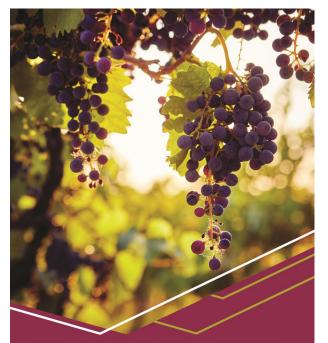


St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

January 19, 2025–Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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.

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.

Parish Information

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Parish Staff

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From the Pastor

Greetings of Peace in "mid-January." Our weather has been snowy and cold and I hope you are staying warm and well.



We are approaching "Catholic Schools Week" and we will have an "Open House" for our Parish Day School after the 11 AM mass next Sunday January 26. Our parish day school is a gem. Feel free to come to our Open House if you are interested in seeing what a St. Joan of Arc Catholic School

education is all about – or reach out to our school to arrange a tour of our nationally recognized Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. 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.



In our Diocese, Bishop Edward Malesic has written his first pastoral letter as the Bishop of Cleveland with the title, "A Flourishing Apostolic *Church."* In his pastoral letter the bishop calls the faithful of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland to pray, celebrate the sacraments, and serve. The bishop writes:

"My Dearest Brothers and Sisters of the Diocese of Cleveland,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! I am writing... my first pastoral letter... It has been over four years since I was appointed by Pope Francis to be the Bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland, and the time is right for me to share with you where I think the Holy Spirit is calling us as a diocese, a local Church. The goal of this letter is to provide you with a resource for reflection, that you might be drawn more deeply into prayer and a more intimate relationship with Jesus. This letter is composed of four sections, and they build on each other, like St. Paul's letters. The first three sections remind us of who we are and whose we are, and the final section articulates specific strategies to boldly follow the call of the Holy Spirit as sons and daughters of the Father..." The Bishop's Pastoral Letter and a video about his letter can be found on the diocesan website and at this link <u>https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/a-flourishing-apostolic-church/overview.</u>

Moreover, we have recently begun a "Jubilee Year." Pope Francis' *Bull of Indiction* for the Jubilee year was called "Spes non confundit" (Hope does not disappoint). The pope proclaimed 2025 as a Jubilee year, something that normally takes place every 25 years in the church. This Jubilee Year of Hope calls us to direct our hearts and minds toward God, who always fulfills his promise. "Our hope in God is based on the witness of those who saw a dead man being buried – Jesus – (who is) alive again three days later. He lives." The Jubilee Year will continue throughout this year and will conclude in early January 2026.

As we walk forward in faith together, may we sow seeds of hope in our families and our communities. On the Jubilee Year, Bishop Malesic recently said, "May we be courageous in living our Catholic faith for our hope in Jesus will not disappoint. And although we seek heaven in our future, let's not forget about the present. We must be leaven in our world, light in its darkness right now, and we are responsible to bring a bit of heaven to the world in which we live today. Be ambassadors of Jesus in a world that needs him, even if it doesn't always realize its need." He added, "Bring his hope to others."

More will be shared about the "Jubilee Year" and Bishop Malesic's pastoral letter in coming weeks and months.

Have a great week. You are in my heart and in my prayers.

Blessings & Peace,

Fr. Gary

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

9:00am Dennis Pfouts (Zamiska)

11:00am Margaret & Michael Yoe (Yoe)

Monday, January 20

8:00am Ginger Cirino (Cirino)

Tuesday, January 21

9:00am Ivan Abramovic (SJA PTO)

(SUAFIU)

Wednesday, January 22

8:00am No Mass

Thursday, January 23 8:00am Greg Myles (Gleason)

Friday, January 24

8:00am Otto & Marie Rusch (Rusch)

Saturday, January 25

4:30pm Jack Wareham (Schorgl)

Sunday, January 26

9:00am Mary Hunt & SJA Parish (SJA Parish)

11:00am Eugen Wagner (Turdick)

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

EUCHARISTIC 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

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

¹ 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

OTHER SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

SCIENCE FAIR JUDGES NEEDED!

When: Saturday, January 25th Time: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm Where: St. Joan of Arc School 498 E. Washington Street Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Our middle school students have been working on their projects since October, seeking approval, gathering data, and testing their theories. Volunteer judges are now needed. Breakfast provided!

https://form.jotform.com/SJAADMIN/science-fair-2025-judges-form

Interested? Details? Contact: Mr. Joseph Nieves jnieves@stjoanofarc.org



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 Thursday, January 23, 2025 from 10:00-11:00am

-Flour-Syrup-

-Laundry Detergent-

-Liquid Hand Soap-



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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

WEEKEND COLLECTION S 1/11-1/12

Collection:\$ 8,257.00New Year Collection :\$ 2,296.00

WEEKLY COLLECTION ONLINE : 1/6-1/10 \$ 4,245.00

Thank you for your continued support!



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

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Parents of First Reconciliation Candidates: "Letters" were due to your child's teacher by Friday, January 10, 2025. Please turn them in asap if you haven't already. See your handout from the parent meeting for details. First Reconciliation (Last name A-K) January 29, 7pm First Reconciliation (Last name L-Z) February 5, 7pm

FIRST COMMUNION

A parent meeting regarding this year's First Communion sacraments this May will be held Thursday, February 27 at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Children do not need to attend. We will address all aspects relating to this year's candidates' First Communion, including Jesus Day.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

JANUARY PSR CLASSES: Grades K-6: Monday, January 27 High School: Sunday, January 19

FEBRUARY PSR CLASSES: Grades K-6: Mondays, February 3, 10, 24 Grade 7: Sundays, February 2, 9, 23 Grade 8: Sundays, February 2, 9

CONFIRMATION

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.

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





Liturgy







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.





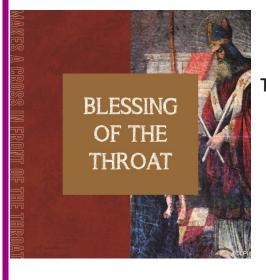
We will be mailing our parishioners their statement of itemized donations to our Church & School for calendar year 2024. We plan to begin sending these out the 4th week of January 2025 so please be patient as we close-out our year!

Thank you for your generosity to our Church and School!

Candlemas Day



Forty days after Christmas, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, or Candlemas Day. This year it falls on a Sunday, February 2nd. The Church blesses the candles that will be used throughout the year. If you have candles that you want blessed, Father Gary will bless the candles at masses the weekend of February 1-2.



St. Blaise Day

The Feast Day of St. Blaise is on February 3rd. The Church recalls a miracle cure that was associated with him and celebrates the blessing of the throats with candles. Throats will be blessed at the 8:00am Mass on Monday, February 3rd.

Parish Calendars for 2025

2025 Parish Calendars are available in the church Gathering Area and the parish office. We say " Thank You" to the St. John Funeral Home in Bainbridge and Bedford for providing our annual calendars.



SJA DIAPER DRIVE TO BENEFIT BIRTHRIGHT GEAUGA AND LOCAL MOMS/DADS AND THEIR BABIES

Our drive will benefit Birthright Geauga who provides essential services to moms and families in need. Birthright's mission is to offer not only practical assistance but also emotional and spiritual support, fostering an environment where mothers and families feel valued and cherished.

Please bring your donations on the collection weekends indicated below when you come to Mass and place them in the Playpen in the Gathering Area.

THESE ARE THE NEEDED ITEMS:

DIAPERS SIZES 5-7 PULL-UP SIZES 3-4, 4-5 AND 5-6 MONETARY DONATIONS



COLLECTION WEEKENDS/AFTER EACH MASS:

JANUARY 18-19, JANUARY 25-26, FEBRUARY 1-2

TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH THE DIAPER DRIVE, PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS DI STAULO AT CDISTAULO78@GMAIL.COM.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!