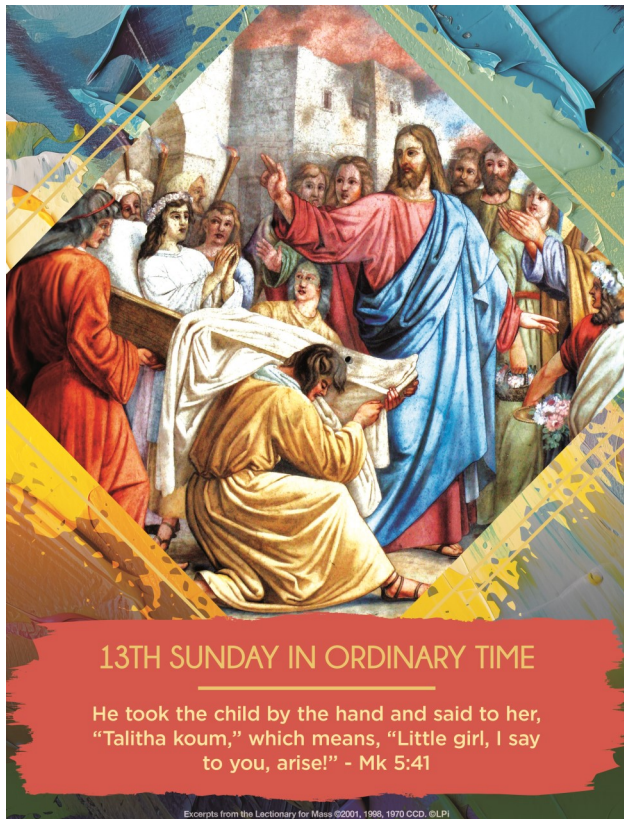




St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

June 30, 2024— Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha kum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" - Mk 5:41

Excerpts from the Lectorian for Mass (2001, 1998, 1970 CCO, ©LPI)

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.

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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.

Looking ahead, Thursday of this week is July 4 – Independence Day. On Thursday July 4 our parish morning mass will be celebrated at 9 AM. *And thank you for remembering our Tuesday morning mass is celebrated at 8 AM in the “summer months.”*

Since we celebrate July 4 this week, here are some “reflections” on July 4 – back by popular demand! Many of the ideas and facts, below, are adapted from National Geographic and Janes R Heintze. <http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2010/07/100704-4th-of-july-facts-nation-july-4-fourth/> and <https://icalendars.net/holidays/independence-day>

The U.S. national holiday has been celebrated on every continent, notes James R. Heintze, retired librarian at American University and author of The 4th of July Encyclopedia. “In 1934 Richard Byrd was in Antarctica at his base ‘Little America’,” Heintze said. “Byrd and his men set off fireworks in a storm when the temperature was actually quite warm for them, 33 degrees below zero.”



Such July 4th festivities are as old as the United States itself.

In 1778, while George Washington celebrated the 4th of July with his troops in Princeton, New Jersey; Benjamin Franklin was in Paris, throwing a party for Americans and some French people who were supporters of America.

Some 4th of July traditions are timeless. “Parades, speeches, music, public readings of the Declaration of Independence--those were started in the days after the declaration was adopted and continue today,” writes Heintze

Fireworks, first authorized by Congress for 4th of July, 1777, are another legacy. In our times, it is estimated that more than 14,000 displays of fireworks light up U.S. skies each July 4th.

Nineteenth-century Independence Days featured noisy artillery salutes, as explosives left over from various wars were fired all day during the 4th of July. The practice faded as cannons aged and fell into disrepair.

Meanwhile, new traditions have arisen--many of which would have surely stumped the Founding Fathers--like Hot Dog Eating contests!

John Adams said to his wife, Abigail, about America's independence, "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary festival..."

It turns out that when the Declaration of Independence was taken to the printer on July 4th, he printed that date on the top.

Americans have celebrated the 4th of July ever since 1776, though it officially declared a federal holiday in 1941.

Regarding July 4th, John Adams's Independence Day vision remains "on the mark" more than two centuries later. Adams is credited with saying, "It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews (Shows), Games, Sports...Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more."

Have a great week and a wonderful holiday. Blessings and Peace.

Fr. Gary

Employment Opportunity – Pastoral Minister

Here at St. Joan of Arc Parish in Chagrin Falls we are looking for a part-time Pastoral Minister to serve the varied spiritual and pastoral needs of the parish. Some ministries include funeral and bereavement planning, support and guidance in spiritual development in the parish, facilitating communion to the homebound and those in nursing homes, serve as liaison with parish groups, RCIA, serve as Virtus coordinator in the parish, lead wedding rehearsals, and other roles. Flexible work hours to accommodate the parish and the various ministry involvements. Please send resume/vitae and cover letter to **HR@stjoanofarc.org** by July 10, 2024.

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

9:00am SJA

11:00am Dawn Scheetz (SJA Parish)

Monday, July 1

8:00am James Clark (Bomback)

Tuesday, July 2

8:00am James Clark (Women's Guild)

Wednesday, July 3

No Mass

Thursday, July 4

9:00am Jams Clark (Rickelman)

Friday, July 5

8:00am John Karliak (Bacho)

Saturday, July 6

4:30pm Mary Tighe (Moriarty)

Sunday, July 7

9:00am David Rickelman (Rickelman)

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





UPCOMING EVENTS AT SJA

Parish Festival

Sunday, September 8, 2024

After 11:00 Mass



Garden of Life Clean-up Day

The Garden of Life is a beautiful treasure for all to enjoy! Our mid-summer clean-up day will be Friday July 12th at 9:00am. We will be weeding, deadheading and watering. If you have a child or teen that needs volunteer hours this is a great opportunity - or come garden as a summer family project!

For more information call Samantha Taylor (440) 715-5108.



Handbell Choir

We are happy to have our Handbell Choir at 11:00 a.m. Mass July 7 along with some guest ringers. We really need to add about 3-5 additional ringers for next fall. If you are high school age or older, we would welcome you! **See Jon Thibo after Mass for more information.**

Reception for Millie Prebel

We express our thanks for Mrs. Millie Prebel, our Parish Pastoral Minister

Millie began serving here at St. Joan of Arc as our Pastoral Minister over 2 years ago.

She is a wonderful! It happens that "Life tugs us in different directions" and Millie has discerned that she will be moving on from her role here at SJA at the end of the month.

We will have a reception for Millie after 11:00am mass on Sunday, June 30 in our parish hall. All are welcome to express our thanks to Millie for her good work in our parish and wish her the best. You are in our prayers.

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

6/22-6/23

Collection: \$ 5,910.67

Online: \$ 3,162.00

Thank You for your continued support!



FOOD PANTRY THURSDAY

There will be a car in the SJA parking lot this Thursday, July 11th from 10:00am-11:00am for you to drop off items.

*****There will not be a food collection in the parking lot on the 4th. It will resume on July 11th. *****

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

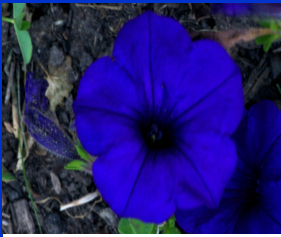
HOME VISITATION MINISTRY

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.



From the Desk of Millie Prebel:



There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens. And what a season we have had!

We've done so much these past two years from Missions to prayer vigils, weddings, funerals, outings, Easter Vigils, even a Mary-thon. It's been a tremendously full time.

I'd like to share a few events that stand out to me. One had massive attendance and the other minimal. A reminder that it's not always how many, but who shows up.

We held an event called an Evening of Hope. It was a bereavement program but something different. Instead of going over the typical stages of grief we wanted to share what God tells us about death and life. I asked several people who navigated through a loss with grace and new purpose to speak after our prayer service. We had the program prepared, the speakers arranged and were anticipating good attendance. And then the skies opened, and it poured.

Attendance in a quantitative view was light but let me tell you what happened. There was a couple there that night that I had never seen before. After a few shared stories someone asked why they came.

We lost our 14-year-old daughter during Covid, and we have not stepped foot in this church since her funeral they shared. We listened and offered encouragement to come back to this community.

In who we are and what we do, they sought our help, our hope. I am convinced to this day that evening was for them.

The other that stands out to me was a prayer vigil many of you were there.

I found out a parishioner had suffered a brain hemorrhage, and her condition was dire. I prayed for pastoral wisdom and after consulting with a priest friend of theirs, he encouraged me to offer a Holy Hour. As many of you know the church was packed, so many people showed up to offer prayer and to support this family. It was a beautiful witness of who we are. Many in attendance that evening commented on feeling the real presence of the Holy Spirit that night. The family was overwhelmed with the support, but more importantly the prayers worked. Praise be to God!

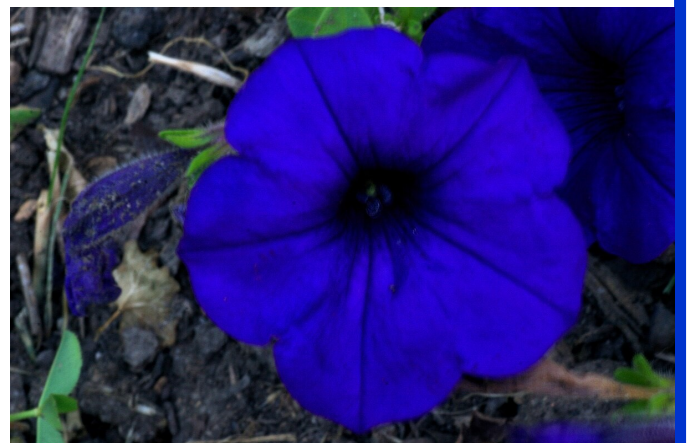
We, the church, offer hope in our presence and prayers, our stories, our encouragement and empathy. A willingness to accompany another in rough times and to be there to celebrate the victories. We have done much of that in my time here and I couldn't be prouder to have been a small part of it.

This work will continue long after I'm gone, for I know the good work that the Lord has begun in you will come to fulfillment.

It has been my honor to serve with you. I will continue to keep you all in my prayers and am excited to see what's next.

Pax,

Millie Prebel



RUMMAGE

Volunteers

What We Need

Teen and adult volunteers for set-up and help during the sale. Teens get service hours for their time volunteering. **Shifts available every day from July 20-29.**



Register to volunteer here!



How to Sign Up

Use the QR code on the right to sign up for a shift or two!

Need More Information?

Visit our parish website!
www.stjoanofarcchurch.org/RummageSale.aspx



THANK YOU

All proceeds go directly to the St. Joan of Arc Youth Ministry program and the Women's Guild.



CONTACT

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LOCATION

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church
Olsavsky Center (School Gym)
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RUMMAGE

Donations

Donation Days

Saturday, July 20
9am-5pm
Sunday, July 21
9am-5pm

Fill your car and drive up! Volunteers will unload your car for you. No donation pickup available.

See the Rummage Sale table or the Parish website for information on accepted donations and donation restrictions.



Sale Dates

Preview Night

Wednesday, July 24
4pm-7pm
\$10 admission at the door

Normal Sale

Thursday, July 25
10am-5pm
Friday, July 26 10am-5pm

Bag Day

Saturday, July 26
9am-12pm
*Large & Boutique items
50% off, fill a bag for \$5



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OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

Our 2024 Vacation Bible Camp, "Scuba: Diving into Friendship with God" held recently, was a huge success thanks to all the volunteers who made it come to life. Ninety campers ages 4 through 6th grade, 40 teen volunteers and 15+ adults celebrated God's love for us, and the children learned all the ways God is their friend.

Thank you, parents, for sending your children to our camp. Many adult volunteers spent countless hours preparing for the camp. Thank you, Chris Elliott (Adventure Crew Leader), Vicki Brigeman (Pre/K Bible Leader), Anna Vincenti (Decorations Leader) and her decorating team of volunteers who stopped in, for the countless hours you put in helping get the camp ready. Thank you to all the Station Leaders: Laura Kennedy and her tech assistant Molly for teaching the basics of the day in amazing Opening and Closing Sessions. Thank you, Alexandra Scharpf, for leading the preschoolers in Crafts, Allie Gall for leading the Elem Crafts, Megan Vehar for leading the Elem Games, Claire Roush for Leading the Snacks, Evelyn Kennedy for leading Elem Bible Stories, Megan Ritchie for leading the Adventure Crew with Chris Elliott and Missy Gillen for running the tie-dye on Monday. Thank you to Sr. Judy Bucco for leading the God Sightings, and Sr. Theresa for keeping everything running smoothly in the office. Thank you to the 40 teens who were THE BEST group of teens we've had to date. They showed responsibility caring for the children and let their "teen" guard down to let loose and have some fun encouraging the children to have fun also, all while learning about God. To quote Sr. Judy, "This group of teens renewed my faith in the church, because they are the future of our church." Thank you to Industrial Tapes, Inc. in Newbury who donated countless rolls of duct tape, packing tape, bubble wrap, cardboard boxes and sheets of cardboard for our decorations, and to Deacon Denny for his cardboard box contributions and other materials! We couldn't have done it without all of you! Another huge shoutout to the campers and parents for raising \$948.04 for clean water efforts around the world through Catholic Relief Services during our Service Project event during camp. Thank you all!!!

**Thank
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