



# St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

February 9, 2025 –Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. - Lk 5:10-11

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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 already approach mid-February.



This Sunday, February 9, is the "Big Game" in the NFL. Once again Cleveland is not represented this year. As a matter of fact, Cleveland has never been to the game! Our mantra in the CLE is "There is always next year!" For the game, I hope "your team" wins!



We celebrate Valentine's Day this week on Friday. Let us take some time to be grateful for those we love – and for those who love and care for us. Valentine's Day can be a chance to let them know of our love and care for them! This is a great gift. And let's thank God for the Love of Christ which we will celebrate in a special way in the coming seasons of Lent and Easter. FYI – Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5 this year.



The 2025 Catholic Charities Appeal will take place next weekend in our parish and in parishes throughout our Diocese. We can make a difference and realize the good work done by Catholic Charities in our area in the Diocese. This year's appeal theme is "Make me a channel of your peace." Your generous support will bring peace to the lives of others, to offer dignity, possibilities, and companionship to those who are most vulnerable.

Our in-pew commitment process will take place next weekend, February 15-16, 2025. All who have not received the mailing from Bishop Malesic or have not had a chance to respond to it will be asked to consider making a generous pledge or gift to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond generously to it. There is no need to fill out an envelope this year stating you have already given.

We will share the message from Bishop Malesic with some stories of inspiration and more information about this year's appeal. More information can also be found at [CatholicCommunity.org/2025Appeal](https://CatholicCommunity.org/2025Appeal).

And so we say Thank you in advance for your support of the Catholic Charities Appeal in the Diocese of Cleveland. Last year our parish exceeded the goal the Diocese set for us – and this year's goal is \$196,000. Your generosity continues the integral work of Catholic Charities throughout Northeast Ohio, providing help and creating hope for the most vulnerable of our neighbors. Thank you again for your part in transforming nearly 400,000 lives!

As I shared, above, this week is Valentine's Day. Yes, you, the good people of St. Joan of Arc, are a blessing to me. Please know of my authentic care and concern for you and that you are in my heart and in my prayers. Happy Valentine's Day!

Have a great week.

Blessings and peace,

Fr. Gary



## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

**9:00am Bette Lewis Remington  
(Gustavson)**

**11:00am Frank Stanovich  
(Anderson)**

**Monday, February 10**

**8:00am Sandy & Bruce Bartter  
(Florkiewicz)**

**Tuesday, February 11**

**9:00am Marjorie Nally  
(McGinnis)**

**Wednesday, February 12**

**8:00am No Mass**

**Thursday, February 13**

**8:00am Martin Eich (Nally)**

**Friday, February 14**

**8:00am Frances Grutza  
(Christopher)**

**Saturday, February 15**

**4:30pm Mardi Tomko (SJA  
Ladies Guild)**

**Sunday, February 16**

**9:00am Cynthia Elswick  
(DiStaulo)**

**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.

### **SESSIONS IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA)**

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

## **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.



### **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 their 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 SJA, call Diana at 440-552-1046 or email at [dianag@stjoanofarc.org](mailto:dianag@stjoanofarc.org)



### **DAILY ROSARY—ST. JOAN OF ARC AVILAS**

Please join us to pray the Rosary, Weekdays following the 8:00am Mass in the Chapel.

The St. Joan of Arc AVILAS, an organization of men and women, joined together under the patronage of St. Theresa of Avila, praying for religious vocations, meet on the Second Friday of each month. Member's attend the 8:00am Mass, followed by the Recitation of the Rosary and praying the Avila prayers for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

**For more information, contact Matthew "Mickey" O'Hearn at 440-338-5914 or [mohearniii@gmail.com](mailto:mohearniii@gmail.com)**

## Notes from Jon Thibo



We are welcoming new members with the start of the New Year 2025. If you are interested in Handbell Choir-Monday from 7-9, Adult Choir-Tuesday from 7-9, and Children's Choir Tuesday from 4-5 p.m. Handbell Ringers who can read music would be helpful, but not necessary. Please feel free to email me if you have any questions. Jon Thibo, Director of Music Ministry [jthibo@stjoanofarc.org](mailto:jthibo@stjoanofarc.org).

## In the Mail...



Our parishioner's statements of itemized donations to our Church & School for calendar year 2024 have been mailed. You should be receiving your statement this week. If you do not please contact the Parish office.

Thank you for your generosity to our Church and School. !



## **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!**



## **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**WEEKEND COLLECTION S 2/1-2/2**

**Collection: \$ 14,288.00**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION ONLINE : 1/27-1/31**

**Collection: \$ 5,570.00**

**Thank You for your continued support!**

## **FOOD PANTRY THURSDAY**

**There will be a car in the SJA parking lot  
Thursday, February 13, 2025 from 10:00-  
11:00am**

**-Butter-Milk-**

**-Hot Dogs-Hot Dog Buns-**

**-Apples-**



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



## **HOME VISITATION MINISTRY**

**Do you know of someone in the parish who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist? The Home Visitation Ministry teams bring 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

## **PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION**

### **FEBRUARY PSR CLASSES:**

Grades K-6: Mondays, February 10, 24

Grade 7: Sundays, February 9, 23

Grade 8: Sunday, February 9



## **CONFIRMATION**

If you are a prayer partner with a Confirmation candidate, please send us your letter to your prayer partner. You can drop it off or send it via email to the Office of Faith Formation, drop it off at the rectory office, or send it in regular mail. Your teen will receive your letter at their Spirit Day Retreat. Thank you for being such an important part of your teen's preparation for this sacrament.

Spirit Retreat Day is Saturday, February 22, 2025, from 10:00 am concluding with Mass at 4:30pm. This retreat is mandatory for the candidates to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Please remind sponsors of their participation in part of the retreat also. Information was in their sponsor packet and reminders with details will be emailed.



## **FIRST COMMUNION**

A parent meeting will be held Thursday, February 27 at 7pm in the Parish Hall for all parents of First Communion candidates. At least one parent needs to attend. Children do not need to attend. We will address all aspects relating to this year's candidates' First Communion, including Jesus Day.



## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Children's Liturgy of the Word for children is held during the 11:00 Mass each Sunday for those children in grades K-3. If you would like to volunteer to help with this important ministry, please contact Mary Vincenti in the Office of Faith Formation at 440-247-3606. Or email

[mvincenti@stjoanofarcchurch.org](mailto:mvincenti@stjoanofarcchurch.org)



# SAVE THE DATE !! SJA VACATION BIBLE CAMP!



JUNE 16-20, 2025

9AM-12PM

AGES 4yo-6TH GRADE



## Thank you letters to our parish for "Giving Tree" gifts

Our parish has received "thank you" letters from some of the organizations that we supported with the "Giving Tree" this past Christmas. I wanted to share with you the words of gratitude that were included in these letters.

**From Zelig's Home...**"Your sponsorship of a mom and her children made the holidays truly special...more than gifts you provided hope, love and the reassurance that they are not alone".

**From West Side Catholic Center...**"you helped us fulfill Christmas wish lists for 79 families through our adopt-a-family program...you gifted 802 of our dear friends with warm new clothes and hygiene products to get them through the winter months...we are in awe of your kindness, grateful for your support and look forward to 2025 knowing we will thrive with this blessed community that surrounds us".

**From Chagrin Falls Park Community Center...**your Christmas gift cards valued at \$3,100 and January donations to the food pantry valued at over \$1,000 for our families is greatly appreciated".

We are a parish filled with a generous spirit. Along with me and our "Giving Tree" committee, we would like to extend our deep gratitude for all that you do to make the world a better place.

Jane Zilly

## Second Sunday Vespers

POSTPONED TILL MARCH  
HAPPY SUPERBOWL

March 9, 2025, 6:30 PM.

We look forward to seeing you as our program continues to grow. We are encouraging all to invite (or better yet, bring a friend and/or neighbor) to enjoy praying in community with the Prayer of the Church Worldwide and hearing a speaker on current topics in our lives.

Our "Ted Talk" speaker will be Mr. Greg Coogan, the new Director of the Secretariat of Catechetical Formation & Parish Life.

With many Blessings, the Second Sunday  
Vespers Team.

# 10 Day Marian Pilgrimage!

AUGUST 11 - 20, 2025

*Lourdes, Fatima, and more!*

Join parishioners from around the Diocese of Cleveland on a life-changing pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France!

Book at [Lpjp.org](http://Lpjp.org)

**PRICE: \$4,900**

ALL INCLUSIVE (EXCEPT LUNCHES)

Enrollment fee - \$400 (Payable on booking)

50% due - MARCH 10, 2025

**Full balance due - MAY 10, 2025**



Fr. Damian Ference



Sr. Jane Nesmith &  
Hortensia De Jesús