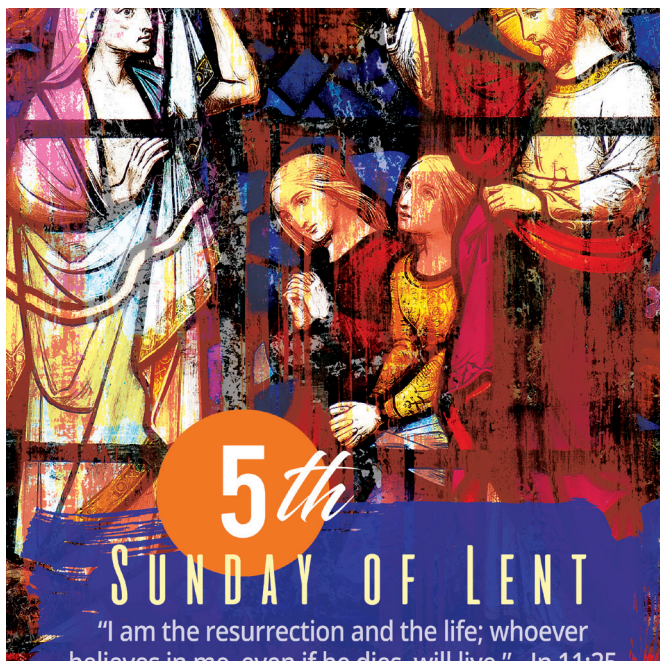




ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 26 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 in late March. Spring began last Monday, March 20. Believe it or not, today (Sunday of this weekend) is March 26. That means Christmas is less than 9 months away! Next weekend, April 1-2, we enter Holy Week with Palm Sunday.

Our parish schedule for Holy Week is:

- Palm Sunday weekend mass: Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday 9 AM & 11 AM
Blessings of Palms at all masses and Palms available in the Gathering Area
- Holy Thursday evening mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 PM
Bring a towel and participate in the foot-washing; Adoration in the chapel until 10 PM
- Good Friday Solemn Passion at 3 PM
- Easter mass: Holy Saturday 8 PM, and Easter Sunday 9 AM & 11 AM

I recently received a memo from the Diocese of Cleveland giving an update on the "Heart of a Shepherd" campaign – in which we, as St. Joan of Arc Parish, participated in the fall of 2021. This was an effort throughout our diocese since 2018. In part, the update I received said, "Years of planning, fundraising, deconstruction and construction – all part of the Heart of a Shepherd Campaign – culminated on Dec. 2, 2022, when Bishop Edward Malesic blessed the newly renovated Saint Mary and Borromeo Seminaries.

"There was a sense of joy in the crowd of about 200 benefactors, seminarians, seminary faculty and staff, pastors, representatives of religious orders and diocesan staff members.

"Investing this much into the seminary lets people know we intend to stay here," Bishop Malesic said. "We form our seminarians to have courage, strength and faith. We want to ensure that they have the best environment to pursue their priestly formation. This is a place where they can form lifetime friends with each other and Jesus." The Bishop also said, "Thank you, also, to our benefactors today. We celebrate the bricks and mortar, but you, dear benefactors, are the living stones of our church," "Father Mark Latcovich, president and rector of the seminaries, and Rick Schultz of St. Mary Parish in Hudson, chair of the Heart of a Shepherd campaign, also spoke. After evening prayer in Sacred Heart Chapel and a reception in the Founders' Room, visitors enjoyed tours of the newly renovated seminary. "The Heart of a Shepherd campaign was an extraordinary endeavor, one that had its share of twists and turns. It began in 2018 as a \$30 million initiative to provide funding for much-needed seminary updates, the priest retirement fund and to help newly ordained priests burdened with student debt. But when the COVID-19 pandemic hit in early 2020, the campaign expanded to help parishes fund their pressing needs. In a show of enormous support, generous donors far exceeded the original goal, raising more than \$52 million with \$12 million of that to support the parishes. "We thought there would be only 4,000 donors, but not in our diocese. There were 13,520 donors," Schultz said. Bishop Malesic credited the late Bishop Anthony Pilla for developing a vision to renovate the facilities. The bishop and Schultz both expressed gratitude to all those who took leadership and support roles in the Heart of a Shepherd campaign."

I say, "Amen." And "Thank you." :-) There is more information about this update to "Heart of a Shepherd" in the church Gathering Area.

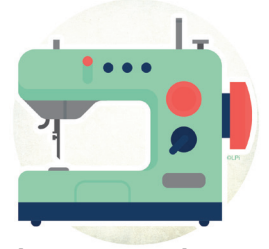
May we strive to do well in this Lenten Season as we approach Holy Week and prepare to celebrate "The Days of our Salvation."

Blessings and Peace.

Fr. Gary



Shawl Ministry



The Shawl Ministry has been busy crocheting and knitting shawls to lend support, love and prayers to the ill, home-bound, the lonely, or anyone who is missing a loved one. Many prayers and blessings are knitted or crocheted into every shawl. If you or someone you know (of any faith) needs a shawl, **please contact Nicole DeMille at 516-428-4206.**

The St Joan of Arc Avilas are back and 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, members attend the 8:00 AM Mass, followed By the Recitation of the Rosary and praying the Avila prayers for vocations to The Priesthood and Religious life.

PLEASE JOIN US ON FRIDAY'S Thank you Mother Mary!
For Information, Contact Matthew "Mickey" O'Hearn, 440-338-5914, or mohearniii@gmail.com



Celebrate with us the 60th Anniversary of St. Joan's Parish



We hope you will be able to come Celebrate with us for lunch the 60th Anniversary of St. Joan's Parish on Thursday, April 27th at Guido's Generation Event Center in Chesterland. The Women's Guild is sponsoring this event. There will be a 50/50 raffle and silent auction. We need silent auction items, and please call Mirta Prior (400-600-2826) if you can donate an item. All monies raised will be given to the Cleveland inner- City Children.

There will be a fun fashion show by the Chagrin Valley Little Theatre. Our Commitee is inviting all past priests and sisters who served at St Joan's during our past 60 years. Also, all men of our Parish are invited to this special occasion!! The lunch begins at 11:00 A.M, and tickets are \$45 (including complimentary wine). **RSVP by Thursday, April 20 to Janeen Frank, 440-338-6441, or mail check to Janeen Frank, 7430 Hunter's Hollow Trail, Novelty, Oh. 44072**

Now is the time to celebrate our 60th Anniversary of our wonderful Parish!! Hope you will join us.





Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 26

9:00am SJA

11:00am Kimberli-Diemert Steinberg
(Kearney)

Monday, March 27

8:00am Margaret Schmidt (Gleason)

Tuesday, March 28

9:00am David Lodge (SJA PT0)

Wednesday, March 29

No Mass

Thursday, March 30

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

Friday, March 31

8:00am Jim Fitzpatrick (Rule)

Saturday, April 1

4:30 David Deioma (Zilly)

Sunday, April 2

9:00 Joe Chismar (Gleason)

11:00 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**

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.



Congratulations to our 2023 Confirmation Class

Katelyn Elizabeth Alexander
Joseph Allotta
Graeme Francis Blair
Sarah Elizabeth Blum
Connor Francis Brackett
Leo Anthony Calabrese
Anna Abigail Cieslak
Dominic Peter Corletzi
Joseph Stephen Damiani
David John Daniels
Aaron Jerome DeMille
Maya Louise Dix
Jane Eve Eibler
Erin Teresa Fitzmaurice
Julia Stella Fox
Stella Julia Fox
Oswald Baldwin Fritz
Madison Natalia Gambatesa
David Steven Grano
Harrison Sebastian Horvath
Michael Carlo Hutchison
Lauren Catherine Kajfasz
Elsbeth Euphemia Khula
Elliot Michael Kler
Garrett Andrew Kostura
Emmaline Mary Laws



Ava Elizabeth Lucas
Presley Catherine Lucas
Peter Ludwig
Abigail Catherine Lynch
Sofia Macias
Michael Daniel McHale
Aedan Sebastian McIvor
Madison Teresa Minich
Kensington Adelaide Mlakar
Sean Richard Morad
Colin William Murphy
Kate Bridgid Murphy
Frankie Patrick Nocente
Will John Paskevich
Sophie Edith Perzynski
Clara Cecilia Ratcliffe
Avery Abigail Russell
Braeden Joseph Ryan
Alison Rita Schmidt
Dominic Gabriel Silla
August James Stromann
Henry Sebastian Stukus
Elizabeth Cecilia Tallman
Autumn Teresa Taylor
Bethany Vitus Vehar
Alaina Christine Woyt
Daniel Nicholas Yuhas



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, March 30th from 10-11am for you to drop off items.

-Eggs-Bacon /Link Sausage-
Jam-Bread-
-Canned Fruit-

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 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 3/18-3/19

Collection: \$ 5,556.39
Online: \$ 2,298.00

Thank You for your continued support!



The Outdoor stations are back!

Join St. Joan of Arc and the Chagrin Valley Council of Churches for the CVCC outdoor stations of the cross.

We will once again gather at the Gazebo at 11:45 April 7th on Good Friday to pray the stations of the cross.

Looking forward to seeing you there!



STATIONS
OF THE CROSS

Peace and Blessings
Millie Prebel



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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



Coffee & Donuts

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

An illustration of several donuts with various toppings like sprinkles, chocolate, and fruit. There is a small '©LPI' watermark on the donuts.

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 814-477-4032.

Healing service at St. Joan of Arc

Started in the spring of 2016, and located on the campus of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Cuyahoga Falls, OH. Peter's shadow is a non-profit ministry that provides healing, deliverance, and evangelization.

Their hope and mission is to bring health and healing to a wounded world through the proclamation of the Gospel, signs and wonders, and miraculous healing.

Please join us for this night of healing March 29th at 6:30 pm.

**Peace and blessings,
Millie Prebel**





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 March, 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.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to our 2023 Confirmation Class! We welcome you as fully initiated members of the Catholic Church! Thank you to Fr. Dan Schlegel and Fr. Gary J. Malin for presiding at the Confirmation Mass and to Jon Thibo and his music ministry members for the beautiful music. Thank you to the parents for bringing this sacrament to your children and raising them in the Catholic faith and to the confirmands for accepting God's call. Thank you, sponsors, who walked with and shared your own faith with the teens in their preparation. Also, thank you to Sr. Theresa, the teachers and catechists who taught them to open their hearts to the joy of being disciples in Christ, and to the SJA prayer partners who faithfully prayed for them along the way. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for your gifts, let us use them well throughout our lives.



PSR

Please return your CRS Rice Bowls to class by Monday, April 3!

APRIL CLASSES:

Grades K-6: Mondays: 4/3, 4/17, 4/24 (no class Monday, 4/10)

Grade 7: Sundays: 4/16, 4/23, 4/30

FIRST EUCHARIST

Jesus Day is Saturday, April 22 from 8:30am – noon. Parent help is still needed. If you did not already sign up, please consider helping with this fun-filled day for the First Communion candidates. Contact the Office of Faith Formation.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS/SOUP SUPPER

Our Parish School of Religion is hosting Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 31. PSR children in Grades K-12 are invited to participate in Stations of the Cross. Parents are invited to make a meatless soup for the soup supper following stations of the cross. See your newsletter that was emailed with the sign-up genius link. Or see below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094cacaf2ba13-psrhosted#/> Thank you!



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 for ages 4 through 6 th grade. 7 th grade and above can sign up as volunteers. Registration forms will be coming later. Join us for a STELLAR week where





The recent train derailment in East Palestine, OH, with toxic chemicals and the aftermath, has caused much concern about the health of the residents there.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in East Palestine and St. Jude Parish in adjacent Columbiana have agreed to accept monetary donations and to distribute them to those in need in that area. For those who wish to offer assistance, donations can be made out to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish and mailed directly to: St. Jude Parish Office 180 7th St. Columbiana, OH 44408

Please continue to pray for the residents of East Palestine.

For questions, please call parishioners Christine DiStaulo (440) 476-2166 or Angie Coyne (216) 402-2627.



