



St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

March 2, 2025 - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit."
- Lk 6:43

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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

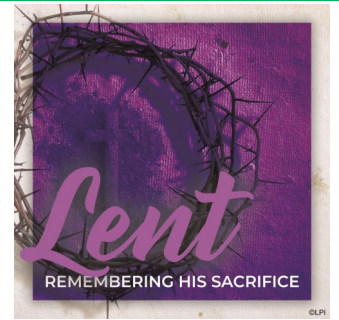
Baptism: Celebrated at most weekend masses or on most Sundays at noon. Contact the Parish Office.

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.

Lent begins this week on Wednesday March 5 – Ash Wednesday. As I asked in a recent column, “Have we considered what act of penance or service we will ‘take on’ during the Lenten Season?” It might be good to reflect now so that when Lent begins we can fully enter into this holy time of year, preparing to celebrate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord. These are the days of our salvation.

As we prepare for Lent here is a “review” of the “rules” the church asks us to follow in this holy season.

--Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are Days of both Fast and Abstinence.

--The Fridays in Lent are days of Abstinence.

--Fasting means, “one full meal, two other light meals” – and together, the “lighter meals” are not equivalent to the one main meal

--Abstinence means “no meat”

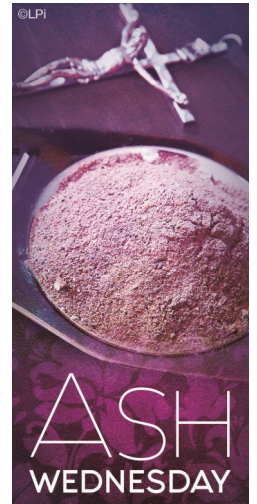
--Catholics 14 years old and older are to Abstain from meat on the Fridays in Lent and on Ash Wednesday

--Fasting is asked of Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 (on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday)

It is also prudent to remember there are cases and circumstances that excuse one from the obligations of Fast and/or Abstinence. “Excused” are those who are “outside the age limits,” those who may be physically or mentally ill – including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses – such as diabetes – are “exempt” from the “rules.” Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women or others with physical needs, those who “exercise manual labor for a living,” and such alike. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and no one should jeopardize their health by Fasting.

Here is our parish schedule for Ash Wednesday, March 5.

- Distribution of Ashes will take place at parish masses at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.
- We will also have a Prayer Service "with Ashes" at 12 noon.



All are welcome to participate as we enter into Lent.



Also, in the Lenten Season we will have "Stations of the Cross" in church on Fridays at 6:30 PM followed by a simple meatless soup supper. All are welcome.

Stations
OF THE **CROSS**



Looking ahead to Saturday night, March 8, 2025 – we will "spin our clocks" forward one hour as we begin daylight savings time. (Actually we turn our clock ahead one hour on Sunday March 8 at 2:00 AM. I like to turn my clocks and watches on Saturday!) It is interesting to see those who may have forgotten to turn their clocks and when they arrive at church on Sunday! So, here's a reminder that we will "spin our clocks" ahead one hour this coming weekend, March 8- 9. The old adage says, "Spring Forward!"

Have a good week and a great beginning of Lent. You are in my heart and in my prayers.

Blessings and peace,

Fr. Gary

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

**9:00am John Joseph, Tracy Sr.
& Theresa Tracy (Miller)**

11:00am SJA

Monday, March 3

8:00am Charlie Rule (Rule)

Tuesday, March 4

**9:00am Jim Spidle
(Florkowicz)**

Wednesday, March 5

**9:00am Mary Ann Blakeley
(SJA)**

**12:00pm Prayer Service with
Ashes**

7:00pm Mass

Thursday, March 6

8:00am No Mass

Friday, March 7

**8:00am Linda Pasquale
(Bosley)**

Saturday, March 8

4:30pm Anne Shutack (Yoe)

Sunday, March 9

9:00am SJA

**11:00am Mary Ann Kovalski
(Poch/Waligura)**

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

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.



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 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

A stained glass window design with a central white circle and a yellow chalice below it. The background is filled with various colored triangles and polygons in shades of yellow, pink, purple, green, and blue. The entire design is enclosed in a blue border.

DAY OF
***Eucharistic
Adoration***

*Thursday, March 6
8am-8pm in Church*

*All are welcome! Come spend
time in prayer and worship in
the presence of Christ*

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

WEEKEND COLLECTION S 2/22-2/23
Collection: \$ 10,069.00

WEEKLY COLLECTION ONLINE : 2/17-2/21
Collection: \$ 3,406.00

Thank You for your continued support!

FOOD PANTRY THURSDAY

**There will be a car in the SJA parking lot
Thursday, March 6, 2025 from 10:00-11:00am**

- Butter-Flour-**
- Pancake mix-Syrup-**
- Oranges-**
- Chicken-**



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



HOME VISITATION MINISTRY

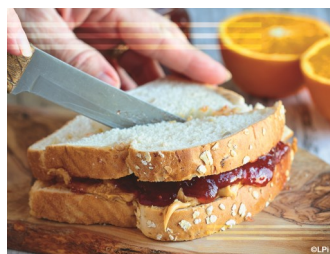
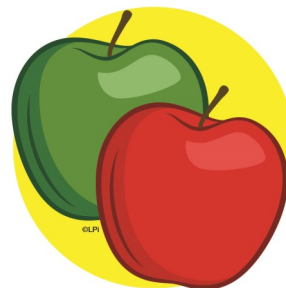
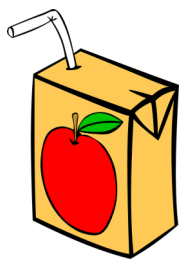
Do you know of someone in the parish who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist? The Home Visitation Ministry teams bring the Eucharist to the sick and the homebound on a regular basis. These visits afford the opportunity for prayer and social visitation.

Please contact Jan Nally at 440-840-5087 or the parish office to arrange for our teams to visit.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Mrs. Onder's 7th grade PSR class continued learning about the Eucharist. With the help of the grace of the Sacrament of the Eucharist, we serve others in Jesus. After the lesson, students prepared a meal for the children of an after-school program at Chagrin Falls Park Community Center. They made peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, and constructed snack robots out of juice boxes, applesauce, raisins, & Smarties. Their service is appreciated!



Office of Faith Formation continue

MARCH PSR CLASSES:

Grades K-6: Mondays, March 10, 17

Grade 7: Sundays, March 2, 9, 16

Grade 8: Sunday, March 2



VIRTUS TRAINING

Any adult anticipating volunteering in parish in activities with children is required by the Diocese of Cleveland to participate in Virtus Training. There will be a training session here at St. Joan of Arc on March 24 from 5:30pm-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. We are blessed to have these sessions close here at our parish! Register for a session at virtusonline.org

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

SJA Vacation Bible Camp.....



St. Patrick's Hunger Center



St. Joan of Arc will be cooking and serving meals on Tuesday, March 4th at St. Patrick's Hunger Center (3603 Bridge Ave., Cleveland). We start cooking at 3PM and usually finish cleaning up by 7PM. Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering. No experience necessary!

We also need homemade cookies to serve with dinner. If you would like to donate, please let us know and drop cookies off in the Parish Hall (kitchen) on the morning of the 4th. Also, please put your name / address on your containers if you would like them to be returned.

For more information, please call Tim & Jacquie Cogan at 440-725-4602 or email tcogan82@gmail.com St. Patrick's Hunger Center



Lenten Parish Mission

Parish Mission - here at St. Joan of Arc
Mark your calendars for April 6 - April 8
Sunday, Monday and Tuesday 7-8 PM

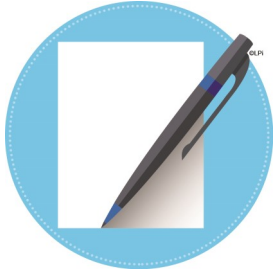
Fr. Damian Ferrence will speak on the following topics:

Sunday: GOD & CREATION

Monday: SIN & REDEMPTION

Tuesday: SACRAMENTS & MISSION

SJA Women's Guild Upcoming Events



Attention ALL registered women of the Parish; did you know you're an automatic member of the SJA Women's Guild? You are invited to attend our monthly Monday meetings in Parish the hall at 10AM. Come and share your ideas and talents. **Next meeting is March 10 at 10AM**



SAVE THE DATE: The SJA Women's Guild will hold its annual and very popular Spring Luncheon/Fashion Show on May 1st (Thursday) at the Chagrin Valley Athletic Club. Mark your calendars and invite a friend! **Questions: Contact Jackie Rohr at 440-773-5120 or Mirta Prior at 714-878-7147. More details to follow.**

Lenten Soup Supper

Join us for Stations of the Cross during Lent. Stations start at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.

After the Wednesday morning Bible study group will be providing a soup supper with macaroni and cheese, bread, and drinks in the Church Hall.

All are welcome.

