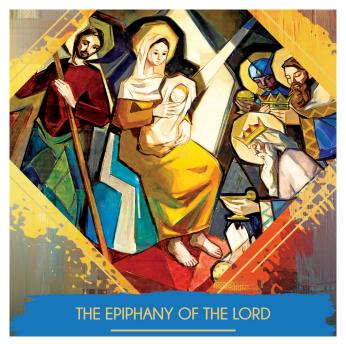


ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Epiphany of the Lord - January 8, 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 Christmas Peace.

This weekend we celebrate Epiphany. The Magi followed the star and found our Lord! They offered gifts and did Him homage. We can do the same. Seek the Lord. Discover His love. Give Him the gift of your life. Worship Him - the one who truly deserves our praise! On the Feast of Epiphany, it is customary for people to bless their homes. For those wishing to bless their homes this Epiphany prayer can be used. If you wish to mark your doorpost, a piece of chalk is needed.

BLESSING OF THE HOME AND HOUSEHOLD ON EPIPHANY

All make the sign of the cross, and the Leader begins: Peace be with this house and with all who live here. Blessed be the name of the Lord. All respond: Now and forever.

The Leader introduces the blessing:

Wise
Men
Still
Seek Him During these days of the Christmas season, we keep this feast of the Epiphany celebrating the manifestation of Christ to the Magi, to John in the River of Jordan, and to the disciples at the wedding of Cana. Today Christ is manifested to us! Today this home is a holy place!

The Scripture is read by a family member:

From the Holy Gospel according to John: (John 1/1-2, 14) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God. All things came to be through Him and without Him nothing came to be. And the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us, and we saw His glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. The Gospel of the Lord. All respond: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Leader continues:

Let us pray:

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed Your only begotten Son to every notion by the guidance of a star.

Bless this house and all who inhabit it.

Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All respond: Amen.

The Leader or a family member marks the doorway of the house with chalk with the year and the initials of the names attributed to the three Magi,

Caspar, Melchior and Balthassar:

20 + C + M + B + 23 (indicating the current year)

They presented him with gifts of Gold, and Frankincense, and Myrrh. (Mt. 2/11)

I will be on vacation this week (Gone Fishin') and will return late Saturday night January 14,2023. And since I am away this week there will not be "daily mass" at SJA. The neighboring priests will respond, as they are able, to any funerals or emergencies that may come up in my absence. Thank you Fathers! Our parish ministerial staff will also strive to be of help and service.

Noel, Happy New Year, and Blessings & Peace,

Fr. Gary





Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 8 9:00am John Rath (Gleason) 11:00am SJA

Monday, January 9 8:00am No Mass

Tuesday, January 10 9:00am No Mass

Wednesday, January 11
No Mass

Thursday, January 12 8:00am No Mass

Friday, January 13 8:00am No Mass

Saturday, January 14 4:30 Anthony Giordano (Zeleznik)

Sunday, January 15 9:00 SJA 11:00 George Koons (Koons)

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

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JANUARY CLASSES:

Grades K-6; January 9, 23, 30 Grades 7-8; January 8, 22

High School; January 8, 15, 22, 29

CONFIRMATION

Session #5: Thursday, January 12,

6:30pm-8:00pm

FIRST RECONCILIATION

"Letters" due to your child's teacher by Friday, January 13 First Reconciliation (Last name A-L) January 25, 7pm First Reconciliation (Last name M-Z) February 1, 7pm

Parents, please watch your email for more detailed information on all the above events.

Happy New Year!!



From the desk of Millie Prebel:

We have a few exciting events coming soon!

Join us for the second presentation in the Healthy Discipleship Series coming in late January. Our presenter will be Millie Prebel, certified Spiritual Director and Lay Ecclesial Minister and also a plant based chef. We will explore what it looks like to be a healthy disciple for the Lord mind, body and spirit. **Details coming soon.**

We hope you are enjoying your gift from the parish, Holy Moments, a Handbook for the Rest of your Life by Matthew Kelly. We will be doing a one evening follow up book study to share and discuss the fruits of its message. Stay tuned for date and time. Coming early February.



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, January 12th from 10-11am for you to drop off items.



-Butter-Oil--Apples-Oranges--Kielbasa--Frozen Vegetables-

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 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.



Weekly Collection

12/24-12/25

Collection: \$33,724.00 Online: \$3,533.00

Thank You for your continued support!

Thank You!

The Women's Guild would like to Thank everyone who participated in our Christmas Giving Cookies Tea. Special thanks to Gerry Koprowski who prepared and donated the food for our tea. The food was fabulous! We loved singing the Christmas Carols. Thanks to Bonnie Andre and to Kathy and Dan who were our musicians.

Sister Kathleen Ryan spoke about the needs of the Inner City of Cleveland. The best part was packaging up all of the cookies that Our parishioners donated. Sister Kathleen was very thankful of the generosity of our Parish.

Many thanks to everyone, and Blessings to you all in the New Year.



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**

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



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. PAT'S HUNGER CENTER COORDINATOR NEEDED

St. Joan of Arc, partnering with Holy Angels, cooks and serves an evening meal at St. Pat's, 3603 Bridge Ave., Cleveland, four times a year. It is always the fourth Tuesday of months with five Tuesday's. St. Joan's and Holy Angels coordinators alternate shopping and providing the food so you would only have to be in charge twice each year.

We are currently serving meals for 100 people. Volunteers meet at St. Pat's around 3:00 to begin preparing the food, we begin serving at 5:00 and finish cleaning up around 6:45.

Please consider this position.

Contact Connie Eddy at CEddy543@aol.com for information. Thank you!

We will be mailing our parishioners their statement of itemized donations to our Church & School for calendar year 2022. We plan to begin sending these out around the third week of January 2023, so please be patient as we close-out our year!

Thank you for your generosity to our Church and School!



The St. Joan of Arc Avilas are back and still 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, member 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.

Please join us January, 13, 2023. Thank you Mother Mary!

For Information contact, Matthew "Mickey" O'Hearn at 440-338-5914 or mohearniii@gmail.com



"Here's to Our Health"

Now that we are in the month of January, 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. Plus, 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 have masks available on a table as you enter the Church. Thank you. Stay well, warm, and faithful.

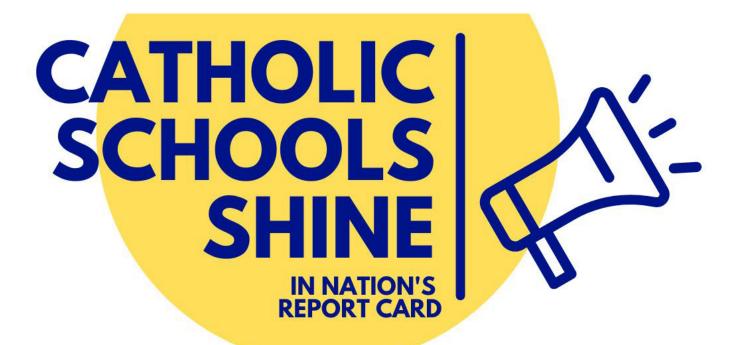


The Book of the Apocalypse: A 'New' and uplifting 'Old Reading'

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: **January 9** and **January 16, 23, 30, and 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.



Follow the link to read the full article and see how Catholic Schools in our diocese maintained student learning despite the pandemic.



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