



ST. JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC CHURCH

Second Sunday of Lent - March 5 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.



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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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 as we celebrate the Second Sunday of Lent. The gospel this weekend is the Transfiguration of Jesus on the Mountain. This gospel is proclaimed each year on Lent's Second Sunday. One author said maybe we need a glimpse of light, hope, and goodness early on our Lenten journey! Let's allow God's light to shine through us the way it did with Jesus on the mountain!

Throughout our Diocese, parishes will offer an "Evening of Confessions" this week on Wednesday, March 8. "Healing Begins Here" is the theme this year. Here at St. Joan of Arc, I will be available for confessions from 6 PM until about 7:15 PM in church. I will also have some information about the sacrament in the Gathering Area on that evening. Moreover, confessions are offered here at St. Joan on most Saturdays throughout the year. Generally, confessions are on Saturdays at 3:30 PM until all are heard. And in Advent and Lent confessions are heard on Saturdays from 3:15 PM until 4:00 PM – except Holy Saturday, which is April 8 this year. Other opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be at "Communal Penance Services" in our area. Locally, Resurrection in Solon has a Communal Penance on Wednesday March 15 at 7:00 PM and St Rita in Solon on Tuesday March 21 at 6:30 PM.

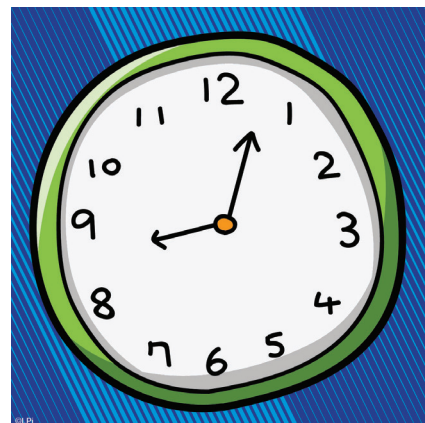
We also know that time is moving quickly! It is already the month of March! And this coming Saturday, March 11, we "Turn our Clocks Ahead one hour" – spring forward – and begin Daylight Savings Time. This is a sure sign of spring, although we often get a good snowfall or two before April! Now that we are in the month of March, Bishop Edward Malesic has issued the following statement regarding numerous requests for dispensation from obligation to abstain from eating meat on St. Patrick's Day, which falls on a Friday in Lent this year. The bishop said, "Throughout the season of Lent we are invited to participate in the opportunity for prayer, fasting and almsgiving in order to deepen our awareness and better appreciate the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made for us on Good Friday. This year, St. Patrick's Day falls on a Friday in Lent, and several have inquired about the possibility of a dispensation from the obligation to abstain from eating meat on Fridays in Lent.

"After prayerful consideration, I am granting this dispensation from the obligation to abstain from meat for those who feel it absolutely necessary to be dispensed in order to celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick. I ask that those who exercise this dispensation and eat meat on the Feast of St. Patrick to select another non-Friday day during Lent to abstain from eating meat or to make some offering on behalf of the poor, whether by prayer, fasting or almsgiving. Be assured of my prayers for all the faithful who continue to strive to imitate the joy of the saints and follow their example with the same seriousness and commitment with which they practiced their faith.

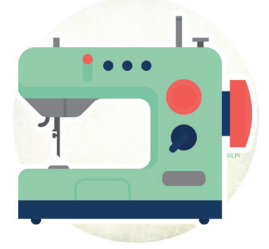
"May God bless you and those you love."

I say, have a great week and Holy Lent. 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 FRIDAY March 10. Thank you Mother Mary!
For Information, Contact Matthew "Mickey" O'Hearn, 440-338-55914, or mohearniii@gmail.com



St. Joan's 60th Anniversary



In Celebration of St. Joan's 60th Anniversary, the Women's Guild would like to invite all women and men parishioners to our Spring luncheon. The lunch will be held at Guido's Party Center in Chesterland on Thursday, April 27th. **SAVE THE DATE!** The Guild is planning a wonderful celebration. We are asking all past priests and sisters of St. Joan of Arc to come!

Our lunch will benefit the children of the inner city of Cleveland. There will be a silent auction held, if you have any items to donate **Please call Mirta 714-878-7147.** Details of this event will be announced soon. Please put this event on your calendar, and we hope to see you there.



Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 5

9:00am Rick Morris (Rice)

11:00am SJA

Monday, March 6

8:00am Nancy Ortmann (Clark)

Tuesday, March 7

9:00am Ginger Sirino (Sirino)

Wednesday, March 8

No Mass

Thursday, March 9

8:00am Charlie Rule (Rule)

Friday, March 10

8:00am SJA Staff & Faculty

Saturday, March 11

4:30 Barbara McIntyre (Pacak)

Sunday, March 12

9:00 SJA

11:00 Marlene Lowe (Brosnan)

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

CONFIRMATION

As a follow up to our Spirit Retreat Day, we are so proud to report that more than half of the candidates in our Confirmation class completed MORE THAN the 10 required service hours as part of their preparation program. The hours of service in total as a class were a whopping 825 hours of service to others/their community this past year! God bless you teens!

Upcoming: Confirmation practice will be Saturday, March 18 from 9:30am-10:45 am in the church for teens and sponsors only. Confirmation is Wednesday, March 22 at 7:00pm.

PSR

MARCH CLASSES:

Grades K-6: Mondays 3/6, 3/13, 3/20

Grade 7: Sundays 3/5, 3/12, 3/19

Grade 8: Sundays 3/5, 3/12

Lenten "little purple" booklets and Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls went home with children in grades K-8. Please ask your child or check their PSR bag for these wonderful resources to enhance your family's Lenten traditions.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Parent help is needed for Jesus Day, April 22 from 8:30am – noon. If you didn't already, parents, please sign up to help with this fun-filled day for the First Communion candidates.

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. We will visit the classes and take names of children who would like to take part and parents will be contacted. 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. 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 our children will learn to "Shine Jesus' Light".



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 9th from 10-11am for you to drop off items.

- Bacon-Chicken-
- Pancake Mix (add water only) -
- Maple Syrup-Milk-

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

2/25 - 2/26

Collection: \$ 7,848.39

Online: \$ TBA

Thank You for your continued support!

From the desk of Millie Prebel:

Stations and soup suppers are back hosted by none other than your SJA ministries. Stations begin at 6:30 with Soup suppers directly following.

Mark your calendars March 10, 17, 24 and 31st. Join us for this SJA tradition!

SJA Parish Mission is back this year with Dominican friar Fr. Thomas Blau originally from Cleveland but now living in Columbus, Ohio. Currently Fr. Thomas is an itinerant preacher in the Diocese of Columbus doing parish missions with his residence at St. Patrick Priory.

Servers are coming back!! Watch the bulletin for details coming soon!



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 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.

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.



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ADVENTURE THAT'S LIGHT
YEARS OF FAITH-BUILDING
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JUNE 19 - 23



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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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Girl Scout Cookie Time

The SJA Girl Scout Troop 71429 will hold it's cookie booth after all Masses on the Weekend of March 11-12.



Support our Troop by buying a box or two of your favorites.



Thank You

The former Handbell Choir of St. Columbkille will be here to ring for 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday March 5.

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