have not and need a copy. Please contact the Parish Office at 440-247-7183.**

## From the Desk of Millie Prebel



**RCIA** This past Sunday we attended the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion Service with our RCIA candidates at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Please continue to pray for our candidates as we journey with them toward their full initiation into the Catholic Church. (Not Pictured Matthew Hoffert).

**Soup and Stations** continue Friday evenings this Lent season. The stations are a beautiful way to reflect on the Passion of Christ and the supper offer fellowship and time for reflection... and delicious soups! Make time to attend one or two this Lent! Stations begin at 6:30 with Soup Suppers directly following.

### **Lenten Book Study The Liturgy: The Source and Summit of our Christian Life.**

It's not too late to join us. We are offering an online option given the uncertainty of Northeast Ohio Weather. Contact Millie Prebel to sign up. Next Session is March 4th  
[\*\*mprebel@stjoanofarc.org\*\*](mailto:mprebel@stjoanofarc.org)

### **Calling all men!!**

**The Northeast Ohio Catholic Men's Fellowship** is offering their annual conference Saturday March 2, 2024 8am breakfast – Bishop Woost will be speaking at 3 pm and Celebrating Mass at 4 pm. One of the Featured speakers is Fr. Thomas Blau who has been here for a few of our parish missions. Outstanding speakers insightfully addressing men's issues ~ An opportunity to re-energize your spiritual life ~ Help jump start your relationship with our brother, Jesus Christ ~ A unique opportunity to bond and share with other Christian men. Find more info and Register here





## SJA SCHOOL NEWS

### SJA Night @ CLE Cavaliers - 3/20

An open invitation to all families of St. Joan Of Arc Parish for the Cavaliers vs Miami Heat game on March 20, 2024, at 7:00 PM! We will have designated sections reserved for families of SJA, and we hope to see as many of you there as possible! The children of the first 25 families that purchase tickets through **THIS QR CODE ONLY** (see below) will have the opportunity to high-five the players on the Cavaliers court! Call 440-247-6530 with any questions.



### Register NOW for Kindergarten Visit Day - 3/20



St. Joan of Arc School invites incoming Kindergarteners to see what it is like to be an SJA Crusader! Use the QR code to register for either the morning or afternoon session. Questions? Call the school office at 440-247-6530.



*The Difference  
Faith Makes*

At St. Joan of Arc we believe in the difference faith makes in teaching the whole child to learn, lead, and live in a safe environment where each student is free to explore their ideas while growing closer to God.

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## Office of Faith Formation

### **CONFIRMATION**

Our **St. Joan of Arc Confirmation Class of 2024 celebrated Spirit Retreat Day Saturday, February 24.** This was a day for reflection, self-examination, sharing, and fun in anticipation of their Confirmation in March. Thank you to our facilitator Adam Lesko, our youth minister Allie Gall, table leaders and Sr. Theresa for facilitating and organizing a faith-filled day for our teens.

Also, thank you to four of our neighboring priests and Fr. Gary who celebrated the sacrament of Reconciliation with the teens at the retreat. An additional thank you to sponsors and parents for journeying and guiding the teens, as well as our SJA parishioner Prayer Partners who have kept their teen partner in their prayers. The Holy Spirit was truly at work touching the hearts and souls of our youth to prepare for their Confirmation in March.

Thank you also to our St. Joan of Arc Parish community for keeping our youth in your prayers. We are so proud of you, teens!



### **FIRST COMMUNION**

A parent meeting for parents of students making their First Communion in May 2024 will be held on Thursday, February 29, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please attend to receive important information regarding Jesus Day and First Communion.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS/SOUP SUPPER

Our Parish School of Religion is hosting Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 1 at 6:30pm. PSR children in Grades K-12 are invited to participate in Stations of the Cross. We will visit the classes and take the names of children who would like to take part and parents will be contacted. Parents are invited to make a meatless soup for the soup supper following stations of the cross. See your newsletter that was emailed with the sign-up genius link. Thank you!

### PSR

#### FEBRUARY CLASSES:

Grade 7: February 25

Grades K-6: February 26

#### MARCH CLASSES:

Grade 8: March 3

Grade 7: March 3, 10, 17

Grades K-6: March 4, 18



### CLW

Children in grades K-3 may participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 11:00 am Mass. Thank you to the volunteers who teach God's Word to our youth in an age-appropriate and engaging way.



## VACATION BIBLE CAMP

**SAVE THE DATE!** Vacation Bible Camp will be June 17-21, 2024. I am in need of a co-director. **If you are interested in helping plan this super-fun week with me, please contact Mary Vincenti at [mvincenti@stjoanofarc.org](mailto:mvincenti@stjoanofarc.org) or call (440) 247-3606.** More specific information on the Camp to follow in the coming weeks.

