



ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 5, 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.

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 Peace.

Greetings of Peace this first weekend in February. Lent begins in a few weeks. It happens that the coldest and snowiest month of the year – January – has passed us by! Amen. We have had some snow each month and it was quite cold around Christmas. However, the weather has not been too bad this winter – at least yet!

We just concluded “Catholic Schools Week.” Last Sunday, January 30, we had an “Open House” for our Parish Day School. Our parish school is a gem. For those who would like, feel free to reach out to our school to arrange a tour of our nationally recognized Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and see what a St. Joan of Arc Catholic School education is all about. We especially welcome prospective students! And “thank you” to our day school Principal Mrs. Stacie Webster, Barb in our school office, and all of our faculty, staff, aides, and support personnel.

Again, I offer a reminder. In a couple of weeks our parish – along with all the parishes in our diocese – will participate in the Annual in-pew Catholic Charities Appeal the weekend of February 18-19. The outreach services of Catholic Charities are needed now more than ever. Catholic Charities in our diocese recently said, “Our hearts are filled with joy and gratitude for all you do to help Catholic Charities serve over 425,000 people in need each year. We are excited to present you with our new ‘theme’ for 2023, ‘A Time to Heal. A Time to Help.’” The diocese and Bishop Edward C. Malesic are gearing up for this year’s appeal. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

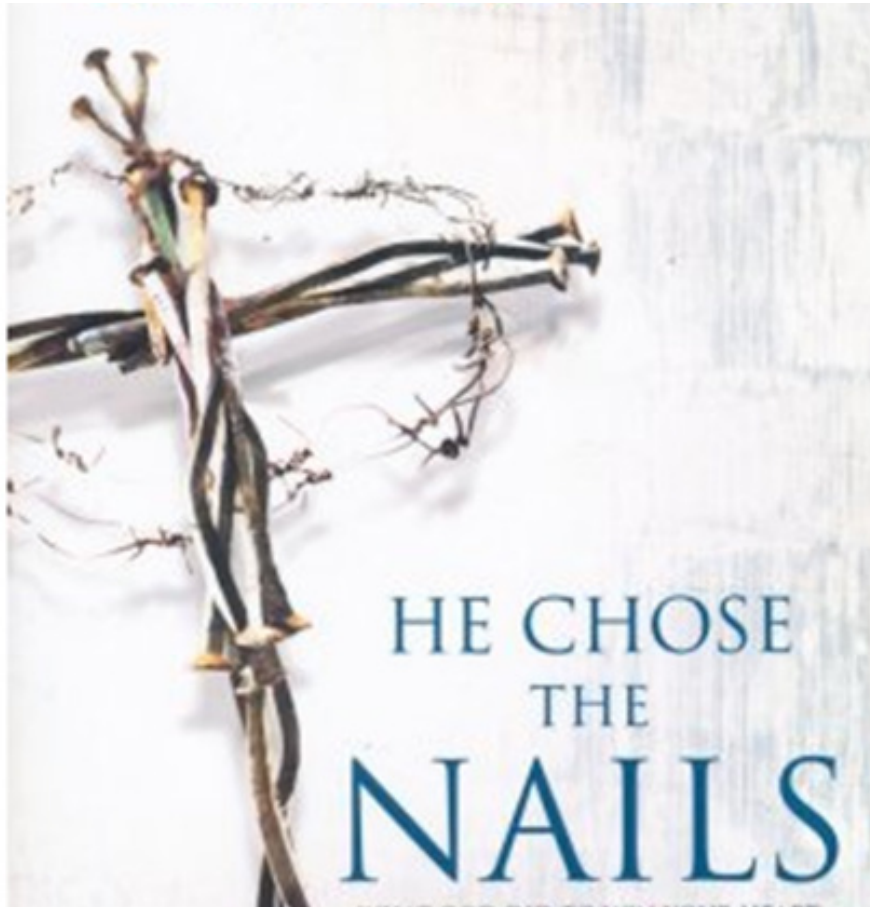
Here is some news from our neighbors in Solon! St. Rita Parish generally hosts a one-day Pre Cana Day annually in the spring. The 2023 date is Saturday, March 11, 2023 from 9:30 AM to 6:30 PM. This one-day Pre Cana satisfies Diocesan requirements for couples who wish to be married in the church (as part of the “marriage prep” couples do by working with their priest or parish pastoral minister). The day includes a continental breakfast, lunch buffet, and plated dinner. Registration is required; the cost is \$85 per couple. For more information please call Dave or Natalie Fogata at 773-574-7422 or email StRitaPreCana@gmail.com.

And remember, Valentine’s Day is not too far away!

Have a great week.
Blessings and Peace,

Fr. Gary





LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

**The message is not just giving something up, but
receiving special gifts from God this Lent!**

We will watch a 15 min. DVD together and discuss the book each week

Thursdays 8:30 AM - 10 AM 2/23 - 3/23

Rectory Basement

Book and study guide cost \$15 (to SJA office)

To register mpvalencic@gmail.com

Deadline: 2/14



Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 5

9:00am Marlene Lowe
11:00am SJA

Monday, February 6

8:00am Margaret Schmidt
(Gleason)

Tuesday, February 7

9:00am Jim Fitzpatrick (Rule)

Wednesday, February 8

No Mass

Thursday, February 9

8:00am David Deiamo
(Women's Guild)

Friday, February 10

8:00am SJA Faculty

Saturday, February 11

4:30 Teri Szucs (Yoe)

Sunday, February 12

9:00 SJA
11:00 Dave York (Gleason)

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.



Office of Faith Formation

Congratulations to all our 2nd graders who made their First Reconciliation these past two weeks! May you continue to feel refreshed and renewed by the Lord's forgiveness each time you receive this sacrament in the future!

Thank you, parents, for passing on the Catholic faith to your children and bringing them to this sacrament. Thank you, Fr. Gary, Fr. Behrend, Fr. Dragga, Fr. Shemuga, who helped celebrate this sacrament with our children and to Mr. Jon Thibo who provided beautiful music throughout the evenings. Thank you to our catechists and teachers, Tony Colini, Laura Crotty, and Bobbie Trew and aides, Anita Fratantonio and Sophie Perzynski who helped prepare the children so well!

CONFIRMATION

ALL CANDIDATES:

Spirit Retreat Day, Saturday, February 25, 10am-5:30pm

Reminder: Service hours forms are due at/before the retreat so get those service projects done and the form signed by a supervisor before February 25!! PSR

FEBRUARY CLASSES:

Grades K-6: February 6th and 13th (no class 2/20 or 2/27)

Grade 7: February 5th and 26th (no class 2/12 or 2/19)

Grade 8: February 5th (no class 2/12, 2/19, or 2/26)

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

As you plan and book your summer vacations do not forget to **SAVE THE DATE for this year's VBC, June 19-23 from 9am-12pm.** Stay tuned for our theme reveal.....!



From the desk of Millie Prebel:

Mark your calendars for our Lent Parish Mission with Fr. Tom Blau.

Sunday February 26, 5:30-7:30 Dinner and the opening of the mission

Monday February 27, 6:30-7:30 Light refreshments

Tuesday February 28th, 6:30-7:30 Light refreshments

Child care will be provided
Details coming soon, stay tuned.

Lent Soup Suppers and Stations of the Cross are back!

February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31.
Stations begin at 6:30 with Soup Supper to follow in the Parish Hall.

If your ministry would like to donate your service and host an evening please contact Paulina Rudman. Thank You!
pmlikoazar@gmail.com

Peace and blessings,
Millie Prebel



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!



Eucharistic Ministers- Help Needed

Are you a Eucharistic Minister? Volunteers are needed to bring Holy Communion to the 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.



Food Pantry Thursday

There will be a car in the SJA parking lot this Thursday, February 9th from 10-11am for you to drop off items.

- Oil-
- Oatmeal-Bread-
- Pancake Mix (add water only)-
- Fruit-Cheese-

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



Weekly Collection

1/28 - 1/29

Collection: **\$7,751.78**

Online: **\$5,878.69**

Thank You for your continued support!

CELEBRITY BARTENDING NIGHT

Please join us for a night of conversation, food, drinks and laughter.

Come see your favorite Saint Joan of Arc personalities pouring drinks throughout the night!

Thursday, February 9th, 2023
5:30-8:00pm

at Ponyboys

All Cash Tips go to the PTO!



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

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. 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

We are currently processing our parishioner's statements of itemized donations to our Church & School for calendar year 2022. You should be receiving them in the next 7-10 days.

Thank you for your generosity to our Church and School!



Coffee & Donuts

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



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.





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 February, we are in the midst of cold & flu season. Medical professionals indicate cases are becoming more prevalent. And Covid is not done with us, yet. RSV is becoming more prevalent. 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.





The Book of the Apocalypse: A 'New' and uplifting 'Old Reading'

A new approach to the Book of Revelation looks back to the oldest interpretation we have, and discovers there a fresh reading. Surprisingly comforting and challenging at the same time, it displays a much more Christian sense of love and mercy than people often think.

Here's the key: everything in the Book of Revelation has already happened, is happening now, and will happen in the future.

Come and explore this ancient understanding on five Monday evenings: **Feb. 6 at 7 PM. in the Parish Hall.** Talks will be given by Rev. Gerald J. Bednar, Ph.D, former associate pastor at SJA., and last 60 minutes with time for discussion at the end of each lecture. The final session will feature live input from the Australian author of the new commentary, Rev. Francis Moloney, SDB.

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